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GIVE YOURSELVES TO THE LORD

BY R. S. DONNELL.

We have surely reached the time to which the apostle refers when he says, "It is high time to awake out of sleep. 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." Yes, "gird your armor on," and prepare to engage, with heavenly warriors to assist you, in the last mighty conflict already being waged between truth and error.

Brethren, this is now a fight for souls—a fight for the saving of your own soul from Satan's power, and then, as it were, a hand-to-hand fight for the rescuing of other souls. The armor that you are to put on is the armor of light. To-day darkness covers the earth, and gross darkness the people; and could you but know it, could you but sense the fact that there are hundreds—yea, thousands of precious souls within your reach who are groping around in the labyrinth of false doctrines seeking the right way, but not knowing how to find it, how quickly would you go to their rescue with the precious light of truth!

To-day I called at thirty-six homes, most of them the homes of the best citizens of Evansville. In fact, I have been doing just such work for several days; and as never before, the magnitude of the work committed to the people of God rolls up before me. Some work has been done in the past in Evansville, and a little church was once raised up; but removals and death has reduced it until now there are but three members left. These are not financially able to procure a room or building to which we can invite people to hear the truth for this time, a truth which is to lighten the earth with its glory. The conference is not in a condition to be drawn upon for this purpose; so what sha!! we do? In my work I am asked, "Where do you hold your meetings?" I can only answer, "Nowhere at present; but as soon as we can arrange for a building, public meetings will be held."

Brethren, now I come to the point: Why is it the conference cannot aid us, as it should be able to do, in our work in this the second city in the State? But one answer can be given, and one only: You are withholding your tithes and offerings. Money that does not belong to you, you are bestowing upon your own selfish lusts. Instead of having on the armor of light, the works of darkness is your covering; a Babylonish garment and a golden wedge, hidden from the work of God in your own homes and upon your own persons, is bringing defeat to the armies of Israel.

Come, brethren, awake to your high trusts and Godgiven responsibilities. Cast off the works of darkness, restore to the Lord that which is his own, and hinder not his work. Let your tithes and offerings flow full and free into the treasury, that the present demands may be met, and the pulse-beat of activity may be felt and seen in every department of the work. Calamity has already fallen upon us as a people. Let us not hold out against God until he turns upon us in His wrath, and calamity falls upon us individually; for it will surely come. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse and get the blessing.

TRACT WORK

BY E. R. PALMER.

I believe there is nothing our poeple need so much as a thorough awakening along the lines of the "old fashioned" tract and missionary work. Somehow it seems to have died out to quite a degree during recent years. We cannot go on as we are now going. The time for the close of this work, the time which God himself set for its close, is right upon us; and the Lord has said if the present "order of things" is continued, this work will "come to naught." But this work must not come to naught; therefore, the present order of things must not continue. It appears to me that it will be impossible for this people to finish the work of this message with the triumphant success which it must achieve unless they take a strong, determined stand under God, on the following points at least:

- 1. Every member of the church who knows this message must bring all his power into service.
- The Third Angel's Message, the special message for this time, must be preached in clear lines, which will constitute a definite warning to the world.
- 3. We must reach out to the foreign lands, where the doors have hardly been opened, and carry the message to them by more powerful measures than have yet been adopted.

These are the mechanical means at last. Complete consecration of self and all we have, with an implicit faith in God and in his message for this time, is the foundation for it all.

DEDICATION

The new S. D. A church at Connersville will be dedicated next Sunday, March 8, at 2:30 p.m. The brethren extend a cordial invitation to this service. They have secured, on the C., H. and D. railway from Indianapolis a \$1 rate for the round trip, leaving this city at 8 a.m., and returning after the evening service. Take lunch baskets.

THE FINANCIAL CHURCH RECORD.

This is a record that simplifies the work of handling monies for any and all church purposes. The most inexperienced can hardly fail to account for all funds entrusted to their keeping, if instructions are regarded. Very few of our churches have been supplied with this much-needed record. Send \$1 for a copy, to the Indiana Tract Society, 1311 Central avenue, Indianapolis.

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Those receiving extra copies of this paper will confer a favor upon the publishers by distributing them among their Adventist neighbors. Church elders are expected to distribute them at their next church meeting.

ENTERED AS SECOND-CLASS MAIL MATTER.

If you are wishing anything in the line of Bibles, make it known to the Indiana Tract Society, 1311 Central avenue.

"The Love of Power, and the Power of Love" will be the leading feature of the Sentinel of Liberty bearing date of March 12. Order at once if you wish this number. It should reach all your Christian friends. Order by hundreds, and at once; \$1.25 per hundred, postpaid, from New York. Send cash to Sentinel of Liberty, No. 11 W. 20th street, New York, or send your order to the Indiana Tract Society.

The office force has been quite busy with the Object Lessons and tract work for several weeks. We trust that the brethren every where will take hold and assist us in disposing of the 3,400 copies of Object Lessons still on hand. Many of the brethren at Indianapolis are paying for four and five books each, believing that the way will open for the sale of the books. This will get the books out of our places of storage and greatly increase the prospect for placing them in the hands that in many cases, drove to be already stretched forth to receive them. More than this, the College will at once receive the help it should have, when we pay in advance for the books. Are there not others that will do this good work?

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FROM THE FIELD

CONNERSVILLE

BY W. W. HUNT.

During the week of prayer we had some of the best spiritual meetings ever held here. The spirit of the Lord came near in the very beginning of the meeting. Hearts were touched, and a spirit of brotherly love prevailed, all differences were laid aside by common consent, and many good plans were laid for future work. Small companies met at private houses for prayer, reading of the Testimonies and Bible study. On Sunday afternoon, Dec. 18, the best meeting of the series was held. The object was for prayer for the newlyelected officers, that they might have the guidance of the Spirit and wisdom in the selection of teachers, etc. Several are going out to canvass for Object Lessons again. With the exception of three meetings (while several were away visiting) the attendance was good, and one new member was added to our number.

Everybody is of good courage, and we are making arrangements for a prosperous campaign in 1903. Brethren, pray for us, that the good spirit may continue, that a good work may be done here, and a good congregation established. Our new church is ready for dedication Sunday, March 8. We hope to see many from our sister churches with us on that occasion.

ELWOOD, WINDFALL AND WEST LIBERTY

BY J. F. CUMMINS.

I had the privilege of meeting with the brethren and sisters of the Elwood church. I found some faithful ones, and some were too busy for our week of prayer meetings. We had some good testimonies. At Windfall Bro. Fellow and I held two good meetings. The members were not all in harmony on health principles, but some were earnest and doing what they could for the cause they love. We also met with part of the West Liberty church, while some were too busy to attend. Brethren, the day is coming when it will be too late, as lost opportunities will never be restored.

CONNERSVILLE

BY GEO. B. UNDERWOOD.

Brethren, in reading the good reports coming from other fields of labor, I thought I would tell something of what is taking place in Connersville. We have been in this city now five months, and I am working with Dr. D. D. McDougall in the sanitarium. I am giving Bible readings in connection with my duties here, and all my spare time is devoted to carrying the message to men. As results of my labor and my wife's, one has accepted the message and is strong in the faith, five are in the valley of decision, and two more are very favorable towards the truth. We realize more and more each day that the harvest is ripe, and the laborers are few. Let us pray that the Lord will send laborers into the harvest field.

We are glad to mention the fact that the Reporter family is getting larger. Thanks to Elder J. C. Harris for his frequent mention of new subscribers.

* * BOOK WORK * *

WINTER CANVASSING

BY B. H. WELCH.

My dear Brethren and Sisters: In the canvassing work I notice in the Reporter only a very few names are given in the list of canvassers this winter. Thinking, perhaps, a few words might help some one, I relate my recent experience. The Lord has been teaching me important lessons this winter. I have felt in the past that success in the canvassing work could not be reached in cities and villages. I have avoided such places as much as possible, and have directed my attention to the country. But this winter the Lord has given me success in the city far beyond my expectations. It has been better than the country, considering the time of the year. People have already purchased what they think a sufficient supply of books for the year. I have made too low an estimate of the degree of success the Lord wants to give us in the work. He wants to teach us to trust him for success, to look away from self to Jesus. He is our strength and wisdom. He wants us to ask and to expect great things of him; he is dishonored if we do not, and we fail. We become discouraged and give up the work simply because of our lack of faith and confidence in God.

The Lord has said that he wid give his faithful canvassers "increasing success." He will go with us into the homes of the people, and give us words to speak. Dear fellow-laborers, let us be sure first, that we are right with God, expect great success in the work, and then he will surely fulfil his promises to us.

EXPERIENCES OF LIFE BOAT WORKERS

I sent for ten copies of the Life Boat as a trial order for a little girl who is living with us. The pamphlets came, and the first day we could go out I went, and stayed where I could see that everything was all right, and let her go out among the soldiers on the street. In less than an hour she had sold every one.

I send you forty-five cents of that money, for which please send me some of the November number, and our little Miss. Eunice Chase shall have a chance to try again. If this is a success, we shall send for more next time. I believe that she will sell flity here among the two thousand men when she gets better acquainted and has had more experience. Little Eunice was a picture of earnestness as she told the men in blue that the little book would tell them of Jesus and how they could get rid of their bad habits.

Wherever you meet with any of your brethren, please speak a good word for Vol.-7 of the Testimonies. It should be in every Adventist home. Cloth, post paid, 75c; leather, \$1.25. Please urge the sale of the special tracts.

What more could be expected for 50 cents! We will mail, postpaid, a copy of Glad Tidings to any one who will send us 50 cents for two subscriptions to the Indiana Reporter.

A MISSIONARY TOUR

Two young sisters from Chicago have started out on a missionary trip to the Pacific coast. They are stopping at all the principal points, trying to do what they can for the Master. They went, as the disciples did, because they felt a distinct call to do so. If these two girls can start out in the middle of winter, certainly the rest of our young people can undertake some definite missionary work, at least in their own communities. Here are some-letters from the girls:

Des Moines, Iowa, January 26.

Dear Brothers and Sisters: Last night we went out with six other girls to sell Life Boats. We divided up in pairs, and worked different streets. We took in nearly seven dollars for our work last night. Miss Smith sold one paper to a policeman. He wanted us to see the police matrons, and other women connected with the official force, and tell them of our work.

The Y. W. C. A. has a dining room down town, and the President wants us to come Monday morning when all the secretaries are present at breakfast, and talk to them. We will not be able to fill all our engagements, but we will do all that we can.

I see more and more plainly the truth of Mark 10:29. Every town we have stopped in, whether with our people or not, the Lord has provided us with mothers and sisters and houses and pleasant surroundings. The reason for so much trouble, murmuring and dissatisfaction among us is owing to the fact that self occupies too big a space fn our lives. Just to the extent that we get self out of our lives Christ will have a place to come in. Oh, that we could bury self so entirely that no one could see it! Then Christ could take dominion.

Your sister in the work, ALICE -

Des Moines, Iowa, January 25.

Dear Brothers and Sisters: When in Iowa City I sold a traveling man a Life Boat. At Grinnell I sold him another, and last niffht he was in a hotel which I entered, and I sold him two copies. He told me that he would give them to some people, for they were good books to read. A great many people read the title of Dr. Kellogg's article, "Why do we Need to Pray?" and then say, "I will read every word of that article." I went to the largest hotels in the city last night, and the Lord went with me. I did real well. I asked and obtained permission from the different clerks to go ahead and sell one in every room in the honse if I could. When we hear how other people are ordinarily treated in these places, we thank God that he is so very good to us. People tell us all along the road that we ought to stay here, that we are needed here, etc.; but we tell them that the Lord wants them to do something for Your sister in the work, themselves. MARY -

BIRTHDAY OFFERINGS

Joel Minnick	47	A Friend	,	43
Dr. C. R. Labier	62	B. F. Anderson	1	27
Amanda Grove	50	T. C. Achor	1	37
Syde Faucett	41	Laura Strough		69
Agnes Firstenberger.	38	R. H. Sparks	1	00
Sara Buchanan	50	Elsie Snodon		17

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CLERKS AND TREASURERS

BY A. L. MILLER.

Dear Co-laborers: Being to a more or less extent engaged in the salvation of souls for the best results, it is necessary to be prompt all along the line. Sometimes we get careless and negligent respecting the duties to which God has called us. For even one to do this places a heavier burden upon some one else, or it weakens the line to the extent of the neglect. We do not mean to be slack in our work, but so often we fail to see the importance of it.

Some time ago I should have had a report from every clerk and treasurer in the State. For some reason I have failed to receive the report for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1902, from nearly half of you. The clerks have been more careless than the treasurers. I hope, dear reader, if you are one who has not reported, you will do so immediately. It will greatly aid me in my work for you to do so. Whoever from the various churches reads this article, will you not show this to your treasurer and clerk and ask them if they have reported? They possibly may not get the paper; and thereby you will do a great favor.

To the clerks who have not reported, I wish to say, with your report please send a list of your church membership just as it is to-day, with the surnames in alphabetical order. Those of you who have sent in your reports, please also send in the membership list as above requested. It is necessary to make a new list of our churches and membership. Therefore please be prompt in sending them in. I am thankful for what you have already done. Send to A. L. Miller, 1224 College ave., Indianapolis.

THE LOVE OF POWER AND THE POWER OF LOVE

Quotations from the Sentinel of Christian Liberty to be published March 12, 1903:

"The spirit of self-sacrifice . . . is powerful, for it is the spirit which has produced all things that are good.

"The sway over others of the spirit of self-sacrifice is the noblest of which the mind can conceive- . . . Its power is a spiritual force; a quickening, invigorating, creative influence that elevates the mind and nourishes and expands the soul.

"The supreme manifestation of the spirit of selfsacrifice is seen in Him who 'came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for

"The spirit of self-exaltation craves . . . above all things else . . . that which appears to be power -authority, rule, supremacy for itself over others.

"The sway over others by the spirit of self-exaltation is the most ignoble . . . of which the mind can conceive. It is . . the domination of might regardless of right.

What are you doing to give this number a wide circulation? Each church should purchase a quantity for distribution. Prices on less than 100 copies, 7 cents for each five; 100 copies \$1.25; 1,000 copies \$12. Send orders at once to the Indiana Tract Society, 1311 Central avenue, Indianapolis.

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BATTLE CREEK, MICH.

During the past few months I have been canvassing more or less in Battle Creek for the Magic I ocket Vaporizer, and have found that well-directed efforts meet with success. One prominent business man remarked, "It is the best selling thing I ever saw, because everybody wants it."

I find little difficulty in getting recommendations from influential people, having secured haif a dozen testimonials from among the clergy of this city. The canvasser needs but little capital in selling this instrument, as deliveries are made as fast as opportunity affords, and in this way he will find his influence constantly increasing. A splendid opportunity is also afforded to do missionary work among the suffering, and the canvasser can make good wages besides.

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WM. ARNOLD.

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