

KINGDOM MINISTRY

FOR UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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"Filled with the holy spirit and . . . speaking the word of God with boldness."—Acts 4:31.

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Be Trained by Discipline for Yielding Fruit

¹ As we have learned from the Bible, all of us need discipline if we are to produce the two kinds of fruitage God requires of Christians. So we appreciate God's discipline, his training, since it will enable us to bring forth the fruitage of the spirit, also Kingdom fruitage, as we keep busy preaching the good news.

² Certainly before any of us can aid others to bear this fruitage, we must help them to get free from Great Babylon. To help us to do this, Jehovah has blessed us with a wonderful instrument—the eye-opening book "*Babylon the Great Has Fallen!*" *God's Kingdom Rules!* Since we know that divine doom awaits all who continue captive to Great Babylon, we realize that this work of liberation is urgent. So how glad we are to have the *Babylon* book and the opportunity to use it now in our ministry!

³ You will be happy to know that the Society has received quite a number of warm letters of appreciation for the *Babylon* book, even from persons who are not regularly associated with Jehovah's organization. They have not found the material in the *Babylon* book beyond their ability to grasp but have been delighted by its stimulating verse-by-verse discussion of prophecies in Isaiah, Jeremiah, Daniel and Revelation. So you can feel confident about offering it to the people at the door, knowing that it is something from which they will be able to benefit personally. It can help them to act now, to flee from Babylon the Great for their lives.

Self-Discipline to Bear More Fruitage

⁴ As we help liberate others with the *Babylon* book, we want to put forth earnest effort to be trained by discipline ourselves. You can show self-discipline, for example, by being on time Sunday morning at the service center. And if you are the one in charge, start the meeting for service on time. It should not last more than fifteen

minutes. Then we can all proceed immediately to the field so we can get the most accomplished.

⁵ You can show discipline, too, by sticking to your schedule, which will enable you to spend at least two and a half hours each week in the field ministry. The weekend is not the only time for service. Many publishers include midweek witnessing in their schedule, perhaps working as a group. If you have done this in your congregation during April, why not keep on doing it?

⁶ And as you seek to be trained by discipline, do not forget to train the new ones who started in April. You can help them with the simplified sermon for the *Babylon* book or with a magazine presentation. With encouragement, they, too,

can become productive ministers.

⁷ If you keep in mind the goal of aiding others to praise Jehovah, then whenever you place the *Babylon* book, you will leave a booklet and try to start a study—perhaps in the *Look!* booklet. Since Bible studies are the ideal way to train others to bring forth the two kinds of spiritual fruitage, Bible study servants should put forth special efforts this month to go with publishers who do not have studies and help them to start studies. Also, pioneers and capable publishers should be called on to assist others.

⁸ So a great work of liberation is before us; let us share in it fully. Jehovah will bless us for our being trained by discipline to yield fruit.

Response for Vacation Pioneering—Excellent!

¹ The Society would like to commend the nearly 12,000 publishers who submitted applications for vacation pioneer service during March. Last March the number who submitted applications was a little over 9,000.

² It is most gratifying to see such fine response. It indicates that many more of you see the need for

ful," "Vacation pioneering has increased my appreciation for the truth"? We encourage all of you to give serious and prayerful consideration to serving at least once each year as a vacation pioneer. You will be glad you did, and say, as one sister did, "I have experienced many blessings as never before in my life. Please extend my vacation pioneer service."

³ While the month of April will be over by the time you receive this *Kingdom Ministry*, any who can are invited to extend their period of vacation pioneer service. A letter setting forth the additional period you would like to vacation pioneer is all that is necessary. We also invite you to consider joining the regular pioneer ranks. Ask your congregation committee, or your circuit servant when he visits your congregation, for help to arrange your schedule. Refer to the *Kingdom Ministry* supplement for December, 1962, on "How to Become a Pioneer" and plan to be a regular pioneer soon!

OFFER FOR MAY

"*Babylon the Great Has Fallen!*" *God's Kingdom Rules!*" and a booklet, for 75c.

THEME FOR MAY

Trained by Discipline for Yielding Fruit.—Heb. 12:11.

giving more attention to Kingdom interests. This is certain to bring forth blessings in many ways. Why not be numbered among the increasing crowd of vacation pioneers and recipients of many benefits who say: "Vacation pioneering has meant much to our family," "I did not know it was so wonder-



"Whom Jehovah loves he disciplines."



Your Service Meetings

SECOND MEETING IN MAY

- 5 min: Introduction, text and comments.
 12 min: Theocratic News, Announcements and "An Exposé."
 18 min: Question-and-answer discussion of main article.
 15 min: Presenting the Good News—discuss and demonstrate points.
 10 min: Concluding comments. (Include "What Happened Here in March?" and "Response for Vacation Pioneering—Excellent!" also briefly comment on slogan, based on Hebrews 12:6, at bottom of page 1.)

THIRD MEETING IN MAY

- 5 min: Introduction, text and comments.
 15 min: Talk on "Theocratic Ministry School Questions Answered." (Include other points about the school that will help meet local needs.)
 10 min: Question-and-answer discussion of "Extra Magazines."
 20 min: Starting Studies in the "Look!" booklet.
 CHAIRMAN (3 min.) Many studies have been started with aid of "Look!" booklet. Place it with the "Babylon" book and use it well in starting studies with interested persons. A logical transition from sermon exists. See how publisher handles situation on first back-call.

SCENE I (8 min.) Publisher renews acquaintance with householder, then states, "Last time we discussed how God will bring an end to Babylon and false worship and will unite all believing mankind in his promised new system of things. He has assured he will 'make all things new.'" Publisher draws attention to cover of "Look!" booklet, reads Revelation 21:4, 5 and shows that such happiness will result when there is no more death and false religion. Then reads message from "The Publishers" inside front cover, considers first few paragraphs, reading the questions, then the paragraphs, after discussing the answers to the questions. Suggests that householder read scriptures on page 4 during the week. Arranges for return visit to continue discussion.

CHAIRMAN (2 min.) While simplified sermon can be used on back-calls to start studies, many will start studies on initial call. Watch publisher who has just placed offer start study on initial call.

SCENE II (4 min.) Publisher asks householder for a few more minutes to illustrate how "Look!" booklet can be used in Bible study. [If convenient to step in, do so.] Having just discussed Revelation 21:4, draws householder's attention to front cover of booklet as illustration of fulfillment of scripture and then proceeds the same as in Scene I. Chairman stops presentation when publisher gets into message from "The Publishers."

CHAIRMAN (3 min.) Encourages all to follow suggestions and start studies.
 10 min: Concluding comments. (Include brief comment on slogan at bottom of page 4.)

FOURTH MEETING IN MAY

- 5 min: Introduction, text and comments.
 15 min: Talk on March 1, 1964, "Watchtower" article "Beware of Toying with Sexual Immorality!" to be given by

congregation servant or assistant congregation servant.

15 min: Talk on "Using Vacations to Praise Jehovah." Concentrate on "Yearbook" experiences to illustrate points.

Vacations afford fine opportunities for praising Jehovah, in addition to providing needed recreation. Youthful publishers can use school vacations to praise Jehovah. (90) [2] Using a vacation from secular work to vacation pioneer brings joy and blessings. (204) [2] Is it possible for your entire family to vacation pioneer? If so, you will have a most rewarding vacation. (221) [2] Servants who try vacation pioneering will be recommending it to others even more heartily. (175) [2] Some publishers may be able to use vacations to cover outlying areas, using tourist camps as a base. (279) [3, 4] A vacation that makes time for praising Jehovah will be most refreshing and stimulating.

15 min: Vacation Pioneer This Summer.

CHAIRMAN (2 min.) Many young publishers will be in an excellent position to vacation pioneer this summer. Parents are encouraged to work with them when possible. Servants, too, are encouraged to vacation pioneer.

SCENE I (5 min.) Father and mother discuss how much more they enjoy field service when they are out regularly, and observe that their children do too. Plan to encourage their children to vacation pioneer this summer. "It would be best if we could work along with them." Mother did last summer. Would like to again as it gives her such a splendid opportunity to work right along with the children, giving commendation and help. Father observes that, while some of his vacation will be spent in attending the convention, he can vacation pioneer with family during the rest of it. Both will discuss it with children and complete arrangements. Will bring family together more.

CHAIRMAN (2 min.) Excellent that parents take initiative in discussing it together and then with children. Much more accomplished if families work together as this family does. Some families may even be able to vacation pioneer together in unassigned territory.

There are others who need encouragement too.

SCENE II (5 min.) Study conductor approaches and commends publisher for fine field service activity. He answers that it is the result of working with Brother Mature from time to time. Asked if he will vacation pioneer this summer, he replies, "Oh, no. I've been waiting all year for this vacation and a chance for recreation." Servant assures, "You can do both"; discusses reasonable schedule. Start early each day, spending three or four hours in field service in the morning. Have all afternoon off for recreation. Publisher pleased and encouraged as schedule takes shape. Says, "I could probably get Brother Willing to pioneer with me." Servant reminds that both he and "Brother Willing" could work with the publishers who do midweek service, too. Publisher glad for suggestion as he will be putting Kingdom interests first, growing to spiritual maturity, and still have plenty of time for other things. Appreciates balanced view. Will get application from congregation servant.

CHAIRMAN (1 min.) Encourage all who can to vacation pioneer, putting Kingdom interests first. All in congregation, young and old alike, will want to work together, having full share in summer field service.

10 min. Concluding comments.

FIFTH MEETING IN MAY

Congregations that have a fifth service meeting in May will arrange their own program.

FIRST MEETING IN JUNE

Theme: Maintaining Maturity with Our Brothers.

5 min: Introduction, text and comments.

10 min: Talk on monthly theme. (See "Watchtower" of July 1, 1963, pp. 396-409, also June 1, 1964.)

13 min: Question-and-answer discussion of "Attend 1964 District Assemblies."

22 min: Bible sermon: "The Bible's Promise of a Better System of Things."

CHAIRMAN (2 min.) Our privilege and responsibility is to help others learn Bible truths. Enthusiastically offer Bible to everyone. Sermon below is practical, easy to learn and easy to use.

CHAIRMAN (10 min.) Displays sermon for all to see. Discusses sermon with audience.

Theme: The Bible's Promise of a Better System of Things

Bright promise of better conditions —Rev. 21:3, 4

Wicked destroyed, righteous preserved into new system —Ps. 37:10, 11

What one must do to live under better system of things —John 17:3

Suggested introduction and transitions: "In these days when sickness, death, delinquency and disunity among people are the major items of the news, I would like to brighten your day by showing you briefly the Bible's promise of better conditions to come on earth. Certainly you would enjoy receiving good news for a change, isn't that true? Revelation 21:3, 4 gives this good news. [Read and comment on it.] You may wonder, though, how this can come about in view of the seemingly permanent gloomy conditions on earth. It can only be through the power of God. His promised remedy is clearly stated here at Psalm 37:10, 11. [Read and comment.] To be among the righteous, the Bible shows here at John 17:3 the need for knowledge of God and of his Son, Jesus Christ. [Read and comment.] For the purpose of helping you to take in knowledge of God and his promises, we are encouraging the reading of the Bible in modern English. You may have this copy of the 'New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures' for \$1. With the Bible we are leaving a copy of 'This Good News of the Kingdom,' which is an aid to studying the Bible." After placing Bible, demonstrate study of booklet.

CAPABLE PUBLISHER (8 min.) Demonstrate use of sermon and starting a study.

CHAIRMAN (2 min.) Encourage all to rehearse sermon at home and at service centers. Be diligent in giving the sermon, placing the Bible and starting studies.

10 min: Concluding comments.

CONGREGATION ORGANIZATION

"EXTRA" MAGAZINES

¹ *The Watchtower* and *Awake!* have been real aids in finding and feeding the "sheep." Last year we distributed over 50 million magazines here in the United States. Think of the good that can be done if we continue to increase our distribution of these two fine journals.

² From time to time the Society has small quantities of the current edition of the magazine left over after all the distributors' orders have been mailed out. We would like to see these "EXTRA" magazines put to good use. The Society will therefore be sending "EXTRA" copies of each issue of the magazine to some of the congregations without charge.

³ These "EXTRA" magazines will be sent with the word "EXTRA" printed on the top margin of the label. These will be mailed right after all distributors' orders have been filled, and these should arrive a few days after your regular supply is received. The "EXTRA" quantity will be about 10 percent of your regular order. Even though you will not be charged for these

magazines on the monthly statement, they may be placed with the brothers on the regular contribution basis. This money may then be applied to your magazine account.

⁴ If your congregation is able to place these magazines with ease, it may be that you will want to increase your regular distributors' order a little bit. "EXTRA" copies will not be sent to you regularly, but only when we have "EXTRA" copies and your turn comes up. So your current needs should be covered by your regular distributors' order. Do not expect these regularly. We will send only our overprint. If your congregation is not able to place the "EXTRA" copies received in the regular magazine work, they may be left in rest homes, prisons or other institutions. In this way the magazines will be giving a witness even though not placed on a contribution basis.

⁵ By encouraging the brothers in your congregation to put forth a special effort using magazines when this supply is received, it will be possible to build up your magazine distribution.

Attend 1964 District Assemblies

¹ By this time you probably know which one of the district assemblies you will be attending this summer. We all know the importance of attending an assembly, enjoying fellowship with our brothers and taking in the rich spiritual food provided to strengthen us as ministers for Jehovah's name, so we are looking forward to the assemblies.

² At the time of mailing of this *Kingdom Ministry*, the Society is sending your Room Request forms. You will want to consider the instructions on the form carefully, and you can do this at a service meeting six to eight weeks prior to the assembly in your area. Mail these completed forms, not to the Society, but to the city where you expect to attend. The address for your assembly city is listed on the back side of the lower portion of the Room Request form.

³ Volunteer Service forms are also being sent to your congregation. All of you who desire to assist and serve your brothers at the assembly will want to fill out the form completely. Then give the form to your congregation servant, who will sign it and mail it to your convention city. As you well know, there is a great deal of work required for the successful functioning

of an assembly. So consider your volunteering for service a joyful privilege of assisting your brothers.

⁴ It would be a good idea if you referred again to the April *Kingdom Ministry*, where the Society made recommendations, suggesting that those living in certain circuits attend the cities designated so that the facilities will adequately and comfortably accommodate all of us who attend.

⁵ Those who speak Spanish will be glad to know that the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, assembly will have an all-Spanish program. San Bernardino, California, and Austin, Texas, will also have complete Spanish programs.

⁶ You can assist in advertising the assembly en route to the convention city by obtaining and wearing an attractive lapel card. This will fit the holder you have been using for conventions. Congregation servants, be sure to order the cards and celluloid holders to accommodate the needs of your congregation. The cards cost 1 cent each, and the celluloid holders 5 cents each. If you need them, you can also order cards printed in Spanish. We will not have any car bumper signs this year.

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AN EXPOSE

You will be interested to know that the May 8 issue of *Awake!* has a strong exposé of the responsibility of the Roman Catholic Church, and particularly Pope Pius XII, in connection with the extermination of millions of Jews and others by Nazi Germany during World War II. It also makes clear that the other religious systems of Babylon the Great are acting in a similar way by their close cooperation with oppressive political governments. The matter has become a topic of current discussion because of the forceful stage play "The Deputy" now being presented in several countries. *Awake!* presents the facts. It is our hope that it will help to open the eyes of many honest-hearted persons. If you can use extra copies, order them now.

Announcements

◆ Pioneer meal tickets for regular pioneers have been sent to those on the list since January 1. Treat the tickets as money. Do not lose them, as no replacements are available.

◆ Congregations interested in unassigned territory are requested to have their application submitted by May 15.

◆ Each congregation has been sent a copy of the new *Memorandum on Procedure of Jehovah's Witnesses Under Selective Service*. Brothers of draft age who have dealings with the draft should see the overseer for use of the booklet. The Society is not sending out personal copies to all who have dealings with the draft. Generally the one copy sent to the congregation will suffice. If an additional copy is needed due to a congregation's having many brothers of draft age, the overseer may submit an order, enclosing 25c for a copy.

◆ The Society still has a stock of the 1963 *Watchtower* and *Awake!* volumes and the 1964 *Yearbook* for any who wish to order additional copies.

◆ Saturday, May 30, worldly Memorial Day, will be a special magazine day. Congregations will arrange a morning and an afternoon meeting for service. At cemeteries we will feature the *Watchtower* article "Why Do Men Die?" A tract such as "Hope for the Dead" may be used when magazines are not taken. The tract may also be given with the magazines.

◆ New publications available:

Watchtower and *Awake!* bound volumes —German

1964 *Yearbook* —German

Basis for Belief in a New World —Bohemian (Czech)

Living in Hope of a Righteous New World —Afrikaans, Finnish, Xhosa, Zulu

"Look! I Am Making All Things New" —Thai (Siamese)

Preaching and Teaching in Peace and Unity —Ewe

Sermon Outlines —Cibemba

When God Is King over All the Earth —Finnish, Xhosa, Zulu

Tract 1—What Do Jehovah's Witnesses Believe? —Hungarian

Tract 5—Hope for the Dead —Armenian

Tract 8—Life in a New World —Hungarian, Laotian

Tract 11—Which Is the Right Religion? —Hungarian, Singhalese

◆ Available again in U.S.A.

God's Way Is Love —Tumbuka

Tracts 1 to 7 —Chinese

Presenting THE GOOD NEWS

Simplified Sermon for "Babylon" Book Offer

¹ So that those of you who are new and younger publishers will be able to have a full share in offering the *Babylon* book the following simplified sermons have been prepared. More experienced publishers will also endeavor to use a simplified sermon when busy householders are encountered.

² "Good morning. [Offer additional appropriate local greeting.] The purpose of my brief visit is to direct attention to the command given in the Bible at Revelation 18:4. There we are told: [Read.] In order to comply with this command one would have to know just what Babylon the Great represents and also why it is so necessary to 'get out of her.' This Bible-study aid *'Babylon the Great Has Fallen! God's Kingdom Rules!'* will help you to understand not only the identity of Babylon the Great but also why God has pronounced this adverse judgment against her. You may have this copy for a contribution of just 75 cents."

³ Another presentation could be: "Hello, my name is——. I am glad I found you at home, because I want to share some information with you about a very important prophecy found in the Bible at Revelation 18:2. There we are told: [Read.] To assist you in understanding when the fall of Babylon the Great takes place and what God's kingdom means to mankind, this Bible-study aid has been printed." Make the offer.

⁴ A short sermon could be given using just the *Babylon* book. You might say: "The purpose of my visit is to discuss a question that Bible readers for many centuries have been interested in and would like to have answered. Just who is the woman mentioned in the Bible who is given the name Babylon the Great? [Show illustration on page 577.] This Bible-study aid clearly identifies this enemy of God, and also tells why God is going to destroy her. Also, it builds one's faith in God's kingdom. It is yours, along with this printed sermon, on a contribution of 75 cents."

Theocratic Ministry School Questions Answered

¹ We are all happy with the new theocratic ministry school schedule, but new programs may give rise to questions. Some questions on the new arrangement are answered here.

² Sermons on written review night, even if assigned to a brother, should be presented to someone else assigned by the school servant. Sisters should always speak to another on the platform, although they may be assigned any talk if there is a shortage of brothers. It is usually better for the brother assigned talk number five not to speak to the entire audience as though he were talking to just one person. And if, in talk number five, the audience is to represent a group other than those in the school, the school servant may briefly announce the setting. In introducing the talks, the school servant should announce the themes to help the audience fully benefit from the fine material presented. However, "Subject theme emphasized" (P-4) will not be made a point of counsel unless next in line on the counsel slip.

³ In talks three to five choose a setting that will demonstrate the particularly beneficial nature of the scriptures assigned, in line with the theme. Explain their prophetic significance, discuss their interpretation or the principles they contain, show how the material applies in our lives in some specific circumstance or use some similar means to weave in the texts and their application throughout the talk. If two or three scriptures are needed aside from those assigned, they may be used, but, in all instances, the texts assigned should serve as the basis for the talk.

⁴ Most of the talks require more research than formerly, but, in addition to helping individual students improve, the school also provides material of educational value to all in attendance. So, while this additional study may be more difficult at first, our ministry requires that we be "qualified to teach," using the Scriptures expertly in answering questions and assisting

THEOCRATIC NEWS

◆ Alaska brothers all safe in earthquake disaster. Branch and Kingdom Hall in Anchorage stood earthquake well; Memorial attendance there of 250 persons. Small Kingdom Hall at Kodiak washed away. Three families of publishers in Alaska lost homes.

◆ 50 out of 94 dedicated publishers with the Springfield Unit of Jacksonville, Florida, applied for April vacation pioneering. Additionally, 9 school-age children who applied but could not be appointed because they are not yet dedicated will try for vacation pioneer hours.

◆ In February Italy reached a new peak of 8,051 publishers, a 12.9-percent increase, and 5,095 Bible studies, a 51-percent increase.

◆ British Honduras reports a new peak of 365 publishers in February—a 19-percent increase.

◆ Switzerland reports a new peak of 5,825 publishers during February—a fine report for a cold winter month.

MARCH SERVICE REPORT

	Pubs.	Av. Hrs.	Av. B-C	Av. Bl. St.	Av. Mags.
Sp'l Pios.	730	145.6	57.6	8.1	140.9
Pios.	8,340	95.3	36.0	5.3	104.7
Vac. Pios.	2,239	83.2	26.0	2.8	84.0
Pubs.	282,706	10.3	3.9	.6	11.5
TOTAL	294,065				

Public Meetings Held: 31,115

UNITED STATES QUOTA FOR 1964
308,057 Publishers

WHAT HAPPENED HERE IN MARCH?

A new peak in Bible studies, namely, 234,175, which is an increase of 3,359 over our previous high, and a new peak in regular pioneers, the 20th in a row—these are the highlights of the March report. How good it is to see that regular growth in the number of pioneers, because it reflects an appreciation of the urgency of the work we are doing! And the increase in the number of home Bible studies indicates that our efforts to locate the "sheep" are meeting with success and that we are willing to take on the responsibility of regularly teaching them the truths of God's Word. Keep up that good work!

1964 Assemblies

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⁷ We certainly hope you are all making definite plans to attend an assembly this summer, and while you plan, perhaps you can assist others to attend an assembly, having in mind those that are newly associating with Jehovah's organization. Let's all be present at the conventions in 1964.

interested persons to use the Bible in governing their lives. This should be the goal of all in the school, student and counselor alike.

★ Place the "Babylon" book to help liberate others. ★