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The Divine Search-Light

Ps. 139: 23, 24

SEARCH me O God, and know my heart.

My need is great.

Try me, and prove my inmost soul.

For thee I wait.

With friends afar and lights gone out,
I stand alone,

And plead with Thee, an erring child
Before Thy throne.

In shame I hide my face and weep.

Mistakes abound;

The poison root of sin within

My heart is found.

Thy search-light, Lord, O turn on me,

And test each thought.

Let all my acts be nobly true,

In meekness wrought.

O lead me out of self to Thee,

Reveal thy love,

Forgive, and teach me to forgive,

O God above.

—Eliza H. Morton, in *Signs of the Times*.

Hitherto Hath the Lord Helped Me

AFTER two years spent in the Washington Sanitarium, where my life was often despaired of, the Lord has renewed my strength daily, for which I daily praise him. Last December I returned to South Carolina, where I spent nearly four years in the Bible work, and the Lord gave me a few sheaves.

Last winter I spent in Anderson, I was very feeble to begin work; but as I persevered, with the strength which the Lord gave me, he enabled me to visit, read, pray with, and distribute literature to many families. He will water the seed sown.

In the early spring I was taken dangerously ill again, but again the Lord spared me, and when able to travel, I came to Tryon, N. C., and spent the summer, until the time of the S. C. campmeeting, with the family of Bro. Henry Acker, in Mountania, where I again gained my health and strength to a good degree. Sr. Acher and her daughters made it as comfortable for me as possible. After the campmeeting at Woodruff, Elder Branson, our conference president, asked me to come to Greenville and engage in the Bible work, and in a general way, look after the interest of the church here, which is a rather difficult task, I find, as the few members, three families, live from three and a half to thirteen miles in the country.

We have no permanent place for Sabbath worship, and sometimes they all come, and sometimes all stay away. I have confined myself mostly to work in the city amongst the people on some of the best

streets, and have been kindly received. This city has a population of over 30,000. Last week, I distributed seventy of the Ingathering *Signs*, collected \$2.00, and made a number of friends for the cause.

I met one family who had been to the sanitarium at Orlando, and are greatly pleased. The gentleman said, after he asked me what denomination I represented, and I told him, "That is good, I love those people", and he subscribed for *Life and Health*. They have invited me to come and visit and read with them. I have sold a few Bibles and other books. There are fifteen families that I can visit and read with, two places, where from six to ten attend the reading. So the Lord is graciously working for souls in this place. Pray for this work, that the Lord will bring a large number out, clear and strong, to keep his commandments.

I am obliged to work carefully, but my health continues to improve. Truly the harvest is great, but the laborers are few. Let us pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into his harvest.

Oh for a thousand tongues to warn a doomed world! May the Lord wake every soul who knows the truth, and the great imminent dangers of the cities.

ELIZABETH M. HUGH,
Greenville, S. C.

The Bookmen's Convention

A BOOKMEN'S convention beginning Monday, January 15, will precede the regular conference session. This will be a very profitable meeting and every conference president

and state agent should be on hand early. A suitable program has been arranged.

The first part of the conference will be devoted to the legal meeting of the Southern Publishing Association, and later every phase of our work will receive full time and attention.

It is expected that Eld. W. T. Knox, E. R. Palmer, and other good help will be in attendance from Washington, D. C. Union Conference officers are to be elected, policies outlined, and plans laid for the development of the work in this important part of the vineyard. Most of the meetings will be held in the school building in North Nashville.

Thru the courtesy of the Tennessee River Conference and the churches in Nashville, all the regular delegates will be lodged free. Convenient arrangements are being made near the meeting place for board at reasonable rates.

The regular delegation is made up as follows: Besides the members of the General Conference Committee present, and the members of the Southern Union Conference Committee, each conference is entitled to one delegate for its organization and one additional delegate for every fifty members in its territory. The Southern Union Mission is represented by the members of the General Conference North American Negro Department resident in the Southern Union, and the members of the Southern Union Mission Committee.

The committee on entertainment consists of H. E. Simkin, Eld. W. M. Crothers, and B. N. Brown. All persons expecting to attend and desiring that arrangements shall be made for them, should correspond with some member of the committee, any one of which can be reached by addressing in care of Southern Publishing Association.

Among the Churches

SINCE the close of our good campmeeting, I have spent considerable time among the churches. During the week following the campmeeting, Elder Chas. Thompson was with us at Orlando. The Lord greatly blessed Bro. Thompson in the presentation of the straight truth, and

his labors were greatly appreciated. The week closed with the dedication of the Orlando church building.

October 26, Elder Bird and I started out on a tour in the southern part of the state. That night we spent with a lonely sister at Winter Haven. We very much enjoyed this visit, as it was our first visit to this place. The 27th. to the 30th. was spent with the little church at Plant City. The removal of Elder J. C. Mikkelson to this church has been a great blessing to them. For about two years past he has served them as elder, and has helped to strengthen "that which remains". Their numbers have been greatly reduced by removals. A very few of their number, too, have become bewildered in regard to the foundation principles of our faith. It became necessary for the church to express its disapproval of their course, and it is hoped that before another quarterly occasion they will come to their right bearings.

November 3 to 6 was spent with the Wauchula church. The membership of this church had been reduced to twelve, of whom one is in Oregon, and has given up the Sabbath. One resides in Michigan, two in the northern part of the state, and one now resides nearer two of our other churches than to the Wauchula church. Two live nine miles away, one six, and these find it difficult to reach the church when meetings are held. The result of this scattered condition is that for a number of months no meetings of any kind had been held. On account of this fact, and the greatly reduced membership in consequence of death, removals and apostacy, it was thought best that the members remaining had better apply for membership in our other churches, and that the Wauchula organization be discontinued. The night of the 6th we spent at the hospitable home of Elder G. I. Butler, and in response to our urgent request, he kindly consented to visit Wauchula on the second Sabbath of each month and hold meetings with the few who may be gathered in the little church building there in the hope that eventually the work may be revived.

A more cheerful outlook awaited us at St. Petersburg, which place we reached on the 8th. We remained there until the 13th. The ordinances of the Lord's house were celebra-

ted, and a business meeting was conducted. Perfect harmony prevailed in the transaction of the business, and we believe the church there was greatly encouraged by our visit. The deal for the residence property left to the church, was closed, and means made available to properly close the transactions for the church lot and the nice church edifice that has been purchased by the church. St. Petersburg is an important place, and should have some vigorous work. We ought to have by all means a laborer stationed there, but where shall such a laborer be found? Can not some of our brethren who read this article tell us where we can obtain some recruits for our ministry?

The night of the 29th, I enjoyed the hospitality of Sr. Sparkman at Waldo. Sr. Sparkman is holding up the light of present truth practically alone in Waldo. I found her of good courage, and abreast with the message. The secret of it is that she has the good old *Review*, and reads it. Brethren and sisters, you need that good paper. Do not try to live without it. Make it a necessity to your existence.

From November 30 to December 4 I was with the church at Jennings Lake. Despite the very cold weather and the open condition of the church building, and no stove with which to heat it, the house was well filled in some of the meetings, while the church was quite fully represented in all of the meetings held. The people at Jennings Lake appreciate the preaching of the Word. A new school building has been erected by the brethren, and they are very desirous of having a school, but there seems to be no teacher available. Where are our young people who should consecrate themselves to the various lines of this work? Reader, will you not help us search them out and encourage them to find their place in the cause of God?

Prof. Gullett has been at Jennings Lake for some little time working with the young people, and trying to solve the school problem. I left him there. I rejoice that we now have a man in this conference who is not loaded down with other duties, but who can devote himself to build-up our school and young people's work.

I am now, (Dec. 6) at Gainesville, waiting for a train for Morrison.

I have had two meetings with the brethren here. I found Brother W. K. Achenbach busily engaged in his Bible and pastoral work. The Lord is blessing him. He reports a good attendance at his Sunday night meetings, and I believe the little church here is being blessed by his labors.

R. W. PARMELE.

South Carolina News

Mr. VanVoohis of Graysville spent Sabbath in Spartanburg.

Mrs. A. H. Evers has recently undergone an operation at Takoma Park Sanitarium.

Bro. R. L. Miller's family school opened on Monday with Bro. Wm. Johnson in charge.

Miss Empress Brickey visited Mrs. R. M. Carter over Friday and Sabbath before taking up her school duties at Cherokee.

Mrs. A. H. Lancaster has returned to Campobello after an extended visit at the home of her father near Greenville.

Bro. W. C. Rahn has returned to his home near Woodruff after several weeks' stay in the Atlanta Sanitarium where he was greatly benefited.

I. N. Bartholomew of Washington is spending a few days with his wife and little daughter at the home of his father in Campobello.

Elder Chas. Thompson spent Sabbath with the Spartanburg church and spoke three times, the first meeting being held Friday night. The signs of the times, and the manner of the life of God's people were the principal themes. He showed the necessity of giving up all that we may obtain the kingdom. Elder Branson was also present as well as the greater part of the Cherokee church.

Elder Thompson and Elder Branson spent Sunday in Greenville. Elder Thompson went from there to Atlanta. Elder Branson spent Monday at Greer, Tuesday at Spartanburg, and Wednesday went to Campobello where he will hold meetings for a few days. He expects to attend the Harvest Ingathering service at Spartanburg church Tuesday night, Dec. 12.

In looking through our receipts for the year on the ten-cent-a-week fund for missions we find that no church has made up its full quota for the

year. It will take heavy lifting on the part of some if we make up the amount due from the conference, and we will appreciate it very much if you will send in as much of the Harvest Ingathering money as possible and all of the annual offerings before Dec. 18, as they will help to make up this fund.

ELIZA WARNER

To My Canvassing Brethren

God has wonderfully blessed our efforts during the year, for which our hearts swell with gratitude. By the time this reaches the readers, nearly, if not all, will have completed their deliveries for the year. The present outlook is, that we shall have passed all previous records for this conference by twenty to twenty-five per cent and that, too, in the face of many obstacles.

At the time we were taking the orders, the country was experiencing a severe drought. It is true that the farmers were successful in making a good crop of cotton, nevertheless the unexpected drop in the price of cotton has made our deliveries difficult. Notwithstanding all of these difficulties, with about the same number of canvassers as last year, we shall have augmented last year's sales by \$2000 to \$2500. We can but exclaim, "See what God hath wrought".

We have four canvassers who will have delivered near \$6000 worth of books, exclusive of Bibles.

Brethren, we do not write these things to boast of what we have done, but to show what God, thru us, has done. He has said that the canvassing work should be revived. Today we see it fulfilled. We appeal to others to join us in this great work. "Soon autumn will close the golden gate", but today you can work for the Master, and he says that "The laborer is worthy of his hire".

I would offer a suggestion to all the canvassers. Do not lose too much time Christmas. Let New Year's day find you ready for the field. There are others who can sell a thousand dollars worth of books New Years if they will begin in time and work regularly.

May God grant you all a pleasant Christmas and a happy New Year.

W. E. LANIER.

Winter Canvassing.

THE statement is made that in the Lake Union Conference during the past six years, January has had larger sales per hour than any other month in the year. I understand that the Southern Union has about the same record.

In the Southeastern Union Conference during the past four years our canvassers have averaged \$1.40 worth of orders for each hour's work, while in August during the same period the value of orders per hour was \$1.10.

Christ says, "In the morning sow thy seed and in the evening withhold not thy hand". The people have more time to listen to agents in winter; more time to read books, and there is more money in circulation.

Satan is never idle: why should we be? It is never too hot or too cold for his agents to work; and why should it for the servants of God? Wars of the nations do not stop in winter, why should the Christian's warfare cease? Business in nearly every occupation of the world is carried on in winter, why should not the Lord's business?

The Saviour does not take a vacation from showering his blessings upon us, why take a vacation from his work? May it be one main object in this week of prayer, for the Lord to send forth more laborers into the whitened harvest field; then listen for "The still small voice" if peradventure, it should speak to thyself.

V. O. COLE.

Georgia

THE year 1911 is fast drawing to a close. As canvassers, we are thankful to our Heavenly Father for his fostering care over us as a band of workers. And should we not enter upon the New Year with renewed courage, and zeal for God and his cause, that will be satisfied only with the consummation of the work in which we are so happily engaged?

Some of us have had excellent success in our fall deliveries, while others of us did not do so well. But we are decided to make our apparent failures of 1911 stepping stones to success during the year 1912. What do you say, brethren? Keep in mind the date of our annual institute, Feb. 13-23. Place to be held, Dixie Church.

W. S. FULBRIGHT

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Thanksgiving Exercises

HELD at the Ft. Ogden School, Florida, as related by the teacher, Mrs. N. A. Honeywell.

We met together at the school-house in the morning, and listened to a program given by the students of the school, consisting of songs, compositions, and recitations. Then followed a praise service, in which many took part, telling of their gratitude to God for his many blessings of the past year.

After the exercises were over we all repaired to the school home, where a meal had been prepared in accordance with the light the Lord has given us on the subject of healthful living. Some of the boys and girls of the school acted as waiters, and about thirty-six sat down to a bountiful dinner. After dinner one of the fathers took the young people out in the field near by, where some innocent and pleasurable sports were enjoyed by all. All departed to their homes before dark, and all united in saying that they had spent

a most pleasant and profitable day.

We wished to show the young people how they could have a good time in accordance with the light the Lord has given us on the subject of Christian recreation, and we believe our effort was successful. At the end of each month we prepare a program so that the parents

may keep in touch with the school, and see what work the children are doing.

They are already looking forward to our next entertainment, which will be at Christmas. In this way we will try to keep the young people with their parents and teachers, instead of going out in the world to find their good times.

Canvassing Report

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(week ending Nov. 24)

Name,	Book,	Hrs.,	Ords.,	Value,	Helps,	Total,	Del.
NORTH CAROLINA							
Mrs. E. A. Wing	Misc.	14	15	6.00	1.75	7.75	2.75
R. L. Underwood	DR	42					124.60
A. L. Underwood	CK	2			2.00	2.00	11.00
Ross Underwood	DR	15			1.25	1.25	23.25
S. F. Woodell	CK	65			3.50	3.50	22.50
W. H. George	GC	42			6.00	6.00	181.00
John Allran	DR	32	13	41.00	7.00	48.00	7.00
J. W. Siler	CK	48			1.00	1.00	201.00
W. E. Petterson	CK	42			6.50	6.50	155.50
T. H. Baily	BFL						27.00
Irregular	BFL	20			2.50	2.50	22.50
CUMBERLAND							
R. A. Judy	PPF	25	5	8.00	6.60	14.60	
Ellis Howard	GC						151.50
W. Kirkham	PPF	42	10	15.50	16.50	32.00	1.50
J. W. Purvis	PPF	40	19	31.00	28.50	59.50	.50
Mrs. J. D. Finley	PPF	8	12	23.00		23.00	
R. E. Hicks	CK	23	3	5.00	10.40	15.40	
Viola Purvis	PPK	27	5	7.50	25.80	33.30	1.50
L. D. Wright	PPF	45	12	15.50	19.60	35.10	9.00
R. A. Judy	PPF	40	26	42.00	9.75	51.75	
Walter Kirkham	PPF	40	14	27.00	9.00	36.00	1.80
J. W. Purvis	PPF	27	4	8.00	24.60	32.60	
Mrs. J. D. Finley	PPF	11	17	30.50		30.50	
John Wright	PPF	48	23	25.50	7.80	33.30	
GEORGIA							
S. H. Lilly	BR	35					15.00
W. C. Cheek	CK	35					41.50
J. A. Sudduth	BFL	20					12.00
W. H. Tarver	BFL	28	20	21.00	30.90	51.90	1.50
C. W. Hester	BFL						1.00
Joseph Thompson	BFL	31	18	19.00	21.70	40.70	8.25
M. J. Weber	PPF	24	3		2.95	2.95	55.20
J. M. Lewis	PPF	42	33	31.00	14.50	45.50	
Carl Matthews	PPF	35	18	28.00	15.25	43.25	5.00
Mrs. B. M. Sevier	Misc.	9	16				11.05
Mrs. Archie Deyo	Misc.	4					5.45
Summary							
North Carolina	Total	312	28	47.00	31.50	78.50	777.50
* Cumberland	Total	398	153	243.50	168.95	412.45	167.30
Georgia	Total	263	108	99.00	85.30	184.30	155.95
Grand Total		973	289	389.50	285.75	675.25	1109.75

* Two weeks.