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### GREAT THINGS EXPECT

Is THIS the time, O church of Christ, to sound Retreat? to arm with weapons cheap and blunt  
The men and women who have borne the brunt  
Of truth's fierce strife, and nobly held their  
ground?

No! rather strengthen stakes and lengthen  
cords!

Enlarge thy plans and gifts, O thou elect,  
And to thy kingdom come for such a time!  
The earth, with all its fulness, is the Lord's;  
Great things attempt for him, great things  
expect,

Whose love imperial is, whose power sublime.  
—Sel.

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### THE NORTH AMERICAN NEGRO DEPARTMENT

At the last General Conference, after much consideration, it was thought advisable to organize a North American Negro Department for the better advancement of the work for the colored people. There has been considerable delay in getting the department into working order.

We did not realize at first the great amount of work before us. But when we consider that nearly one seventh of the population of the United States is colored, and that little has been done for them, we can see that there is much to be accomplished. A few comparisons will help us to see this more clearly.

There are seven and a fraction white persons in this country for every colored person; but only one minister for the colored people to thirty-three for the white people, only one training-school for the colored people to twenty-eight for the white people, only one sanitarium for the colored people to fifty for the white people.

The spirit of prophecy speaks the truth when it says that this people have been neglected.

When we consider that forty-four per

cent. of the colored people are illiterate, and only six per cent. of the white people, and that the death-rate among the colored people is much larger than among the white people, we must admit that they especially need schools and sanitariums.

Surely the time has fully come when we should arise, and put forth well-organized and systematic efforts to carry this complete gospel message to the ten millions of colored people in this country.

We are now getting the work of the department more fully organized and plans developed to push forward this work. But we need more workers and more means. I believe our dear people, who have a real desire to see this work finished in this generation, are ready to help us with their prayers and their means to enable this work to be carried to a speedy finish.

The department has taken over all the work formerly carried on by the Southern Missionary Society, and we desire to see the good work begun in a few places, and carried on until the light of the message reaches every place.

The GOSPEL HERALD has been made the organ of this department and with this issue it is enlarged to eight pages, double its former size. The price is likewise increased from ten cents to twenty-five cents a year for single subscriptions; fifteen cents in clubs of ten; and ten cents in clubs of twenty or more.

We are not only desirous that every Seventh-day Adventist family shall take this paper, but that a special effort be made to get it into the homes of those not of our faith. We know that all will be glad to receive reports of the work that they are helping to support. We shall do our best to make this paper what it should be.

We shall be glad to hear from all who are interested in helping forward the work among the colored people.

We have located the office of the department at 61 Lindsley Ave., Nashville, Tenn., where all correspondence to the writer should be addressed.

A. J. HAYSMER, Sec'y.

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### THE YOUTH

THE possibilities of youth more than of any other age are pre-eminently adapted to challenge the highest purposes and questions of our being. What am I here for? is a question likely to be asked, and answered at this important time. The best of man is what the best designs of youth prepared him to be. To choose the highest ideals for a life of usefulness and blessing, and resolutely set every impulse of our being to attain it, is to meet the mind of God. Thou shalt be a blessing, was the promise, aye, the command, made to Abraham, who was called to be perfect before God.

We are to go on to perfection. We are to reach the measure of the fulness of the stature of Christ. The Holy Spirit, the medium of God's power, is fully offered and given that every purpose of God may be realized in us, to the end that we may be a savor of life unto life to perishing souls; or a light shedding its saving rays to the sin-benighted on every hand abounding.

Through the infinite grace of Christ our youth have been invested with privileges above those of angels. The youth may be the visible agents of the Most High, omnipotent, omniscient God, revealing his will and wisdom and love and power to his precious blood-bought heritage, as did the beloved Daniel, a youth in whom was the Spirit of the

holy God. Or, like the youthful Joseph, sublimely beautiful in the glory of the simplicity and integrity of his Christlike character, chosen of God to be a benefactor, not only to his father's house, but a saviour to a mighty nation.

As Christ was, so we are in the world, and he said, "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." Of all the sons of men who bore witness to this "Light" none approached the exalted place given John the Baptist (by Jesus himself), as the greatest prophet born among the sons of men. The reward of this consecrated youth, who remained in the desert until the day of his showing unto Israel, who buried every ambition to worldly greatness, who

the hour. Only minds illuminated by the Holy Spirit and Holy Writ can rightly interpret the meaning of the things challenging the attention of thinking men and women, whose hearts are failing them for fear and for looking after those things coming on the earth. Luke 21:25.

The world is being flooded with a literature which, when read, will plant the seeds of doubt and skepticism in the very fundamentals of Christianity. Where are the youth who from Bible studies are able to meet these living devices of the enemy, and show the unread or untaught of our race the free light of heaven, that they may be saved from the snare of Satan?

blessed Lord be hastened, and his waiting saints be glorified.

PAGE SHEPARD.

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#### TIME TO AWAKE OUT OF SLEEP

"AND that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light." Rom. 13:11, 12.

Do we believe the night is far spent, the day is at hand? If we do it is high time we should be up and about our Master's business. "Messengers of mercy are needed, not merely in a few places in the South, but throughout the whole field. Rich and poor are calling for light."

"The workers will meet with many who will harden their hearts against the conviction of God's Spirit; but they will meet also with many who are hungering for the bread of life, and who, receiving the message, will go forth to sow the seeds of truth."

What an incentive this should be to us to go forth and work, in the name of

Jesus, for the souls that are perishing around us.

"Christ came to this earth with a message of mercy and forgiveness. He laid the foundation for a religion by which Jew and Gentile, black and white, free and bond, are linked together in one common brotherhood, recognized as equal in the sight of God. The Saviour has a boundless love for every human being. In each one he sees capacity for improvement. With divine energy and hope he greets those for whom he has given his life. In his strength they can live a life rich in good works, filled with the power of the Spirit."

There is no one so sunken in sin that Jesus cannot help him. He came for every one, even the very lowest, but these poor souls must be told of a Saviour's love. They must be dealt with gently, and pointed to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world.

But "how then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and

sunk the claims of every human longing, was, that he might present a living Saviour to a perishing world.

Can we wonder at multitudes flocking to the herald of a King, to this prophet of the Lord, this voice crying in the wilderness, and who finally yielded his beautiful life in martyrdom to the Prince of heaven?

What are the demands of heaven upon the youth of to-day, who are confronted with the problems of the twentieth century, the greatest problems ever brought within the scope of a single generation since the world began. The climax of our fallen world will be reached in this generation. Signs are showing to the students of prophecy that the nations have nearly reached the limits of God's forbearance, and that the falling plagues will soon devour all that is earthly and human.

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Shall the Spirit's pleading to your heart to heed the call of duty be answered as it was by the youthful Isaiah; when God needs you, will you say as did he, "Here am I; send me"? May the God of all love and power give you grace to respond, to the end that the reign of our



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how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?"

In a general way people know of a Saviour, but they must have more done for them. They must be taught the truths for these last days. Preachers, Bible workers, teachers, etc. must go out into all places and teach the message of salvation.

Not every one can leave home and go to these needy places, but we can help those who can go, by our prayers and gifts.

Some urgent calls are coming for help, and we trust the Lord will supply the right help for these places.

May the Lord help each one who reads this to ask himself if he believes the night is far spent, if he believes the day is at hand.

May we work with divine energy and not lay off the armor until the work is finished and we are called to receive the crown laid up for the faithful.

A. J. H.

power and influence. About two years ago the city placed the public school alongside of us, on the same street, within a block. But we are daily coming to see that nothing can be done "against the truth, but for the truth." We are informed that many of the students of that school are planning to attend the mission school next year, and would do so this year were it not so late.

And again, many who now would come are prevented from doing so because of the opposition and threats of their parents. One such case has come directly under our notice. When school reopened after the Christmas vacation, a lad of about thirteen years was enrolled. He appeared as if he desired such education as it is the mission of this school to impart. But the day following he failed to report. We wondered at it. After the lapse of about a week we visited his home. Only his mother was there at the time. I introduced myself as her boy's teacher, and her surprise at this announcement

zoo City, and it is really encouraging to see some of these students come daily to school, two, three, four, and five miles, through all sorts of weather.

One of our students was down with pneumonia. Both lungs were affected, and she was given up to die. We visited her, and after enquiring concerning what was being done for her, we learned that whisky was one of the important remedial agencies enlisted in the fight for life. We at once condemned its use, stating the reasons. Little did we think at the time that the girl had heard us, for we all supposed she was asleep; but when subsequently the attempt was made to administer another dose, she refused to take it, and it developed that our severe arraignment of the vile stuff was responsible for the position she took. Now she is well and up, and doing nicely. Praise the Lord!

One man from Belzona, a town several miles distant from this city, recently paid us a visit to make arrangements to turn his thirteen-year-old boy entirely over

into the hands of the Seventh-day Adventists. Although a communicant of the Baptist Church he says he has no faith in his religion, and is persuaded that we hold the truth, and wants his son rooted and grounded in it. Such experiences do our hearts good.

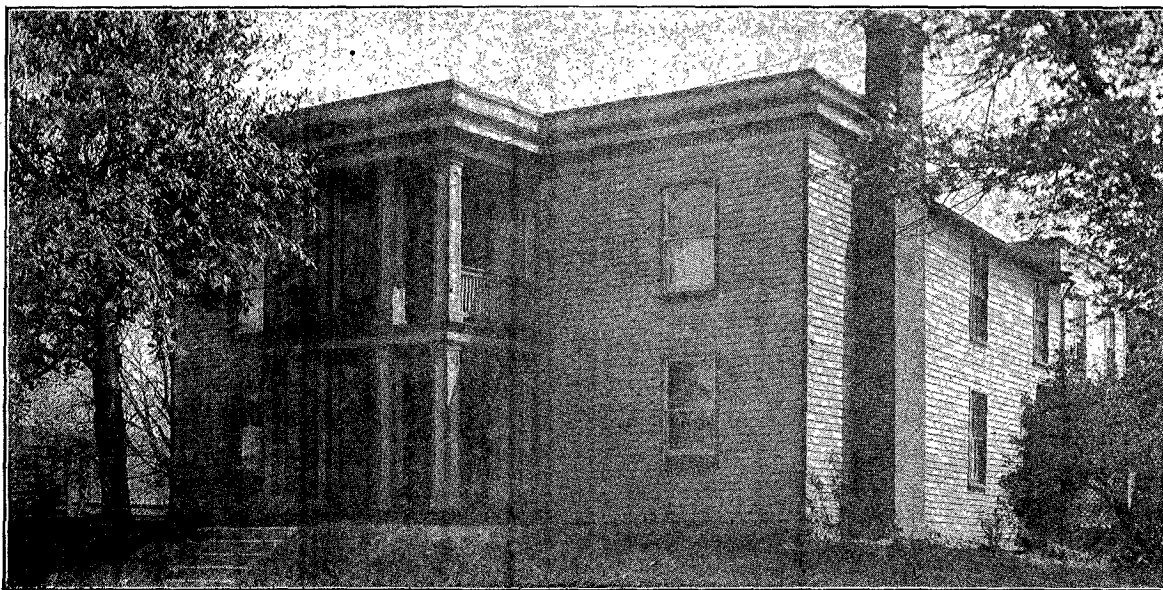
We have had other experiences, to be sure, but these will suffice for the purpose of this report. They will serve to show what is being done, what is to be done, and above all to indicate the means whereby the work is to be

quickly done. We are told, "Hundreds of these schools must be established. This line of effort has been especially presented before me as one of the most effectual and economical methods of giving the truth to the colored people." "But, as yet, Seventh-day Adventists have done comparatively little to help them."—Mrs. E. G. White.

Will not, then, all our people, everywhere, respond immediately to this urgent appeal in behalf of the establishment of "hundreds of mission schools"?

C. A. CRICHLAW.

408 Clay Ave., Yazoo City, Miss.



The Rock City Sanitarium

### YAZOO CITY

We are glad to state that the work continues to prosper at Yazoo City. The church is in a better condition spiritually than it has been for some time. Since coming here we have made it an important part of our program to unify and strengthen the church work, and to place all its operations on a healthier and more solid basis. We are glad for the degree of success attained, and only hope and pray that it may indeed prove an index of what the future has in store for us.

The school is regaining its former

was beyond description. She was puzzled and indignant by turns. "Whose teacher?" she queried: She did not know her boy's teacher was a man. But after explaining the situation to her, we learned that the boy's father had threatened to whip him if, instead of going to the school to which he was sent—the public school—he attended "that Seven-days' Adventist school."

Notwithstanding opposition, our enrolment for January went up as high as 94—the largest in the later history of the school. Of this number several are from the rural districts surrounding Ya-

**JACKSONVILLE, FLA., MISSION SCHOOL**

It is with much pleasure that we make a short report of our progress through the pages of the GOSPEL HERALD, whose visits are doing so much for the advancement of the truth.

Since our last writing we have sold our little 12 x 18 schoolhouse and the lot, and have built a house 20 x 30 on a much better site. God has miraculously guided and helped us in this work, and to him be thanksgiving and honor and glory.

The work of building our excellent flue was done free of charge by Brethren

(in which the pupils daily find delight), and thirty-five cents in cash.

Having no desks, we have started a "desk fund," having made and sold some aprons to begin it. Kind friends have helped us and we now have \$7.31 in this fund. There are many disadvantages in not having desks, or seats so arranged as to have, at most, two occupy them, hence we are very much interested in the rapid growth of this fund.

Of the fifty-six pupils enrolled, to date, only *two* come from Adventist homes. Thus you catch a glimpse of the great responsibility in giving them

me. Though the way seems dark and dreary, we should never feel as if our God is asleep, neither slack concerning his promises. We well know that he has promised to be with us always, even until the end. We know, too, that heaven and earth shall pass away, but that his words shall not pass away.

I will write in a few days to Mrs. A. E. Henderson, concerning the sewing bags, etc. Our sewing class has not begun sewing yet. Crocheting and caning of chairs have been our leading industries. Only the very small children have been trying to learn to sew. We have completed the caning of one chair and two more are nearly finished. These chairs were given to us for the school, with old torn bottoms, and we have made them nearly as good as new.

Yesterday my eyes were filled with tears of joy to read your kind letter telling of the song-books for my school. Sister Anderson and I bowed in prayer to thank God for such a blessing. I ask an interest in your prayers.

Yours sincerely,

STELLA GLASCO.

3437 Magnolia St., New Orleans, La.

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**THANKFUL FOR HELP GIVEN**

IN November I wrote an article for the HERALD, asking for some help. We have had several responses, for which I praise the Lord. As yet I have received donations from only one person, but I expect to receive some more soon. Already a bill of lading has reached me for a barrel of clothing from Mrs. Ragan of Wellington, Kan. Sister Barnett, of Zanesville, O., also sent a box to gladden the hearts of the poor children, and some clothes for the four boys mentioned in my November report. She also offers to pay tuition and buy books for one child. We are very grateful to her for this.

On December 27 we brought the two mission schools of Ellisville together and had a good program, after which we surprised the children with the things sent. On Thanksgiving night we had a program too. After it was finished I exhibited some of our children's fancy work and the people were well pleased. A man in the audience came forward and asked for a collection and all seemed favorable. They took up \$2.50, for which I thanked them. These programs have broken down the prejudice better than anything else could have done, for which I thank the Lord.



I. R. Palmer and J. E. Anderson, who are members of our church here. A nice, new stove was purchased with gifts from loving friends. Six new shades were also secured in like manner.

Although our building is merely cased in, we have kept quite comfortable through the very hard weather. Our own living apartments are over the schoolroom, and this is proving very pleasant and satisfactory, notwithstanding it is neither ceiled nor plastered. My soul doth magnify the Lord.

The teacher from the school of church No. 1, together with their pastor, Elder Achenbach, has paid us very pleasant and encouraging visits, and has shown much interest in our feeble growth.

The same school surprised us with a gift of one dozen nice new erasers, and a box of crayon, a box of drawing cards

the truth for the present. Remember us in your prayers. If any who read these words pass through our city, pay our school a visit: you will always be heartily welcomed.

To each dear one who has remembered us in prayer, with a roll of papers, sewing material, or in coin, we again say: "Thank you."

Yours in His service,

MRS. L. P. WHETSEL.

2737 Evergreen Ave., Jacksonville, Fla.

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**NEW ORLEANS**

YOUR most welcome letters reached me some time ago. I have been somewhat ill, and very busy. Sister Anderson, my assistant worker, has been sick also. I was discouraged, but the readings for the week of prayer greatly encouraged

We have now enrolled twenty-two and expect more.

As I said before, the people are poor, and any help, such as clothes for the children, would be appreciated. They do need clothes, as well as help in buying their books. Our books are very expensive, but I feel that we should use them in preference to others.

In November I started a Sabbath-school, at which there are now some regular attendants. Sabbath, December 25, I had nineteen,—seven adults and twelve children. There is still, however, much prejudice against the Sabbath here.

I have started a night school, and have six pupils. We take Bible as one of our studies. My heart yearns to give this message to them fully. See how the Lord works for us! On Thanksgiving night, the father (as they call him) of the neighborhood came forward, after seeing our children's work, and asked for a collection, saying, "Let the good work go on." He is the very one who has said that not one of his children should ever come to our school, and he has tried hard to break up the school. Truly God works for us. The Monday night following, his son was one of my night pupils.

Pray that I may stand the test, living daily for my Saviour, then at last I may hear the welcome, "Well done."

JOHNNYE E. VAUGHAN.

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#### GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

Over in South Carolina the work is moving along encouragingly, as is witnessed by this report from J. T. Crichlow:—

"The work in this city among the colored people is onward. Since my last report I have been very busy all the time preaching, visiting, and holding Bible readings. Our church is progressing nicely, in fact, their spiritual condition is good. In their Sabbath-school duties they are doing well, when it is considered that the majority of them never had opportunity to obtain a literary training. Notwithstanding they love the truth. Some are paying a faithful tithe, although they are very poor. It is a fact that only those living in the South know of its stubborn conditions.

"The workers in these Southern States need the prayers of all of God's children. For indeed responsibility rests upon every one of us to do our part and do it nobly.

"We believe by the establishment of

the Colored Department the work will go faster among the thousands of the South.

"Sabbath and Sunday, October 23 and 24, my wife and I visited Spartanburg, and found the company of good courage in the message. We observed their spiritual condition to be excellent. There we met with Elder T. H. Jeys and Brother H. B. Gallion. The former preached a most excellent and timely sermon to the colored company. It was cheering to all, and our souls were indeed refreshed.

"The company at Spartanburg needs to be reorganized and put on a working basis, so the light can be extended to others.

"Elder Sidney Scott, by his tent effort, has added some members to the Sumter church, for which we are glad.

"We have some isolated Sabbath-keepers throughout the State. The cloud is moving onward, and the honest in heart are being drawn to the light of the glorious third angel's message. Surely we are receiving some drops of the latter rain, but, oh, we need its fulness, for the work is great.

"Our mission school here, which was operated by W. M. Jackson last fall, was opened by my wife, October 4, with six pupils. Since that time fifteen were added. More will be coming as soon as harvest-time is over.

"We are pushing ahead with the Harvest Ingathering for Missions. May the Lord shower down blessings upon the whole harvest-field. I believe the people have a mind to work. It is true we have many Sanballats and Tobiahs to contend with, but we are sure that no fox can go upon the wall to break it down. Our God, the creator of the heavens and the earth, is the builder, and we are called to co-operate with him. I am thankful to have a part among God's chosen people in this closing message."

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#### SYLACAUGA, ALABAMA

EDITOR GOSPEL HERALD: Thinking your readers would like to hear something from our school, I am sending a brief report.

We opened one year ago the 3rd of last August with thirteen children, but soon increased to fifty-seven, nearly all in regular attendance.

The patrons are favorably impressed with the way the children are being taught. So many have said to me, "My child did not learn anything until it came to your school."

One lady who had two of her grandsons coming to our school helped to bring wood for heating purpose. She hauled it herself.

We opened this term with twelve and have increased to fifty already.

It was very encouraging to me to see a wagon-load drive up to the school. They were all wrapped up and had umbrellas to protect them from the rain. The weather must be very bad to keep the children away. They seem anxious to learn.

We have had the satisfaction of seeing five of our older scholars buried with our Saviour in baptism; also one of our patrons who has been bitterly opposed to the truth. He is now a member of the church. Praise the Lord; he hath done things whereof we are glad.

We have one young man who works on the railroad through the day, and comes to school Monday and Wednesday nights. He is very anxious to learn, and seems to be interested in the truth. My object in telling this is to ask your prayers in his behalf that he may accept the truth. He is thinking of entering Oakwood in the near future.

We are very much in need of a cook-stove. You can also help by sending clothing.

Pray that we may so have Jesus in our hearts and lives that others may be drawn to him. Pray that we may see in these children and their parents souls for whom Christ died, and then work as he would for them.

Yours in the Master's service.

MRS. D. V. BARNES.

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#### ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

THE efforts for and with the young people's society of church No. 2, Sabbath, February 19 and 26, will be remembered with gratitude to our heavenly Father as events blessed of God. On the 19th Elder Strachan gave an impressive lesson on Duties of Ministers, Teachers, and Parents to the Young. The Spirit of God moved many to testify ere the meeting closed; and it is believed that advance steps will be taken by all concerned.

The writer prepared a special paper for this occasion, which God blessed in impressing hearts. It is now in the hands of a local colored organ for publication, thus an opening will be made for reaching those not of our faith.



Missionary Volunteer Day (Sabbath, February 26) was largely in the hands of the young people themselves. The excellent program (prepared by the Y. P. M. V. Dept.) was especially interesting and helpful, showing unusual care in its preparation. The character, scope, and possibilities of the work, with its record of substantial achievement, enlightened and blessed the grateful hearers, surely the *latter rain* is falling. A poem prepared by the present writer for the occasion was read by him, Brother Strachan followed with brief counsel to report our work to the proper authorities, the offerings were taken up, which closed the meeting.

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#### ASHEVILLE

OUR school work at Asheville, is slowly forging ahead against circumstances which have hindered its orderly development.

From a financial standpoint it is very unsatisfying, from a spiritual standpoint, however, we have reason to thank God for convincing evidences that his sustaining hand is over the work, and that he is able to subdue all things to himself, and work out of the most unpromising circumstances glory to his blessed name.

A recent addition to our number bears witness to the well founded belief that our school would be an effective means of reaching those on the outside. A visit to the grateful mother of this pupil has resulted in deepening the love and interest in our school work, and in Bible truth, and in soliciting others to attend the school.

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#### THE WACO CHURCH

FEBRUARY 12, 1910, will long be remembered. Eld. A. J. Haysmer, the superintendent of the colored work, spent this day with the church at Waco, Texas. Each individual could see his and her need as the servant of God opened the treasure-house of divine truth, placing line upon line, precept upon precept, and revealing God's great gift of the Spirit to the church, and conditions upon which its receipt is based. It was a time of refreshing, and all hearts responded, "It is good for us to be here." The services of the day were brought to a close by the testimony meeting in which all took part.

Elder Haysmer left after the Sabbath, to meet with the brethren at Corsicana Sunday the 13th.

METHUSELAH JONES.

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#### BIBLES WANTED

I INDEED deem it a pleasure to speak a word regarding the work of the Lord which is being done in our mission school in this city. I opened school October 4, with six pupils, and have added fifteen, making a total of twenty-one. I am expecting more all the time, especially as soon as harvest is over.

In connection with other work, we have two Bible studies daily. The children are apt and can answer some questions correctly on The Creation, etc. They are also taught to pray. Several of the parents have told me that a great impression was being made on the minds of their children. I will relate an instance.

The mother of a five-year-old boy told me one morning that her little boy wanted her to go and pray, because teacher had said to pray every morning and evening. He did not hear her pray, though she had already done so. But the little fellow insisted so firmly that she was compelled to comply with his request before he would be satisfied.

I should be thankful if any one would help us by donating a few Bibles for the use of the school. I am planning to teach sewing in the school after Christmas. Any one who is interested and will help us to furnish materials for this work may be assured that we shall appreciate them greatly. Our mission school is in great need of help. Who will come to our assistance?

We are of good courage in the Master's work.

MRS. J. F. CRICHLAW.

Dec. 6, 1909, Greenville, S. C.

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#### DEVALL BLUFF, ARKANSAS

EDITOR GOSPEL HERALD: Having been asked to make a report of the work here, I now endeavor to do so. I was asked to give up my connection with the Kansas Conference last August while at camp-meeting, to take charge of the industrial training-school at this place. Considering the need of the call, and seeing the hand of the Lord in the move, I came to my post of duty. I arrived here the 3rd day of October, and after much hard work in preparation, opened

school the 16th day of November with twelve scholars, this list having been increased three since then. The Lord has wonderfully blessed in the work here, so much so we can hardly realize it. Surely the days of miracles are not yet passed.

The last Sabbath of the week of prayer eight precious souls, all students except one, gave their hearts to the Lord. We can only give all the praise to him that never slumbereth, for when we search for the strenuous effort that human beings generally look for to accomplish such work, we fail to find it. As Luther said in his work of the Reformation, "It was the Word of God that worked, I did next to nothing," so we say.

Though the work here is yet in its infancy, and many obstacles confront us, yet we are of good courage, and are working to lift up the standard of truth to the glory and honor of him that has never suffered defeat. We have comfortable accommodation for thirty-two students, sixteen in the boys' dormitory, which is over the school or recitation room, and sixteen in the girls' dormitory, which is over the teacher's dwelling, and was built last October.

When we look at what God is doing we with the poet say, "God works in mysterious ways his wonders to perform." We give all praise and glory to him. Pray for the work in this needy field.

ROB'T L. BRADFORD.

R. F. D. 5, Box 41, Hazen, Ark.

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#### HAZEN, ARKANSAS

THE work is moving along nicely here. We had a blessed week of prayer. Three were reclaimed and five converted. We would have had baptismal services Christmas day, had the weather permitted.

The quarterly service was a success. The Spirit of the Lord was felt, and many reconsecrated themselves to the Lord. Six souls were buried in baptism.

Yours in the Master's service,

MRS. M. A. SWAIT.

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#### NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

SOMETIME ago I received a letter stating that the Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society of Lindsay, Ontario, Canada, desired to help the mission schools here by providing them with sewing bags and other necessary articles for

industrial work. We had just started our sewing class, with only a few pieces of cloth left over from last year's work, and that was soon used up. So we are glad to learn of the young people's desire, and wrote them to that effect.

We have also a primary class of boys and girls working with cardboard and zephyrs and paper weaving. We have not been able to get our large boys started at regular work yet, but we hope to find something for them to do soon.

I wrote Mrs. A. E. Henderson, telling her of our work and school in this place. Oh, yes, our large boys have been busy on sewing days, recovering our old erasers, padding the flat surface with cotton, and covering it with dark blue outing cloth. We are using them every day in the schoolroom.

We are of good courage. We are studying the soon coming of the Lord with the children, and they manifest an interest in the lessons. One of our boys took a stand for the truth, and has joined the church, subject to baptism. We have some opposition and prejudice to deal with; but we realize that the Lord is able to give us victory.

M. E. GAMMON.

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**GADSDEN, ALABAMA**

EDITOR GOSPEL HERALD: I am more than glad to have this opportunity to write concerning my work. I notice the interesting letters sent by different ones in the school work, and truly the courage of others has filled me with courage and renewed hope. Owing to the severe weather we had for some weeks our attendance was poor. Yet I am glad to state the new year brought several new pupils. The people realize that there is a difference in our method of teaching, and I do believe that there will be many to attend as this work is established and the wall of prejudice broken down.

A dear sister from Canada sent us several sewing bags and a number of other articles. The children were just delighted, and many smiles lightened their faces. We also received a large map, and through this medium I thank the donor, as it was much needed.

The Lord truly remembers our cries and knows our needs, and will answer in his own time. For, "the eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and his

ears are open unto their cry." Ps. 34:15.

I trust that each and every one may remember the work here, with prayers and other assistance.

I remain yours in the Blessed Hope,  
MILDRED ANDERSON.

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**SOME OF OUR MAGAZINES**

PROMINENT among our magazines is the *Watchman*, a monthly, printed in Nashville. The *Watchman* for April has sixty-six pages, including covers, and is the best number ever printed. There

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**OUR ENLARGED PAPER**

IN harmony with an action taken at a council held at Huntsville last fall, and subsequently approved by the General Conference Council at College View, the GOSPEL HERALD, formerly the organ of the Southern Missionary Society, has now become the organ of the North American Negro Department of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; and with this issue it is enlarged to eight pages instead of four as formerly. The subscription price has been increased to twenty-five cents instead of ten as before.

It is confidently believed that our people everywhere will rally to the support of the GOSPEL HERALD and of the work of which it is now the exponent. It is very desirable that the paper be placed upon a self-supporting basis at the earliest possible moment. This could be easily done if all our people would subscribe for it. Church and tract society officers are earnestly requested to use their good offices to increase the circulation of the GOSPEL HERALD as rapidly as possible. It is believed that tract societies will willingly receive and forward subscriptions for this paper without the usual ten per cent. commission. This will cost the societies very little, but will mean much to this important and needy branch of the Lord's cause.

Another way in which needed help can be given is by sending promptly to this office all reports and items of interest calculated to make the GOSPEL HERALD what it ought to be, namely, a faithful exponent of this branch of the Lord's work. We want all the workers to feel that this is their paper, and that they have something to do in making it a success.

Address all communications of every kind intended for this paper, to GOSPEL HERALD, 61 Lindsley Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee.

**THE NEW SELF-DENIAL BOX**

WE are sure that the readers of the GOSPEL HERALD have been looking for the announcement that the new Self-denial Boxes were ready to send out.

There has been considerable delay in getting them out this year but by the time this notice is read they will be ready to mail.

It has been thought best for several reasons to eliminate the calendar idea, and make a good, substantial, neat box that will do for several years. This will save a large expense.

I believe all will like the change when they see the present box. We have put on several cuts, illustrating the conditions in this field and the efforts put forth to uplift needy colored people.

We are sure this box should be in every home. Read carefully the following extracts from the spirit of prophecy.

"My dear brethren and sisters everywhere: I wish to ask if you would not regard it a privilege to lay aside a certain sum weekly for the Southern field? Will you not put in a prominent place in your home a box with the inscription, 'For the work among the colored people in the South?' Will you not ask your children to put into this box the money that they would otherwise spend for candy and other needless things? When visitors come to your home, they will see the box, and will ask in regard to it. Let the children tell the story of their effort to help a needy missionary field by denying self."

"Every church-member should cherish a spirit of sacrifice. In every home there should be taught lessons of self-denial. Keep in your homes a self-denial box into which you can put the money saved by little acts of self-denial."

"Many should become interested in the work of placing these boxes in homes. Ask old and young to aid the work for the colored people by placing these boxes in every home possible. A blessing will surely follow the gifts of self-denial thus brought to the Master."

"Invite those not of our faith to do all they can for the advancement of this work. The Lord has placed the responsibility upon them. He expects them to act their part. As they have received, so they are to impart."

"At the present time there is a great want among the colored people. Self-denial must be practised by us. We must strip ourselves of all extravagance:

we must deny ourselves luxuries and the undue gratification of appetite. Let those who have not laid aside unnecessary articles of diet, do so. Let them refrain from adornment and costly furnishings. Let us set ourselves to do a work for the Southern people. Let us not be content with simply looking on, with simply making resolutions that are never acted upon; but let us do something heartily unto the Lord, to alleviate the distress of our colored brethren."

"Study Christ's definition of a true missionary." "Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me."

"By precept and example, teach self-denial, economy, large-heartedness, and self-reliance."

Now as never before we need your help in pushing this work. Will you not as you read this drop us a card asking us to mail you one of the Self-denial Boxes? Could you not do some missionary work in your church and among your neighbors and get others interested in this work?

The Lord will bless every effort put forth to help this needy people.

A. J. H.

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**FROM A CONTRIBUTOR**

ENCLOSED find postal money order for \$3.51 from the children's Self-denial Box. They earned some money selling watermelons and carrying milk. Some of it is tithed of money they spent for themselves. But they have truly denied themselves and put in the whole of their earnings.

Little Theron wondered if the little colored children would be glad to know the Lord is coming. He said, "I guess they'll begin to be better when they hear it." The thought helps him, you see.

I don't know that they will have any way of earning money this winter, but we won't forget the Box.

With sincere interest in the work,

MRS. IRENE H. LAMBERT.

Riverside, Cal.

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"I EXPECT to pass through this world but once. Any good work, therefore, any kindness, or any service I can render to any soul of man or animal, let me do it now! Let me not neglect or defer it, for I shall not pass this way again."