

# Field Tidings

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### Religious Liberty

We desire to call the attention of our brethren and sisters to the special services for February 4. The Sabbath has been set apart by the General Conference for the consideration of the religious liberty work.

This department of our work grows in importance as the years go by. The writer had the privilege of attending the "World's Conference of Christian Citizenship" held in Philadelphia, Nov. 16-20. This conference was attended by prominent men from different nations of the world, with the avowed purpose of committing our government to the enforcement of religious dogmas, prominent among which is the Sunday Sabbath.

We all know what this means. It is the "twohorned beast making an image to the (Roman) beast," and when that is done human history is complete. From Vol. 7, page 141, I quote. "The substitution of the laws of men for the law of God, the exultation, by merely human authority, of Sunday, is the last act in the drama. When the substitution becomes universal, God will reveal Himself. He will arise in His majesty to shake terribly the earth. He will come out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the world for their iniquity, and the earth will disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain."

The religious liberty department is organized to labor in a special way, to enlighten the world concerning these solemn truths, and to hold in check as far as possible legislation that would encroach upon our liberties, or hinder the rapid advancement of our work in home and foreign lands.

In order for them to accomplish anything they must have funds. Therefore, we are asking the people, in connection with the program for the day, to make a liberal offering for the carrying forward of this important work. "E-

ternal vigilance is the price of liberty." It is when "men sleep that the enemy sows tares." Therefore, brethren let us all awake to the situation and enter heartily into this day's program, and make an offering that will place funds in the hands of this department to carry forward the work in harmony with the demands of the time.

CHAS. THOMPSON.

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### A Call To Prayer

At the recent council meeting of the General conference committee a recommendation was adopted as follows:—

"That we advise the Mission Board to proceed as rapidly in the expansion of its missionary operations as the funds in its treasury will warrant; and further, considering the great need of efficient laborers, and especially of able ministers of the word, to enter the cities, we suggest that the General Conference committee set apart a day for earnest prayer and fasting, to the end that the Lord of the harvest may send forth His Spirit and qualify laborers to meet the urgent demands of the hour, and that He may also move upon the hearts of the people that sufficient means may be quickly supplied to enable us to greatly enlarge our mission work, both at home and abroad. We suggest that January 21, 1911 be the day thus set apart for prayer and fasting.

We sincerely trust that this call to prayer may not pass unimproved by all the churches, companies, and isolated believers in the "Third Angel's Message" in the Southeastern Union Conference. The burden of the Testimonies now coming to us, is a call to enter the populous cities of the world. We believe this call is the prelude to fleeing into the mountains to be hid a little season until the coming of the Son of man to deliver His people. Dear brethren, let us all with prayer and fasting, seek the Lord to raise up laborers for the field.

This will also be a good time for all our

people to present an offering to the Lord to reimburse the depleted mission treasury.

The Southeastern Union, I am glad to report, sent in her full quota of ten-cents-per-capita-per-week for missions for 1910. And we must do likewise in 1911. Why not, at this Sabbath, January 21, make a large offering to the cause, while our prayers will come up before the omnipotent God to quickly finish the work upon earth; and thus have a good start for the New Year?

May the Lord breathe upon His people the spirit of consecration and liberality, is my prayer.

CHAS. THOMPSON.

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### Cumberland Items

Elder Stanley visited the Mission Ridge Church, Sabbath, January the 7th. The regular church election was held, and the church officers ordained,

Elder W. W. Williams and wife, who have been visiting friends and looking after business at Corydon, Pennsylvania, for a couple of months, have returned home and again taken up their work in Athens.

The total book sales in our Conference for the past six months amounts to \$3,188.13; for the year \$6,057.16. The Lord is going out before our canvassers, and with His blessing we may look for success.

Elder Dowsett and wife, and Miss Nellie Thompson. spent a few hours at our Conference office, the 4th, while waiting for their train to Atlanta. Miss Thompson takes up stenographic work in our Union office at Atlanta.

All subscriptions for Field Tidings in our Conference begin January 1, 1911. The paper is being sent out to every family in our Conference professing Present Truth. Please remit 35 cents to our office to pay for your subscription.

Elder Shoup reports encouragingly of the work in Johnson City. The Sunday night services are quite well attended by appreciative hearers, and we are hopeful that the seeds of truth sown in this city will yield us a good strong church. We appreciate the liberal offering for Missions just sent in by this young company.

S. F. Reeder, our missionary agent, has been quite busy the last two weeks delivering books and starting new canvassers. Brother

Dimock of Chattanooga, Brother and Sister Finley of Knoxville, and Sam Moyers of Graysville, have enlisted as new recruits in the canvassing work. We extend to these Christian workers a hearty welcome as they take up this important branch of the Lord's work.

Elder P. G. Stanley held a ten-day's revival meeting with the Brayton church on Walden's Ridge beginning December 23. The weather was very inclement during the meeting, the roads were muddy, and the nights dark; but the attendance and interest were good during the entire meeting. As a result of the effort, eleven precious souls united with the church, subject to baptism. Others promised to unite with us the last night of the meeting; but a down-pour of rain prevented an attendance. The little mountain church was much revived by this effort and the community deeply stirred by the truths presented. Baptism will be administered in the spring at which time we are hopeful that others will take their stand with us. Elder Thompson was present a short time, and gave two able discourses.

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### Words of Appreciation

While we do not want to flatter any one especially for doing his duty, we do think that when our brethren and sisters have been faithful in the performance of their work, it is not out of place to express in behalf of the whole body, our appreciation. This we feel to do for the good record made in Georgia during 1910 in raising funds for the support of this world-wide movement.

I am in receipt of the report of the ten-cent-a-week fund from our Union Conference Secretary showing that Georgia has overpaid on this fund, five hundred dollars. For this showing we feel to praise the Lord, first for the degree of liberality given us, and secondly to all who have so liberally given. This money is now doing the work for which it was given. It has reached out to the ends of the earth and is bringing light and freedom to sin enslaved souls. Aren't you glad for the privilege of thus preaching the gospel in all lands from your own door? I am.

While we are happy over the past record, I am sure we are not satisfied with it and that we are going to make the greatest effort of our lives to far exceed it the present year, 1911.

We can do it. How? By making a systematic practice of giving not less than ten cents every Sabbath and then answering a special call. Let every Sabbath-school put in a nice thermometer and place the figure high and then burst the thermometer by overpaying the amount. I have in mind now two or three of our schools which have more than doubled their donation in this way in the last year. One school began with ten dollars the minimum amount and now it stands at twentyfive dollars with the same membership. It is a good idea to have two or three special collections during the quarter and if you see that the amount is falling behind, take extra collections and catch up. A great responsibility rests upon the officers of the school in this respect. They can make a good record by keeping the needs of the field before the school, reading each Sabbath a short, lively missionary note. Do not be afraid to agitate such a good work as the support of the gospel.

May 1911 mark a new era in all our hearts for good and also in the work to which every one has been called, is my prayer.

C. B. STEPHENSON.

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### Knoxville

The work of the Lord is onward in this place. Since I connected with the work in this city, many doors have opened to us to present the message. The year that has just closed has brought many blessings to this flock.

The treasurer's report for 1910 show a substantial gain in tithes and offerings. The tithe for the year was \$1977.16 which is the largest in the history of the church. The freewill offering was \$305.43 a gain of \$39.38 over the previous year. The Librarian's report for the last three months, shows that the church has ordered \$55.34 worth of literature. Home expenses of the church amounted to \$56.56, making a total of \$2,402.49 that this church has invested in the cause of God this last year, not including what the church spent for literature during the nine months of which we have no account.

The financial condition of the church is excellent, and we start out this new year, with a resolution offered at the last business meeting to do all business on a cash basis. This resolution runs as follows and was heartily indorsed by all present:—

“Inasmuch as the General Conference recommends to do business on a cash basis, and as in-

struction to the same effect has come down the line to the Union and local conferences, and from them to the churches.

Resolved:— that this church fall in line with the instruction of the General Conference and do all business on a cash basis.”

When this resolution was read, a brother said, “that resolution is worth a dollar” and it was read three times, and each time he gave a dollar” so before the meeting closed he squared up his whole account with the Librarian. Others did likewise.

The quarterly service was a blessed occasion. Four united with the church—two by letter and two on profession of faith. Other will unite soon.

In harmony with the call that has come to God's people to warn the cities, we are laying broader plans for the prosecution of the work of the Lord in this place. Unexpectedly the way has opened up for us to transfer our Sunday night services from our church to Market Hall, the largest and most central hall in the city, which seats a thousand people. The city Board grants it free of charge for three months. All the expense we will have, will be for heat, light, and janitor work. This is certainly a Providential opening, and in the fear of God, and with the cooperation of the church we are moving out to fill this opening. We enlist the earnest prayers of God's people, in behalf of our efforts to give the last message of mercy to this city. The Lord has also opened the way for us to preach to a Methodist congregation, which I will do next Sunday morning. The pastor of this church is investigating the truth and he gives us full liberty to preach the message to his people.

A doctor who has become much interested in the message, is frequently visiting our Sabbath and Sunday evening services. We hope the Lord will help this man to see the whole truth and obey.

A lady who has attended our Sunday night services, has begun to keep the Sabbath, and so has her mother. Through this lady's influence whose husband is the secretary of the Railroadmen's Union, I had the privilege to speak to the railroad men on Nahum's chariots, at one of their gatherings. Through all these avenues, the circle of our acquaintance is widening, and new doors open up to give the message.

Our courage in the Lord is good, and I am truly glad that the Lord has led me to this field, and given me a humble part in this closing message.

J. B. LOCKEN.

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## Erratum

The following correction should be made in items published last week:

Instead of \$4,200 thithe recieved by the Graysville church, it should be \$2,000; and instead of 20 cents per week, it should need 10 cents.

## Comparative Tithe Report of Cumberland Conference for December 1909 and 1910

Church	1909	1910
Athens		273.59
Brayton	60.72	
Chattanooga No. 2	120.02	78.87
Cleveland	114.98	158.15
Cove	21.76	4.71
Chattanooga No. 1		27.74
Coalfield		
Copper Ridge	3.00	10.17
Daylight		
Graysville	142.74	244.84
Individual	42.66	50.99
Knoxville No. 2	58.48	96.68
Knoxville No. 1	37.57	42.65
Mission Ridge	79.75	
Toco		265.27
Total	681.68	1253.66

ANNA KIMLIN, Sec'y-Treas.

## \$300,000 Fund of Cumberland Conference for Month of December 1910

	Pledged	Paid
Athens	\$55.00	\$46.00
Brayton	125.00	9.88
Cove	55.00	9.50
Coalfield		
Copper Ridge	110.00	31.50
Cleveland	200.00	47.00
Chattanooga No. 1	80.00	4.00
Chattanooga No. 2	260.00	87.50
Daylight	45.00	16.50
Graysville	1330.00	668.55
Individual	55.00	44.50
Knoxville No. 1	135.00	1.00
Knoxville No. 2	360.00	86.75
Mission Ridge	225.00	125.00
Toco	40.00	30.00
Total	\$3075.00	\$1207.68

ANNA KIMLIN, Secretary and Treasurer.

## CANVASSING REPORT

### Southeastern Union Conference for week ending Dec. 31

Name.	Book.	Hours.	Value.	Del.
FLORIDA				
C. A. York	BFL	82	43.15	6.70
F. M. Haegart	S of D	61	30.75	15.00
Anna Orr	S of D	49	37.85	18.00
John Allran	DR	88	123.50	22.75
Gracie Hunter	BFL	71	16.50	5.00
Hattie Reed	BFL	25	44.75	11.50
Mary Manns	Misc	6	19.60	
I. A. Jones	DR	23	43.20	
Allen Walker	Misc	1		3.7
Misc.	Misc	22	44.00	22.0
NORTH CAROLINA				
R. L. Underwood	S of P	20	86.50	1.00
J. W. Siler	GC	40	68.25	5.25
J. P. Allran	CK	38	42.50	0.00
G. L. Kerley	DR	10	.50	50
Irregular		20	.75	2.75
SOUTH CAROLINA				
I. B. Rise	DR	38	13.75	5.75
Mr. & Mrs C. H. Holland	Misc	30	49.25	49.25
Leroy Case	BFL	5		7.50
Mrs. A. L. Manous	Misc	1		.40
Summary				
Florida	Total	428	411.00	104.75
North Carolina	Total	128	198.50	49.50
South Carolina	Total	74	63.00	63.90
Grand Total		630	672.50	218.15