

FIELD MEETINGS

GLAD TIDINGS OF GOOD THINGS

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The Call

"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel" Mark 16:15.

THE harvest-field is waiting;
O, come with sickles bright,
Nor tarry not nor linger,
But work with all thy might.

The evening shadows gather;
The night will soon be here;
The harvest call is sounding;
O, come from far and near.

The precious grain is falling;
O, tarry not nor wait,
But haste with eager footsteps,
For soon 'twill be too late.

—Selected.

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April the First

THIS year the first day of April comes on the Sabbath, and the first Sabbath in April is the day set apart by our General Conference Committee to take a collection in all our churches, for the poor and dependent ones among us.

All the collections we have are important, and a great blessing to the people, for it is written, "It is more blessed to give than to receive", but it always seems to me that the one upon the first Sabbath in April has a special blessing attached to it. The Saviour said, "For ye have the poor always with you and whensoever ye will ye may do them good." Mark 14:7.

It seems to be a wise provision of the Creator to have the poor in the land. How we relate ourselves to their needs seems to be a test of Christian character. For it is said of those upon the right hand, you

are here because, "I was hungry and you gave me meat, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, naked and you clothed me etc., etc." While those upon the left hand, have not done those things. Matt. 25:35-44.

I trust each church elder, and leader of companies will set before their congregations the importance of this occasion, and that a liberal offering will be given for our worthy poor and dependent ones.

CHAS. THOMPSON.

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An Up-to-date Adventist

No one who loves the truth as taught by Seventh-day Adventists can afford to lag behind in these stirring times. Changes are going on daily which make the events of a few weeks ago insignificant when referred to as important signs of the nearness of Christ's coming.

We cannot live on the dead past. The day of our conversion, or baptism, is of no consequence as compared with the present. If the truth was plain to us then, it should be more so now. The present tells what kind of Adventist we are.

In using the term up-to-date, I had special reference to the kind of reading we indulge in. If we are in earnest in regard to the truth we profess to love, we will spend much of our spare time in reading about the progress of the third angel's message. The progressive farmer eagerly reads the latest ideas of farming; the up-to-date architect, the newest styles of building.

As a people we have a class of literature of which we need not be ashamed; and it is to this reading

matter that I wish we would give our attention.

In looking over the list of periodicals easily obtained, and from which we can make a choice suitable to every home, we find the "Review and Herald," the paper that visits us each week, full of news—news that tell us what is going on in every land, not only as pertains to the progress of the message, but also political events of importance.

If there is a home in which there are children able to read, and that home is without the "Instructor" or "Little Friend", the children are robbed of many a happy hour and many precious truths which these excellent papers contain.

As parents, do you care to know what is going on in the world? If so, then by all means get the "Watchman," the "Protestant Magazine," or the "Signs". Spend less time reading the daily newspaper (twenty minutes a day is sufficient) and take more time for your Bible and our message-filled publications.

Last, but not least, read the "Testimonies," for they, when studied in the light of the Scriptures, will surely make us "wise unto salvation."

T. D. R.

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A Model School

The following article is a clipping from "The Dayton Star." It is entirely unsolicited; therefore the more appreciated.

Editor:

"MR. and MRS. J. T. DEAN, and MR. and MRS. R. T. HOWARD spent Sunday afternoon at Graysville. While there, Mr. Dean and Mr. Howard were shown through the Southern Training School's buildings and

equipments, which they pronounce the most modern and complete in the state. Every detail looking to health, comfort, and aids to study have been carefully and wisely provided. The building and equipments are fully up to the standard of thoroughly up-to-date educational institutions, instructors take front rank in the educational field, and the course of study is set on a high standard of practicability, usefulness, and culture.

"The Southern Training School is doing a great work in educational lines. They are doing this without blow or bluster. They are sending out to all parts of the country men and women prepared for the duties of citizenship in an exalted degree. This is an institution worthy of our highest appreciation and support. It is worthy of emulation by our public schools, more especially the High Schools."

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Knoxville, Tennessee

THE ministerial institute closed Thursday night the 14th, having been in session nineteen days. The last day was marked with as much interest upon the part of all, as was the opening day.

The last meeting was a farewell praise and social meeting. Elder Daniels led out by making some appropriate remarks regarding the blessings of the institute, and for personal blessings received by his sojourn in Knoxville.

The meeting lasted two hours; all present took part, and the universal note was blessing received and thankfulness expressed.

With the exception of Elder Parmele, all presidents of local conferences in the Southern and Southeastern Union, were present, and the majority of the other laborers.

I am sure that this institute will prove a great blessing to our work along all lines, for surely we have a great work before us, and we need the equipment of the Holy Spirit for its accomplishment. For it let us all pray.

CHAS. THOMPSON.

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Cumberland

FIELD TIDINGS, in its new dress, is now looked upon as a very neat little paper and is much appreciated

by all who are receiving it. The Cumberland Conference, by previous correspondence and announcement, for convenience began our entire subscription list from January 1, 1911. Our entire membership has been receiving the paper in its old and new form from this date whether they have subscribed or not.

When action was taken by the Southeastern Union Committee to issue FIELD TIDINGS in its present form, reducing the subscription price to 25 cents per year, it was also voted that no papers be sent out from the office of publication after April 1 but to actual subscribers. We are very anxious that the entire membership of the Cumberland subscribe for this paper that we may keep in touch with one other and with the work being done in the conference. All who have not subscribed for the paper, and desire to have their subscription continued from January 1, 1911, will please send in your subscription with twenty-five cents at once, so that you may not miss an issue.

P. G. STANLEY.

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North Carolina

Directions for Ordering Publications

1. PERSONS who are members of our churches should order papers, books and tracts through the librarian of the church. The librarian receives and forwards orders for the convenience of the members.

2. Members of the conference church, and other isolated Sabbath-keepers, should order of the missionary secretary of the conference, M. H. Brown, Greensboro, N. C. Route No. 1.

3. All orders should be written out plainly on a sheet of paper, separate from all other writing, giving date and P. O. in full.

4. A renewal of a subscription for any of our papers should state in the order that it is a renewal.

5. In ordering a book, please state the price and kind of binding desired. This will be a great convenience to us in the office.

6. Form the habit of always paying cash with your order. It is the best way. It saves time and labor, and sometimes saves trouble and misunderstandings.

7. Please send money to the con-

ference by check, P. O. money order, or express money order. Any of these cost less, and are more convenient for us at the office than registered letters. Stamps are accepted for sums less than one dollar, if they are carefully wrapped so they will not stick together and be worthless.

M. H. BROWN.

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The Right Spirit

I HAVE been out in the field with some of the canvassers, and I am sure it would have done the hearts of all in the conference good to have heard the earnest prayers offered up for all the others in the field. There did not seem to be a particle of selfishness manifested; the name of each one in the field was called, and they seemed just as anxious for others as for themselves. If there was any preference manifested, it was in favor of Brother Purvis because of a greater need of his being successful, on account of having the largest family, and those who need a father's care at home.

Such united prayers as these, brethren, are sure to be crowned with success. Let us all, at home and in the field, pray for the success of this very important branch of the work.

S. F. REEDER.

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Antithesis No. 1. James 3:15-17

The two kinds of wisdom

THERE are two kinds of discernment. It is a matter of much moment, which kind you have. One kind sees evil and sees it quickly—in the other man. It discovers serious faults in the brethren, vanity in the sisters, worldliness in the elders, stinginess in the deacons, badness among the youth, insubordination among the children, dullness in the Sabbath-school, and little good in the social meeting. To the man who has this kind, the sermon is too long or too doctrinal, or too dry. If his brethren give to missions, he sees very plainly that it is to be seen of men. If they do not give, they are covetous. The singing is harsh, the benches are hard, the windows are all tight down and the air is bad, or they are up and there is a dangerous draft. The lights are poor, the floor is dirty. "This wisdom descendeth

not from above; but is earthly, sensual, devilish." Jas. 3:15.

The other kind of discernment helps its possessor to see his own faults. He will be found saying "This is a faithful saying... Jesus Christ came to save sinners, of whom I am chief". "Wo is me for I am all undone, for I am a man of unclean lips". "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord"; likewise he will be able to see some good in all his fellowmen. His words will be seasoned with a broad Christian charity, that suffereth long and is kind. "The wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy."

Avoid the first; embrace the second.

T. H. JEYS.

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South Carolina News

BROTHER MANOUS is spending a few days with Brother C. H. Holland and family at Hartsville.

A LETTER from Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Hunt who went to Alabama from this conference last fall, says that they are well and of good courage.

ELDER JEYS spent Sabbath with the Columbia company. On the way he stopped off at Spartanburg, Greer, and Greenville.

SOME of the Spartanburg young people attended Sabbath-school at Cherokee last Sabbath, and Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Case met with the Battle Ground church.

WE recently visited the school at Cherokee taught by Miss Goldie Baldwin. There are nineteen pupils and all are making good progress. A temperance program is to be given at the close of school.

PERHAPS a few figures in regard to our Sabbath-schools would prove interesting. When our conference was organized during the third quarter of 1907 our Sabbath-school membership was 137. The total donations for that quarter were \$16.80 of which \$10.02 was sent to missions. In three years' time the membership has nearly doubled and the donations all but quadrupled, the amount for the quarter being \$64.98. \$63.16 of this was sent to missions. During the last half of 1910, we earned a place on the "Honor Roll" by sending all to missions and gave, in the two quarters,

\$140.44. We are anxiously awaiting the time when we can make up the report for the present quarter, for we fully expect that our 225 Sabbath-school scholars have given \$100.00 to missions during the quarter. The blanks have been sent to the secretaries for the report, and we hope that all will be prompt in returning.

If you fail to get FIELD TIDINGS after the first of April, it will probably be because you have failed to send in your subscription to the conference office. We are sure that you want the paper, so please send the subscription price in at once. Address Eliza Warner, Spartanburg, S. C.

ELIZA WARNER.

Cumberland News Notes

ELDER LOCKEN reports six new Sabbath-keepers at Knoxville since camp-meeting.

FIELD TIDINGS will be sent only to actual subscribers after the first of April. The subscription price is twenty-five cents.

S. F. REEDER paid the conference office a short visit last week in the interest of the canvassing work.

J. L. SHULER began a series of meetings at Copper Ridge the 24th. The meetings are to continue as long as the interest demands.

OUR state agent reports eleven canvassers in the field for the past week, with total sales of \$377.15. This is good. Are there not others who would like to join this force of Christian workers?

THE Cumberland Conference leads all the conferences in the Southeastern Union in magazine sales for the month of February. Total number sold, 2,507; value of sales \$250.70.

ELDERS STANLEY and WILLIAMS visited Lenoir City last week in the interest of a camp-meeting site. No suitable ground could be secured at that place.

J. L. SHULER, who has lately joined our force of workers in this conference, preached a very helpful discourse at the Knoxville church, Sabbath the 18th.

As a result of the ministerial institute held in Knoxville, thirty homes are opened to us for Bible studies. Elder Locken reports more openings than he can fill.

ELDER CHAS. THOMPSON preached a very able discourse on "Sabbath Legislation", in the city hall at Knoxville, Sunday evening the 16th, to an appreciative audience.

IN order to respond to the many calls that have come to us, as a result of the Knoxville ministerial institute, for Bible study with the people in their homes, Elder Williams and wife have been asked to join Elder Locken in his work in that city.

THE "Temperance Instructor" is now ready for circulation. This is an unusually good issue, and the two-color cover is very attractive. Now is the time to order. The Tract Society secretary will be pleased to receive your order whether small or large.

WORD has been received from the Toco church, expressing their appreciation of the recent visit they received from Sister Lenker.

R. M. BOOTH is engaged in selling the "Watchman" in Chattanooga this week. He reports good success with this paper.

Graysville Current

THE students and teachers of the S. T. S., spent Tuesday of last week on Waldens Ridge. They report a very pleasant time.

Miss Post spoke to the students at the chapel hour last Wednesday. Her talk was of a nature to inspire all to become missionaries of the right kind.

BROTHER DOWSETT spent a few hours in Graysville on his way to Washington, D. C.

WE understand that Elder K. C. Russell is to attend the institute at Huntsville, and will doubtless make Graysville a visit also.

THE majority of the school board met last week, and considered such business as was necessary to be transacted for the school.

ALL the old members of the S. T. S. faculty were elected by the board, and have accepted their places in the S. T. S. for the coming year.

OUR primary teacher, Miss Hildebrand, was kept from her work last week on account of tonsillitis. She is now at her post of duty.

BROTHER Dillen has bought Brother Lenker's home, and expects to move in some time next week.

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A Strong Premium

THE "Signs of the Times" weekly is presenting an attractive premium offer. A portion of the interesting and helpful matter that has appeared in the "Question Corner Department" of the paper for a number of years, has now been compiled into a book, making a volume of over 250 pages, and containing almost 300 questions and answers, with table of contents and scriptural and topical indexes, and is given as a premium with subscriptions to the weekly "Signs." The difficult and least understood questions on Bible subjects that have been the source of so much perplexity to our people are answered; and the book is being eagerly sought after by our ministers, Bible-workers, and others who are called upon to meet the people. It is neatly and attractively bound in cloth, and presents a good appearance. It will be highly prized by those who are so fortunate as to secure a copy.

The book is well worth \$1.50, but can be secured only as a premium with the "Signs of The Times." It will be sent post-paid for one yearly subscription at \$2.00; one two year's subscription to one person and \$3.50, or one new and one renewal at the regular rate of \$1.75 each, which is \$3.50 sent in by one person. If you are already a subscriber, you can have your time extended for a year and secure a copy. The book and paper may be sent to separate addresses.

You should order at once through your Tract Society.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

Georgia Notes

BROTHER C. G. MANNS has closed his meetings at Cordele, and is at present attending the colored institute at Huntsville. He reports several keeping the Sabbath and a Sab-

bath-school organized. He expects to return later to more fully organize the company.

SISTER IZA E. CLEMENT who has been a Bible-worker in our state for some time, is now in College View, Nebraska.

We are glad to have Brother R. M. Carter back in the state. He is now canvassing with Brother Kurtz at Marietta.

A NUMBER of our churches are enthused over their work with the "Temperance Instructor." One small church has ordered 500, others have done well. Our orders to date amount to 1325. The secretary of the W. C. T. U. of the state has ordered fifty copies, and in her letter states that the sample copy has been read and she considers it superfine. We would be glad to receive orders from each church and isolated Sabbath-keepers.

LAST week we received a letter from an isolated sister, containing fifty dollars which is tithe on a gift received by her. Are there not others who have failed to recognize money given them as being increase, and have not returned to the Lord his tenth?

LET none of our churches fail to take up a collection for the orphans and aged on Sabbath, April first. Donations from the isolated ones will be as thankfully received.

CALLA B. CLARK.

Notice

THE Southern Training School is very much in need of a copy, or copies, of the following books: "Life of William Miller," and "Life of Joseph Bates." Should any readers of FIELD TIDINGS have these books they could spare for our library, we would be very glad to have them send them to us as a donation. The writer would be very glad to purchase a copy of volume 1 of the "Spirit of Prophecy" to complete his set of these books for his own library. If any individual has one of these books to sell, kindly correspond with the undersigned. M. B. VANKIRK.
Graysville, Tenn.

Gospel Order

By Elder W. A. Spicer

THIS is a new pamphlet publication from the "Review and Herald" on this very timely subject. The writer is well known among us

as a people, and his presentation of the foundation principles of organization in the gospel work is well worth the careful study of every Sabbath-keeper. The study is taken up under the following sub-divisions, which explain more fully the nature of this work:

"Divine Principle of Organization."
"The Church in the Wilderness."
"Old Testament Illustrations."
"Organizing the New Testament Church."
"The New Testament Church at Work."

"A General Council, Conference."
"A Glimpse of the Work under the Apostle Paul's Oversight."
"Divine Warnings against Disorganization."

It is a thirty-two page pamphlet; size of "Bible Students Library;" the price is only ten cents per copy. Order through the conference office. ATLANTA BRANCH.

CANVASSING REPORT

Southeastern Union Conference
for week ending Mar. 11.

Name	Hrs.,	Val.,	Del
GEORGIA			
E. E. Kurtz	29	48.75	.75
Carl Mathew	6	3.50	1.50
J. M. Lewis	48	119.25	4.00
R. O. Terry	28	24.45	7.50
M. J. Weber	51	85.00	3.50
W. H. Tarver	24	4.00	33.50
Miss Emma Zook	23	11.50	3.00
J. A. Sudduth			10.00
CUMBERLAND			
J. W. Purvis	41	82.25	1.85
Walter Kirkham	12		18.50
L. D. Wright	31	20.25	10.00
E. D. Haskell	34	16.50	6.00
W. E. West	31	26.25	2.75
Fred Meister	41	103.50	3.50
R. A. Judy	18	19.25	
T. G. Walker	32	13.75	4.00
C. M. Cochran	37	41.25	1.25
John C. Aust	40	26.90	
SOUTH CAROLINA			
J. B. Rise	40	18.25	9.65
C. H. Holland	32	14.50	6.50
G. B. Case	31	10.25	15.00
W. H. Armstrong	28	40.75	
C. L. Belue	25	74.50	2.00
M. S. Grim	25	5.85	
Mrs. C. H. Holland	9	16.50	5.75
NORTH CAROLINA			
W. E. Lanier	6		6.25
R. L. Underwood	6		6.25
J. Husband	23	15.00	15.00
T. T. Stepp	60	55.00	77.50
T. H. Bailey	25	7.00	
FLORIDA			
Mary Manous			7.10
Gracia Hunter	24	10.00	
John Hindman	12	17.00	20.00
H. Vangilder	10	4.00	2.50
Chas. Dyer	25	44.00	13.25

Summary

Florida	Total 71	75.00	42.85
N. Carolina	Total 120	77.00	105.00
Cumberland	Total 248	377.15	56.55
Georgia	Total 209	296.45	63.75
S. Carolina	Total 190	180.60	38.90
Grand Total		838	1006.20
			301.05