

A silhouette of a person stands against a dramatic sky at sunset or sunrise. The person's right arm is raised with an open hand, while their left hand holds a long, thin, leafless branch that extends diagonally across the upper half of the frame. The sky is filled with soft, golden clouds, and the overall color palette transitions from a deep teal at the top to a bright yellow-orange near the horizon.

THE PAST WITH A FUTURE

LOOKING BACK TO *MOVE FORWARD*



Seventh-day Adventist Women Pioneers 1844 - 1945

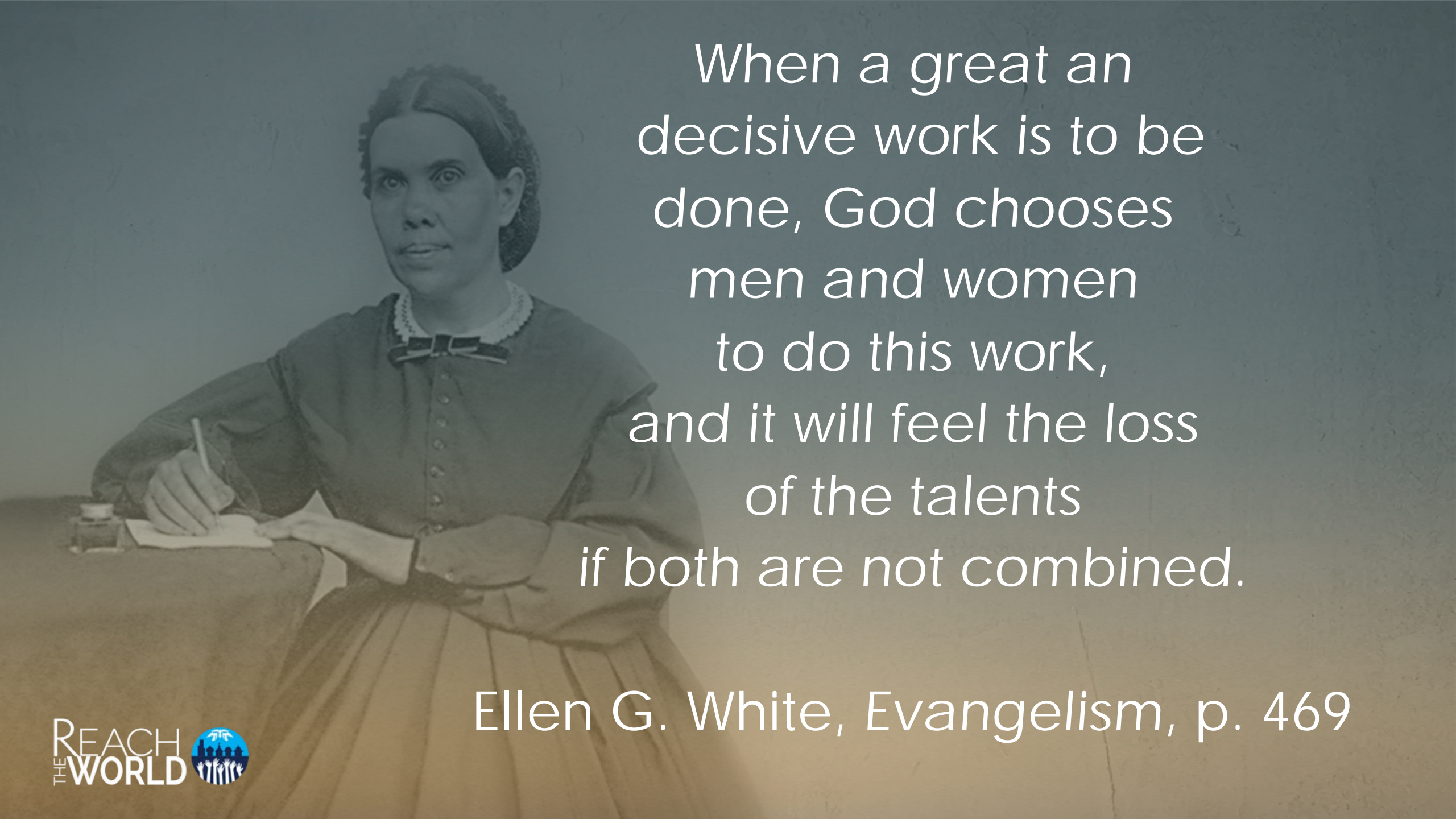
**Women have always played an important part in
the work of the church,
even in biblical times.**

**In the history of the Adventist church,
women have served
in almost all capacities,
filling a wide variety of roles.**

It is important that we take note of
their accomplishments, to
encourage us to persevere and to
inspire future generations to take up
the tasks their forebears faithfully
carried.

Each of these women is important in her own right. She is also a representative of the thousands who have labored and worked in each of the fifty-year periods of Adventist church history as indicated in this brochure.

Still today, distinguished women are often unknown and unnoticed. There are thousands of other women who could, and should, be mentioned, but we trust that the example of these women may be a blessing as you too use your gift for God.



When a great and
decisive work is to be
done, God chooses
men and women
to do this work,
and it will feel the loss
of the talents
if both are not combined.

Ellen G. White, *Evangelism*, p. 469

1844 - 1894

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Martha D. Byington Amadon, 1834 – 1937

Teacher. First Dorcas Society president. Taught in one of the first church schools.



Lottie Blake, 1876 – 1976

Physician, founder, missionary. First African-American Seventh-day Adventist woman physician. Established school of nursing at Oakwood College. Helped to treat Ellen White. Missionary in Central America and the Caribbean with husband physician.





Maud Sisley Boyd, 1851 – 1937

Bible instructor, colporteur, educator. First single woman missionary to Europe. Helped J. N. Andrews establish publishing work in Europe. Assisted J. N. Loughborough in pioneer tent evangelism. Served also in Africa and Australia.



Nellie H. Rankin Druillard, 1844 – 1937

Financier, treasurer, founder, missionary. Helped found Riverside Sanitarium, Madison College, and Emmanuel Missionary College. Missionary in South Africa.

Sarepta Myrenda Irish Henry, 1839 – 1900

Temperance activist, personal evangelist, writer.
Established **first Women's Ministry** in 1898. The
General Conference voted her a ministerial
license.



Maria L. Huntley 1847 – 1890

Administrator, personal evangelist. President, Tract
and Missionary Society which later became
Personal Ministries and Publishing department and
the Adventist Book Centers.



Dr. Katherine (Kate) Lindsey 1842 - 1923

Physician, founder, missionary. Founder of first nurses' training school at Battle Creek Sanitarium. Missionary in South Africa.



Annie Rebekah Smith 1828 - 1855

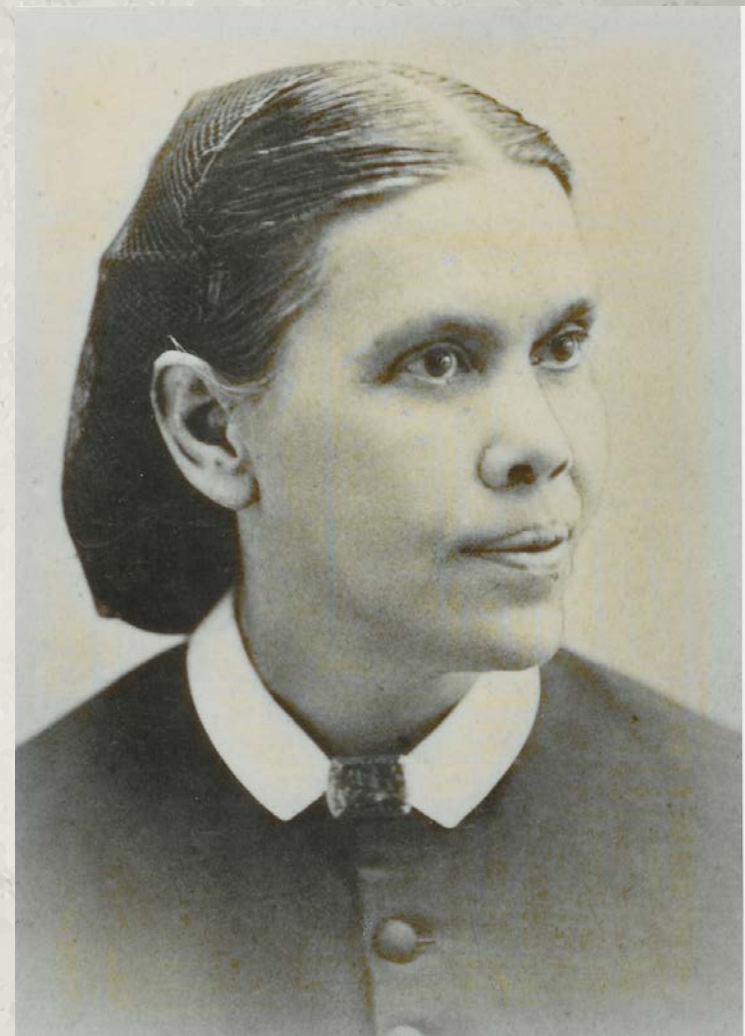
Early Advent hymn writer, editor. While James and Ellen White traveled, she published the Advent Review and Sabbath Herald.



Ellen G. White

1827 - 1915

Early leader and prophetess of the
Seventh-day Adventist Church.
Author of 126 books and
compilations.



1895 - 1945

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Ai Araki 1890 – 1982

Japanese Bible worker, church leader. Although blind, she led and preserved her church throughout World War II, the only congregation in Japan to remain intact.



Dr. Gertrude Brown 1866 – 1948

English physician, founder. Pioneered medical work in the British Isles. Established sanitarium in Crieff, Scotland. Worked with J. Harvey Kellogg.





Georgia Burrus Burgess 1866 – 1948

Educator, frontier missionary in India.
Opened a school in Calcutta. Ministered for
40 years, especially to women.

Lora E. Clement 1890 – 1958

Associate editor and editor of Youth's Instructor
for 41 years.



Dr. Eva Dykes 1893 – 1986

Musician, educator. First Seventh-day Adventist woman to receive a Ph.D. in the United States.



Anna L. Ingels Hindson 1862 – 1933

Editor, union secretary-treasurer, union departmental director for Youth and Sabbath School. Missionary in Australia.



Louise Kleuser 1890 - 1976

Bible worker, pastor, evangelist, editor, seminary professor. Conference director of Education; associate secretary of the General Conference Ministerial Association, an editor of the Ministry magazine.



Anna Knight 1874 - 1972

Nurse, educator, Bible worker. First African-American woman missionary. Conference and union departmental director. Served in India and the United States.

Ana Stahl 1870 - 1968

Swedish nurse, educator. Pioneer missionary in South America with her husband for 29 years. Instrumental in establishing Indian church schools.



Marinda (Minnie) Day Sye 1869 - 1956

Pastor, evangelist, licensed minister for 54 years. Conference departmental director.



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Women's Ministries**

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