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THE CHURCH AND ITS MISSION

No. 1.

The mission of the church of Christ is to save perishing sinners. It is to make known the love of God to men, and to win them to Christ by the efficacy of that love. The truth for this time must be carried into the dark corners of the earth, and this work may begin at home.

The followers of Christ should not live selfish lives; but, imbued with the Spirit of Christ they should work in harmony with him.

GOD'S PLAN ALL SUFFICIENT

He has given his people a plan for raising sums sufficient to make the enterprise self sustaining. God's plan in the tithing system is beautiful in its simplicity and equality. All may take hold of it in faith and courage, for it is of divine origin. In it are combined simplicity and utility, and it does not require depth of learning to understand and execute it.

ALL TO ACT A PART

All may feel that they can act a part in carrying forward the precious work of salvation. Every man, woman, and youth may be-

come a treasurer for God; and there would be no want of means with which to carry forward the great work of sounding the last message of warning to the work.

The treasury will be full if all adopt this system, and the contributors will be left none the poorer. Through every investment made they will become more wedded to the cause of present truth. They will be "laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life."

NO EMPTY TREASURY

If the plan of systematic benevolence was adopted by every individual and fully carried out, there would be a constant supply in the treasury. The income would flow in like a steady stream constantly supplied by overflowing springs of benevolence. Alms-giving is a part of gospel religion.

TITHING FOUNDED ON PRINCIPLE

The special system of tithing was founded upon a principle which is as enduring as the law of God. This system of tithing was a blessing to the Jews, else God would not have given it to them. So also will it be a blessing to those who carry it out to the end of time. Our heavenly Father did not originate the plan of systematic benevolence to enrich himself but to be a great blessing to man. He saw that this system of beneficence was just what man needed.

ITS EFFECT ON THE CHURCH

Those churches who are the most systematic and liberal in sustaining the cause of God are the most prosperous spiritually.

PRIORITY OF GOD'S CLAIMS

All should remember that God's claims upon us underlie every other claim. He gives to us bountifully, and the contract which he has made with man is that he is to return to

him the tenth of his possessions. God graciously entrusts his stewards with his treasures, but he lays his hand upon the tenth, saying, "This is mine." Just in proportion as God has given his property to man, so man is to pay a faithful tithe of all his substance. This distinct arrangement was made by *Jesus Christ himself*.

ETERNAL RESULTS

This work involves solemn and eternal results, and it is too sacred to be left to human impulse. We should not feel free to deal with this matter as we may choose.

RESERVE FUND

In answer to the claims of God, regular reserves should be set apart as sacred to his work. Besides the tithe God demands the first-fruits of our increase as his. These he has reserved, in order that his work may be amply sustained, and that his servants may not be limited to a meager supply. The Lord's messenger's should not be handicapped in their work of holding forth the word of life. As they teach the truth they should have means which they can invest for the advancement of the work which must be done at the right time, in order to have the best and most saving influence. Deeds of mercy must be done; the poor and suffering must be aided. Gifts and offerings should be appropriated for this purpose. Especially in new fields, where the standard of truth has never yet been uplifted, this work must be done. MRS. E. G. WHITE.

(To be Continued.)

The week of prayer readings will be published in the Review of Nov. 24th. They will not be published this year in pamphlet form, so send in your subscription at once and get the Review containing the week of prayer readings.

OUR CONFERENCE PAPER THE INDIANA REPORTER

I believe the matters considered in this paper are of sufficient importance, to give it a place in the homes of every Seventh Day Adventist in the conference, and not as a gift, but we believe our brethren and sisters should be enough interested in its contents to become paid subscribers.

We are glad to state that for the past month, a number have renewed their subscriptions, and we wish to express our real appreciation for these. But only about one-half of those receiving the paper are paying for it. Now this is not right, is it?

We are sending out this week, personal letters to those who are in arrears, and are enclosing an addressed envelope, so that all can easily renew their subscriptions. May we not now see a large list from every church? We will publish from time to time the names of those sending in their subscriptions. We will also mark all subscriptions received during the next month, paid, up to Jan. 1st, 1906.

We would be glad to have all who are in arrears, pay up in full if they are able. But if you are too poor to do this, if you will send us 25 cents, we will forgive the past, and credit you for the year 1905.

We have been sending clubs of the Reporter to many of our churches asking that they be distributed among the members; so many may not be reached by our personal letters. We ask once more if the officers of our churches will not make a determined effort to secure the subscription of every family in the church for the Reporter, so that we may discontinue the clubs, and still have all supplied with the paper?

Address all communications with subscriptions for the Reporter or remittances, to Elder W. A. Young, Room 221 Unity Building, Indianapolis, Ind.

Your fellow worker,

W. J. STONE.

TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

During the weeks of my sickness my mind has gone out to you many times, and I have longed to be able to speak to you, or write to you. I had planned to write to each one of you in reference to the great missionary campaign upon which we are

now entering. This missionary movement which has been begun, is to grow into a mighty work, will never cease until the whole world will be lightened with the Third Angel's Message, and Jesus shall come to take His people home.

My soul has been stirred to its very depths as I have read from week to week the plans that have been formulated, and the enthusiasm with which God's people are responding to the call to fall into line. "Everything in the universe calls upon those who know the truth, to consecrate themselves *unreservedly* to the proclamation of the truth as it has been made known to them in the Third Angel's Message." Dear young people—what does that call mean to you? Does it find a responsive chord in your hearts? I have faith to believe that Indiana has many loyal young people who will consecrate themselves to the work, as did the young people of the Oakland, Cal., church. My heart rejoiced as I read these words in the Review:—

"We, the undersigned young people of the Oakland S. D. A. church, being in hearty sympathy with the missionary recommendations passed by the recent General Conference Council,—do hereby band ourselves together to assist to the extent of our ability in carrying on this mighty missionary campaign, which is to know no cessation until this gospel of the kingdom is carried to every nation, tongue, and people."

Who of our young people of Indiana will consecrate themselves to the service of God "until this gospel of the kingdom is carried to every nation, tongue, and people?" Many, I trust.

The lines of work laid out are so many and varied, that ALL can engage in SOME part, and find his or her place. The Lord has a work for each one to do; that NO ONE ELSE can do—as well as that individual. In Vol. 6, P. 12, is the following expression: "The Lord has his eye upon every one of his people; he has his plans concerning EACH. Shall we not, dear young people, find now, his plans concerning US, and then allow him to use us in carrying out those plans?"

Yours for the hastening of the coming kingdom.

MRS. R. W. McMAHAN.

A BUSINESS AGENT

For months, our conference committee has been considering the great need of our conference having a business agent to assist in collecting old accounts, pledges, etc., and the raising of funds for different enterprises, instead of our ministers giving so much time and thought to this line of work. This too is in harmony with the testimonies.

Our committee after considering this matter for months, has asked Brother A. L. Chew to assist, and take up work as he may be able, with his other duties, along this line. We believe Brother Chew can render valuable assistance, and his thorough acquaintance with our people throughout the state qualifies him for this position much better than a person not so well acquainted.

Our brethren may receive personal letters from Brother Chew, and this will explain why he has been called to the work by the conference committee. We trust our brethren and sisters will render Brother Chew all the assistance they can in the work.

The present administration is determined, by God's help, to wipe out quickly the debt that has so long been hanging over this conference. And now, while such a good start has been made, and the past year has paid off six thousand dollars of our debts, let us keep the car going and not let it stop until all is paid and we can shout the victory.

No more debts shall be made. Let this ever be our motto, and while we must do aggressive work, let us have the money in sight before we spend it. Are you willing, brethren and sisters, to stand by your present committee on such a basis?

W. J. STONE, Pres. Ind. Conf.

CANADIAN SANITARIUM

At a session of the Canadian Union Conference held in September in counsel with Elders A. G. Daniells and W. C. White, it was agreed that \$4,000 should be raised to put the Knowlton Sanitarium in proper condition to do satisfactory work and to meet the demands.

In view of the liberality of the Canadian brethren in years past in sending money to the States to help in the work, it was voted at the College View council to raise \$1,000 in the Quebec Conference and to ask

the brethren in the States to raise \$3,000. We are asked to solicit this money from the Lake Union Conference and a few other states. I know you are working hard to meet your own obligations, but while this is true, some may deem it a privilege to assist in this worthy enterprise in Canada. Any help that you may be able to render us in this time of need will be much appreciated and judiciously used.

The sanitarium is exerting a good influence, and if we can have the means stipulated to make the necessary improvements, it will be a great blessing to the work in Canada.

Send all money for this purpose to your Conference Treasurer, stating what it is for. Thanking you in advance for any help you may be able to give us,

I remain your co-worker,

W. H. THURSTON.

Pres. Canadian Union Conf.

LETTER FROM REVIEW AND HERALD

Dear Brother Stone:—

Indiana is sending us in a good list of subscribers for the REVIEW, and we are gratified to know that our conferences by common consent are continuing the REVIEW CAMPAIGN, and many of the workers in these conferences give very encouraging reports relative to the REVIEW in their field.

The Week of Prayer readings, which will be published in the issue of the 24th, will be very helpful to the people, and the missionary readings for the church conventions on the 26th will be published in the issue of the 17th. All these readings will be very helpful to our people.

Last week we received over 600 subscriptions for the REVIEW. We have not estimated this week's work, but hope it will be even larger than last week.

We hope that a special effort will be made on the 26th in connection with the church conventions, in behalf of LIFE AND HEALTH. These special numbers are heartily received by the public, and our brethren and sisters ought to be encouraged to make a special effort to canvass throughout their respective communities for this health journal. It will be an excellent journal for the introduction of other reading.

Very truly yours,

REVIEW AND HERALD PUB. ASSO.

ANOTHER WORD ABOUT CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS

Not long ago a call was made through the columns of this paper for those who felt so disposed to donate what copies of "Christ's Object Lessons" they could—for which they had previously paid, and which they had not sold—for the benefit of the new school to be established near Nashville, Tenn. Quite a large number of brethren and sisters have kindly responded to this call and have sent us a good many copies of this book, which we are selling over again for the benefit of this school. The receipt of these books has been a source of great encouragement to our workers, as it puts the means in their hands to obtain some money for the starting of the work.

We have thought that possibly there were a large number of brethren still who might have copies of the book that they would be willing to give us. If there are such we would greatly appreciate it if they will send the same, charges prepaid, to Prof. E. A. Sutherland, Nashville Agricultural & Normal School, Madison, Tenn.

PROPERTY AND FARM--TO RENT

PROPERTY IN OHIO—one acre of ground, three room house, summer kitchen, barn, hen house, well, five peach trees—for \$50.00 per year. The peach trees were full this year. Well worth the price.

Also a little farm of five acres. S. D. A tenants preferred.

Write MRS. DELIA J. THURBER,
Windfall, Indiana.

MISSIONARY WORK AT THE ACADEMY

The students of the Academy have begun the work of warning Shelby County of the soon coming of Jesus. One hundred sets of the special number of the SIGNS OF THE TIMES have been ordered, besides other literature, and it is the purpose of the students and teachers to do personal work where convenient, and use the mails for the distribution of tracts and periodicals. By a system of collections, a small sum has already been raised to defray the expenses of the work.

We are looking forward to the week of prayer, during which we hope to do personal work in our immediate neighborhood.

B. F. MACHLAN.

ACADEMY ENROLLMENT

Knowing our friends throughout the state are interested in our school, and believing they would be pleased to know who are our students, we give below our Academy Roll

Lora B. Duncan, Boggstown, Ind.
Charles Marshall, Boggstown, Ind.
Raymond Brooks, Lafayette, Ind.
William F. Trinkner, Dana, Indiana.
Hinkle Plew, Worthington, Indiana.
Twilah N. Hinton, Muncie, Indiana.
Georgia Strickler, Boggstown, Ind.
Harry Ford, Vincennes, Indiana.
Ona Marshall, Boggstown, Indiana.
Flora M. Albert, Boggstown, Ind.
Alba G. Allen, Delphi, Indiana.
Ivan Halstead, Anderson, Indiana.
Harrison A. Stone, Indianapolis, Ind.
Charles Fahrion, Indianapolis, Ind.
Lena M. Vance, Knightstown, Ind.
Emma Arnbrecht, Winamac, Ind.
Fairy C. Wells, Fairland, Indiana.
Beulah White, Arcola, Canada, Assa.
Blanch White, Arcola, Canada, Assa.
Ethel Harrison, Kewanna, Indiana.
Stanley Anderson, Oolitic, Indiana.
Ray C. Vincent, Hartford City, Ind.
Lauren Vincent, Hartford City, Ind.
Claud Roberts, Indianapolis, Ind.
Nellie Strickler, Boggstown, Indiana.
Linnie M. Vance, New Castle, Ind.
Clara Allen, Delphi, Indiana.
Chas. E. Allen, Delphi, Indiana.
Harry T. Byers, Knighttown, Ind.
Alice F. Rollins, Vincennes, Indiana.
F. Mabel Curtis, Boggstown, Ind.
Stella M. Cox, Martinsville, Indiana.
Oren Applegate, Boggstown, Ind.
Carl E. Strickler, Boggstown, Ind.
Mildred Nash, Kokomo, Indiana.
Reese Maxwell, Frankfort, Indiana.
Louis O. Machlan, Boggstown, Ind.
Hughie Gipson, Boggstown, Ind.
Gladys G. Machlan, Boggstown, Ind.
Will D. Curtis, Jr., Boggstown, Ind.
Elmer Buck, Antigo, Wisconsin.
Paul Legg, Windfall, Indiana.
Anna Arnbrecht, Winamac, Indiana.
Olive Harris, Boggstown, Indiana.
Glenn Harris, Boggstown, Indiana.
Clarence J. Harris, Boggstown, Ind.
Dora Lugenbeal, Winamac, Indiana.
Rupert Swaynie, Lafayette, Indiana.
Mrs. Luna E. Anderson, Oolitic, Ind.
Adeline Long, Brewersville, Indiana.
Edgar Myers, Boggstown, Indiana.

B. F. MACHLAN, Principal.

NOTICE

All money collected for the Star Fund should be sent at once to the Boggstown Manual Training Academy, Fairland, Ind.

W. D. CURTIS.

NEWS and NOTES

The Tract Society now keeps on hand a supply of health foods, and can supply those desiring any thing in this line.

Brother Steele reports two new Sabbath keepers at Oxford. He is still at Templeton, a short distance from Oxford, holding meetings, and is looking after the two interests.

Renew your subscription to the Reporter without delay on the receipt of this paper. "Procrastination is the thief of time." So do it today and not delay until tomorrow.

The interest at Martinsville is as good as at any time since the camp-meeting. Our workers are giving many readings to families in their homes. We confidently look for a good church to be raised up there.

Are you engaged in missionary work for your neighbors and friends? If not, order a supply of reading matter at once and begin in earnest before the devil places other matter in the hands and minds of the people.

We begin in this issue of the Reporter, a series of articles from the pen of Sister White upon, "The Church and Its Mission." We hope that these articles will be carefully studied and practiced by all our people.

We urge all who have pledged to the tent or school fund to pay these pledges as fast as possible, as we are needing the money badly. We wish to thank those who have remembered these obligations by their remittances.

Sister Theresa Thompson sends us a good report of her work at Franklin, Ind., and the prospects are good for quite an increase in their numbers. Other matters in connection with the work, make the outlook there more encouraging than for some time in the past.

Will not all our church officers do that for which they have been chosen, lead out in missionary efforts and see that the flock over which they have been overseers, are organized and begin missionary work by the use of tracts and papers that have been prepared for this special purpose.

We are still in need of funds to pay our obligations on the Manual Training Academy, and we hope our good brethren and sisters will remember, with a portion of their means, this worthy institution that is fitting our young people for service.

Our tent season is over, and some of our laborers can now hold meetings in answer to calls, where buildings can be secured for this purpose. Let all who know of good openings, report the same to Elder W. J. Stone, 3735 N. Capitol Ave., Indianapolis, Ind., and these calls will be considered.

Our tithe last month was the least that it has been for several months. Was there a good reason for this? Several of our strong churches sent in no tithe. Will not all our church treasurers, also isolated brethren and sisters, be faithful and see that the tithe reaches the office by the 28th of each month.

Not being able to carry out our plans in regard to new subscriptions for the Reporter, we still sent out the last issue as usual to all our brethren and sisters. We are writing this week, a personal letter to those who are in arrears on their subscription to the Reporter. May we not have a quick response from all?

Every laborer in the cause of God should see that every moment of his time is employed so that it will accomplish the most possible good for the Master. Not a day should be idled away and the time reported to the conference for pay. Every worker should be as much interested for the success of the work as the officers of the conference. Is this not true? And when this principle is carried out by every laborer, success and advancement will be the result.

Have you subscribed for the Review yet? If not, you are missing much. Every Seventh Day Adventist should have it. If you cannot subscribe for a year or six months, send forty cents in stamps for three months.

Some have written that they do not know to whom to send the tithe now. Let all make a note of this, that Elder W. A. Young is now treasurer of the conference and Tract Society, having been elected to this office at our last camp-meeting, to succeed Brother McCuaig. Address him at 221 Unity Building, Indianapolis, Ind.

We are glad to know that our brethren and sisters are rendering assistance to the work at Washington, also to the Southern field, and we hope the annual offerings this year will be larger in Indiana than ever before; but at the same time, remember our own interests in the state, and that some of us are struggling hard endeavoring to make ends meet and free the conference from debt.

Last week a brother in sending in his subscription for the Reporter wrote as follows: "You have been so good to send me the Reporter for two years when I did not have the money to pay for it. Now the Lord has blessed me with enough to pay for the past two years and for the year to come." This brother enclosed 75 cents. We would greatly appreciate two or three hundred such letters as this.

FOR SALE

Thirty acres of land $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from B. M. T. Academy. Will sell in lots of two acres or more. Address, L. M. HARRIS, R. F. D. No. 1., Fairland, Indiana.

REPORT OF CANVASSING WORK FOR TWO WEEKS, ENDING NOV. 12, 1904

NAME.	PLACE.	Book.	Hours		Value.	Value Helps	Value Del.	Orders from Office.
			Hours	Orders				
Blankenship, James.	Medaryville.....							
Browning, H. S.....	Indianapolis.....	Miscellaneous	116	23	\$ 63 50			
Bartholomew, F. N.....	St. Joseph Co.....	Bible Read						
Blosser, Gusta.....	Elkhart.....	Coming King						
Blosser, Cora.....	Elkhart.....	Coming King						
Ford, A. C.....	Vermillion Co.....	Bible Read	24	14	36 25	\$4 50		
Ford, R. R.....	Parke Co.....	Great Cont.						
Grim, Martin.....	Boone Co.....	Great Cont.		38				
McCuaig, W. C.....	Goshen.....	Dan. and Rev.	69	11	20 50	12 75		
Randall, Albert.....	Huntington.....							
Slater, Sarah.....	Portland.....							
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