

"There Shall Be Delay No Longer."

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A Last Word to Our Brethren About the Camp-meeting.

We are now on the camp-ground; and the writer is sitting in his tent door under the shade of a wide-spreading oak tree, while the sun is bathing with a flood of light our beautiful camp-ground, which is situated only a few blocks from the center of Statesville.

We believe that this will be one of the most important meetings ever held in this State; and we appeal to our brethren and sisters to be present from the very first, and to remain as long as possible. We want this camp-meeting to last not less than three weeks. The Lord says that our camp-meetings would accomplish far more good "if persons would come from each church prepared to remain a month or longer, helping in the meetings and learning how to labor acceptably."

Dear brethren, let us show our sister conferences that such a meeting as this can be held. Many of our leading brethren have said that they believed that such a meeting would accomplish much more good than a shorter one, but they feared that it could not be done. Let us demonstrate that the Lord's instruction can be carried out. Let each church take up this matter, and select a few of their members to remain at the meeting, while others return to care for the home duties. Let the whole church share the burden, and if necessary make provision to help those who remain at the meeting for a longer time.

Bring plenty of bedding,--straw ticks, etc., such as you may need for yourself or for others who are not supplied. J. O. J.

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On the Camp-ground.

I left Wilmington on Monday, June 27, after having spent nearly three months in that important city scattering our literature. I found so much to do that I was loth to leave; but the Lord has instructed His people as to the importance of these yearly gatherings, and has admonished us not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together, "and so much the more as ye see the day approaching." The camp-meeting cannot be made a success when only a few attend. Every one who can come should be here to help make the meeting what the Lord designs it should be. We are in the shaking time, and we must take heed lest we become careless.

Several of our canvassers are on hand helping to get things in order. Some may think it is no sacrifice for the canvasser to leave his field to spend time in this way, but let us see. As soon as the canvasser leaves his field, his pay stops. He has no crop coming on, and is on expense for board, room rent, etc. Now we have agreed to board and give tent rent free to our canvassers during the institute. Our conference has appealed to our people for help in this, and yet so far no response has come excepting from Eufola, besides the health foods from the Iowa conference. Now, dear brethren, I am sure you all want to have a part in this good work, so please delay no longer. We believe that there are many others who would esteem it a privilege to do what they can.

E. C. Fogers, State Agent.

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"God has committed to our hands a most sacred work, and we need to meet together to receive instruction, that we may be fitted to perform this work... We need to meet together to receive the divine touch, that we may understand our work in the home... We need to understand in regard to the division of labor, and how each part of the work is to be carried forward."----- Testimony Vol. 6.

Our Sanitarium Interests.

No doubt nearly all the readers of the MESSENGER are aware of the fact that the Piedmont Sanitarium, located at Hildebran, was burned to the ground, with all its contents, on the night of June 7. This calamity coming so suddenly upon us just at the time when we were preparing to receive patients in the nearly completed institution, has caused much sadness to our people, especially to those who have had the work in charge. Our first anxiety was to learn if possible the lesson which the Lord may have designed to teach us by this experience. We also desired to know His will with reference to the future, and we felt that the question of rebuilding was too great for us to decide by ourselves, so the matter was brought before the Southern Union Conference Committee, which met at Huntsville, Alabama, shortly after the fire. Our brethren there expressed their deepest sympathy for us in our affliction, and recommended by a unanimous vote that we proceed at once to rebuild the institution. Arrangements were also made for Sister White to visit Hildebran on her way from Nashville to Washington, D. C.; and we fully expected to see her there last Thursday, July 7, when we received a telegram to the effect that she was not physically able to fill the appointment. Although we were much disappointed in not seeing our dear Sister White and receiving her counsel, we felt that the time had come when we must decide the question as to whether we undertake to rebuild or not. Accordingly a joint meeting of the North Carolina Conference Committee and the Piedmont Sanitarium Board was called to meet at the School Home; and after earnest prayer and consultation, the following actions were passed:--

"1. That we express our heartfelt thanks to the Southern Union Conference Committee for the active and substantial interest manifested in our recent loss by fire.

"2. That we proceed at once to formulate plans to carry out the recommendations passed by that body, which are in brief as follows: "We believe that an effort should be immediately made to raise six thousand dollars, to be used (.) In making the first payment on the Hildebran School property. (b) For the erection of sanitarium buildings, which shall be the beginning of our new Piedmont Sanitarium, which we believe should be erected on the cottage plan. Therefore we request the General Conference Committee to give its approval to an effort to raise six thousand dollars by gifts from our people throughout the United States for the before mentioned enterprise. These recommendations are made subject to any advice which may be given by Sister White."

"3. That Eld. D. T. Shireman and Bro. E. B. Gaskell be authorized to solicit funds for the purposes set forth in the above recommendations.

"4. That W. H. Johnston, J. O. Johnston, and Dr. Albert Carey be a committee to prepare plans for the new sanitarium.

"D. Albert Carey, Secretary pro tem."

All these interests will be fully considered at our coming camp-meeting.

J. O. J.

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God's Commandment-keeping People.

1. They are a peculiar people; they are not of the world, even as Christ was not of the world. Those who are looking forward to His soon coming are to purify themselves, even as He is pure. "The pure in heart shall see God." Then the question may be repeated, "Hast thou considered my servant Job" (my commandment-keeping people), that they are perfect and upright, pure and honest? Why?--Because they are keeping God's commandments. Rev. 14:12. 2. They are a people zealous of good works. Why?--Because they have entrusted to them a solemn charge. "That is this charge?--It is to give the message of the coming of the Lord in this generation. Who is to furnish the means with which to carry on this work? The Lord. In what way will He do this?--He has said that the earth is His and the fullness thereof, and that the silver and gold are His; and He has reserved one-tenth as His portion for the support of the gospel. There is only one faith, one Lord, one baptism, and only one plan for saving fallen humanity,--one gospel and one plan for carrying the gospel

to the world. As long as there is a people to be saved, there is a gospel to be preached; and as long as there is a gospel to be preached, so long has God ordained that the tithe, His portion, shall support those who preach the gospel. We cannot be commandment keepers and at the same time be breaking any of them by disobedience. A fountain cannot at the same place send forth both sweet and bitter water. By the very act of accepting the message of the coming of the Lord, we are under obligation to see that this message is carried to the world in this generation. God says, "My people shall be willing in the day of my power." So let us purify our hearts by faith by obedience to the truth, that God may pour out His Holy Spirit upon us. Let us hasten to do His commandments, so that He may once more have a pure church.

W. H. Armstrong.

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The Washington Fund.

We wish to call the attention of our people throughout this conference to the effort now being made to raise \$100,000 for the purpose of starting the work at our Nation's Capital. It might seem to some that our own necessities are so great at the present time that we cannot do much to help our brethren who are struggling to raise means to establish institutions at Washington; but the Lord counsels us that "there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty"; and He also tells us that "the liberal soul shall be made fat." There can be no doubt in any of our minds but that the Lord has set His hand to the work at Washington; and the pleas which are coming to us for means to establish this work can be nothing but the call of God to this whole denomination, to aid in planting His truth where it shall shine forth as a beacon light to all the world. Let us lay plans to make a liberal donation this fall. The Lord is blessing us this year with fruitful seasons, and now let us show our thankfulness to Him by liberality to His cause.

J. O. J.

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Asheville.

We returned from Asheville some three weeks ago. While there we visited all the Sabbath keepers. There are about fifteen, all but one living in the country around the city. All seemed of good courage. We held a few meetings with them, but could not get all together, as they are so widely scattered, some living ten miles apart. If some good family would move into Asheville and provide a place of worship, a nice company could be brought together every Sabbath. May the Lord direct some one to locate there. There is also a good outside interest.

D. T. Shireman.

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Statesville.

I have no discouraging report to bring. We are fully able by the help of the Lord to go up and possess the goodly land. Camp-meeting will soon be here. Let us leave all the Achans at home. We are living in a most solemn time. Come with a heavenly burden for souls. I have had a blessed experience selling the special number of the "Watchman." In calling upon the families where they have been read I have been in a social meeting from the first to the last family visited. I have sold several books as a result of the advertisements in the paper. My report of work during the past month: Bible readings, 35; visits, 80; calls at doors, 140; papers sold, 123; given away, 2,076; missionary letters, 14; pages books and tracts sold, 2,076; loaned, 1,047. Please bring with you to the camp-meeting all the clean periodicals you have to spare for distribution. I hope to see you all at the camp-meeting.

Mollie P. Long.

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Camp-meeting Notes.

Canvassers' Institute, July 8 to 28; Camp-meeting, July 29, to continue three weeks or longer.

There a number of unpaid camp-meeting pledges made last year, and some the year before. If your paper is marked, this means you.

We are glad to have Bro. A.F. Harrison, General Canvassing Agent of the S. U. C., with us during the first two weeks of the Institute.

Eld. T. H. Jeys, from Iowa, with his family, arrived on the camp-ground during the Workers' Meeting. He has come to labor in North Carolina, and will be supported by the Iowa Conference. We are thankful indeed that the Lord has put it into the hearts of the Iowa brethren to send us such acceptable help at this time.

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Who? When? Why? How? What?

Who should come to the camp-meeting?--Let everybody come, and "whosoever will may come." When should we come?--Be sure to come on time. Why should we come?--Because the Lord has said we should come, and we shall receive blessings that we cannot elsewhere. How should we come?--As Jesus would if He were here. What should we bring?--Our friends and our pocket books(not empty). What should we do when we reach the camp?--Do all we can to make the effort of soul saving a success. "Called to the feast by the King are we." May the Lord bless each one in coming.
J. S. Killen.

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Canvassing Report for May, 1904.

	Hours.	Value Orders.	Value Beliv.
H. G. Miller, Iredell Co.	215	\$129.10	\$ 5.30
Burton Church, Catawba Co.	133	22.90	31.55
J. S. Killen, Wilson,	31	6.75	16.25
M. W. Miller, "	20		23.50
Fobt. Underwood, Newbern,	153	154.85	67.40
J. E. Leighton, Asheville,		30.30	
Alphonso Ford, Oxford,	127	46.80	46.00
Ida Ford, "	40	11.00	11.00
Ed C. Rogers, Wilmington,	65	84.30	45.93
Total,	784	\$486.00	\$247.75

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Tithe Receipts for June, 1904.

Archdale-----	\$13.10	Salisbury-----	\$ 1.00
Eufola-----	78.58	Winston-Salem-----	8.23
Greensboro No.1-----	.27	Waynesville-----	7.13
Hickory-----	2.00	Individuals-----	29.86
Hildebran-----	73.17	Total-----	\$216.34

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