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"THERE SHALL BE DELAY NO LONGER."

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## THE MESSENGER.

Our little State paper stands in a different position than any other periodical. We do not pose as being the biggest, nor the brightest, nor the most ably edited, nor the one that gives the most reading for the least money. No; we are none of these. There are others that will far outclass us in all of these respects. Under these circumstances it may be questioned why we should have an existence. Listen a moment. Have you not sometime received a letter from some of "your folks" who were away from home? Possibly the grammar was not the best, and the spelling not above reproach; but you read it all over anyway, and then put it away carefully to read again some time, didn't you? Now, why did you not get some good, well written letter borrowed from some of your neighbors and read that? "O," you say, "that is not from any one I care about." Just so. Our little NORTH CAROLINA MESSENGER does not aspire to be a cosmopolitan journal. It's just a letter from "our folks." It is a channel of communication for our own dear people who love this truth. As such, we occupy a place that even the great dailies cannot fill. As such, we ask the loyal support of our brethren.

Please be prompt about renewing. To be sure, the price is not much. It is so small that

many have forgotten to pay it at all. At the best our little paper is published at a small loss. I am very anxious that we shall make this loss as little as possible. To this end I hope that there may be a united effort to increase our list of paid subscribers. Will you not help in this matter by paying your own subscription, and by sending in another one or two with your own? A blue cross over this article indicates that your subscription has expired, and that you are asked to renew. Do it *now*.

T. H. J.

## THE HILDEBRAN ACADEMY.

The education of our youth and children is a matter of the greatest importance. That which largely decides the place we fill in this life, and also in the life to come, is the training we receive while young. We offer no apology for being here and engaged in this work. This has not been a work of chance, but God led in the planting of this school, and we believe that the same kind Hand is still over it.

The question that some may be deciding now is upon the point of attending our school. We are prepared to give place in the Home for a few students, and can find homes among the brethren here. If you will come, we shall try to do you good. The expense will be as low as we can possibly make it. Six dollars and fifty-two hours

work per month for board, tuition, room, lights, and plain washing; additional work will be paid for at from 4 to 6 cents per hour. A rebate of 10 per cent. will be given on all cash paid by students who attend for the first five months.

Will all unite with us in praying God's blessing upon the school?

J. W. BEACH.

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## A LETTER.

To the Messenger Family.

My wife and I considered it a great privilege last spring to move into the Southern field, and our associations at the Newton Camp-meeting and during our stay at Hildebran have made the work and our dear people in North Carolina very precious to us.

There is opportunity for a great and good work to be done at Hildebran and it made our hearts sad to leave Brother and Sister Beach alone in the school work. There can be nothing of greater importance to you, dear parents, than the proper training of your children, and in God's providence the school work is to be an important factor. I trust you will do all you can to encourage this line of work and to build up the school at Hildebran. Your prayers and moral support will be a wall of strength to brother Beach, and will give you cause for joy by and by.

Why have we moved to Nashville, do you ask? Because it

seemed plain to us that God was moulding circumstances to indicate to us that our work would be more acceptable to Him in connection with the publishing work, as it has been for a number of years past, than it would be along educational lines. Last spring we chose to change our work, but we have been brought to the conclusion, without our seeking it, that while we did right in coming South we will do best to stay by our former line of work.

We trust you all are planning for a vigorous effort in the Missionary Campaign with the special issues of the *Watchman*, and that you will follow up the work by soliciting subscriptions for this good paper, by distributing the Family Bible Teacher, and by selling our good books and tracts.

The work is definite and the result is sure. Let us each and all be faithful in our part.

Yours in service,  
L. D. RANDALL.

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#### SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTIONS.

Can the Sabbath schools of our Conference hold successful conventions? This is a question that should be of interest to every school. The Hildebran Sabbath school has demonstrated that they can; and what they have done each of the other schools may do by the help of the October *Worker*, which is a convention number. Every school, yes every Sabbath keeping family in North Carolina, ought to receive the monthly visits of this most excellent Sabbath school journal.

The convention at Hildebran

was held Oct. 28. The program as given in the October *Worker* was followed excepting the omission of the paper, "Home Department Work," and the Question Box. The church was tastefully decorated. There was a full attendance of the members of their school. The members of the Hickory Sabbath school, having been invited to attend, were present and took part in the discussion. A spirit of good cheer, a desire to learn, and a willingness to impart what each had gained by study or experience, were marked features of the occasion, thus making the day one of profit and pleasure. The real value of a convention must depend upon the advance steps taken and held by the members of the school. Dear reader, will you use your influence in your school for a Sabbath school convention?

MRS. EMMA B. ROGERS.

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#### ARCHDALE, VALLE CRUCES, AND COVE CREEK.

It was my privilege to hold quarterly meeting with the Archdale church Sept. 30. A goodly number were present; the sweet Spirit of the Lord came into the meeting at the first service, and continued with us throughout. There were seven accessions to the church, five by vote and two by letter. As this was the usual time for the election of officers, Bro. M. G. Creasey was elected and ordained as elder, and Brethren F. A. Slate and Frank Paul as deacons. Sister Nannie Paul was chosen clerk; Bro. T. J. Woodall, treasurer; and Flora Hall, librarian. The membership of the church is now thirty-

seven. This church has a number of young people in its membership. Diligent efforts are being put forth for their welfare, and it is to be hoped that they may become a great power for good. Believing that the brethren and sisters will see the importance of holding up the hands of the newly elected officers, even though there may be slight differences of opinion, we look for this to become a strong, growing church.

It was also my privilege to visit the churches of Valle Crucis and Cove Creek, among the towering hills of Watauga Co. I met with the first-named church Oct. 6 to 8. I spoke six times; celebrated the ordinances with them; and held a business meeting, in which it was voted that the old officers hold over another year. This church has a recorded membership of thirty-nine; but only twelve partook of the ordinances, a number of the members present for some unknown reason not taking part. This of course is not as it should be. Sufficient labor should be bestowed here to right matters in some way. There is certainly nothing gained by continuing on the church roll those who are not in full sympathy with us. In all probability this condition of things is brought about by misunderstandings, which should be investigated. My time was too limited to look into these matters. These are good and well meaning people, and I shall hope soon to hear of better things. The Cove Creek church has practically come to naught. Removals and apostasy have very effectually done their work.

I enjoyed my labor with these dear people very much. There are two awaiting baptism, and one other yielded to walk in the ways of the Lord. I shall hope that it may be my privilege to meet with these churches again at some future time.

L. H. CRISLER.

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WINSTON-SALEM, GREENSBORO,  
AND WILMINGTON.

On my way home I first visited the church at Winston, where I remained for a week. We had the presence of the Holy Spirit, and have reason to hope that all differences were eliminated. The members seemed to take fresh courage to go forward and stand for the truth. Our school question was given some thought. The offer of five acres of land and a cash donation of \$50.00, made two years ago, was renewed. The location is a nice one, about three miles from the city near a large settlement. The church decided to set aside the first Sunday of each month to make donations for the building fund.

From there I came to Greensboro, and found the church hungry for the Word of life. The Lord blessed the presentation of His message, and gave power to the proclamation of His word. Five went down into the watery grave to be baptized into the faith of Jesus and the keeping of the commandments of God. Five who had formerly belonged to the Baptist church were added, one by baptism, making six candidates for baptism. Eld. Jeys joined me there, but could remain only one night, as he was called home again by the sickness of

his little girl. After remaining at that place about ten days, I came on to my home here at Wilmington, where all were glad to see us again. I found the work here in a fair condition, for which I thank the Lord. Yesterday (Sabbath) was a happy day for us. The Holy Spirit was manifestly present, impressing the Word upon the hearts of the hearers. Now is the time for the fallow ground to be broken up, that God may have the right of way in our hearts, to cleanse and purify and to purge out the dross. May God bless His cause, and send forth more laborers into His harvest field.

W. H. ARMSTRONG.

10 Dock St., Wilmington, N. C.

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SUGGESTIONS TO CANVASSERS.

A sister canvasser asks me this question, "Should we not ask for territory from the State Agent?" Most certainly. Why? Because we as a people believe in order and not in confusion. Suppose I give a canvasser Charlotte to work, and when she gets there she finds that another canvasser has been there without having made application for territory. Would that be right?

Do not go over your territory hurriedly. Take time to talk and explain the Scriptures to interested persons.

Be honest in paying for your books, and honest with the Lord in tithes and offerings. If we are faithful in these things, the Lord will abundantly bless us.

The Publishing House sends me monthly statements of the accounts of our canvassers. They are very anxious that these debts be cancelled before

the close of the year. Now, shall we not make an earnest effort to reduce these debts as fast as possible? Let us not excuse ourselves because some of them are of long standing. If you cannot pay all at once, resolve to pay some every month until you are free. You will be happy, and angels will rejoice.

A few words about reporting. Many reasons for promptness in reporting might be given; but one of the most important is that our State Secretary may be informed as to what books and how many will be needed for your delivery, so that she may know how to order from the publishers. Some have been faithful in this matter; others might improve. Please report every week. If any feel that they cannot afford the postage, please let me know, and this will be furnished.

Your brother in the Master's work,  
HORACE G. MILLER.  
Mooreville, N. C.

We are pleased to see the orders for the special numbers of the *Watchman* coming in. The young people's society at Archdale have ordered 50 sets. All should have a part in the circulation of these most excellent papers. The price is 20 cents per set; five sets or more, 15 cents per set; twenty-five sets, 10 cents per set. Order of this office.

	Book	hrs	val. ord.	val del.
Oscar Steed	C. K.	140	\$200.00	\$70.80
Edgar Vaughn	C. K.	34	1.00	8.75
Mattie Reynolds	P. H.	11	1.50	
Effie Gilliland	C. K. & B. S.	30	15.00	15.00
Nannie Paul	C. O. L.	15	7.50	7.50
T. H. Jeys		1	2.00	2.00
Howard Brensinger	G. P.	30	7.25	7.25
A. E. Brensinger	C. K.	40	18.75	18.75
Horace G. Miller	C. K.	90	49.00	23.50
R. L. Underwood	C. K. & B. S.	70	53.00	
R. T. Underwood	C. K. & B. S.	72	48.75	
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## NEWS AND NOTES.

Mrs. John Hunter, from Iowa, joined her husband at Hickory the first of last month.

Please note the change of Conference office address. Send all orders for books and papers to The North Carolina Conference, S. D. A., Hickory, N. C.

The date of opening the Hildebran Academy has been set as November 13. Further particulars are given in the article by Prof Beach in another column.

At the close of the second week of the mission school at Hickory, Bro. Burton Church reports an enrollment of sixteen, and quite a number of prospective pupils.

Eld. J. O. Johnston writes that it is expected that the Eufola Academy will open the first Monday in November. There will be opportunity for a limited number of young men to enter the Mechanical Department.

As before announced, the Southern Publishing Association now has a depository at Hickory in connection with our Conference Office. We have in stock a good supply of subscription books and helps for agent, also trade books.

Eld. L. H. Crisler stopped in Hickory en route from Grandfather mountain to Asheville, holding one service. He is now holding a short series of

meetings at Robbinsville, before taking his departure for Florida.

Eld. T. H. Jeys has been holding meetings at Spero while detained at home by the sickness of his little daughter. The latest information from him is to the effect that the little sufferer is now considered out of danger, and slowly improving.

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## FROM THE CANVASSERS.

O. R. STEED, ALBERMARLE. I began canvassing just after the camp-meeting. The Lord is blessing us. I can say to all who are thinking of entering the canvassing work, the Lord can use you, I felt that I never could be a successful canvasser; but I am beginning to find out that if one will *be natural* and let the Lord use him, the Lord will do the work. Another thing I have found out, we must understand and know the Scriptures. I have had more real freedom since entering the canvassing work than I ever enjoyed before. May the Lord bless the canvassers.

MRS. A. E. BRENSINGER: I am so thankful that the Lord has given me an humble part in the canvassing work. It is a glorious work, and I only wish I could have done more. The happiest days of my life have been spent in this work. I canvassed some years in the North with success, but never found any territory I love as well as North Carolina. The people are so kind and sociable, and are never too busy to sit down and listen for some time while you explain the book to them. Some with tears in their

eyes will say, "I am so glad you brought such a good book to me." Evangelistic canvassing, we are told, is missionary work of the highest order. The Lord greatly blessed Sister Hoke and I at Lenoir. The people were so glad to get the books. We met the First-day Adventist minister one day, and he bought a "Coming King" of us and invited us to meeting. We accepted the invitation. At the close of the meeting he told the people who we were and of the good work we were doing in bringing these good books to their homes, and said he hoped they would be able to purchase some of them. I know the hearts of some were made glad by our going to Lenoir. Wherever we go we find souls hungering for the Bread of Life. Since coming to this State, five years ago, I have sold hundreds of books, "Coming King" and "Best Stories," also some of "The Great Controversy," distributing thousands of pages of our literature. I am so glad that I can thus be a co-worker with God.

Sister A. E. Brensinger and daughter, Bessie, are canvassing at Charlotte, having entered that city the first of the month.

Bro. R. H. Mathe, of Robbinsville, is canvassing for "Coming King" and "Our Paradise Home." He writes: "We are having many rich experiences in our work here, and many tokens of God's love and care."

## TITHE RECEIPTS.

For September and October, 1905.

Archdale.....	\$68.01
Eufola.....	73.69
Greensboro, No. 1.....	7.98
Greensboro, No. 2.....	6.30
Hickory.....	78.15
Hildebran.....	97.98
Norwood.....	20.26
Newbern.....	7.90
Salisbury.....	10.50
Winston-Salem.....	14.32
Waynesville.....	15.22
Wilmington.....	.25
Individual.....	67.11
Total.....	467.67

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