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SUGGESTIONS FOR OUR PEOPLE IN NORTH CAROLINA

Our brethren and sisters desire to work in harmony with the plans recommended by those who have had many years of experience in this message. The following plans have been adopted, and we trust all will read them carefully, and carry them out as far as practicable.

1. All orders for missionary supplies should go to your librarian, or if more convenient, send your orders to the State Missionary Secretary. This includes orders for the Missions number of the Review, papers, tracts, lesson quarterlies, and all books except subscription books. Please plan to give or send cash with your order if possible, and thus save accounts and further trouble.

2. Church elders, librarians, and Sabbath-school superintendents should take a special interest in seeing that the church and Sabbath-school have missionary and Sabbath-school supplies. This important work should not be neglected. Sabbath-school papers and lesson quarterlies should be ordered at least three or four weeks before they are needed for use.

3. The Second Sabbath Reading is sent each month to all our churches and isolated Sabbath-keepers, to be read, and an offering made on that day for foreign missions. Each church and company should be sure to have a Second Sabbath service and carry out, as far as possible, the program found in each reading. The Elder or leader should arrange for this, and have good readers selected to read the different parts of the reading. We ought not to fail to make up a total of ten cents a week per member, on an average, for foreign missions.

4. On the third Sabbath an offering should be made for our State Emergency Fund, used for the purchase of tents, for camp-meeting expenses, etc. The Conference voted to do this. This fund should be liberally supported.

5. On the fourth Sabbath an offering should be made for the purchase of papers and tracts for home missionary work and to send away in the mail. This important work should not be overlooked.

6. In our churches, all tithe, Sabbath-school

offerings, pledges, and money for missions should be paid to the church treasurer. Our isolated Sabbath-keepers should send these offerings to the State treasurer.

7. Church clerks and treasurers should report quarterly to the State Secretary, and librarians should report monthly to the State Missionary Secretary.

8. Sabbath-school reports should be sent quarterly to Mrs. Emma B. Rogers, High Point N. C., Route No 3.

M. H. BROWN,
Secretary.

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TITHE PAYING

The importance of paying tithes, like other religious duties cannot be over estimated.

The Lord claims a portion of our time and a portion of our increase. From His bountiful hand comes all the blessings we enjoy, and how becoming it is for us to acknowledge His claim upon us by returning to Him a tithe of all He gives us. Lev. 27:30-31.

He calls the Sabbath "Holy unto the Lord," and a tenth of our income is "wholy the Lord's." It does not belong to any man on earth; God alone is the rightful owner, and He gives definite instruction for its use. Mal. 3:10, Num. 18:21-29.

The Pharisees were extremely careful to tithe their garden vegetables, anise and cumin; Jesus commended them for this, saying "These ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone." Mat. 23:23. Here we have the divine sanction for paying tithe even in the smallest matters.

"Bring ye *all* (a whole Tithe) the tithes into the storehouse, . . . and prove me now herewith saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Mat. 3:10.

No Conference, church, or nor individual can hope for spiritual power or prosperity when failing to heed this instruction.

"Every Christian is a steward of God, entrusted with His goods." Remember the words "Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." 1 Cor. 4:2. Let us be sure

that we are not robbing God in jots or tittles, for such is involved in this question."

G. W. WELLS.

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ENCOURAGING OUTLOOK

The outlook for the canvassing work in Florida is now brighter than it has been for several years. Somehow this department of the Lord's work has had serious reverses in this part of the field, but there is now a spirit of confidence, courage, and missionary zeal taking hold of the good people here, that bids fair for greater activity along this line.

A canvassers institute was held just before the annual camp-meeting, then followed some interesting meetings on this line during the camp-meeting, in which the leading brethren took part, and at this writing, another institute is being held for the colored people at their annual gathering.

The present indications are, that at least a dozen canvassers will soon be devoting their entire time to this work, while others will devote a portion of their time to it. To God be all the praise for these blessings.

Brother E. R. Button was chosen field agent for the coming year. His address will be Lakeland, Fla., and I am sure that he will be glad to correspond with any who may be planning to enter this important line of work.

V. O. COLE.

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ITEMS FROM NORTH CAROLINA

I understand that the school at Eufola commenced its work the first of this month, with the usual attendance.

The school at Hildebran started off well, beginning with 26 students, but they have continued to come until now their enrollment is 35.

It was my privilege to spend a few days at the hospitable home of Brother Underwood in Waynesville. This is the only family left in that city to hold up the light.

Sabbath, November 13, was well spent in song, and prayer, and Bible study which seemed to be greatly appreciated by all.

After some consideration of the conditions, it was decided by the family, to unite with the Conference Church.

On my return I stopped off at Asheville and enjoyed a short stay at the restful and pleasant home of Elder Martin. I was also glad to meet Elder Westworth at this time. This was my first visit to this city, and it was very gratifying to me to know how the Lord has blessed in the work here.

Sunday, November 7, a goodly number of the brethren of the Hildebran Church drove over to Baker mountain and joined in with the brethren there in an Ingathering service. A suitable program had been arranged, in which all the children took part. A number of the neighbors came in and enjoyed the services with us. The writer was present and gave a talk on Missions and the object of the meeting. An offering was taken up, but I have not learned the amount received.

Don't allow any of the Missions number of the Review to remain in your homes unused, and make special efforts to secure all the funds possible for the fields beyond, sending in the same as soon as convenient, to your church treasurer or Conference treasurer.

G. W. WELLS.

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Letter from a Canvasser

A letter from Brother W. H. George, who is canvassing in North Carolina, brings words of good courage. Brother George is handling the larger books and reports good success in taking orders and in deliveries. He is also selling some of the smaller books such as Christ's Object Lessons.

Brother George says that he expects to continue in the work of spreading the Message. He is truly anxious to carry the knowledge of this precious truth to those who know it not.

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CUMBERLAND COMMITTEE MEETING

The conference committee for the Cumberland conference held a session at Graysville, November 7th, with a full attendance, excepting Elder Pogue, who is still in the North endeavoring to regain his health.

Several actions of importance were taken among which we would mention the election of Miss Minnie Hildebrand to the office of Secretary and treasurer of the conference. Brother R. L. Williams handed in his resignation on account of pressing business matters, which made it impossible to do justice to the work of the secretary, and while we were sorry not to have the services of brother Williams, we were pleased to secure the services of sister Hildebrand and bespeak for her the support and co-operation of all in the conference. All communications and remittances from all the church or company treasurers, or from isolated believers, should be addressed to her at Graysville, Tenn.

We are glad to note the addition of another minister to the ranks of the workers in this conference. Elder O. M. Kittle, formerly of the South Dakota conference, is now settled and at

work in Johnson City, following up the interest created by brethren Pogue and Dillen before the camp-meeting and followed up, since the camp-meeting, by brother Dillen.

Elder Shoup reports continued interest at Athens, which is encouraging. Some who came out boldly at the tent effort have proved to be stout-ground hearers, but others are interested to know the testing truths for this time.

The conference committee voted to furnish some good seats to equip the hall where brother Shoup is at work.

W. A. WESTWORTH,

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BEGIN ON TIME

To advertise the thrift and enterprising character of the West, especially Seattle, the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition was announced as "the fair that will be ready". Such determination in itself created confidence in the promoters of the enterprise.

How good to be ready to undertake any contemplated task at the proper time! Do not procrastinate, but send your names for enrollment in the Reading course to your Missionary Volunteer Secretary at once. State what course you want to take up, and order your books, at least the first one. QUIET TALKS ON SERVICE is the first in the Missionary Volunteer course (seventy-five cents) and LETTERS FROM THE HOLY LAND (twenty-five and fifty cents). Remember the courses begin in the INSTRUCTOR of October 5.

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THE MORNING WATCH

The Morning Watch Calendar for 1910 is now ready. In general appearance it is very similar to that of last year, and the trend of the Sabbath-school lessons on the Life of Christ is followed as before. Did you fail to carry out your good resolution made at the beginning of this year, to commit the specified scripture, and spend a few of the first moments of the day in communion with God? Determine this year to succeed. Plan for it. You can carry out your purpose if you will. Order of your Missionary Volunteer Secretary or of the undersigned.

Price for one or more five cents each. To those who want several for their friends, envelopes for remailing will be furnished on request.

Mrs. METTIE S. LENKER.

Graysville, Tenn.

THE GREAT EASTERN QUESTION

Correspondence coming to the office of the Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tenn., indicates that the WATCHMAN is being

greatly appreciated, the articles on the Eastern Question receiving the due notice to which the subject is entitled. The December number of the WATCHMAN contains a little surprise for its readers in the shape of a beautiful three-colored illustration of the Burnt Column located in Constantinople. It belongs to the article on the Eastern Question and is worth preserving. Those who have not secured a copy of this number of the WATCHMAN should send in at once for one or more copies of this important magazine. Address THE WATCHMAN.

Nashville, Tennessee.

SOUTH CAROLINA NOTICE

The headquarters of the conference has been removed from Campobello, S. C. to Spartanburg, S. C., R.F.D. No 5. All mail intended for the secretary and treasurer, Miss Eliza Warner, should be sent to this address.

Insanity Result of Hypnotism

The following is taken from the San Francisco Call of November 12:

"Reading, November 12. A startling explanation as to the cause for insanity of Miss Alice Carson, Aged 19, who was today sent to the Napa hospital, is told by the girls parents and friends. It is claimed that her mind was effected by being hypnotized by an old man whose name is not given."

"Miss Carson is a graduate of the Shasta High School and has always been considered an exceptionally bright girl. She has been employed at a local candy store, and it was here that she met the man who it is alleged, hypnotized her."

In Prof. George W. Rine's pamphlet, "The Spirit World," you will find the basis for the existence of Hypnotism, Spiritualism and the like. 96 pages, 10 cents. Order from us. Address Pacific Press,

Mountain View, Cal.

Reading Circle Notice

A full line of the books recommended for the Missionary Volunteer Reading Course is carried in stock by the Southern Publishing Association 169 Bryan St., Atlanta, Ga., and orders will receive prompt attention, if addressed as above with remittance.

Numerous orders for the Sabbath School Lessons are still being sent outside of our Union. A stock of these is kept on hand by the Southern Publishing Association, 169 Bryan St., Atlanta, Ga., and orders can be filled quickly from that office. There is still on hand copies of the lessons for the present quarter.

In addressing the Southern Publishing Association, always be sure to include the street address, as above so that your letters will not go to another company by the name of Southern Publishing Co. All money orders should be made payable to the Southern Publishing Association, so there will be no trouble in collecting the same.

L. D. RANDALL

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The Work in Florida

We have not yet gotten squared away since our camp-meeting, but the most of our canvassers will soon have matters adjusted at their homes, and then they will take up the work with a determination that will mean success. The Lord has thus far blessed us abundantly—for more than we deserve, and for these blessings we want to devote to His service the very best there is in us.

Obituary

MILLER, Mrs. M. C. Miller fell asleep in Jesus, in Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 9, 1909, aged sixty-five years. Her religious experience began when at the age of twelve in 1856 she joined the A. M. E. Church. In 1901 she saw the light of Present Truth and afterwards became connected with our church No. 2 in Jacksonville. She leaves many friends and relatives to mourn their loss. We hope to meet our sister again when Jesus comes to gather home the redeemed. The funeral service was conducted by the writer.

J. W. MANNS.

FOR THE CHILDREN

How many of you have read of the manner in which the precious truth was brought to the people by the children when the Advent message was first proclaimed? In an even greater degree is the final message of salvation to be given through the efforts of the Sabbath-keepers. Now is the time to get a training for this work, yes, to really start the work. Who will have a part? Here is a plan which has been arranged by the Southern Publishing Association in connection with some of our leading workers. Three of the best books we have for children have been selected, and a prospectus of these has been prepared. The prospectus shows the different styles of binding of all three books, also sample pages from each. The children and youth are invited to order a copy of this prospectus and take orders for the different books from among their friends and neighbors, for a delivery to be made just before Christmas.

These books are simple enough for the children, yet so interesting that older people enjoy reading them, and do read them to such of the little ones as cannot read for themselves; they also give the simple truths of the message so that hearts are drawn to the Saviour, and souls made ready to welcome the Master when he shall return.

The prospectus will be sent postpaid on receipt of thirty five cents. Send for it at once and ask for full information as to the work. You can have the territory nearest you in which to canvass. A thousand prospectuses are available if you request.

Address all orders to the Southern Publishing Association 169 Bryan St., Atlanta, Ga.

Book Men's Convention

At a meeting of the S. E. Union conference committee a few weeks ago it was voted to hold a book men's convention in connection with the regular biennial meeting of the Southeastern Union conference to be held at Atlanta, Ga., in January. The book men's convention will be held January, 7 to 10, inclusive; The conference meeting follows, beginning the 11th.

This convention is in accordance with a resolution passed by the publishing department at the General Conference at Washington. We believe this convention will be very instructive, as well as interesting, and we trust the delegates will make it convenient to be there on time.

An interesting program is being prepared, and we are expecting some of the General conference brethren to be present and take part with us.

V. O. COLE.

Summary Report of the Canvassing Work in the S. E. U. Conference During October 1909

CONF.	AGTS	HRS.	ORD.	VAL.	HPS.	TOTAL	DEL
N. C.	13	1162	501	\$968.90	\$96.15	\$1065.05	\$405.80
Ga.	15	1310	227	595.15	139.95	735.10	1470.23
Cumb.	11	533	107	141.00	46.10	187.10	180.94
S. C.	7	530	53	76.50	30.00	106.50	532.00
Fla.	4	86	10	34.50	30.15	64.65	155.54
Totals	50	3621	908	1816.05	342.35	2158.40	2741.51

CANVASSING REPORT

Southeastern Union Conference.

For two weeks ending Nov. 26.

Name,	Book,	Hrs.,	Ords.,	Val.,	Total,	Del.
NORTH CAROLINA						
W. E. Lanier	DR				15.75	144.25
J. W. Moore	DR	60				130.25
G. L. Kerley	DR	90	45	101.74	106.00	4.25
M. L. Branch	DR	47	5	8.75	11.25	2.55
T. T. Stepp	DR	10				22.00
W. H. George	GC	19	8	22.00	23.80	15.80
Amelie Webster	GH	10				24.00
J. P. Allran	CK	62	39	39.00	44.60	5.60
O. R. Steed	CK	39	9	9.00	15.50	28.50
N. Q. Cmth	CK	20				1.05
W. L. Kirley	CK	10	8	8.00	9.90	5.90
Irregular	Misc			3	2.75	8.60
GEORGIA						
R. O. Terry	DR	15			.40	2.75
W. F. Boles	DR	31	2	3.00	3.50	80.00
G. D. Raff	DR	102	15	38.75	59.05	16.00
C. N. Bivens	DR	46	7	13.25	20.05	11.80
R. M. Carter	DR	13	6	8.00	11.50	
I. Tait	DR	8	1	1.00	1.50	
J. A. Suddeth	DR	31	16	30.50	50.05	15.00
R. S. Philemon	PPF	26	16	25.50	27.25	
B. F. Brown	Misc	61	65	70.00	97.59	10.50
	Papers					16.25
FLORIDA						
Mrs. E. R. Button	HGA	15				33.35
E. R. Button	DR PPF	4	6	14.25	16.25	
Mrs. J. W. Manous	BFL	6	4	4.50	5.20	3.20
J. A. James	DR BFL	1	2	2.75	2.75	1.00
W. A. Morris	PGH	35	22	77.00	78.50	
Hattie Reed	BFL	32	19	24.00	33.50	
Mrs. A. F. Burgos	DR CK	88	43	67.00	67.00	
Missellaneous						32.79
SOUTH CAROLINA						
G. B. Case	DR	62				85.25
J. B. Case	DR	79	3	5.25	18.75	9.50
Rose Lull	BFL	23		4.80		12.80
E. W. Carey	DR	46	23	62.25	89.05	.75
O. R. Robertson	BFL	72	30	30.00	31.50	.25
Summary						
South Carolina	Total	282	56	102.30	144.05	108.55
Florida	Total	381	96	189.50	203.20	70.34
Georgia	Total	333	138	190.00	269.80	136.05
North Carolina	Total	421	117	191.25	236.45	422.07