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## MY LORD AND I

[Sung in the rocks and caves of France during the fierce persecution of the Huguenots 300 years ago.]

I have a friend so precious,  
So very dear to me,  
He loves me with such tender love,  
He loves so faithfully,  
I could not live apart from him,  
I love to feel him nigh,  
And so we dwell together,  
My Lord and I.

Sometimes I'm faint and weary,  
He knows that I am weak,  
And as he bids me lean on him,  
His help I gladly seek;  
He leads me in the paths of light  
Beneath a sunny sky,  
And so we walk together,  
My Lord and I.

He knows how much I love him,  
He knows I love him well,  
But with what love he loveth me  
My tongue can never tell;  
It is an everlasting love  
In ever rich supply,  
And so we love each other,  
My Lord and I.

I tell him all my sorrows,  
I tell him all my joys,  
I tell him all that pleases me,  
I tell him what annoys;  
He tells me what I ought to do,  
He tells me what to try,  
And so we talk together,  
My Lord and I.

He knows how I am longing  
Some weary soul to win,  
And so he bids me go and speak  
The loving word for him;  
He bids me tell his wondrous love  
And why he came to die,  
And so we work together,  
My Lord and I.

I have his yoke upon me,  
And easy 'tis to bear;  
In the burden which he carries  
I gladly take a share;  
For then it is my happiness  
To have him always nigh—  
We bear the yoke together,  
My Lord and I.

### HOW TO SETTLE THE RACE QUESTION

THE National Baptist Union, which is the organ of the National Baptist Convention (colored), in commenting upon our brief editorial of two months ago, entitled, "Things that Make for Peace," says:—

"The Union recognizes the fact that the very best way to settle the vexed problems of race is to settle them in the light of Christianity. Race prejudice should not be encouraged by Christian people. It matters not what may be their color or their creed. The Apostle Paul has admonished us to strive to live peaceably with all men, if it be possible. It is possible, and the possibility of it is demonstrated in proportion to the manner in which the Christian teachers of every race preach the gospel of peace to their people. In the sermon on the mount Jesus said, 'Blessed are the

peace-makers, for they shall be called the children of God.' A logical inference is that people can not be called the people of God, if they are not willing to preach the 'things that make for peace.'

"There is a better day ahead for both races, if they will deal with each other in the Christian spirit, but however great may be the failures on the part of other people, we feel that it is our duty to instruct colored people that Jesus Christ did not sanction the erroneous doctrine of an eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth. On the contrary, he taught us to love our enemies; to bless them that persecuted us; to do good for evil, and there is no escape from misery and suffering, if we do not pay the strictest heed to his admonitions.

"If all the religious papers in the country, white and black, would advocate this doctrine fearlessly, we

would soon enjoy the reign of universal peace and witness the continued happiness of all the people. *The National Baptist Union* feels that it is its duty and a part of its mission to preach the gospel of good cheer to its readers; to constrain the negro people over whom it has influence to bear the ills that afflict them with greatest composure, and continue to sing the songs of peace to all their neighbors. The people in both races who have become notorious because of strife of tongue should be discouraged, and all the people should be permitted to dwell together in peace and unity."

CHRISTIANITY is not a drill; it is life, full, free, radiant, and rejoicing. What a young man should do is not to vex himself about his imperfections, but to fix his mind on the bright image of Perfection. — *Ian MacLaren.*

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## EDITORIAL NOTES

MAY 16 to 20, the Southern Union Conference Committee was in session at Chattanooga, Tenn., and probably half the time of the session was devoted to the consideration of the various branches of the work for the colored people in this field.

The Training School at Oakwood, near Huntsville, came in for quite a share of discussion. Some consideration was given to the mission schools; but the subject which occupied by far the larger portion of the time was the colored sanitarium work at Nashville.

Very little, comparatively, has been done as yet in the line of sanitarium work for the colored people in the South. An effort was made several years ago by the Southern Missionary Society, to establish that work upon a substantial basis in Nashville. A small sanitarium was opened and maintained for several years. Last October the building occupied by the institution changed hands and it was necessary either to secure a new building or to close the institution until other arrangements could be made. No funds being available for the purchase of a building, and other conditions being unfavorable, it was thought best at that time to suspend that line of work until a stronger effort could be inaugurated.

At the meeting of the Union Conference Committee at Chattanooga, a number of testimonies referring to colored sanitarium work in Nashville were studied, and after careful consideration of the matter, it was decided to take up this line of work again in or near Nashville; and a committee was chosen to secure a suitable building for sanitarium and school work not far from this city.

We have not space at present to explain further in regard to this matter. We wish our readers to understand, however, that the plans laid at Chattanooga contemplate a very vigorous campaign in the interest of the colored work from the standpoint of Nashville, a place which has many advantages for carrying forward that line of work.

Another action taken at Chattanooga was the adoption of a resolution by the Union Conference Committee requesting the General Conference Committee to

arrange for the return of Elder M. C. Strachan to this field at the earliest possible moment. Brother Strachan was called to Washington some months ago, but is sadly needed here and we trust that arrangements will be made very soon for his return to this most needy and neglected field.

By the time this paper reaches many of its readers, the institute for colored workers at Huntsville will probably be under way, as it begins the 6th of June. There is promise of a good attendance at this institute and we look forward to it as an occasion of great profit to the colored work and workers. We have felt for some time the necessity of unifying and systematizing this work to a greater degree than has yet been done. We believe that the institute will mark a long step in the direction of progress in our mission and church school work among the colored people.

The holding of this institute will lay a heavy tax on the finances of this Society, but we have felt that the need was imperative and have therefore gone forward believing that the money expended in the institute will prove a good investment, as we confidently expect the teachers to go forth from that convocation much better qualified than before to engage in the important work to which they are called. They cannot fail to have larger ideas and a more intelligent understanding of what it really means to be mission church school teachers.

Owing to the absence of some of the leading General Conference brethren in Europe, we have not been able to make definite arrangements for General Conference help at the Oakwood institute, but have received some assurances that our request for such help will be favorably considered and we have strong hopes of the presence, for a few days at least, of one or more representatives of the General Conference. We believe this will be a source of encouragement and strength to the colored Sabbath-keepers in this field.

THE mission school work is second to no line of Christian effort either in point of demand or of results. It has been styled by the testimonies, the most fruitful means of reaching the colored people.

## HELP WANTED IN ATLANTA

401 CHAPEL ST., ATLANTA, GA.

MAY 19, 1907.

SOUTHERN MISSIONARY SOCIETY,  
NASHVILLE, TENN.,

DEAR BRETHREN:—

THE good work continues from house to house. We are still entering new homes, the Lord working upon the people. We desire to hold a tent-meeting here this summer to reach all classes. We see that this is the only way to reach the masses of the people. We need a tent to carry forward this work and believe that the Lord will give us the desires of our hearts.

We hope that the dear brethren and sisters will not forget us in this needy field, to help us with our lot and building. Atlanta needs your attention. The work is fast closing, and to allow this year, 1907, to close without accomplishing something more than we have, means the loss of many souls.

Just stop and think for a moment: not a colored memorial for present truth in the whole state of Georgia! Is God pleased with this? Could he say to us, "Well done, good and faithful servants"?

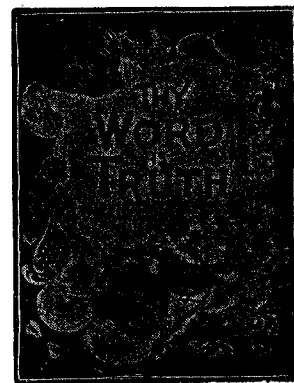
This field is white for harvest. You may not be called on to come here personally to help gather the harvest, but you can send of your means and this will help us in reaping the grain and binding the sheaves. Let us all pray and work together and thus make the burden light.

Remember us with your means. Remember us on your knees.

Your brother,

W. H. SEBASTIAN.

## BEAUTIFUL BIBLE MOTTOES



No home is complete without at least one. They are selling everywhere. One agent in Iowa orders 5,000; one in Nebraska has just sent us an order for 5,000; another agent in Kansas buys 1,000 every month.

In order to help the Southern Missionary Society we will give 25% of our profits on orders received in answer to this notice, for the support of mission schools. We ask every Seventh-day Adventist church to send us an order for one hundred of our beauties. We are sure it will be a substantial help to the work in the South. Any one can sell Bible Mottoes.

Write us at once. Be sure to mention "Gospel Herald." Address:

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Hampton, Iowa.

MISSISSIPPI

[The writer of this appeal is a colored minister in charge of the work for his people in the state of Mississippi. He speaks of what he sees and knows. Other sections of the South are just as needy. Brethren, has not the time come when we should take hold of this work with both hands instead of touching it only with the tips of our fingers as in the past.—Editor.]

"THEN said he unto his disciples; the harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few." Matt. 9:37.

Truly, dear friends, this text has met its application just now. We need not wait any longer for its fulfillment; it is already fulfilled. Just think for a moment of the vast state of Mississippi, lying in the very heart of prejudice, immorality, degradation, and almost back to slavery for the colored man. With nearly one million colored people in its borders, a large majority of them are just as void of an understanding of true morality as the natives in the jungles of Africa. How then can they learn without a teacher? And how can they teach except they be sent? And how can they be sent unless there is sufficient means for the support of more laborers? And how can those teach who teach and have no place in which to teach?

Now to my white brethren and sisters of the North, I will say, We know you cannot come down here and do this work and do not believe the Lord requires this of you; but God requires you to help these few colored brethren and sisters who have consecrated their lives to the service of God here in Mississippi to push this work forward until Jesus comes.

Listen. "Had those to whom God has given great light and opportunities done the work that he desires them to do there would to-day be memorials all through the Southern field, churches, sanitariums and schools. Men and women of all classes would have been called to the gospel feast. The Lord is grieved by the woe in the Southern field." Test. Vol. 7, page 222.

Now, friends, it is too late for you to come down here and do this work, but you can give us your means and I believe by so doing you can redeem the time of which God is speaking in this Testimony.

Now then among the multitudes of colored people we have about two hundred who have been called out of darkness into this marvelous light. We have nine companies of believers, eight of these are organized into churches. Only four of these have buildings in which to meet. Five have to meet in other houses excepting Yazoo City building and it is so dilapidated that we cannot longer properly call it a building.

We have ten mission schools. Have five ministers and only three of these are loose as field laborers. Have two other brethren that are used as teachers and preachers. All told we have seven brethren here who are able to labor for the Master. I am sure that number could be multiplied many times if men and means were consecrated to the service of the Lord.

In three of our churches women are used as leaders on account of not having sufficient number of ministers to put in these places. Of course these people have censured us for using them and said many discouraging things about them but God has used them to his glory and blessed their work giving good results.

Now then we have three lots donated for school and church purposes and no money to purchase the lumber to build. Shall we not call upon our friends in the North and West to supply our most urgent needs. Who will help us to push this work to the end? Let this be manifested by sending some good donations to the Southern Missionary Society. This is truly laying up for yourselves treasures in heaven.

Now may the God of peace bless you and sanctify and keep you unto the end. Amen.

THOMAS MURPHY.

THE WORK IN MOBILE, ALA.

TENT-MEETINGS are in progress and have been since the 8th of May. Our tent is located on the corner of North Scott and Congress Sts. We have three tents on the ground including the big pavilion. Our attendance is large. The people gather for service as early as seven o'clock and little later. In the South people usually gather late for church services. It is not like it is in the states where the weather is colder.

I never held meetings in a place where a greater interest was shown than in this place. The white brethren held a tent-meeting here some time ago with some success but the effort was made specially for the whites. You are aware of the fact that the conditions in the South are much different than in places north of Mason and Dixon's line. This being true we have to labor differently.

The daily papers of the city permit me to advertise my meetings free of charge. This is unusual for most of Southern

dailies to open its columns to print notices for unpopular meetings.

Our tent company is doing some missionary work in the way of scattering literature. We sell one hundred and fifty papers a week. We can say this town is hungry for reading matter. Some of our agents sell fifty or sixty papers in little over an hour's time. One of the strongholds of the truth in the South is the literature we put before the people. We can reach more people through our tracts and books than by preaching. When one comes South this will be the first lesson he will learn.

May the blessings of God rest on the work in the South and elsewhere. We have come to the last days of the last generation. A few more years and time will give place to eternity. Souls are hungry for the bread—the Third Angel's Message—which is falling from our tables. I wonder how some of us will answer the great call: "Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power."

SYDNEY SCOTT.

RECEIPTS FOR APRIL 1907

The following report is for the donations received during the month of April, 1907

DONATIONS

F D Starr.....	\$5 00	Mrs Lucy Jones.....	\$ 50
Mrs A E Rays.....	40	Grove Lake Church..	2 11
Mr & Mrs Joel L Pres-		Ohio Conference....	2 93
ton.....	13 50	Rose Brockway.....	20
Wm K Loughborough	10 00	Mrs A Niergarth.....	1 15
Mrs M E Hayes.....	50	A E Henderson.....	21
Alice A Paige.....	5 00	J W Blackwell.....	33
H E Russell.....	80	Mrs J Nesbitt.....	15
Ashland Church.....	1 45	Lindsay Church.....	86
General Conference..	83 48	Fernando Young Peo-	
J W Scott.....	1 00	ple's Society.....	16 55
Netia E Dean.....	5 00	Madison Wis Sabbath	
F H Schramm.....	5 06	School.....	4 10
Mrs Emma Zumwalt	25	Cripple Creek Church	3 57
Narah Humphrey ..	10 00	Alba D Campbell.....	45
Mrs S D Wagon.....	50	Mrs J La Fave.....	40
Mrs Altman.....	25	Johana Johnson.....	1 00
Mrs S D Wagon.....	50	Mr & Mrs E W Hamp-	
Mr Hogland.....	50	ton.....	5 00
Mrs Wright Barker..	1 00	Hartman & Marsh...	5 00
Colorado Spgs Church		Mrs S D Wagon.....	1 18
School Mission Band	2 12	Miss Ming Sitze.....	24
Mrs Maggie Firth....	25	Mr & Mrs E D Hurl-	
Mr Geo H Scott.....	50	burt.....	5 00
M J Gabby.....	50	Kendel & Satterlee..	31
A N Aiteberry.....	2 00	J N Webb.....	1 38
H H Schnebly.....	5 00	Elmer Hamilton.....	8 70
Walter Johnson.....	1 00	Mrs Annie Fisher....	1 05
A Friend.....	1 32	Mrs Emma Mc Kinzy	25
Mrs Daniels.....	70	Mrs V O Wallace.....	60
		Mrs E B Ralston.....	25
Total.....	\$156 68	Mrs D W Brown.....	70

FROM THE SELF-DENIAL BOXES			
Mrs Addie Brooks....	\$ 30	J P Ferguson.....	2 00
Lillie Fish & Family	1 25	Dottie & Lula David,	
L D Estes & Wife....	1 00	son.....	25
W H Wilber & Wife	1 00	W L Abernathy &	
Estella Cook.....	15	Family.....	1 00
Mrs A J Bennett....	1 00	Cliff Kaser.....	20
Alvin H Osman.....	2 00	L Kline.....	1 05
Mrs C A Skoog.....	40	Mary Spencer.....	4 00
Mrs Emily Ogden....	50	John E Lloyd.....	50
Mr & Mrs S C Mans-		Mrs C H Ward.....	2 00
field.....	50	Fannie Olney.....	1 00
R C Andrews.....	2 00	Mrs Mery Christenson	1 00
Mrs James Smith....	30	Mrs O A Gilbert.....	2 00
A Friend.....	25	Louella Farney.....	20
Mrs A Du Pont.....	3 00	Mrs A Holmden.....	1 12
Mildred Housler....	28	Mrs M A Neff.....	50
Mrs Helen Brooks &			
Family.....	1 35	Total.....	\$127 77
Mrs Ida Barber.....	30		
P C Burch.....	10		
Mrs M J Randall....	10		
Eugene R Barber....	5		
Jessie & Mary Wer-			
field.....	85		
Pheba Gibson.....	1 15		
L E Geissler.....	28		
Mrs Maggie G Phil-			
lips.....	1 72		
Mattie B Turner....	5 05		
Walter Harper.....	15 40		

FOR THE SUPPORT OF MINISTERS WORKING FOR THE COLORED PEOPLE

A Friend.....	32
Henry & Carrie Camp-	
bell.....	5 70
C A Frederick.....	30 25
F H Schramm.....	7 44
S D Law.....	10 00
Total.....	\$ 53 72

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OUR readers will be glad to hear from Elder Sydney Scott of Mobile. His report appears in this paper. Elder Scott has promised an article of some length for the July number of the paper.

PAGE SHEPARD, in charge of the work in Natchez, will probably remain at his post during summer vacation. The work there is in such a condition that it is not thought advisable that he should be called away this summer.

JOHN ALLISON, the teacher in charge of the Yazoo City school, has been called to labor in Memphis, and it is expected he will take up the work there about the middle of July, at the close of the Oakwood institute.

MRS. CORNELIA T. MURPHY, the principal of the Vicksburg School, will spend her vacation endeavoring to regain her health which has suffered quite severely for nearly two years past from her almost incessant work. She will place herself under medical direction during the vacation and we sincerely hope she will be able to resume school work in September.

ELDER SEBASTIAN pleads very earnestly in almost every letter for a school and church building in Atlanta. Thus far meetings have been held in private residences or in other small rooms in crowded quarters of the city. It is impossible to secure the attendance of any great number of people at such meetings. It seems that in some way a building must be provided for the work in that city. The fund for this purpose is not growing as rapidly as we had hoped. We do trust the readers of the GOSPEL HERALD will come to the help of the Atlanta work, and provide the means for the building quickly, that the work there be not hindered. Send all donations for this purpose to the Southern Missionary Society, North Station, Nashville, Tennessee, stating that the money is for the Atlanta building fund.

ELDER Sidney Scott writes as follows from Mobile, under date of May 26: "Our tent work is going on nicely with large crowds attending every night. Some nights we have to turn people away for the lack of room in the tent. There is a deep interest on the part of the people to hear the message in this city. The daily papers give us space free for our notices."

### HOW TO HELP THE COLORED WORK

WE wish to again call the attention of our friends to the sale of the "Story of Joseph" as a means of helping forward the work for the colored people. As most of our readers know, this book was sold in the past only as a relief book, the canvassers paying full price for the books, and donating their time spent in selling them. But so many could not afford to do this that a change has been made, and the book can now be secured through the tract societies at forty per cent. discount, thus enabling those who cannot afford to donate their time, to assist the work by selling this book on commission.

But we believe that there are many scattered throughout our churches who will count it a privilege to sell the "Story of Joseph" on the old plan, paying full price for the books, which will be sent from this office, carriage charges prepaid, the books to be paid for when sold, and full proceeds of the sale to be used in the work of the Southern Missionary Society. All books to be sold without commission should be ordered from the Southern Missionary Society, North Station, Nashville, Tenn.

SOME time ago we were in need of an organ for our mission school in Nashville. We made a note of the fact in the HERALD and a good sister in Ohio wrote us that she thought she could supply one. A little later the school was supplied from another source. Then we received an appeal from the teacher at Greenville for an organ for the mission building there. Just at that time we received a letter from the Ohio sister saying that she had shipped an instrument to us at Nashville. We wrote at once thanking her and telling her that the need at Nashville had been supplied, and that with her consent we would reship to Greenville.

Only those who have been in our mission schools and churches can know how

helpful an organ is in this work. The colored people are great lovers of music. Few of them however are able to have musical instruments in their homes. They are powerfully attracted therefore to any place where they can have the privilege of listening to the singing of our good hymns accompanied by an organ. Then too an instrument is a great aid in teaching the children to sing the songs of Zion. We are thankful for the musical instruments that are donated from time to time to this work.

### THE ATLANTA BUILDING FUND

THERE is no more needy field in all the South than Georgia. There is in that state a large colored population and scarcely anything has been done in the way of giving them the truth for the last days.

Some months ago through the joint efforts of the Southern Missionary Society and the President of the Union Conference, it was arranged to send Elder Sebastian to labor for his own race in the city of Atlanta, the capital of Georgia.

Brother Sebastian has been working very hard since going to Atlanta and has seen some results, but feels that his labors are handicapped at every step by lack of any suitable place of worship.

Meetings must be held in small rooms in private houses, and at best only a few people can be reached at any time. There is a crying need for a building to which the people can be invited. It is believed that a creditable building can be provided for \$700. This Society has been asked to raise that sum for this purpose. We can do it only by appealing to our people generally. We have secured to date, \$164.25, as follows:

Previously reported,	\$147.65
Mrs. A. E. Irving,	6.50
Mrs. E. R. Gillet,	1.00
A. E. Devereaux,	1.00
Mrs. F. Stillman,	1.00
Mrs. Flora Schwarz,	.75
Mrs. H. B. Haywood,	4.00
Mrs. M. T. Cole,	1.00
W. W. Durgon,	.75
Mrs. Norman,	.50
Mrs. McMillen,	.10

We are more anxious than we can tell to see this fund completed. Nobody can hear the pleas put forth by those who know the great need for a building in Atlanta without being deeply stirred. Brethren, please to help us.