"My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish His work."

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#### Just Do Your Best

IT MATTERS not how small, How little heard of, Just do your best - that's all. Just do your best. God knows it all, And in his great plan you count as one,-Just do your best until the work is done. Just do your best, though poor, despised, forsaken, Let not your faith be shaken. Just do your best; with God and one The mightiest things are done. Just do your best - Who cares if in The wild, hot rush for wealth and place You don't excel. Don't fret. Just do your work And do it well. your best. Reward will come To ... who stand the test. God does .. forget. Press on, Nor doubt, nor fear. Just do your best. -King's Business Series, No. 2.

#### The vest Ingathering

This is the week set by the General Conference to begin gathering money for foreign missions from business men, relatives, and neighbors. The Pacific Press is shipping the Harvest Ingathering number by the carload. We are told it will take twelve mail cars to take care of this issue. People will be pleased with this beautiful number, and we certainly should be proud that we are Seventh-day Adventists and are circulating a paper that will attract the attention of the very best class in the world. It is hoped that all will take hold of the work and not put off beginning it. We should not wait, but at once distribute the papers and ask for financial help for foreign missions. Some of our conferences have set the goal at \$5 for each number; and other conferences have set the goal at \$2.50. Whatever your goal is, be sure to reach it before you stop.

We would like to have reports from all the churches and individuals sent to the conference office, and then from there forwarded to the Union Conference office, that these reports may be used for the benefit of the work.

There never was a year when money was needed more than this. On account of the war in Europe, the funds formerly flowing from that field into missions have been cut off, and help has had to be rendered even to Europe. In this time of distress we need to put forth a special effort that there be no slackening of effort in the fields where mission work is being carried on. A spirit of devotion and work is coming into our churches, and those who read this article should examine themselves, to know that the Spirit of the living God is being manifested in their lives, for it takes this to do the work set for this people.

S. E. Wight.

#### A Completed Work

"I have finished the work thou gavest me to do." John 17:4. These were the words of Jesus shortly before he died. Even in those hours of sorrow and suffering such as we cannot imagine, what, a satisfaction it must have been to him to have a completed work to lay at his Father's feet. He had done everything God had asked him to do, and could feel that the purpose of his life was accomplished.

To Seventh-day Adventists has been given a work to finish, to warn every nation, kindred, tongue, and people of the second coming of Christ. We cannot, however, go on in an easy manner, and have one grand finishing up to complete our work. There are different tasks that must be finished as we go along in order to have one great completed work.

One of these is the Harvest Ingathering. After prayer and counsel over the pressing needs of the cause, the aim has been set at \$100,000. Seeing this amount is needed, can we believe that the Lord will be satisfied anything less than the full amount?

If each individual member would personally shoulder the responsibility of this matter, the entire \$100,000 could be raised without difficulty. When the last campaign ende showed that nine conferences and two mission for could report a finished work. Each of these had raise supportionate share of the \$100,000, and what a satisfaction it was to those fields. How happy all the members felt that they could stand before the Lord blameless in this thing.

But what were the other sixty-seven conferences doing that they failed to bring in their share of the offering? The trouble was that so many of the members did nothing. The members who worked reached an average above what was needed to collect the entire amount. Some got little, others much, but in all they more than did their share. The failure was with those who did not work.

This year we are one year nearer the end, and evidences are increasing that years of time are very few. The needs are more pressing than ever. We cannot think of anything this year but a completed work, the full \$100,000. Will not every Sabbath keeper who loves the Lord take part in this effort this year? If all will shoulder their individual responsibility and go to work in the strength of the Lord, it will be possible to say this year, in regard to the Harvest Ingathering, "We have finished the work that thou gavest us to do."

E. M. GRAHAM.

#### When I Have Time

So many things I'll do
To make life happier and more fair
For these whose lives are crowded now with care.
I'll help to lift them from this low despair,
When I have time.

The chains of habit are too small to be felt until they are too strong to be broken.— *Johnson*.

# With the Men Behind the Books

#### Grit

Grit is the master key which unlocks all difficulties. What has it not accomplished! It has paid the mortgage on the farm in innumerable cases. It has enabled delicate women to save the home for the family. It has stood in the gap and saved thousands of men from destruction in disasters and great emergencies, in hard times and business panics. It has enabled poor boys and girls to pay their way through college and to make places for themselves in the world. It has given cripples strength to support aged and invalid parents. It is more than a match for any handicap. It has tunneled mountains, bridged rivers, joined continents with cables, and spanned them with railroads. It has discovered continents and won the greatest battles in history.

No substitute has ever been discovered for tenacity of purpose. Nothing can take the place of clear grit. An education cannot. A rich father, or influential "pulls," cannot, nor any advantage of birth or fortune.

After a friend of a New York merchant had named a number of good qualities in recommending a boy for a position, the merchant said: "Does he keep at it? That is the principal thing. Does he have staying qualities?"

Yes, that is your life interrogation. Do you keep at it? Have you staying qualities? Can you stick by your proposition? Can you persevere after failure? Have you grit — grit enough to hold on, to stick and hang, in spite of the most disheartening obstacles?

On every hand we see people who have turned back for want of grit — people who had pluck enough to begin things with enthusiasm, but did not have grit enough to carry them to a finish.

The point at which you are tempted to turn back, the point when your grit leaves you, will measure your achievement power. Your ability to go on, to continue after everybody else has turned back, is a pretty good measure of your grit, of your possible success. . . .

There is no other quality which stands so near genius as persistency. It has won many a battle after the other qualities have surrendered, when even judgment had given up, and hope had been abandoned. The youth who has the faculty of holding on, though he may be stupid in school, and dull of comprehension, is likely to succeed in the end. A boy is more likely to prosper in life if he has this one quality, even if he is lacking in all other success qualities, than if he possess great brilliancy without it.

The man who is bound to win is the man "who does not shrink back from the temporary defeat in life, but who comes up again and again, and wrests triumph from defeat."

Six times did Peary try to realize his north pole vision. How many men are there who would have tried the seventh time? Not one in thousands would have attempted it even the second time.

The real test of the character is what a man does after he fails. What will he do next? What resources, what inventiveness, will his failure arouse in him? Will it discover new sources of power? Will it bring out reserves, double his determination, or will it dishearten him?

This is the test of your manhood, How much is there left in you after you have failed in your undertaking, and have lost everything outside of yourself? If you lie down then, throw up your hands, acknowledge yourself beaten, you are not made of the stuff that wins.

There are varying degrees of persistency. Some men start out with great zeal, but turn back at their first defeat, while failures only enhearten others, call out their reserves, and make them all the more resolute, determined, to win. For some men, every defeat is a Waterloo; but there is no Waterloo for the man who has clear grit, for the man who persists, who never knows when he is beaten. Those who are bound to win never think of defeat as final. They look upon it as a mere slip. They get up after each failure, with new resolution, more determination than ever to go on until they win.

Six failures, six times putting his life in jeopardy, each time knowing he might never see his home or family again, did not shake Peary's determination to find the north pole.

The great miracles of civilization have been wrought by men who had so set their hearts on their aims that nothing could keep them from pressing on. What can you do with a man who is willing to stake all his future, his property, his reputation, everything he possesses, even life itself, upon the fulfilment of his heart's desire? There isn't much you can do with such a man but let him go ahead.

The world makes way for the determined man. Everybody believes in the man who persists, sticks, hangs on, when others let go. Tenacity of purpose gives confidence. If you stick to your purpose through thick and thin, if you have the genius of persistence, you have the first qualification of an achiever.

A shrewd New York brewer recently said: "The church people can down us when they try, and we know it. Our hope is in working after they get tired, and continuing to work three hundred and sixty-five days in the year." This man knows the power of persistency to wear out opposition, the miracle of keeping everlastingly at it.—O. S. Marden.

# Some Canvasser's "Don'ts"

Don'r enter the work unless you have a real desire to save souls.

Don't forget that, while you can do nothing of yourself, you can do all things through Christ, which strengtheneth you.

Don't forget that possibly the people you meet may never have another opportunity to receive light and truth.

Don't do your work in such a way that heaven cannot approve it, or that you would be ashamed to come back to the same field a second time, and meet the same people.

Don't forget that other people value a straightforward, strictly honest character as much as you do.

Don't forget to carry the sunshine of heaven's love and peace in your face. It may prove a ray of light that will enter some darkened, discouraged soul that is tightly closed to your words.

Don't remain at home because of the weather. The day of the worst weather may prove your best day in the work.

Don't forget that success comes from the Lord; therefore give him the honor when you succeed.— Selected.

# A Liberal Offer

The Signs weekly has had a "Question Corner" for more than thirty years. From its columns has been compiled a book called "Questions and Answers." It is divided into nineteen sections, and each section has a full index, so that it is an easy matter to find the many questions it contains. In it difficult Bible texts are made clear, apparent contradictions are harmonized, perplexing questions are answered.

This is a book which should be in every home and church library. The Pacific Press offers it as a premium with the weekly Signs on the following liberal terms:

All who subscribe for the Weekly Signs from now to the end of this year, and pay \$2 will receive the paper until the end of 1916, and a copy of "Questions and Answers."

Church clubs of five or more copies for one year at the regular price will obtain one copy of the book for the church library.

Five Signs for one year to one address and one book will cost \$6.

Five Signs for one year to separate addresses and one book will cost \$6.25.

Five members in any church each ordering five copies, making a club of twenty-five copies in all, will each receive a copy of the book.

Heretofore the book has only been given with yearly subscriptions. Now, members who subscribe by October 1 will get the paper for fifteen months and the book; if they subscribe by November 1, they will get the paper for fourteen months and a book; and if they subscribe by December 1, they will have the paper for thirteen months and a book. Therefore the sooner they subscribe, the more they will get for their \$2.

The club offers are also new and they give opportunities to many to get the book without paying anything more for their clubs of papers than they have always done. It simply requires a definite subscription for five copies of the paper for a year at the regular price of \$6 to obtain a copy of the book.

The book is a valuable one. There are texts in the Bible about which our members are frequently questioned in their missionary work. In this book these are clearly explained. Other points often raised against this truth are dealt with. Every home missionary worker needs it. Let all our churches counsel together and get as much from this liberal offer as they can.

E. M. GRAHAM.

# Kentucky Conference

## Conference Directory

B. W. Brown, President.

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Membership
426

Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund
Quota to Date Amount Paid

\$2,632.00

Amount Paid \$2,268.85

Amount Shor \$363.15

#### Sunset Calendar

Friday, Oct. 8, sun sets ...... 5:33

#### News Notes

Miss Lena Brown visited with the Ford brethren and assisted them with the Sabbath school work in their church.

Brother C. W. Vermillion is spending a few days at home at this writing. He will return to Carter County soon.

Sister Gordon of Richmond has ordered a supply of Harvest Ingathering papers. Have you sent in your order yet?

Sister Verna Beck writes of her work with the Harvest Ingathering papers and states that the Lord is blessing her in getting funds for missions.

Elder White writes from Covington that he is now on hand to begin his work for the winter. He states that his trip home was a treat for him and he feels that he can do better work after his rest.

Brother Winkler writes that he is of good courage and working hard in Lee County selling "Daniel and the Revelation."

Elder Lawrence has gone to Louisville where he is holding meetings prior to the general meeting which will be held October 1-3. He reports good prospects for a number of brethren from the different churches being in attendance.

Word has been received from Brother Salmon of Livia telling of the death of his youngest son who was sick only a short time. We are still in a world where death abounds. Let us labor to be ready to enter that country where death will not enter.

Brother G. S. Pinckhard of Louisville is doing a good work with our tracts. A supply was mailed him this week.

Brother James Hickman is in Powell County at this writing. He is assisting Brother Harp.

Elder O. A. Dow has visited the brethren at Auxier, Ashland, and Saylersville. At this writing he is at Carter.

Brother Luther Bowles, one of our faithful canvassers, met with an accident the past week. While riding a wheel down a grade the break failed to work and he was unable to control it. When it struck a rock he was thrown on his head. He was unconscious for some time and when he returned to the office his face and head were badly bruised and scratched. He is getting along nicely but will be unable to work for some time. The Lord had blessed him with \$51 worth of orders in three days before his accident. Let us not forget to pray for Brother Bowles and all of our canvassers who are giving their lives to this message.

Elder Brown spent Sabbath and Sunday with the Ford Church and held the quarterly meeting. Baptismal service was held and two were added to the church.

Brother H. E. Beck writes encouragingly of his work in Trimble County. He says there are many people there who are anxious for the truth.

Sister Harp of Ford has been sick since camp-meeting for which we are indeed sorry.

Brother Allman has gone to Powell County where he will sell "Daniel and the Revelation." He hopes to put in full time now since his family has been moved to Ford.

How are you getting along with your missionary work? It is now time to send in a report of what you have done the past quarter.

Sister White of Paint Lick sent in a remittance the past week.

Our young people throughout the conference should order their reading course books. Every young person should read these good books this winter.

#### Bible Study

"You should seek to fathom every subject requiring your investigation, comparing not only the ideas and thoughts of men concerning the matter, but also comparing scripture with scripture, that you may know that you do know every point of the faith."—Mrs. E. G. White, in Bible Training School, Dec., 1904.

#### It Works

The Present Truth Series is successfully accomplishing the work it was designed to do; namely, searching out those susceptible to the truth, and creating an interest for other papers and books. While these papers are excellent in contents, they are so cheap that our people can afford to literally sow them and have results in thousands of places similar to the following instance:

"I came in possession of your Review Extras, and I am very glad I did. I am a salesman for the N. K. Fairbanks Company, Chicago, and I met Mrs. Fred Cummings, of 4601 A, St. Ferdinand Ave., St. Louis, Missouri. We struck a conversation, something about religion, and she showed me one of your Extras, and since then I have managed to get the first seven from her. I am pleased with them, and I will heartily tell everybody about your papers, and encourage families to get them regularly. Send me the Extras, the remaining eight editions, or if I am late for these editions, send anything that will benefit me in reading. I was never so intensely interested in religion before. Inclosed you will find stamps for the papers. I feelit my duty to do all I can to circulate this worthy paper, and I surely will. I visit fifty homes daily, and I can do something.

Yours truly and for everlasting success.

# Louisiana Conference

#### Conference Directory

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G. B. Boswell, Field Missionary Agent.

R. W. PARMELE, Missionary Secretary.

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Membership

Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund
Quota to Date
\$2,324.00
\$1,307.04

Amount Paid Amount Short \$1,307.04 \$1,016.96

Sunset Calendar

Friday, Oct. 8, sun sets ...... 5:36

#### News Items

A GOOD supply of forty different tracts and leaflets on the various points of our faith was recently ordered by Elder Frank to be shipped to Hobart for use in connection with the meetings held in that vicinity, thus clinching the words of truth taught from the pulpit and in the homes.

Two thousand eight hundred Family Bible Teacher lessons were also sent to Brother Paul to be used in following up the work started in Mansfield by the series of meetings recently held at that place.

Sabbath, September 18, seven from the New Orleans Church No. 2 were baptized, thus signifying their new walk of life. A number of others are awaiting baptism, who could not be present at the time.

Acknowledging receipt of Elder Parmele's report of the home missionary work for the quarter ending June 30, Sister Graham, of the Home Missionary Department, says:

"Your report is a good one, for sixteen of the items of work show an increase over the previous report, and only two show a decrease. This is indeed a healthy growth, and I think you have every reason to be encouraged by the result of the efforts which you have put forth. I hope the next quarter's report will show an equally encouraging increase in the amount of work done. Your report is especially encouraging because most of the reports for the quarter ending June 30 show a drop in the work done, indicating that there is a tendency on the part of the people to slacken their efforts in the spring and summer months. O course, I know that many of them are farmers, and they are busier in the spring and summer than they were in the winter; but the enemy does not slacken his efforts, and I believe that if our people realized their responsibilities for bringing souls to the truth they would find ways of continuing their home missionary work during the summer."

The following actions of the Louisiana Conference committee, taken at the meeting held recently in Mansfield, will be of general interest:

That Elder W. P. McLennan spend one week with the company at Dunn and the church at Arcadia, as soon as he can consistently arrange to do so.

That Brother and Sister Paul continue the work in Mansfield.

That Elder Frank continue his work in Ascension Parish as long as may be necessary and consistent, and that he then make Lake Charles his field of labor, until otherwise directed by the committee.

That a fund of \$225 be raised with which to purchase a tent for youths' and canvassers' meetings at our camp-meetings and to purchase a library and library tent for the youth to be used at camp-meeting.

#### Mansfield

The tent effort at Mansfield closed Sunday night, September 19, with a good attendance at the tent. At the same time two sermons were being preached in churches near the tent against the truth. Two others had been preached in the forenoon against us, and one on the Wednesday night previously, three churches in all taking part in the opposition. It seemed to us that nothing could have transpired to more fully settle those who had been hearing the truth than these efforts of the adversaries.

Four good reliable adults have begun the observance of the Sabbath, and others have promised to do so, who we feel sure will make their word good. Brother and Sister Paul remained to follow up the work by personal effort, and Sabbath meetings in the church building. On the last day of the meeting two followed their Lord in baptism, and a company of seventeen was organized.

In response to the inquiry, a large number of those present at the last meeting indicated by rising that they believed what had been preached in the tent was the truth. We have every reason to believe that a strong work will be built up in Mansfield, and that the church building will be fully completed as a home for the believers in their Sabbath devotions.

The last three days of the meetings, brethren and sisters were present from Shreveport. We also had the pleasure of having with us Elder S. E. Wight, Brother J. W. Davis, and Prof. L. H. Wood, of Nashville, as well as all of the conference laborers, excepting those engaged in the work in New Orleans. Upon the whole, we can truly say that the Mansfield meeting was a splendid success.

R. W. Parmele.

#### Parable of the Sheep Dealer

THE Louisiana Tract Society is like unto a man who was a great sheep dealer, who having a good credit, bought from his brethren afar off many sheep, both large and small ones, giving his note at 5 per cent interest for the same.

These sheep he hoped to subcontract to faithful under shepherds who would sell them and take half of the proceeds for their labors, returning the remaining half to the man, with which he would pay his expenses and his outstanding debts.

Then said many men, "Go to now, let us contract for a large number of those sheep, that we may show our neighbors and friends the value of these good sheep and the joy their possession will bring to the owners." They therefore ordered small and great ones in great numbers, for which the good man required only their word as security until they should pay him.

Many of the shepherds were faithful in dealing with the sheep and soon returned to the good man all that was his due, whereupon the man said, "Well done, honest and faithful servant. Thou art qualified to oversee other workers, and you may send for as many other sheep as you need, and you may also have free transportation to and from the annual meetings, and free entertainment while attending such meetings."

Others who had ordered sheep from the good man sold a part of them, and spent the money for the same, returning the unsold to the man without his share of the proceeds. Some sold all they had ordered, but spent all of the proceeds upon themselves, leaving the good man nothing wherewith to pay his obligations. You may be sure that these faithful servants drifted out of the employment of the chief shepherd, and some of them lost their sense of duty and honor, entirely drifting away from God.

Moral: Honesty proveth the best policy; short debts make long friends.

G. B. Boswell.

The word "discouragement" is not found in the dictionary of the kingdom of heaven. Never let yourself use the word if you have God's work to do.— Melinda Rankin.

# Alabama Conference

#### Conference Directory

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M. L. Wilson, Field Missionary Secretary.

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OFFICE ADDRESS, Room 316, Lyric Bldg., Birmingham, Ala.

## Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership Quota to Date 450 \$2,362,50

Amount Paid \$1,607.24 Amount Short \$755.26

#### Sunset Calendar

Friday, Oct. 8, sun sets ....... 5:36

#### News Notes

THE second week's work of the Birmingham Church in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign started with nearly all of the members in the field. At the weekly missionary meeting, Elder Keate presented the report showing over \$60 raised the first week by the thirty members taking part.

The goal of \$5 per member has been set for Alabama in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign for 1915. By reaching this mark our deficit in the twenty-cent-a-week fund will be met. It has been suggested that an "Honor Roll" be published giving the names of those reaching or passing the \$5 mark in this effort. For this list to be complete we wish each church treasurer to report promptly the names of those reaching the \$5 mark.

HARVEST INGATHERING HONOR ROLL, BIRMINGHAM CHURCH

Mrs. F. D. Hunt Mrs. T. J. Hoskins

A stranger came to the tract society and asked for a copy of each of the "Watchman Series" of tracts. The request was so unusual that we inquired where he had heard of the literature. He said, "A young lady sold me a Watchman in Ensly yesterday, and I have read it from cover to cover. It is fine. I want to read more of its teachings and investigate the Sabbath and Sunday question." This gentleman's home is in northern Georgia, the lady magazine agent came from Tennessee and the sale was made in Alabama. Surely the Lord works to bring souls to a knowledge of the truth. It pays to sell The Watchman.

There is an opportunity for some sister who desires a position as housekeeper for several months. A young lady desires a housekeeper while her mother is absent for a visit. Any Seventh-day Adventist desiring more information regarding this can secure the same by addressing the Alabama Conference

The Present Truth Series, numbers one to nine, are ready for distribution. All numbers are kept in stock at Room 316. Lyric Bldg., Birmingham, Ala. Number ten will soon be ready, and at that time packages of one of each number will be made up at this office and sent postpaid to any address for five cents. This is a wonderfully effective way to send literature to interested ones. Send us your list of names with five cents for each

A very few packages of back numbers of The Watchman may be obtained of this office for one cent a copy.

# Mississippi Conference

#### Conference Directory

C. S. Wiest, President.

BEN C. MARSHALL, Secretary and Treasurer. BEN C. MARSHALL, Tract Society Secretary.

Virgil Smith, Field Missionary Agent. James A. Morrow, Religious Liberty Secretary.

Mrs. E. L. Morrow, Sabbath School Secretary, 116 Short Bay St., Hattiesburg, Miss.

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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund Membership 311 \$1.589.90

\$898.16

Amount Short \$690.84

#### Sunset Calendar

#### Cedar Creek Church

As it has been some time since you have heard from us, I thought I would write you through the columns of the Worker, as this little paper has been coming to our home for almost two years and its weekly arrival is anxiously awaited by us.

About two months ago Elder Wiest was with us and spoke Sabbath and Sunday. We continue to put all the reading matter we can get into the hands of the people and to pray that God in his wisdom will bless our efforts.

Two weeks ago I got a letter from our dear Brother Burke saying he would be with us on August 20 to begin a few days meeting. I wrote a short notice of the meeting and got the editor of our county paper to put it in for me. The first night we had a large crowd. The meeting began on Sabbath evening and continued until Thursday night, with preaching every night and two services on Sabbath and Sunday. The interest seemed to increase each night and one or two nights the church would not hold the crowd that came. The weather continued good throughout the week, and as the truths of the blessed Bible were proclaimed from the stand, a deathlike stillness would come over the congregation as Christian people were feeding on the bread of life and the hidden manna.

The ungodly as well as the Christians of other denominations were having the gospel preached to them and were being convicted of their sins.

The interest here is great and the people more willing than ever before to know the truth. Many questions were passed in for explanation. The last night of the meeting there were more questions than could be answered. We disliked very much to close the meetings, but Brother Burke had to go away and leave the interest growing. We appreciate very much having Miss Pearl McEachern of Ellisville with us who rendered valuable service in musical lines.

Now, dear brethren, remember us at Cedar Creek in your prayers that some way may be provided in the near future that we may have ministerial help, so that the interest which has been aroused here may be looked after and souls saved in the kingdom of heaven. As we see the workings of Satan on every side, we cannot but know that our redemption draweth nigh and that the kingdom shall soon be delivered up to Him whose right it is to reign; and unto us who are looking for him, he shall appear the second time without sin unto salvation. Brethren, may we be faithful unto death, that we may receive a crown of life. T. J. COVINGTON.

Quitman, Miss.

It would tire the hand of an angel to write down all the pardons that God bestows upon true penitent believers .- Bates.

# Tennessee River Conference

## Conference Directory

W. R. Elliott, President.

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Prof. S. L. Clark, Principal, Hazel Academy, Hazel, Ky.

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Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund
Quota to Date Amount Paid

Amount Short \$2.209.98

\$4,770.50 \$2,560.52

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Sunset Calendar

Friday, Oct. 8, sun sets ......5:33

#### News Notes

ELDER ELLIOTT writes that the meetings are quite well attended, and that some will take their stand for the truth. He expects to close his effort the last of September.

Our two magazine workers, Miss Cotton and Miss Sill, who are now in Alabama on a paper trip, report excellent success in their visits to the different towns. The last report brings the news that in a little over two hours they sold one hundred fifty-three papers. They are now making their way towards Nashville, as they have a delivery of books to make at Clarksville, October 5. We are glad indeed that the Lord has been blessing their efforts.

Brother J. N. Womack will make a delivery October 5, at Manchester, Tenn. Brother Womack is of good courage, and expects to remain in the work as long as he is able.

Sister Philpot of Murfreesboro sent in a remittance last week. She says that she will make good use of the Harvest Ingathering Signs when they arrive. Brother and Sister Philpot are isolated, but keep in close touch with the progress of the work. They are regular readers of the Review and Southern Union Worker.

, Sister Amanda Forehand writes that she is of good courage, and while she does not have the privileges of attending church services, is faithful in paying her tithes and offerings. Sister Forehand is an isolated member and often writes of her courage in the closing work, and her desire to do more for the spread of the message.

Brother Denslow continues to be favored with good attendance at the Sunday-night meetings which are held every week at the Fatherland Church. A large number of outsiders are present, and there is quite an interest in the truth.

#### Bon Aqua

Ir was the privilege of the writer in company with Brother M. Wheeler, field agent, to visit the church at Bon Aqua, Tenn., Sabbath, September 25.

The Nails Creek Sabbath school and Bon Aqua Sabbath school meet together only once a quarter, and the ordinances are celebrated after the Sabbath school service.

At the preaching service, seven young people gave their hearts to God, and were baptized on Sunday, September 26, by Elder Martin. The membership of the church is now twenty-seven and all the members are of good courage.

In the afternoon, the book work was presented to the company present. There are several who will enter this branch of the Lord's service when they can arrange matters. The brethren promised to take hold of the Harvest Ingathering Campaign and do all in their power to raise a large sum for missions. Of course, in the country districts the people are very scattered, and it is not quite as easy to solicit money where the people

live miles apart. Some expect to mail out the papers to their friends, and in this way solicit donations.

The Sabbath school work is making advances, and the young people as well as adults in the church there enjoy the study of the lessons. The thirteenth Sabbath offering was \$5.20.

Brother Wheeler and I returned to Nashville Sunday morning. We enjoyed our visit very much. F. C. Bruce.

#### From the Canvassing Field

Our work is onward and the reports are coming in better now than in the past. On September 1, Brother Tyus and I left Nashville for Stewart County where Brother Tyus will work with "Heralds of the Morning." We worked together nineteen hours and the Lord blessed us with \$32 worth of orders. I left him in good courage.

From there I went to Springville and spent Sabbath and Sunday in search of new recruits for our field. I found several who feel that the Lord is calling them to this work. Brother Hixon started out with that excellent little book, "Bible Footlights." Others promised to go to work as soon as they harvest their crops. One brother has a nice farm that he wants to sell so he can enter the work. He said he once thought that if he paid a faithful tithe and gave of his means to the cause, that was enough; but he has now decided that this is not sufficient, but that the Lord is calling for his service.

From Springville I went to McKenzie where I found Brother Wagner and family nicely located. The Lord is blessing them in their work and they are sending in some good reports.

At Union City I visited Brother Keele and wife. Brother Keele is having good success, and is very thankful that he took up the sale of the large books. He knows how to meet the people and get the orders. He is also able to deliver the books. His wife is working the town with "Bible Readings" and is having many good experiences in the work.

I then went to Memphis and found some who feel a burden for the work, and I believe they will enter it soon. Because of sickness I had to return to Nashville and am taking some treatments, but hope to be out again soon.

We are getting some good reports from Brethren Smith and Swallen in Moore County. They are faithful workers and have averaged over 45 hours per week ever since they have been in the field. The results show in their reports. The worker who puts in full time is the one who sends in good reports. Brother Womack is doing excellent work in Coffee County. He reports that he is having some rich experiences in the work and that his courage is good. Brother Bishop and Brother Dewberry are doing faithful work in Rutherford County. Brother Bishop reports \$83 worth of orders in about four days. Brother Dewberry has had many good experiences and says his courage is good. Brother Young of Paducah, Kentucky, has been sick quite a good deal this summer which has caused him to lose considerable time. He is a faithful worker and has placed many thousands of pages of literature in the homes of the people. We pray that he may be strong and able to be instrumental in winning many souls for the Master. Brother Hazelton is faithfully going from house to house with the printed page. I am sure he will see souls saved in the kingdom of God as the result of his

I am glad that our workers are doing so well. Many inquiries are coming in from those who desire to engage in the work. Surely the time has come when our literature is going to be scattered like the leaves of autumn. Psalms 68: 11, 12, says: "The Lord gave the word; great was the company of those that published it. Kings and armies did flee apace; and she that tarried at home divided the spoil." I believe, my brethren, that the time has come for you to join this company. If the Lord is calling you, I beg of you to heed the call, as did Isaiah, saying: "Here am I, Lord; send me." M. Wheeler, Field Agent.

# Colporteurs' Report Southern Union Conference for Week Ending Sept. 25, 1915

Alabama Conference							Tennessee River Conference				
Name Book	Hrs.	Ords	. Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.	C G Bishop D&R 40 21 \$51 00 \$ 75 \$51 75 \$				
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S S Guilford BR	40	7	25 00	35	$25 \ 35$		R H Hazelton .gc 39 10 20 00 95 20 95				
E Gudmundson bf	44	10	15 00	1 40	$16 \ 40$	1 50	M Hixon BF 23 9 9 50 2 60 12 10				
C F Jones BF	21	7	6 00	1 75	7 75		R A Judkins cor. 12 1 50 1 50				
Mary Miles BR	52	7	$22 \ 00$		$22 \ 00$	42 00	Wm J Keele .D&R 43 6 22 00 2 50 24 50 2 00	)			
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Ernest Waters .BR	3					17 00	Chas R Smith .BR 40 14 42 00 1 20 43 20				
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JBReichenbach BR	40	8	22 00		$22 \ 00$		Conference Orders Helps Deliveries				
Luther Bowles . BR	41	11	38 00	75	38 75		Alabama Conference . \$8729 60 \$ 178 35 \$1382 45				
L I Marcum BR	28	2	6 00		6 00		Kentucky Conference. 15838 08 818 37 8732 39				
P M Winkler .D&R	22			10 70	10 79	8 <b>6 0</b> 0	Louisiana Conference. 5086 56 190 05 1306 00				
Felia PierceBR	37			6 75	6 75	68 00	Mississippi Conference 14850 10 542 80 2090 20	)			
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Louisiana Conference						Magazine Agents' Report for Week Ending	`				
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E W Radeke .D&R	15	2	6 00	** 75	#05 00 6 75	₩	Alabama Conference				
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#### Health and Temperance

HEALTH AND TEMPERANCE for October is an exceedingly practical number. In fact, one loses many helpful suggestions by not being a regular subscriber.

The October number presents, in the School of Health, The Use and Abuse of Cathartics, The Treatment of Heart Trouble; in the Cooking School, The Preparation of Food for the Sick; in What to Do First, Lime and Other Foreign Substances in the Eye, The Treatment of Erysipelas, To Remove Diphtheria Germs, etc.; in the Questions and Answers Department, Corns, Hardening of the Arteries, Poultices, Growing Fleshly after Operations, etc.

You will save many doctor bills by reading *Health and Temperance*. A subscription now entitles you to the balance of 1915 and all of 1916, if requested, for \$1. Subscribe today.

## Holy Spirit—Divided Tongues

"The Holy Ghost assuming the forms of tongues of fire divided at the tips, and resting upon those assembled, was an emblem of the gift which was bestowed upon them of speaking with fluency several different languages, with which they had formerly been unacquainted; and the appearance of fire signified the fervent zeal with which they would labor, and the power which would attend their words."—"A postles of Christ," No. 1, by Mrs. E. G. White, p. 5, Edition 1878.

## "The Bible and the Bible Only"

"The apostle Paul declared, looking down to the last days, 'The time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine' (2 Tim. 4:3). That time has fully come. The multitudes do not want Bible truth, because it interferes with the desires of the sinful, world-loving heart; and Satan supplies the deceptions which they love.

But God will have a people upon the earth to maintain the Bible, and the Bible only, as the standard of all doctrines, and the basis of all reforms."—"Great Controversy," by Mrs. E. G. White, pp. 594, 595, Edition 1911.

# The November "Signs" Magazine

HERE are titles of some articles which appear in the November Signs magazine:

Christianity and War; The Final World Crisis; An Eternat Hell?; Christ's Example in Sabbath-keeping; The Menace of War; World-wide Peace is certain; Dynamiting at the Rock of Ages; The Battle of Armageddon; The European War—Appalling Destruction of Humanity.

It is so easy to say, "It is better than usual." We want you to see a copy so that you may judge for yourself. If its appeal to you is sufficiently strong, send to your tract society for 25, 50, or 100 copies for circulation in your community.

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# Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota to Date	Amount Paid	Amount Short		
2273	\$13,678.00	\$8,641.81	\$5,036.19		

#### News Items

BROTHER G. H. CURTIS received a telegram last Tuesday to go immediately to Omaha, Nebr. His wife, who had with her daughter been visiting her parents in Shelby, Iowa, for the past three months, was on her way home. The parents of Mrs. Curtis accompanied them as far as Omaha, Nebr., and while taking an automobile trip through the city, were run into by another auto, and Mrs. Curtis' mother was very severely hurt. Mrs. Curtis and daughter were not injured, but severely shocked.

As a matter of interest, please note the report of the receipts on Harvest Ingathering funds for the conferences and missions and the total in each State for last year. What are you doing to improve that record this year? Every one can have a part in this.

Prof. L. H. Wood and Elder S. E. Wight attended a general meeting of the Seventh-day Adventist colored church in Louisville, Kentucky, October 2-5.

In this issue will be found a report of the home missionary work for this union for the quarter ending June 30. It is almost time for another report. Be sure to make your report to your conference secretary as soon as possible after the first of the month.

Elder Sydney Scott, who has been holding a series of meetings in Shreveport, La., and Jackson, Miss., arrived in the city last Thursday. He is making arrangements to go to California to spend a few weeks visiting his and his wife's relatives.

Have you noticed the large amount of work that only 716 people in the Southern Union accomplished in home missionary work? Glance over the report which appears in this issue. If the rest of the 2,100 members of this union had done as well, what a great work would have been accomplished.

WANTED: Clean copies of our papers for use in our missionary society. We can use the Youth's Instructor, Signs, Watchman Health and Temperance, and the Review. Please send prepaid to Miss Mamie Moore, Star Route, Leach, Tenn.

# Barvest Ingathering Motes

Brother G. H. Curtis, treasurer of the Union Conference, in his work with the Harvest Ingathering *Signs* has secured up to date \$5.25.

ELDER S. E. WIGHT reports a good experience in working with the Harvest Ingathering Signs of the Times. The amount secured up to date is \$4.75.

## Harvest Ingathering Report

AMOUNT RECEIVED IN 1914

Southern Union Conference

Ala Ky La Miss Tenn Total \$194 45 \$264 57 \$283 02 \$273 13 \$332 78\$1347 95 SOUTHERN UNION MISSION

\$58 45 \$19 25 \$121 30 \$173 67 \$ 7 50 \$380 17

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# Report of Home Missionary Work for the Southern Union Conference, Quarter Ending June 30, 1915

	Ala	Кy	La	Miss	Ten	n Total
Number of Churches	26		14	19	19	96
Membership	670	601	461	311	800	2843
Number Reporting	181	203	85	95	152	716
No.Ch.holdMissMeet	<b>2</b>			5		7
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Isolated Members				20		20
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Letters Written	522	213	162	227	120	1244
Letters Received	258	97	135	57	76	623
Missionary Visits	1630	1136	514	759	645	4684
Bible Readings	785	624	268	327	774	2778
Subscriptions	42	83	24	33	26	208
Papers Sold	578	1804	950	1572	786	5690
Papers Mailed	6667	1411	4881	1229	1119	15307
Books Sold	238	256	142	64	183	883
Books Lent	520	206	153	146	177	1202
Tracts Sold	17	64	31	54	220	386
Tracts Lent	2741	2314	1243	1211	1007	8516
Hrs. Ch. Help Work.	1689	1243	462	83,6	882	5111
Clothing Given Away	254	313	127	285	356	1335
Meals Provided	491	499	318	377	96	1781
Treatments Given	170	113	67	156	79	585
Signers Tem. Pledge.	32	13	4	6	1	56
Offerings\$	85 27\$	17 20\$	70 46\$	13 12\$	56 04	\$242 09
No. Conversions	15		3	17	<b>2</b>	37
Donations to Poor				<b>\$</b> 3 25		<b>\$</b> 3 25

In Mississippi sixteen children raised \$90 for the Jackson city church building.

#### Reaches a Difficult Class

A conference official writes as follows of Dr. Magan's new book:

"I have just finished reading 'The Vatican and the War,' and I must say it has been some time since I have read anything so interesting and profitable (except God's own Word) as this little book. I believe it will be a good seller and will reach a class of people that our other works have failed to reach. I shall do what I can to aid in its circulation."

In lots of ten of more, the price of the book in paper covers is but  $12\frac{1}{2}$  cents; cloth, 25 cents, plus the transportation. Order of your tract society.