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"In due season we shall reap, if we faint not."

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## THE HOUSE BY THE SIDE OF THE ROAD.

"He was a friend to man, and he lived in a house by the side of the road." — Homer.

Let me live in my house by the side of the road,  
Where the race of men go by;  
They are good, they are bad, they are weak, they are strong,  
Wise, foolish, — so am I.  
Then why should I sit in the scorner's seat,  
Or hurl the cynic's ban?  
Let me live in my house by the side of the road,  
And be a friend to man. — Selected.

## A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

"I wish you a 'Happy New Year,'" will soon be repeated far and near, by parents and children, brothers and sisters, friends and acquaintances. In a world like ours, this New Year's greeting seems more appropriate than the "Merry Christmas" so lately echoed from lip to lip. On every hand are pale faces, brows furrowed with pain and care, or forms bowed with age. Wherever we turn may be seen the garb of mourning. The suffering, the careworn, and the aged can no longer be merry. In many a household there is a vacant chair; a beloved child, a husband and father, whose presence gladdened the last Christmas and New Year's festivity, is gone from the circle. A "Merry Christmas" seems a mockery to that bereaved family.

But whatever the cares and sorrows of life, whatever the mistakes and errors of the past, the "Happy New Year," when uttered as an expression of love or respect, falls pleasantly upon the ear. And yet, are not these kindly wishes often forgotten with the utterance? How often we fail to carry their import into the daily life, and thus to aid in their fulfillment. The New Year's greeting is frequently uttered by insincere lips, from hearts that would not forego one selfish gratification in order to make others

happy: Recipients of gifts and favors every new year, many accept these as their due. Receiving daily the bounties of heaven, sunshine and shower, food and raiment, friends and home, all the unnoted, yet priceless blessings of life, they forget the claims of the Giver; forget that God has left them a legacy in His poor; and that Christ, the Majesty of heaven, identifies Himself with suffering humanity in the person of His saints. Says our Saviour, "It was I whom you neglected. While your wardrobe was supplied with costly apparel, I had no comfortable clothing; while you feasted, I was hungry; while you were absorbed in pleasure, I was sick; a stranger, and uncared for." Let those who would have a happy new year, seek to honor God and make all around them happy. Let them share the gifts of Providence with those more needy, and bring to the Lord their offerings of gratitude, their sin-offerings, and their free-will offerings.

Let us review our own course during the past year, and compare our life and character with the Bible standard. Have we withheld from our gracious Benefactor that which He claims from us in return for all the blessings He has granted? Have we neglected to care for the poor, and comfort the sorrowing? Here, then, is work for us.

Upon many, God has bestowed His gifts with a lavish hand. Will they make corresponding returns? Some of these persons, when in poverty, were faithful in the smallest trust committed to them. They would sooner deny themselves of the comforts, or even the necessaries of life, than to withhold their offerings from the Lord's treasury. God has rewarded their faithfulness by prosperity. But now a change comes over the recipients of His bounty. Their wants increase faster than their income, and they no longer return to God the portion which is His due. Thus is developed that same spirit of covetousness which proved the ruin of Judas.

Let us each bring our souls to task. Let us see if we have brought all our offerings to God. I would do this for myself as an individual. It may be that I have been remiss during the past year. I know not when or where, but to make sure that I have done my whole duty, I will at the first of the year bring an offering to God to be appropriated as may seem best, to some one of the branches of His work. If any of you, my brethren and sisters, are convicted that you have

failed to render to God the things that are His; if you have not kindly considered the wants of the poor; or if you have withheld from any man his due, I entreat you to repent before the Lord, and to restore fourfold. Strict honesty toward God and men will alone meet the divine requirements. Remember that if you have defrauded a neighbour in trade, or in any manner deprived him of his own, or if you have robbed God in tithes and offerings, it is all registered in the books of heaven.

Many are bemoaning their backsliding, their want of peace and rest in Christ, when the past year's record shows that they have separated themselves from God by their departure from strict integrity. When they will faithfully examine their hearts, when they will open their eyes to see the selfishness of their motives, — then their prayer will be, "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me." God requires us to have a pure heart and clean hands. Let those who have committed wrong give proof of their repentance by seeking to make full restitution; let them in their after-life give evidence of a genuine reformation, and they will assuredly enjoy the peace of heaven.

Let us enter upon the new year with a clean record. Let faults be corrected. Let bitterness and malice be uprooted. Let right triumph over wrong. Let envy and jealousy between brethren be put away. Heartfelt, honest confession will heal grave difficulties. Then, with the love of God in the soul, there may flow from sincere lips the greeting, "I wish you a 'Happy New Year.'"

Many who were with us at the beginning of 1908 are not here to welcome 1909. We ourselves may not live to see another year. Shall we not seek to improve the little time allotted us? Will not the church of Christ turn from their backslidings? Will they not cast aside their idols, repent of their love of the world, overcome their selfish greed, and open the door of the heart to bid the Saviour welcome? May the beginning of this year be a time when Christ shall come in among us, and say, "Peace be unto you."

Brethren and sisters, I wish you, one and all, a "Happy New Year."

"We live in deeds, not years; in thought, not breath;  
In feelings, not in figures on the dial.  
We should count time by heart-throbs when they beat  
For man, for duty. He most lives  
Who thinks most, feels most, acts the best."



#### NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHT.

The year 1908, with all its many privileges and golden opportunities for doing good is now numbered with the things of the past forever. Nevermore can we recall one moment. No, no! the record is made, and should we pause to survey

the past twelve months, we should discover that we have come short of meeting the divine standard in many things. But wherein we have failed to do our duty we can but ask the Lord to forgive, and pardon our sins of omission; and we can rejoice to know that Jesus is still on the forgiving hand. Yes, praise His holy name, He is yet upon His Father's throne of grace, and we can, by His own invitation, come boldly to His throne, obtain pardon for our past negligence, and receive help in this our time of need for the year 1909.

The corrupting influences of Satan are flooding the world as never before. But this is no marvel, from the fact that he knows his time is short. The records of 1908 have been placed upon the pages of history as the banner year for its disasters by land and by sea. Doubtless, thousands upon thousands of human lives were hurled into eternity without a moment's warning, and many of them with no hope in Christ. Hence each one of us might with profit appeal to his conscience and ask himself the question, "How many of these poor souls, going down into oblivion without hope in Christ, am I responsible for?" Brethren and sisters who profess to believe the truth for this time, how diligent ought we all to be in giving the message of mercy to those who are sitting in darkness, that they may have time and opportunity to make their calling and election sure before it is eternally too late!

We all believe in being better than we are. We doubtless all have failed as individuals in reaching the divine standard, or many may have in despair even ceased to press toward it; but we should ever remember that our efforts put forth in the name of Christ are not in vain. No, they help us to rise and work toward a higher plain of Christian character. When we look back upon the year 1908, we can see some permanent results of our labor; that is, if we have put forth our efforts in the name of Him who said, "Without Me ye can do nothing." The evil in our natures will be less prevalent in 1909 if we continue to strive against it in His strength.

Notwithstanding there are calamities on every hand, by land and by sea, and Satan has played havoc in all the earth, we have witnessed great progress in the spreading of the Third Angel's Message in all parts of the earth. Thousands of souls for whom Christ died have been brought to see, and by God's holy Spirit have been impressed to accept of the truth for this time.

Oh, brethren and sisters, let us strive in 1909 to go forward and do what we can for the Master! But we can go forward only when we strive hopefully and not despairingly. Our success in the war in which we are engaged depends much upon the mood in which we rise to better things.

I cannot refrain at this point from thanking

God for the many friends I have found as I have gone from place to place, for the many kind words I have had spoken to me, and for the many good wishes that have been strewn along my pathway for the past twelve months. All these have served as bright spots along my journey. Of course I have had sorrows, as well as joys, as all my brethren and sisters have had; yet sunshine has played with shadow. Our songs of joy have been mingled with tears and pain, caused by mistakes, shortcomings, and misgivings; but with the knowledge of the fact that our Father is still at the helm, and Jesus is our captain, we will take courage to lay aside the year 1908 with calmness, while we take up our duties anew, having faith to press forward in the Master's vineyard to accomplish the work He has for us to do in the year 1909. But we should not overlook the fact that the new year will bring to us some of the same duties of the old, hence we will need just the same strength for the new that we craved for the old.

Our faith in God and His word must let to-morrow take thought for the things of itself, while we toil for the Master to-day in His vineyard, knowing that He is able, willing, and anxious to supply all our needs.

May God help us to so live that the new year may bring to us, all that is beautiful and blessed. To this end let us all pray. M. G. HUFFMAN.



## Health and Temperance.

### HEALTH TALKS.—No 5.

#### Ventilating Outlets.

In buildings constructed without providing for ventilation, we find we have the most trouble in providing for the removal of the impure air. Ample provision for ventilation is just as essential as a chimney for heating.

When constructing new buildings, ventilating shafts should be provided. If you investigate, you will find that most of the large public buildings, colleges, etc., have such provision made. Architects now draft their plans so that the most modern ideas in ventilation can be readily carried out. We expect, nowadays, such places to have a proper system. In our homes it should be the same. Because the building is to be only a three or four-room cottage, it does not render the ventilating shaft a non-essential. To be sure, the first cost is more. It takes some hard thinking sometimes to get it in the right place and have the rooms free from projections. In most cases, however, it can be done by the old rule, "Where there is a will, there is a way."

Oftentimes the most convenient thing would be to build a double chimney from cellar to roof. A little piping within the partitions will readily connect the remote rooms with one side of the double flue. The other side may be used just the same as any other chimney. There are other plans that can be made when one is building, that will provide an easy solution to the outlet problem, and if carried out will more than repay the extra expense in the saving of health and avoiding sickness.

Two outlets should be provided,—one near the ceiling and the other close to the floor. These should be so equipped that either one can be closed independently. For cold weather a lower outlet is usually more necessary than an upper one.

Circumstances will not permit a great many people to build anew. Few are ever fortunate enough to find a house that provides for proper ventilation. But they should not assume that because of these circumstances it is an impossibility, and then excuse themselves from the task.

If one is so fortunate as to have a chimney with a surplus of draft, a valve or register may be connected with the stove-pipe or with the chimney, thus allowing the foul air to pass out. Again, it may be practical to continue the smoke-pipe from the stove up through the chimney, and leave the chimney flue for a ventilating shaft. The heat from the stove-pipe will secure a free, upward current of air.

The stove in the room is a valuable ventilator. An opening into the stove from near the floor will remove a large amount of impure air in the winter time. An open grate or fire-place is an excellent outlet.

Another and cruder means, though more easily obtained, is to open a door or window on the side opposite to the inlet. If you are unfortunate in having a draft by this method, keep out of it. So long as the draft is not upon you or some one else, it will be better than the continual breathing of foul air into the lungs.

DR. O. R. COOPER.



## Field Reports.

### SOUTHERN INDIANA.

ELNORA AND LINTON.—It was my privilege to visit the churches at Elnora and Linton during holiday week, in company with Elder Victor Thompson.

Here was the seat of a species of spurious holiness in years past, and still a remnant of it re-

mains; but the majority of our people are struggling into light. The Lord has wonderfully led His people, and the willing and obedient shall eat the good of the land. The spirit accompanying this false righteousness is similar to that which took possession of Aaron and Miriam in the wilderness, when they said, "Hath the Lord indeed spoken only by Moses? Hath He not spoken also by us?" But they fail to see the conflict between the words spoken by them and those that have gone before them. All that the Lord has spoken heretofore loses its force and significance in the light of their words.

There is no cause for discouragement in all this; for the truth shines with greater luster in the midst of the greatest darkness. Like the diamond, it loses none of its power by contact with darkness; it shines brilliantly still.

It was truly refreshing to know that the brethren who have passed through some dark experiences, are coming forth as gold tried in the fire.

ALLEN MOON.



WEST MICHIGAN.

KALAMAZOO.—The church at Kalamazoo, Michigan, situated at the corner of Jackson and Sheldon Streets, was dedicated on Sabbath, Dec. 19, 1908, at 10:30 A. M.

The church having undergone extensive repairs, it was deemed fitting to have special services upon the completion of the work. It might be well to say that over seven hundred dollars has been expended in repairing and beautifying the church building, and in addition to this the treasury fund has been increased. A loan which the church has been carrying for years has been paid off, and the church now stands ready for dedication free from all encumbrances, with a small sum still left in the treasury.

Through the faithful efforts of the pastor, the church has been greatly revived and the attendance doubled, the membership now being nearly one hundred.

The subject for the dedicatory sermon was The Sanctuary, which was treated under four heads: The body, as the sanctuary for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit; the grove or closet, as the sanctuary for individual worship; the home, as the sanctuary for the family; and the church as the sanctuary for the congregation.

The program was as follows:—

Organ Voluntary.....	Mrs. B. I. Van Horn
Lord's Prayer.....	Choir
Hymn.....	By Congregation
Scripture Quotations.....	By Children
Anthem—"Unfold, Ye Portals".....	Choir
Scripture Reading.....	Elder N. H. Pool
Invocation.....	Elder S. D. Hartwell
Violin and Organ—"Angel's Serenade".....	
.....	Misses Gladys and Mildred Shaw
Financial Statement.....	By Pastor

Hymn.....	By Congregation
Dedicatory Sermon.....	Elder P. G. Stanley
Solo—"Nazareth".....	Professor Newton
Remarks.....	Elder A. G. Haughey
Dedicatory Prayer.....	Elder A. G. Haughey
Anthem, "The Lord Is My Shepherd,".....	Choir
Doxology.....	Congregation
Benediction.....	Elder S. D. Hartwell
Closing Voluntary.....	Selection from Mozart's 12th Mass



FROM THE SOUTHLAND.

DEAR HERALD:—As I leave in about ten days for another portion of this field—Shreveport, Louisiana, the second largest city in the state, where they are loudly crying for help, I thought I would give you a summary of the work done in this place, to date, since our arrival on July 11.

The first family that we met are all keeping the Sabbath and living health reform. The man was an agnostic, and the wife and niece, Catholics. Last week they together handed out two hundred of the Thanksgiving number of the *Review*. The man has sold about five hundred *Life and Health*, and also canvassed for some of our books. He has been a cowboy, a soldier in the Boer War, and also had some part in the Spanish War. He has traveled over this country, South America, and the Old World. He cut loose from a business that he thought was not honest, and at present is canvassing. He intends to canvass his way to New York State where his mother lives, and whom he has not seen for twenty years. He is the Bible class teacher in our new Sabbath-school, and the way he takes hold and grasps the truth, astonishes some of the older ones in this message. We had a Sabbath-school convention at Welsh, in this state, last month, which he attended. To his great surprise he found some who were not careful of the "edges" of the Sabbath. They omitted sundown worship, and talked about their business affairs on that day. In the enthusiasm of his first love, he was careful to call attention to these mistakes. They acknowledged their error, and thanked him for the merited rebuke. I had told him beforehand that he might find some not living just right. My heart swells with gratitude to God that His holy Sprit has done such a thorough work in the hearts of all the members of this family. It was my pleasure to meet with them at the beginning and close of their first Sabbath, and I shall not soon forget it.

We have held three tent efforts and a camp-meeting in this city. Elder E. H. Rees was my associate in the first, and Brother O. F. Frank, in the second and third efforts. We found seven Sabbath-keepers here, but two have moved to Welsh. The result of our first effort was three converts, an M. E. minister, wife and child. The family first mentioned was reached through personal work. The camp-meeting came next, and it was held near to the place of our first tent effort.

Twelve more accepted the truth, but these were nearly all members of families attending the camp-meeting. We thank our heavenly Father for the opportunity to do some personal work at this meeting. One girl, once employed in the Battle Creek Sanitarium laundry, while we had the pleasure of conducting meetings there, with her sister, is now happy in a Saviour's love, and expects to engage in Bible work in New Orleans. We met both sisters at the Welsh meeting. At the second effort some twenty more took a stand, but six have moved away, four joining at San Antonio, Texas. Still others are hesitating. Many more in the neighborhood want to keep the Sabbath, but the question of their livelihood makes them hesitate. O, pray for these dear, precious souls. Four accepted the truth at our next effort, one of whom was a Catholic. The simplicity of this precious soul, grasping every point by faith, is marvelous. She is a Bible student, and is buying our books and literature as fast as presented. She recently traveled all the way to New Orleans to present to her Catholic mother a Bible and a copy of "Daniel and Revelation" which the mother accepted. She has a copy of "Bible Readings," and is comparing it with the Bible. Since the meetings closed, we found two dear sisters who were trying to keep the Sabbath. Although having been brought up in Sunday-keeping families, they never had really kept that day. Now they have just enough light to know that the seventh day is the Sabbath. Pray, dear brethren and sisters, for these, and many more who have been awakened to the truths of the real Sabbath, the immortality of the soul, and what real baptism means, who never again can accept the false doctrines of their former churches in these respects, that the Spirit may strive with them, and that they may have "heart conviction," as one sister has called it.

To complete the work here, the Lord has put it into the heart of a man, not a Sabbath-keeper, but who has a wife and daughter in the truth, to give us a lot upon which to build a church. This is a lumber district, and some of the largest mills in the state are in this city. Between them they practically agreed to furnish all the lumber and brick necessary for the church. The brother first mentioned in this letter has done much to bring about this latter result. The brother who gave the lot says that he will make good any shortage. Praise the Lord! Two brethren at Welsh have offered their services to build the piers and chimneys. The conference has released Elder E. H. Rees, a competent builder and carpenter, to build the church, the size of which will be 24 x 36. We hope to commence hauling the lumber this week, if the weather permits.

We organized a company with Brother Smith Saxby well known in Battle Creek, as leader, and Brother Oscar F. Frank, my colleague, as secretary and treasurer. The conference has decided to defer baptism and church organization until after the church is built. This company ordered five hundred copies of the *Thanksgiving Review*, and have already handed out about four hundred copies.

Words fail us to express to Him the gratitude we feel, that He should condescend to use such poor and humble servants as we are in this great and glorious work of presenting the last message to the world. We earnestly ask the continuance of your prayers for His blessing upon us in this field, where the laborers are so few, there being only four ministers to a population of a million and a half.

JOHN E. HANSON.

*Lake Charles, Louisiana.*



#### THE CLOSING EXERCISES OF BETHEL ACADEMY.

Bethel Academy has its school year corresponding with the agriculture year; that is, the school year opens in the spring, continues through the summer, and closes with the fall term in December. There is an extra term in the winter, in which also regular school work is done.

The closing exercises of the Academy for the year 1908, were held in the Bethel church Sunday evening, December 20. The program rendered by the students was designed to emphasize the nature and importance of different parts of the message God has given this people, a message which it has been the endeavor of the school to put into the lives of its students. The purpose of God's giving us truth; how far we have spread it over the world; how, that we may give it better, God disciplines us, as in hardships, dress and diet reform, etc.; and last, our responsibility as Christians in social life,—these were the topics treated. We believe that every one in the school has felt, to a greater or lesser degree, the impulsion represented in the focus of the decorations that night,—a lance and a white shield bearing the motto, "God Sends." Following is the program:—

Organ Voluntary.....	Mrs. F. R. Thornton
Prayer.....	Prof. F. R. Thornton
Remarks.....	Prof. A. W. Spaulding
Address, "Why God Gives Us Truth,".....	Mr. James Lewis
Girls' Chorus, "Stars O'erhead are softly Gleaming,"	
Talk, "The Progress of the Message,".....	Mr. Lee Foote
Male Quartette, "Lord, I'm Coming Home,".....	
Paper, "God's Purpose in Discipline,".....	Miss Marie Graber
Ladies' Quartette, "We are Going Down the Valley,"	
Dialogue, "The Relation of Diet to Life,".....	
.....	Misses Alberts and Carlson
Violin Solo.....	Miss Alta Reavis
Paper, "Dressing for Health,".....	Miss Flora McChesney
Talk, "God's Word about Dress....."	Miss Grace Frazier
Vocal Duet, "Rock of Ages,".....	Mrs. Kisner, Miss Reavis
Address, "The Social Life of the Christian,".....	
.....	Mr. Jesse Lewis

Solo, (with humming accompaniment by Girls' Chorus)  
 "Through the Shadows,".....Mrs. Irma Kisner.  
 Benediction.....Prof. P. E. Sheppler

We shall have a full attendance during the winter term. We have planned our school homes to take no more than twenty-two or twenty-three each; for we wish to keep the *home* atmosphere. Thus the limit of attendance, aside from local students, is about forty-five. At present we are holding school in "The Castle," the two-storied, tarpaper-covered shanty which was erected on a part of the ruins, just after the fire, for a girls' home the first year. Next spring we shall begin the erection of our main school building, a block cement structure 40 x 48. Now, while the sleighing is good, we are hauling sand from the river; we shall make the blocks in a steam-heated building during the winter, and shall begin the erection of the building as soon as the spring opens. We expect to complete it during the summer, so as to have it ready for occupancy at the beginning of the fall term. It has been proved, however, that a school does not consist of buildings, but rather consists in the Spirit of God filling the soul of man. For this experience we are earnestly seeking, and in it we are finding comfort and progress. A. W. SPAULDING.

Indiana.†						
Stephed Boze.....	H. M.	33	2	4 00	2 20	6 20
Della Faust.....	Steps	4	8	3 90		3 90
Dale Hendrixon.....	C. O. L.	23	5	6 25		6 25
Athen Metzker.....	G. C.	53	3	8 25	4 60	12 85
Burton Wade.....	C. K.	56	8	8 00	25 40	33 40
		169	26	\$30 40	\$32 20	\$62 60
Wisconsin.						
Frank Halderson.....	G. C.	34	11	34 50	3 35	37 85
Louis Scholtz.....	G. C.	35	4	11 00	18 95	29 95
A. Carlson.....	G. C.	44	5	13 75	2 25	16 00
N. O. Kittleson.....	C. K.	36	4	5 50	4 65	10 15
Mrs. Viola Shrock.....	C. K.	6	1	1 00	5 60	6 60
Lizzie M. Keat.....		24			5 00	5 00
F. E. Middlested.....		15			1 20	1 20
		194	25	\$65 75	\$41 05	\$106 80
Southern Illinois.						
Mattie Dent.....		28	13	5 90		5 90
J. L. Galbraith.....	G. C.	34	10	28 50	1 35	29 85
E. Jackson.....	G. C.	52	1	45 00	4 00	49 00
LeRoy Knott.....	G. C.	54	14	41 00		41 00
Hugo Mitzelfelt.....	C. K.	33	22	24 50	3 35	27 85
Tom Bailey.....		32	2	3 75	5 15	8 90
W. E. Bailey.....	B. R.	49	7	20 25	1 50	21 75
J. E. Dent.....	B. R.	38	14	38 25	75	39 00
Mrs. L. Mitzelfelt.....	C. K.	14	8	9 00	6 65	15 65
Mrs. J. L. Galbraith.....		3	1	3 75		3 75
A. Trueblood.....	G. C.	5	1	2 75	3 50	6 25
T. B. House.....	G. C.	21	4	12 00	6 50	18 50
Total 59 Agents.....		363	97	234 65	32 75	267 40
		2120	520	\$1033 05	\$261 50	\$1294 55
Total for Dec. 1907, 32 Agents		715	175	\$622 10	\$244 65	\$866 75

\* Three weeks. † Last week of November.

## Book Work.

### LAKE UNION CANVASSERS' REPORT FOR DECEMBER, 1908.

East Michigan.						
Canvasser.	Book.	Hrs.	Ords.	Value.	Helps.	Total.
Mrs. C. E. West.....	C. K.	10	8	\$ 9 50	\$ 2 15	\$ 11 65
Beryl Burgess.....	C. K.	57	24	27 50	10 80	38 30
Effie Park.....	C. K.	31	13	15 00		15 00
Raymond Park.....	C. K.	75	27	28 50	7 80	36 30
Harry Park.....	C. K.	17	4	6 00		6 00
Roy Stroub.....	C. K.	26	4	5 00		5 00
V. T. Shafer.....	C. K.	12	3	4 00	2 60	6 60
Dora Snyder.....	C. K.	26	10	9 00	1 45	10 45
O. D. Kittle.....	C. K.	14	8	8 50	4 95	13 45
Hugh Collier.....	C. K.	55	29	30 50	11 00	41 50
Mrs. C. Bust.....	C. K.	22	4	4 50	1 25	5 75
J. D. Reavis.....	H. H.	31	2	8 00.	17 15	25 15
E. E. Davis.....	B. R.	6	1	2 75	60	3 35
Mrs. F. W. Brainard.....	B. R.	62	2	5 50	14 20	19 20
F. W. Brainard.....	B. R.	78	7	21 25	10 25	31 50
Charles Mahr.....	G. C.	61	9	25 75	5 85	31 60
Albert Fishel.....	D. R.	140	22	56 00	8 25	64 25
Daisy Sowers.....		1			1 20	1 20
		724	177	\$267 25	\$99 50	\$366 75
North Michigan.						
E. C. Collard.....	B. R.	44	9	23 00	19 40	42 40
K. V. Bjork.....		101	23	57 50	4 10	61 60
Mrs. L. A. Newell.....		17	24	7 40		7 40
		162	56	\$87 90	\$23 50	\$111 40
West Michigan.						
A. C. Ford.....	B. R.	24	8	26 00	4 05	30 05
A Student.....		15	32	29 25		29 25
Mrs. R. M. Ross.....	B. R.				9 10	9 10
W. H. Hunt.....	B. R.	33	2	5 50	10 15	15 65
Mrs. C. Kingston.....	B. R.			2 75	70	3 45
		72	42	\$63 50	\$24 00	\$87 50
Northern Illinois.						
E. Franklin.....	H. M.	60	21	52 80		52 80
Volney Colgrove.....	G. C.	16	1	3 75		3 75
H. A. Tucker.....	H. M.	62	10	29 00		29 00
Howard Banty.....	H. M.	69	14	37 60		37 60
G. W. Salthar.....	H. M.	35	2	7 60		7 60
John Hicks.....	G. C.	24	12	36 00		36 00
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## NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS TO EAST MICHIGAN CANVASSERS.

DEAR FELLOW CANVASSERS:—Your letters from week to week have been a source of encouragement to me, and now I feel that I should write you something of good cheer in return. God has richly blessed our fellowship and labors together in the Lord. East Michigan, because of the rapid strides she has made in the book work, is looked upon as being the recipient of the special favor of God. True we have been blessed, but our blessings have come through our buckling on the harness and doing faithfully what God has called us to do. The Lord delights in helping those who manifest a willingness to labor to glorify His name.

Does the advance movement in the book work add any force to the statement of Sister White,—"We are now living on the very border of the eternal world"? When we consider that there are now six thousand persons engaged in the publishing work, and picture before our mind five thousand of these faithful men and women in all parts of the world going from door to door with the printed page, it means that the message is going with the speed of an angel flying in the midst of heaven. During the year 1908 there have been placed in the homes of the people over three hundred million pages of message-filled literature.

There has been a revival in nearly every conference, and we are glad that this is true of our conference.

Since June we have placed in the homes of the people nearly four thousand dollars' worth of books. Several who have had a part in this work are now in school, but we hope to see them come forth again for the campaign next summer. The work has just begun, and 1909 will mark a new era in our experience. I will quote from just a few

of the cheering letters I have received. Brother and Sister Park write: "We are of good courage and have no intention of taking up any other line of work. Other men can do the work of the world, but we must carry the message of the kingdom."

A. B. Park writes: "I am glad for the light of truth, and I feel a burden to help others to come to Jesus. My determination is to stay in the canvassing work." Mrs. Harter praises God for the rich experience she has had delivering and says we shall see her weekly report again the first of the year. I wish space would permit my mentioning the good experiences of others who express a determination to stay by this work till it is finished. Our "Gideon Band" marches onward to victory. Let us each endeavor to make the New Year a prosperous one in the spreading

of this glorious message which is entrusted to us.

The New Year brings added responsibilities. The victories of the past year should urge us on to still greater victories this year. Time is fleeting, and souls are perishing for the light of this truth; therefore let us each be faithful.

Now, in conclusion, I will add the words of the apostle Paul, for they best express my appreciation of your labor, and my interest in your personal welfare: "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy for your fellowship in the gospel, [the canvassing work] from the first day until now, being confident of this very thing, that He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ."

J. H. McEACHERN.

### Workers' Meeting in Southern Illinois.

The few brethren in this conference have a great problem before them. In this territory is a population of two millions to be given the last message, and the people to do the work consist of two active ministers, three licentiates, two Bible workers, and a few canvassers. It certainly is a case of a great harvest and a few laborers.

It is somewhat painful to witness the effort to make the small income go as far as possible toward the support of laborers, and plan for the enlargement of the work. The field is a promising one; the people are approachable and open to conviction, and there is no better mission field in the world. But the little company here would have a large work on hand to warn one county in the next year or two. The Lord is coming, and here is a vast territory unworked. Would it not be splendid foreign missionary work to enter this field and gather out the people of God to join the ranks of the faithful, to add their might to the work in other lands? This would indeed be charity beginning at home, and would bring immediate returns in souls both at home and abroad.

We must not withhold from the cause of missions; but every strong effort made at home, that brings results, will help the work abroad correspondingly. Would it not be wisdom to lift this field above want, and place it on its feet? Other fields would then come in for a share of our help. The cause in Southern Illinois has languished for many years, and while strong conferences have been built up in other localities where the work was entered upon at a later period, no strong effort has ever been made in this part of the Union. Let us give consideration to the thought of rendering help now.

Springfield, Illinois. ALLEN MOON.

### East Michigan Conference.

It has been definitely decided to hold the seventh annual session of the East Michigan Conference at Lansing, Michigan, January 25-31, 1909. There will be held in connection with this meeting a church officer's convention, to which all church elders and other officers who may attend are invited. The first meeting will be at 7 o'clock on Monday evening. The conference will be organized at 6 o'clock P. M., Tuesday the 26th. Each church is requested to send a full delegation. The basis of representation is one delegate for the organization, and

one for each fifteen members. A church of ten members is entitled to one delegate. One of sixteen members would be entitled to two. Church elders are requested to take notice and give prompt and thorough attention to the matter of choosing delegates.

E. K. SLADE, *President*.  
E. I. BEEBE, *Secretary*.

### East Michigan Conference Association.

The first meeting of the regular annual sessions of the East Michigan Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists for the year 1909, will be held in the Seventh-day Adventist church at Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, Wednesday, January 27, at 10 A. M. All regularly elected delegates to the East Michigan Conference (unincorporated) are members of the East Michigan Conference Association and, as such, are entitled to vote on all questions coming before the association.

E. K. SLADE, *President*.  
A. R. SANDBORN, *Secretary*.

### Missionary Idea,—Republished.

The first edition of this excellent book was published by the Union College Press. Just as it began to become known, the entire stock was destroyed in the Union College power house and printing-office fire. Since then it has been thoroughly revised and a new edition has been published by the Pacific Press Publishing Company.

As most of our readers know, it is written by Mrs. M. E. Ellis, who is a missionary worker of long and successful experience. It contains just the help that church and young people's officers, and especially librarians, will appreciate. 317 pages, paper covers, 50 cents; cloth, \$1.00.

### To Those Who Care.

The Master is calling for reapers to go into the ripe harvest fields everywhere to gather the golden grain. Have you heard the call? I believe you have, but I hear you say, "I am not prepared, my education is too limited, and I must go to school first."

You are the person I am looking for. You can go if you will, and at the same time gain a most valuable experience on which to build your future life.

The scholarship plan is a great aid to those who desire an education, and now is the time to take hold of it. Do not

wait until summer, but come to the institute, and get a training, and enter the field at the first of the year.

The Lord wants *you*. Answer the call by saying, "Here am I."

Please write me at 942 South First Street, Springfield, Illinois.

C. J. TOLF.

### Religious Liberty Offering for 1909.

The Religious Liberty Department of the General Conference has only one annual offering with which to carry on its work. The time which has been set apart for the annual offering this year is Sabbath, February 6, 1909. We hope that all our people will bear this date in mind, and come prepared to contribute liberally to this annual offering.

The funds for carrying on the work of this department are now exhausted. All should plan to make their offering a liberal one this year, in view of our present needs, and the great demands upon us in effectively carrying on this important line of work.

More will be said upon this subject later.

K. C. RUSSELL.

Chairman Religious Liberty Bureau.

### January Life and Health.

The January number of *Life and Health* comes to our table with improved appearance and increased size,—sixty-four pages filled with timely instruction for the preservation of health during the winter months. The valuable improvements make this magazine an easy seller. The publishers have very generously decided to give the agents the full benefit of the expensive improvements, continuing to furnish the magazine in quantity for selling at the same prices as before, four cents a copy when twenty-five or more are ordered at a time. Send us your order.

Again and again have persons been surprised at the readiness of their neighbors to buy copies of *Life and Health*. The valuable and pleasing improvements seen in the January number will make it a more ready seller than ever. If you have not tried it, send in a trial order and convince yourself that *Life and Health* can be sold in your neighborhood. Five copies for 25 cents, or 25 copies for \$1.00.

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**ITEMS OF INTEREST.****West Michigan.**

Elder A. G. Haughey was called to Ohio a week ago.

G. H. Crandall made a trip to Cedar Lake recently, in the interest of a new heating plant.

The annual session of the West Michigan Conference will be held in Otsego, Michigan, January 18-22.

A Sabbath-school of about twenty-five members has been organized at the Hoag schoolhouse, near Cedar Springs, where Elders Covert and Horton held meetings recently.

Brother John E. Hanson, reporting from Shreveport, Louisiana, says that the week of prayer was a season of great refreshing. There were two conversions in addition to some reclaimed from their wandering.

**Emmanuel Missionary College.**

Professor Garrett, principal of Otsego Academy, spent Sabbath at the College.

Professor Kirby, of Battle Creek, has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Curtis, this week.

Mr. John Walker, of Hinsdale Sanitarium, spent a part of his vacation at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hutchinson spent Sabbath and Sunday in Mendon, Michigan, visiting Mr. Hutchinson's father.

Miss Florence Howell, who is teaching in the Otsego Academy, is spending her vacation with her mother and sister of this place.

Two new students were present when school opened after vacation. Others are expected soon. Our present enrollment is one hundred and twenty.

Mr. Klooster reports, on returning from his home in Chicago, after the holidays, that six students from that place are planning to enter the College next year. That is the kind of work we wish all of our students would do.

An interesting program was given in the chapel, New Year's morning. Professor Straw and Mr. Butterfield favored us with a duet. Mrs. Graf read a very

interesting paper on "Turning Over a New Leaf." Professor Videto talked about making New Year's resolutions. All very much appreciated the duet by Miss Graf and Miss Florence Howell.

The chapel hour Thursday morning was occupied by Professor Haughey in giving an account of the recent earthquake. Surely, God is speaking in no uncertain terms, and may His people learn righteousness. May they arouse to a realization of the needs of our great cities here in America, as well as in the heathen lands. The field is the world.

**Adelphian Academy.**

On account of its being an appropriate time for vacation now, and much less so in the spring, it was decided by the unanimous vote of the school to have a ten-days' vacation, and not to have any in the spring.

Although our enrollment since the school opened has been sixty-five, there are now only fifty-six in attendance; but we expect a considerable increase after Christmas. It is definitely known that eight new students are coming, and there are prospects of others. We are glad to see those who have been faithfully working for a scholarship coming in. Four more is supposed to be the limit of the school's capacity, but it has always managed to accommodate just one more; and a little crowding will be comparatively nothing to old students, who remember when each one had just room enough for a bed, a trunk, and a four-foot alley between the rows of beds, and that, too, in a tar-papered, temporary structure called the Black Chapel. The Lord has indeed blessed us in furnishing so comfortable a place to stay, with so many conveniences.

That a certain amount of recreation of the right kind is needed, we all admit; and the Academy furnishes this in a very pleasing manner. Our evenings after the Sabbath are devoted to Rhetoricals, in which the speeches, essays, recitations, etc., interspersed with music of various kinds, are very much appreciated by all. Every student in the school is expected to make at least one public appearance during the year; and every one who intends to graduate from any course is required to make three appearances. These are much dreaded by some of the more timid, but are generally gone through with successfully. Music is given much attention, and as we have several good cornet and violin players, and two quartets, something enjoyable is presented at each meeting.

Another form of recreation is the afternoon skating excursions to a near-by lake, and it is found that it is a help instead of a hindrance in the learning of lessons, because only those pupils who have their lessons for that day are allowed to go.

**West Michigan Conference School Report.**

Bangor School.—Teacher, Helen Cowles. Enrollment 15.

Battle Creek School.—Teachers, Mrs. Flora Williams, Mrs. Harriot Heffley, Lois Randall, May Williams. Enrollment 133.

Bauer School.—Teacher, Hattie Brasington. Enrollment 16.

Bedford School.—Teacher, Mabel Baker. Enrollment 17.

Berrien Springs School.—Teacher, Vo Wyla Aiken. Enrollment 17.

Bloomington School.—Teacher, Frances Garton. Enrollment 6.

Carlton Center School.—Teacher, Edna Ayars. Enrollment 15.

Charlotte School.—Teacher, Ruth Saxby. Enrollment 17.

Covert School.—Teacher, Mrs. Julia Countryman. Enrollment 11.

Cedar Lake School.—Teachers, Leslie Avery, Fred Green, Mrs. Fred Green, Edith Shepard, Grace Evans. Enrollment 66.

Denver School.—Teacher, Flossie Hall. Enrollment 12.

Frost School.—Teacher, Inis Morey. Enrollment 14.

Glenwood School.—Teacher, Celeste Hall. Enrollment 26.

Grand Ledge School.—Teacher, Lucille Gregg. Enrollment 8.

Grand Rapids School.—Teacher, Mildred Wilson. Enrollment 22.

Horr School.—Teacher, Thallie Halvorsen. Enrollment 7.

Lake Odessa School.—Teacher, Edna Cooper. Enrollment 4.

Michigan Home School.—Teacher, Jennie Judson. Enrollment 4.

Monterey School.—Teacher, Ethel Cooper. Enrollment 15.

Otsego School.—Teachers, Roscoe Garrett, Florence Howell. Enrollment 30.

Paw Paw School.—Teacher, Anna Kemstra. Enrollment 11.

Wright School.—Teacher, Mrs. E. A. S. Clark. Enrollment 17.

Total, 483. CLIFFORD RUSSELL,  
*Educational Secretary.*

**Gleanings from the Washington Convention.**

We are a part of a mighty movement, and we must be men of aggressive minds if we would keep pace with it.

Elder Daniells stated that fully six thousand persons are now employed in the spreading of the Third Angel's Message in its printed form. Five thousand of these are field workers, carrying the message from door to door.

The Unintarians, who are considered quite an aggressive people distribute only 210,000 pages annually, while the Seventh-day Adventists placed in the hands of the people 300,000,000 pages of Christian literature, last year.

Canvassing is the vehicle that carries all other parts of the message. It is to the message what the railway system is to the commercial world. Canvassers should be consecrated men and women. They must be walls of fire melting walls of ice.

Canvassers must be men of adaptability. All kinds of men, in all kinds of circumstances must be approached in the best possible way.

Thorough organization and thorough training will greatly increase our publishing work.

A man that will lay siege to difficulties by prayer and perseverance, will surely conquer them.

A canvasser with simply a "wish bone" will give up under discouragements; but one with a backbone will stick to the work with a tenacity that never lets go until the victory is won. "Let us arise and build."

J. H. MCEACHERN.