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A MESSAGE TO TEACHERS

By Mrs. E. G. White

To our workers among the colored people, and especially to those who are teaching the children and the youth, I would say, Hold fast. Do not lose courage. We shall all be tried, to see of what material we are made. Work with an eye single to the glory of God. Labor to uplift and ennoble your students. They will be what you make them, largely. Teach them that their souls can be made clean in the blood of the Lamb. Hold up before them the hope that they can be Christians in thought, in word, in deed. Thus souls will be won to Christ. Tell them, oh, tell them of the love of Jesus, who taketh away the sin of the world.

Keep ever before your students the thought that they are in school to be fitted to act their part in helping others to prepare for a place in the family above. The Lord desires them to act kindly and courteously, because they are members of his family. Keep this before them always. Doing this, you cannot speak harshly to them, neither can you be coarse or rough, because this would not harmonize with the Bible principles that you are trying to teach them.

Teachers, keep heaven and the Saviour before your students. Impress their minds with the thought that they must do their very best; for God's eye is upon them. This teaching you may certainly class as a branch of higher education.

Teachers are to bring into the school-

room a softening, subduing influence. In their daily habits they are to be an example of propriety. In their dress they are always to be neat and tidy. Children are naturally quick to imitate; and as they see habits of order and cleanliness, industry and Christian integrity, exemplified in the daily life of their teacher, their own lives will be powerfully influenced for good. Excellent results will appear.

The work done in the Huntsville school is to be an object-lesson of what can be done for the colored youth and children in every school, small or large, in providing advantages and surroundings that will tend to uplift and ennoble those who attend. The Huntsville school is to be a place where the standard is kept high. The teachers must be filled with a determination to teach the students, in connection with book-knowledge, practical lessons of neatness and refinement. Nothing coarse or slovenly is to be allowed in the dress of the students. Their deportment is to be above reproach. They are to be taught to be neat in their habits. And in all that pertains to the premises of the school, both inside the various buildings, and on the school-grounds and the farm, an object-lesson of orderliness and thrift is to be taught.

The Huntsville school is to exert a far-reaching influence for good. To the teachers in this school I am instructed to say, Encourage the students. Inspire them with the hope that they can work

successfully for the Master. And as you labor, remember that your school is to be an example of what all other colored schools should be, with respect to carefulness of deportment and thoroughness of work.

In the smaller schools for colored pupils, there are promising youth who can be trained to enter the field as teachers. As these attend school, let them see that their teachers have confidence that they will become workers who will fill their appointed places in God's great plan. And let efforts be made to give those who have done faithful work, an opportunity to secure further training, if need be, at Huntsville.

Men and women from the colored race are to be educated to work as missionaries for their own people. This education and training is to be given them within their own borders. They are to be taught line upon line, precept upon precept; here a little, and there a little. This will require patient, earnest, persevering, judicious effort. But such effort is richly rewarded.

Schools for colored children and youth are to be established in many different places in the Southern field. I am deeply interested in the maintenance of these schools. I have often spoken on the importance of this work. I desire to do my part in helping this branch of the Lord's cause in the Southern field. And I am calling upon my brethren and sisters in America to act their part. I am pleading with them to show by their

works a firm faith in the power of God to gather out from the Southland a people who shall be a praise to his name, and who shall finally unite with the redeemed from among men in singing the song of Moses and the Lamb.

ELLEN G. WHITE.

THE OCTOBER OFFERING

THIS paper will reach our subscribers on the eve of the offering which will be taken in all our churches on the 5th of October, for the colored work.

We trust that every reader of the GOSPEL HERALD will have a part in this important offering. Last year the offering fell far short of what it had been in previous years, and as a result, that part of the work was hindered greatly. The offering this year ought to reach at least \$10,000.00.

It will be understood that this offering provides only a part of what is needed for carrying on the work for the colored people. Last year the Southern Missionary Society received twenty-one per cent. of the entire offering. What it will receive this year will be determined by the Union Conference Committee at its meeting in January. It may be more than last year or it may be less. The training school at Oakwood received last year thirty-five per cent.

Some of our correspondents stated last year that the offering for the colored people was not even mentioned in their churches. We were sorry to learn this, for we believe that the church that neglects this offering misses a blessing that would otherwise come to it. Every church ought to have a share in all of these general offerings. We trust that this will be true this year, not only in regard to the October offering, but with each of the others.

WE are greatly encouraged in the work we are trying to do by the fact that the hearts of so many of our people are being turned toward this branch of the cause. Our people everywhere are becoming stirred up to the importance of doing more than ever to reach the colored people before conditions become more difficult than they are now. Those who are right here in this field, are beginning to realize that whatever is to be done, must be done quickly. Race feeling is increasing to an alarming extent, and this makes this branch of the work more difficult than it would other-

wise be. Properly understood, there is nothing about the work of the Southern Missionary Society that ought to excite opposition from anybody, for the workers of this Society do not meddle either with political questions or social customs. We recognize the world as "a sinking ship," as Mr. Moody put it some years ago, and we are doing what we can to save souls out of the wreck. Nothing can be gained for the cause of present truth by brooding over wrongs, either real or imaginary, or by grasping after political power. We are *in* this world but not *of* it; but while here, though strangers and foreigners, we are to live peaceably with all men. These are some of the principles inculcated by the laborers of the Southern Missionary Society.

IN a letter written to us under date of Sept. 16, Elder Thomas Murphy, one of our colored ministers in Mississippi, says:

"I am now about four miles from Ellisville in the pine woods. There is a Baptist preacher here who has accepted the whole truth. He has thrown away his tobacco and renounced pork and catfish, and has adopted other principles of healthful living. You can see how the Lord is working even in the woods."

Brother Murphy says there is an opening there for a mission school and wants to know what the Society can do to meet this demand. We have written him that we will do everything in our power; but how much that will be depends in large measure upon those who read this paper. We have already planned to extend our work about as far as it can be extended on the funds likely to come into our treasury during the coming year. If we add another school in addition to those already planned, it means that we must have more donations.

It will be observed that Sister White in her article, states that, "schools for colored children and youth are to be established in many different places in the Southern field." As these schools are to be established of course the money will be contributed. The only question is, who will be blessed by donating to this work.

NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

AGREEABLY to appointment, Brother Crawford (Mississippi Conference) and Brother P. E. Palmer (Southern Mis-

sionary Society) met with the church here, Sunday, Sept. 8, to confer with us relative to the proposed mission school and church building, soon to be erected here.

The meeting proved to be one that will ever live in the hearts of those participating in it as one of the green spots of life. The mingling of Christian brethren together causing angels of God to assemble with them as they plan together to forward the kingdom of God, brings rejoicings alike to both men and angels; no matter when or where.

The brethren all enjoyed great freedom as the Spirit of the Lord gave them utterance, their testimonies were truly edifying.

The glorious message of the Third Angel is marvelously calculated to unify God's believing children everywhere, since it goes to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people, making ready a people prepared to meet the Lord. The Lord blessed in drawing hearts to him. All pledged and gave to the extent of their ability, willing to spend and be spent in the cause of him who has washed us in his own blood, forgiving our sins and making us heirs to the glorious earth made new.

The cash and pledges taken amounted to over \$150.00, and we feel sure this sum will be augmented considerably by other gifts of cash and labor. The men who are carpenters offered to give labor, and the women pledged food and laundry service to the men. To those who have helped, and may help to establish this "Memorial to the Lord," our hearts go out to you in gratitude, and we feel sure, could you realize our joy, your joy would be greater. May the dear Lord bless you and those who may further contribute to the Southern Missionary Society to forward this work. Who will "come up to the help of the Lord"? PAGE SHEPARD.

A CARD OF THANKS

DEAR brethren and sisters of the North and West:

I have been very much impressed to write you a few words in the GOSPEL HERALD, asking you to accept our gratitude for your generosity to us through the Southern Missionary Society.

Notwithstanding, the Society, I know at all times thanks you and appreciates what you are doing for us, but I thought

I would just let you know that we too are thankful for the help you are sending to us.

There are many poor naked children here whom you have clothed, many children with their bare feet on the ground, for whom you have furnished shoes. No doubt this was often at great sacrifice on your part, but remember, dear friends, Jesus has every garment and every shoe recorded in heaven.

How happy you will be if you meet some one in the kingdom of heaven just because you put a pair of shoes on his bare cold feet, or see some one there on account of giving him a pair of pants, or some girl a dress when she had nothing to wear to the meeting. Can we not praise God for such truth as this which opens our hearts to the poor and needy, the suffering and afflicted? May God help us all to praise God from whom all blessings flow. May the Lord greatly bless you, dear brethren and sisters, that you may rejoice continually.

THOMAS MURPHY.

THE following from one of our teachers, is a sample of the encouraging reports we are receiving from our schools. This is from Natchez, one of the places at which the Southern Missionary Society is assisting the church to erect a school and church building.

"We rejoice to say that we are enjoying much of the blessings of God. Three more have taken a stand for the truth and will be *rebaptized* this Sabbath, making four in all. This number may be increased soon by possibly two or three others who are 'in the valley of decision.'

"We had a remarkably good meeting Wednesday night, when the matter of building a church was considered, when pledges to the value of eighty-seven dollars were made. This with seventeen dollars in cash makes one hundred and four dollars towards the building. We further hope to increase this amount through the aid of the Bible Training School, and cash donations. Altogether, the outlook is bright spiritually and financially, for which we give God the glory and rejoice unspeakably. Our hopes are high, and our faith firm."

The amount referred to here has been increased to \$150.00, every member present at the meeting giving something to the building fund.

THE colored school and church building at Nashville, needs some repairs and ought to be painted. We have, however, scarcely any money on hand for this, and cannot take from our general fund for this purpose without curtailing to some extent our school work. We would be glad to receive special donations for this purpose. The building is in such a condition that it demands that something be done. The ceiling is discolored because of the leaky roof, and the weather-boarding is becoming damaged by exposure to the weather. We feel that the building ought to be recovered and painted. The entire work can be done for about \$50.00. We have on hand toward this work \$10.00 donated by the white church in Nashville, and the colored church will also raise a few dollars, but will not be able to do much, so that the greater part of the money needed will have to be provided from donations received by the Southern Missionary Society.

It will be remembered by some of our readers at least, that Elder Sydney Scott, in an article published in the July number of the GOSPEL HERALD, stated some very interesting facts in regard to the progress of the colored work in the South.

"Fifteen years ago," he remarks, "there were not over twenty colored Seventh-day Adventists south of Mason and Dixon's line, but to-day, there are seven hundred."

This is an encouraging fact that should be borne in mind by those who are especially interested in this branch of the cause. The work has now reached a point where it is more self-helpful than formerly. It may be illustrated by a pebble dropped into a pond: at first the amount of water disturbed by it is very small, but a wave is started which continues to enlarge until it has covered the entire pond. A number of pebbles of truth have been dropped into the colored population of the South, and we want to drop in many more. The waves started by them are constantly enlarging, and will, we confidently expect, cover the whole Southern field in the near future. We have every reason to praise God and take courage.

New schools are being established at Spartanburg, S. C., Charleston, S. C., Newellton, La., and at Memphis, Tenn.

REPORT FROM ATLANTA

DEAR BRETHREN:

Our Sabbath meetings in our small room continue with a good attendance. Last Sabbath there were nine visitors present. We see from the interest manifested that a church building is greatly needed.

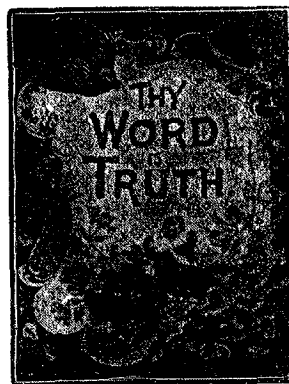
The amount of money raised in Atlanta for the school and church building is \$140.00. We thank the Lord for this.

My dear brethren and sisters, will you not help us to raise the balance of money needed for our building? What rejoicing would come to our souls here in Atlanta if we could get our building up by the first of the New Year, 1908! And what a blessing you would receive when you heard that our building was completed!

Send all donations to the Southern Missionary Society, North Station, Nashville, Tenn. W. H. SEBASTIAN.

NOTE.—The \$140 reported by Brother Sebastian is in addition to that which has been received for Atlanta by the Southern Missionary Society. All told therefore the fund for the Atlanta building has now reached \$559.23.—EDITOR.

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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We desire to be placed in correspondence with every one supporting the mission school work. To this end we encourage remittances direct to this Society. To be cut off from direct communication with the friends of this work would mean the death of the Southern Missionary Society.

BROTHER F. R. ROGERS, who is still on the Pacific coast working in behalf of the mission schools, writes very encouragingly of the interest manifested by the people there in this branch of the cause in the South.

THE mission school in Nashville, which comes into direct competition with a large public school nearby, opened Sept. 9 with ten pupils. During the next two weeks the number increased to thirty-five. The teacher confidently anticipates an attendance of fifty in the near future.

OUR old mission schools are all in operation again, and have opened very encouragingly, though in some places the attendance is still small owing to the fact that cotton picking is still in progress and some of the children are at work in the fields. There will be largely increased attendance as soon as the cotton picking season is over.

A CHURCH and school building is being erected at Knoxville, Tenn. The Southern Missionary Society makes a donation of several hundred copies of "The Story of Joseph" to this work. These books will be sold by the believers in Knoxville and the money turned in to assist in the building. This is one of the oldest companies of colored Sabbath-keepers in the South and we feel deeply interested in the work there.

A SCHOOL has been established at Clarksdale, Miss., and will be taught for the present by N. B. King, formerly in charge of the Yazoo City school. Brother King has been engaged in con-

ference work during the past summer, and was instrumental in raising up a company of Sabbath-keepers at Clarksdale. This school will be largely self-supporting, merely receiving some assistance from the Southern Missionary Society.

THE SELF-DENIAL BOX PLAN

Under date of July 6, 1904, Sister White wrote these words concerning the plan of raising money for mission schools by means of the Self-Denial Boxes:

"Many should become interested in the work of placing these Boxes in homes. Ask old and young to aid the work for the colored people by placing these Boxes in every home possible. A blessing will surely follow the gifts of Self-denial thus brought to the Master."

WE wish to call the attention of our readers to our first page article from the pen of Sister E. G. White. This was written especially for the GOSPEL HERALD, and was received only a short time since. It should be highly appreciated by our readers, and especially, by the workers for the colored people when they consider what it means for one of Sister White's age to write special articles, overburdened as she is with so much other work. We are sure that Sister White's deep and abiding interest in this branch of the cause is an unfailing inspiration to all who are connected with it.

A NEW school and church building is in process of erection at Yazoo City, Miss., to take the place of the old portable chapel erected there when the "Morning Star" was in commission and doing duty on the Yazoo and Mississippi rivers. This building will be 26x52 feet and will cost about \$1,000.00. Of this sum \$75.00 has been raised in cash by the believers in Yazoo, who have also become responsible for \$250.00 more to be paid in monthly installments. The rest of the money needed for the building will be provided from donations received by the Southern Missionary Society.

Brother L. V. Crawford, Treasurer of the Mississippi Conference is in charge of the work at Yazoo. He is a mechanic who commands good wages while working at his trade. He is donating, however, toward this building from one third to one half his time. This is a consid-

erable sacrifice on his part but he does it gladly.

From Yazoo City, Brother Crawford will go to Natchez, to take charge of the new building to be erected at that place. He will make the same donation there that he does at Yazoo City. This will amount to a good many dollars in the aggregate, as it will take several weeks to complete the two buildings, which will be of the same size and same general plan.

A CAMP-MEETING for colored people will be held at Birmingham, Ala., October 3 to 13, at the same time of the holding of the white camp-meeting. The laborers at the meeting for the whites can visit the colored meeting from time to time and assist in the work there. The meeting for the colored people will be in charge of Elder Sydney Scott, who has been laboring for some months past in Mobile and who has been assigned to the South Carolina field for future labor.

RECEIPTS FOR AUGUST 1907

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

DONATIONS

H L Friend.....	\$190 00	James Abegg.....	2 50
Frances Whitaker.....	18 00	Mildred Houser.....	32
H L Ogden & Wife.....	50	Mattie Lowell.....	1 00
Franc s Whitaker.....	3 00	Mrs Kittie Henry,	
H Cole & Wife.....	100 00	Sec.....	3 97
Mrs S D Wagon.....	67		
W L Pitcher.....	1 50	Total.....	\$ 71 08
Mrs Libbie Collins.....	10 80		
Mrs B B Barrett.....	25	FOR THE SUPPORT OF MIN-	
Rachel & Helen Ros-		ISTERS WORKING FOR THE	
ser.....	2 00	COLORED PEOPLE	
Mrs Mary M Mulhern	27	F H Schramm.....	6 54
Mrs Ophelia Raymond	5 00	C A Frederick.....	20 00
F H Schramm.....	5 96	A Friend.....	7 20
Frank George.....	2 00	Daniel Hollinger.....	20 00
A A Weseman }			
Mattie Deardorff.....	1 00	Total.....	\$53 74
Mrs Pitt A Wade.....	10 00		
Mrs A R Bond.....	1 73	THE NATCHEZ CHURCH	
Friends.....	5 00	BUILDING FUND	
C T Cavaness.....	1 00	Previously reported..	8 50
		Friends West Mich.	
Total.....	\$358 68	Conference.....	10 00
		Total.....	\$ 18 50
FROM SELF-DENIAL BOXES		ATLANTA BUILDING FUND	
Mrs Steele.....	1 00	Previously reported..	363 35
C C Holbrook.....	2 32	Mrs Sarah E Elder..	5 00
Mrs Etta E Dickinson	2 27	One Interested in Col-	
W W Ridgway.....	1 10	ored Race.....	5 00
Newark, Ohio Church	4 55	Rob't S McLain.....	5 00
W C Wales.....	2 00	Mrs N Bolinger.....	1 00
Rob't S McLain.....	50	Frances Whitaker.....	1 00
W E Stanfield.....	2 04	Mrs W N Crane.....	5 00
West Mich. Confer-		J N Loughborough..	10 00
ence.....	12 81	Mrs S D Wagon.....	1 00
Wisconsin Conference	2 32	Mrs Anna Eads.....	2 00
Mrs Fred Moody.....	1 70	Mrs Anderson.....	50
Mrs S D Wagon.....	1 00	Mrs M Stover.....	50
Mrs Anna Eads.....	50	Mr Hogland.....	1 00
Mrs Mina Sitz.....	50	Mr C M Bloom.....	50
H A Hartman.....	2 50	Eva L Cope	
A Friend.....	50	Mrs Katie Norwood }	2 48
Mrs S C Mansfield.....	30	Mrs L M McNutt.....	1 00
Mrs James Smith.....	30	Willie E Coleman...}	1 00
A Friend.....	30	Louisa M Woolsey...}	5 00
Mrs L M McNutt.....	1 60	O P Grant.....	3 90
Mrs Emma C Hinter-		Andrew J Thomson..	1 00
leiter.....	3 65	Mrs Jennie Smith....	5 00
P. P Isaac.....	1 60		
Miss Lois A Calkins..	30	Total.....	\$419 23
Mattie Deardorff.....	1 05		
Mrs Mary Nichol.....	2 00	Amount on hand in	
Andrew J Thomson..	2 78	Atlanta.....	140 00
L D Estes.....	50	Total funds avail-	
Mrs Lizzie Sylvester..	1 00	able.....	\$ 559 23
Mrs A Christenson....	9 20		
Daniel Hollinger....	2 00		