

# Field Tidings

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### GO WORK IN MY VINEYARD

In the above words, Christ, the great Teacher, invites every one to engage in gospel work, "For to every one is given his work."

In Vol. 7, page 30 this statement is made: "And every one who is added to the ranks by conversion is to be assigned his post of duty. Every one should be willing to be or to do anything in this warfare. "To every one who offers himself to the Lord for service, withholding nothing, is given power for the attainment of measureless results." Again we are told that the most humble workers, in co-operation with Christ, may touch chords whose vibrations shall ring to the ends of the earth, and make melody through the eternal ages." "There is no limit to the usefulness of those who give themselves unreservedly to the service of God."

With these precious promises we can enter upon our work every day with full confidence, that our work through the Lord, is not in vain. Though we may not see immediate results, we can be assured that we are setting in motion influences that God will bless. We are sowing the seed, and God will give the increase. The harvest will come at the end of the world. At that time the Lord will reward every man according as his work shall be. If we have done no work how can we expect a reward?

The Lord is a faithful accountant and will have all credits properly entered on the balance sheet of the acts of life. He will remember the gift of a cup of water in his name.

Doubtless among those who will be happily surprised to find so many stars in their crowns, will be the faithful canvassers who sold his book, passed on the dusty way perhaps never seeing or hearing from the purchaser again. The book did its work and in passing, chords were struck whose melody will make glad through eternal ages.

C. B. STEPHENSON.

### AMONG THE CHURCHES IN FLORIDA NO. 5

A good sized congregation greeted me at Ft. Ogden. The school had begun with an enrollment of about 24. I never visit Ft. Ogden without being impressed with the needs of the school, and the fact that there are many youth among us who need the blessing of such a school. Professor Gullett has an assistant this year, Brother George Green, so more thorough work than ever can be done. As you read these words can you not think of some way that you can encourage some young person to attend this school?

I very much enjoyed my visit to an isolated sister at Ft. Myers and another at LaBelle, about 40 miles up the Caloosahachie River. A number of our people are intending to move near Ft. Myers from Ohio. This may make it possible to establish a church there in the near future.

Several days were spent with the little church at Punta Gorda. Two meetings were held in one of which the ordinances were celebrated.

Eugene Whidden has begun practice there, and is doing well. I trust the doctor will be a strength to this little church. They were expecting Brother Wood soon, from the North. Brother Wood spent last winter with them and his labors were much appreciated by the church. I was dissatisfied in not meeting him. Many kindnesses were shown me by Mr. and Mrs. Dreggors, whose hospitable home I shared while there.

Wauchula was the last church visited. At that place I met Elder Bird, who had come in response to a call to assist one of our canvassers with his delivery at Wauchula, as certain popular ministers had threatened to make trouble. The letter calling Brother Bird, being delayed, he did not arrive until the delivery was successfully finished.

Two meetings were held at Wauchula, after one of which the ordinances were celebrated. A larger outside attendance was present upon this occasion, than I had ever seen before in Wauchula.

I arrived at Orlando September 21, and expect to go to Leesburg as soon as possible to assist in the tent-meetings there, and in preparing the ground for our camp-meeting.

This message never grows old, and the more we tell it, the better we love it. We are in the closing scenes of this earth's history, brethren, when "every wind of doctrine will be blowing." Let us see to it that our feet are firmly planted on the platform of this three-fold message.

R. W. PARMELE.

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## DUTIES OF OFFICERS

### Elders

Elders are pastor and shepherds. They are to feed the flock and care for it, and especially remember the lambs of the flock, the children. He should visit the sick and pray with them. He should labor to restore the wayward and those who stray from the fold. He should endeavor to help the weak and discouraged ones. He should always be ready to assist other officers in their work when necessary, and encourage them in the faithful discharge of their duties. He should be an example to all in sobriety, liberality, hospitality, punctuality, honesty, pity, and brevity. The latter is by no means unimportant. Some elders ruin their usefulness and their influence to a great extent, by consuming nearly all the time of the meeting and thus rob others of time they ought to use, and need to use to secure the blessing they desire, and ought to have. It is a pitiful sight to see an elder with such a burden to preach that he will occupy nearly an hour Sabbath after Sabbath with dry, prosy talk that does not feed the flock, but wearies the sheep as well as the lambs. We appeal to church elders to throw off such a burden, it is a false burden. Do not occupy more than ten or fifteen minutes, usually, with your remarks, being contented with making only two or three good, strong points, on Christian duty, Christian experience, and Christian doctrine, with a scripture lesson, or a few paragraphs from the testimonies brought in from time to time. Make the service brief, and enlist the co-operation of the people. This will give variety in the meetings,

and make them far more interesting and profitable.

### Deacons and Deaconesses

These officers have charge of the temporalities of the church. It is their duty to see that the sick and the poor are supplied with food, clothing, fuel, and proper care. They should provide materials for the ordinances of the Lord's house and care for them properly after quarterly meeting. They are to assist the elder when called on to do so, and assist at baptism. When a church has a house of worship, it is their duty to see that fuel and lights are provided, and that the house is kept clean, and everything in order for all the services. The cost of material for the ordinances, such as the wine, basons, towels, fuel, lamps, oil, baptismal robes, etc., should be purchased by contributions from the members. A report of all money received and paid out by these officers should be rendered to the church at least once a year.

### Church Clerks

This office should keep a record of all the business of the church, a list of its members, all changes of membership, whether by letter, death, or disfellowship, and a record of all the business meetings of the church and of the quarterly meetings, the number in attendance, and such features of these meetings as would be of interest and value, for future reference. There is a book prepared for this purpose and every clerk should have one. It is called the Church Record. The clerk should report quarterly and annually to the Secretary of the conference on blanks furnished for this purpose. These reports should be made out and sent in immediately after the quarterly meeting. These reports should be as full and complete as possible, and great pains should be taken in giving the names and full P. O., address of all the officers, including the librarian. This is important and should not be overlooked.

*(to be continued next week)*

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## NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE SCHOOL

In harmony with the plans that were laid at camp-meeting the conference committee has given considerable time to the consideration of opening a conference school this fall. It has been thought best to have the school at Hildebran

in the Academy building, and October 31, has been set as the day for commencing.

We are planning to do work as high as the ninth grade, if there are those who wish to take work as advanced as that. School will be held from eight to twelve A. M., five days in the week. The afternoons will thus be left free for work and study.

If necessary there will be a boarding house to provide for students coming from a distance. Several of the brethren and sisters residing in Hildebran will be able to provide accommodations for students: but all arrangements should be made before the student comes so that there will be no misunderstandings.

In order that all the arrangements may be understood by the school board and thus brought into harmony with the plans for carrying on the school, we request that all who contemplate coming to the school correspond with Professor J. W. Beach immediately. Some parents may wish to move to Hildebran for the winter in order to be with their children. Rooms can doubtless be secured to accommodate such if the matter is taken up at once. On account of unavoidable delays in making our plans we have been unable to make this announcement as soon as we would like to have done. We trust however that this will be early enough to enable all who desire to come to the school to perfect their arrangements.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

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**CRITICISM AND FAULT FINDING**

There is nothing more dangerous to the followers of Christ than a spirit of fault finding and criticism. The spirit of fault finding, criticism, gossip, and tale bearing is one of Satan's special agencies to sow strife and discord. It separates chief friends and leads to perdition.

Those who are carrying to this dark and sinful world the last warning message of mercy, can not afford to spend their time in dwelling upon the faults and mistakes of others. By beholding the faults and mistakes of others, we become changed into the same image; but by beholding Jesus, talking of his goodness, long suffering, and kindness, we will become changed into the same image and will manifest the same in our lives among men.

Brethren, if a man be over taken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such a one

in the spirit of meekness." We are to go to the erring one with the tenderness which will give him the assurance that it is the longing of our heart to do him good and not evil. May we remember that the victories we have gained over our selfish hearts, and the temptations of Satan have been by constant watchfulness and perserving prayers.

"Those who are forward in accusing others, and zealous in bringing them to justice, are often, in their own lives, more guilty than they. Men hate the sinner while they love the sin. Christ hates the sin, but loyes the sinner. This will be the spirit of all who follow him." Desire of Ages, page 549.

May our hearts be moved from all evil: and may the love of Jesus so reign in our lives that when the reign of sin is over, we may stand with that company on Mount Zion, and sing the song of Moses and the Lamb. P. G. STANLEY.

**CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE \$300,000 FUND**

	Pledged	Paid
Athens	\$ 50.00	21.30
Brayton	125.00	7.88
Cove	55.00	2.50
Coalfield		
Copper Ridge	110.00	31.50
Cleveland	200.00	45.00
Chattanooga No. 1	80.00	4.00
Chattanooga No. 2	240.00	62.50
Daylight	45.00	16.50
Graysville	1305.00	533.70
Individual	40.00	36.50
Knoxville No. 1	135.00	1.00
Knoxville No. 2	360.00	70.75
Mission Ridge	225.00	99.50
Toco	40.00	5.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>3010.00</b>	<b>937.63</b>

ANNA KIMLIN, Sec'y., and Treas.

**Cumberland Conference Tithe Receipts for Months of August and September**

Church	August	Sept.
Athens	\$ 3.10	\$33.00
Brayton	4.92	46.42
Cove	14.40	
Coalfield		
Copper Ridge	16.14	7.40
Cleveland	1.80	
Chattanooga No. 1		18.48
Chattanooga No. 2	97.09	110.00
Daylight	75.00	
Graysville	15.81	636.16
Individual	74.96	5.00
Knoxville No. 1	6.95	
Knoxville No. 2	221.13	66.67
Mission Ridge	21.70	43.56
Toco	16.08	
<b>Total</b>	<b>569.08</b>	<b>967.22</b>

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## GEORGIA TITHE REPORT

	Aug.	Sept.
Atlanta No. 2		23.51
Atlanta No. 1	75.91	255.17
Alpharetta	15.46	31.97
Brunswick	2.62	15.10
Conference	5.76	14.36
Fitzgerald		6.75
Dixie	35.55	28.48
Gainesville		64.25
Individuals	1.25	25.55
Macon No. 1	58.19	31.26
Macon No. 2	3.76	8.09
St. Simons Island	6.99	3.50
Savannah	.60	45.78
<b>Total</b>	<b>206.09</b>	<b>553.77</b>

Calla B. Clark Treas.

## ANTOHER SPECIAL SERIES

### Of the Signs Of The Times Weekly

We are pleased to announce that beginning November 1, 1910, another special series of the "Signs Of The Times" weekly, consisting of twenty-five numbers, is to be issued. It will be called the "Present Truth Series" and, as its title indicates, all the main features of present truth will be presented, about the way they are given in a series of tent meetings. The articles will be illustrated, and supplemented with Bible Readings, and this series will no doubt be one of the strongest, most interesting and attractive of any ever published.

The regular departments of the paper will be kept up the same as usual; thus each number will contain something of interest for every member of the family.

This series will be just the thing to place in the hands of our friends and relatives to whom we wish to give the truth, also to use in general missionary work, in correspondence, in city mission work, in house to house visiting, etc.

The subscription price of this "Present Truth Series" of twenty-five special numbers is as follows:

Single copy, 25 numbers	\$ .90
5 or more copies to one address, each	.62 1-2
5 or more copies mailed direct to addresses, furnished, each	.65
Yearly subscription	1.75

It is hoped that all our churches, as well as isolated members will subscribe for a club of this special Present Truth Series of the "Signs Of The Times" weekly. Address the Tract Society, or Signs of the Times, Mountain View Cal.

## BIRTHDAY CARDS

Sabbath-school teachers, show your pupils that you are personally interested in them by remembering their birthdays. One superintendent reports that they use the cards in connection with their birthday box.

Whenever a member of the school has a birthday, he

contributes to the birthday box as many pennies as he is years old. He is then presented with the Sabbath-school Birthday Card. Very satisfactory results are reported. Give the cards a trial. Price, five cents each, six for twenty-five cents; one hundred for \$3.50. Address Sabbath School Department, Takoma Park Station, Washington, D. C.

## ITEMS FOR MISSIONS CAMPAIGN

"November For Missions", Let it be the motto for the Southeastern Union;

Each Conference passed a resolution to raise this quota of the \$300,000 fund as quickly as possible. Is it not possible to do so in November?

The political Campaigns close, November 1st. The Harvest Ingathering Campaign begins at this time and it is as far greater than earth, as Eternal Life is greater than the life that now is. Dear reader, have you ordered your Reviews and arranged your work so you will be prepared to begin at the beginning of the Ingathering Campaign, and solicit during the month. If not, why not? Question: Have I pledged to the \$300,000 fund? Was I not one who voted for the resolution favoring the payment as soon as possible? Is it not possible for me to do so during the month of November? What will you answer?

## CANVASSING REPORT

### Southeastern Union Conference for week ending Oct. 1

Name	Book	Hours	Value	Del.
<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b>				
G. L. Kerley	DR	49	69.25	5.25
R. L. Underwood	DR	44	50.50	4.50
Ross Underwood	DR	44	18.50	
W. E. Lanier	GC	41	55.00	6.00
W. H. George	GC	37	65.50	10.50
J. W. Siler	GC	15	11.75	1.25
Bertha Graham	GC	10	2.00	11.00
J. P. Allran	CK	43	49.00	3.00
Bertha Ingram	CK	45	50.75	2.25
Emily Ingram	CK	37	29.75	2.25
<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b> Ending September 10				
W. E. Lanier	GC	52	91.75	1.25
W. H. George	GC	40	66.00	10.00
G. L. Kerley	DR	22	13.75	3.75
R. L. Underwood	DR	46	73.00	1.50
Ross Underwood	DR	46	40.50	1.50
Bertha Ingram	CK	42	22.25	2.25
Emily Ingram	CK	42	18.75	2.75
J. P. Allran	CK	44	48.00	3.00
Mrs. E. A. Wing	S of P	30	16.25	1.25
<b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b>				
Mrs. H. Park	GC	42	22.00	2.50
F. D. Hunt	GC	30	17.00	1.00
H. Park	GC	42	12.00	6.00
J. B. Rise	DR	28	11.25	2.00
G. B. Case	GC	11	5.20	1.50
Mrs. A. L. Manous	DR	7	5.00	3.40
Mrs. F. D. Hunt	PPF	7	2.00	.50
Ponettie Wylie	Misc	4	4.20	
<b>CUMBERLAND</b>				
Nora Burchard	PPF	24	16.25	
G. S. Vreeland	D of A GC	46	107.80	
Florence Whitney	CK	33	23.65	
G. W. Bledsoe	BFL	30	6.25	
Walter Kirkham	PPF	42	29.80	
L. D. Wright	PPF	42	72.00	
Mrs. A. D. Day	BFL	16	8.25	
Mrs. G. W. Bledsoe	BFL	24	8.50	
<b>Summary</b>				
Cumberland	Total	257	272.50	
South Carolina	Total	171	78.65	16.90
North Carolina	Grand Total	729	792.25	83.25
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>1157</b>	<b>1143.40</b>
				<b>100.15</b>