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## THE INGATHERING FOR MISSIONS

THERE is a missionary enterprise now on hand which will give all our people an opportunity to do an excellent work for the Lord's cause. The plan does not require them to pay money out of their pockets, but it does call upon them to put in one week of visiting and soliciting from the people. The time appointed for this work is Thanksgiving week, November 22-28.

A special number of the *Review and Herald* has been prepared, which tells in a most pleasing and helpful way what Seventh-day Adventists are doing in giving the third angel's message to every nation, tongue, and people. And you all know that our work is the most important that is being done in all the earth.

It is fully believed that God will cause thousands of people who do not belong to our denomination to make offerings for this great and good work when the matter is properly brought to their attention. The whole issue of this Thanksgiving number is to be given to our people free of cost, but of course with the understanding that the paper is to be carried to our neighbors and friends and to the people generally, with a view of getting them to make offerings to help carry this blessed message quickly to all the world.

It will greatly help the people to learn about the wonderful work which the Lord is doing for the heathen in giving to them the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. Doubtless many thousands of dollars will be given to the Mission Board as a result of this Thanksgiving effort of Seventh-day Adventists.

Every member in all our churches should take a cheerful, hearty interest in the distribution of these papers in their respective neighborhoods. We are writing to all our churches about this enterprise, and also to individuals not connected with churches, asking them to unite in this effort. Some persons have agreed to take one hundred copies of the paper for circulation. Some will not take so many, but every one should help. Cannot the one who does the least take as many as ten?

We hope that this will prove to be the greatest financial success ever undertaken by our

people, and the greatest blessing to those who engage in it.

The paper is a beautiful number, filled with the most interesting and instructive matter, and we believe it will be a pleasure to handle it. Please do not plan to do any other work than this during Thanksgiving week.

Send your orders to our conference tract society. Be liberal in your orders, with the understanding that you will handle these papers judiciously.

WM. COVERT,  
*Pres. Northern Illinois Conference.*

FROM the inception of the idea of a week of ingathering from those not of our faith for our foreign missions, I have said this kind of work and the plan for carrying it on is surely of the Lord. From the very first, it is evident that the Lord has led our leaders out in a path we have not trodden before. The first start was made by men who never had thought of its reaching such gigantic proportions. Then followed the getting out of a great missionary number of the *Review*. It meant much to us to have the privilege of sending this great number all over the world at regular pound rates; but the Lord sent us the Gentiles in the form of the Post-office Department, which will allow the entire issue of the Thanksgiving Ingathering *Review* to be mailed at the regular pound rates. This surely is the Lord's work.

As I write, I open my Bible to Isa. 62: 11: "Say ye to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him." In this move, we see salvation from the Lord coming, and in this ingathering the Lord is going before us by his Spirit, to soften the hearts of the people and make them ready to receive his children with open arms, and to share their means with us to carry the closing message to every corner of the earth.

Every one of us here in West Virginia will want a part in this great work. Our ministers, our workers, our church elders, our Sabbath-school officers, and all will want a part in this noble work which has come to us now. As for myself, I can hardly wait for the time to come to enter this special line of work for a few days. I expect to lay down every other line of work and take our good missionary

number of the *Review*, and visit many houses and people in the interest of means to carry the truth to the world, and I expect to make it a success.

Now, how many of you will join in this good work of helping to show how this people has entered every country, heathen countries as well, and how we hope to reach the world in this generation? If all will enter this work with their whole hearts, we shall see thousands of dollars come into our foreign missions treasury, and this will be a great blessing to our work from this time on.

We have missed thousands of dollars by not asking for them. The Lord has promised that the riches of the Gentiles shall flow unto us. Now shall we not tap that vein, and see God's promises fulfilled?

J. M. REES.

NEVER before in the history of this people were there so many opportunities to proclaim the third angel's message as there are in this year of grace 1908.

Our publications have gone to the world for many years, and have no doubt been the means of carrying the message to a great number of its adherents, especially to isolated believers. Now in the providence of God a new and exalted opportunity is to be given us during Thanksgiving week. A large illustrated missions edition of the *Review* is to be published and supplied in quantities without cost to all our people for missionary work. This missionary work will be such in the truest and broadest sense of that term—both home and foreign.

As the paper is given to an individual, its character shown, and the purpose of its circulation explained, a request for a Thanksgiving offering is to be made. In most cases the individual thus solicited, who is given an intelligent understanding of our foreign missionary work, will not decline to give a dollar or more to the cause.

If all our people take hold of this heaven-born project to aid our foreign missions, what can we not see accomplished? Surely our faithful missionaries in foreign lands will not only receive their small monthly wage when it is due, but many recruits will be hastening

to the needy fields, with assurances of support.

What may we expect as a reaction upon the home mission work and the workers thus engaged? Surely an unprecedented revival in all our local churches and in every individual member's life. This scheme affords opportunities to give the message for the first time to inquiring truth-seekers without exciting prejudice. Would to God that we might appreciate this time of favorable visitation, and use and improve it!

Is it asking too much that every member of every conference, to a man, do his utmost to raise the standard for missions, and aim to make this the banner effort of his life?

W. H. HECKMAN.

### THE MINISTER'S EARS

SOME people seem to think that the minister's ears are made for slop-buckets, into which they may very properly dump every unsavory and hateful thing. Has Brother A. done something questionable? Make haste to tell the minister. Does Sister B. do some naughty thing? With all possible dispatch the minister must be informed, for don't he spend his life in listening to just such tales of woe?

Now, I know a better way, of which, for the benefit of all concerned—including the minister—I am going to speak. Watch Brother A. and Sister B. carefully, and see if you can catch them doing or saying something good. If you can (and ten to one you will), with all reasonable expedition find the minister and tell it on them. When you first begin, you'll see him wriggle uneasily in his seat; for he thinks you are going to tell the customary news, and he wishes he could shut up his ears and be miles away; but as you proceed, his eyes will brighten, his face will lose that look of annoyed resignation, and will assume one of animated joy and interest. Strange to tell, your own heart will warm and enlarge and thrill with love for your brethren and for God. Some of the faults that used to look so grievous will actually appear little and insignificant.

In his heart the minister will thank the Lord for the sunshine of your presence. When you meet Brother A. and Sister B., you will be so genuinely glad to see them that they will catch the infection, and will be heartily glad to meet you. Sister B. will remark to Brother A. at the first available opportunity, "How good it seems to meet Brother G. Rumbler. I think he must have had a new experience, for he seems so kind and cordial." Try it, Brother G. Rumbler, try it.

T. H. JEYS.

### A GOOD SUGGESTION

"In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand." Eccl. 11:6.

The full-day process is the plan the Lord designs shall be followed in connection with his work. If the Lord has sent me into the canvassing field, what must I do?—"Work." How long?—"While it is day." Why?—"The night cometh, when no man can work." John 9:4.

We have reached a time when we need to be

hustlers. We should be minute men, using sixty of them every hour, and at least eight hours every day, and it will do no harm if we put in ten or twelve hours some days. We will find times when between supper and bedtime is very valuable time. Many times I have taken several orders after six o'clock at night, the time when the men would be at home from their work. Recently I promised a lady I would call and see her husband after supper. The people I stayed with that night were in no hurry with supper, and it was eight o'clock before we got away from the table. I had worked hard all day (had taken nineteen orders), and therefore decided to wait until morning. But he, being a hustler, was gone before I got there. Well, you know the result. Now, then, I expect if I had taken only two orders instead of nineteen, I would have been more ambitious to see this man. Let us be brisk in making use of every opportunity. Let us be zealous in the use of time, doing all we can to prevent anything from coming in which would cut off a piece of the day or week.

H. B. TILDEN.

### TO MY FRIENDS THE CANVASSERS

SABBATH morning as I sat down to read our good little paper, REPORT OF PROGRESS, I said in my heart, Surely this paper has the right name; for it seems to be filled with progress all through its pages. It is wonderful what the Lord is doing for his people; and also for others through the canvassing work. Eternity only will reveal the good that has been done by scattering the printed page.

Several years ago we did not see such a list of names of persons engaged in this work as we do now; praise the Lord for the increase. When, about seven years or more ago, I came South to engage in this work, the canvassers were but few in number, and in fact it was that way all over; but, by the Lord's help, we are getting out of that rut, and are getting upon higher ground. But the Lord wants still more to engage in that work, for he says, "Where there is one canvasser now in the field, there ought to be a hundred." O, the blessed experiences we get in that work, I would not for all the world give mine that I had while engaged in it; and especially in the Southern field.

On account of some affliction that was laid upon me, from which I have suffered off and on for some years, I have not been able to canvass for some time now, but the Lord is healing me, so that I have been able to work a little with the *Watchman* again for a few weeks here in Takoma Park, where I am for the present. I am glad I can do that much for him again. I ask our entire family of canvassers to remember me in your prayers, that my health may be entirely restored, if it is according to his will and to his honor and glory, and that I may have a still deeper work of grace wrought in my own heart. My prayer is, Lord "purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow." Then only can we "teach transgressors their ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee." Ps. 51:7-13.

May the dear Lord bless all my fellow laborers. The work will soon be done, and then we will go home to our Father's house, bringing our sheaves with us. O, how glorious that will be! "He that goeth forth, and weepeth, bearing precious seed; shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." Ps. 126:6.

I would say for the encouragement of others who are possibly thinking of entering the Southern field to canvass, I have had some experience in that field. It is a good territory to work; the people are so kind and sociable, hardly ever too busy to sit down a few minutes and listen while you explain your book. They are not in so much haste all the time as most of our Northern friends, and that gives the canvasser a good chance. I canvassed both North and South, but I never found a more hospitable and kind people than the Southern people. They surely have a warm spot in my heart. And I hope to see many saved from that field.

Now is the time to work. Soon the work will be done.

"Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields, for they are white already to harvest." John 4:35.

MRS. A. E. BRENSINGER.

### WORDS FROM THE MISSISSIPPI CANVASSERS

A CANVASSER reports: "I believe that it will not be long before our Saviour will appear; for this reason I make strenuous efforts to accomplish the work that he has given me to do. I am now realizing more than ever before the magnitude of the third angel's message. The harvest truly is ripe, but the laborers are few. My utmost desire is to place within the home of every family, if possible, our printed pages. I am of good courage."

Another: "I am still trusting our Father to help and guide me."

After delivering \$35 worth of books, one writes: "Think, though, of walking and carrying all those books—half of them—eighteen miles on toward home, until they gave out. I never felt better in my life."

Another writes: "I feel deeply impressed that I should do something for the Master, and know of no better way than to place some of our good books in the homes of the people. I am a mother with all the household cares; therefore cannot put in all my time. I am willing to do the best I can."

Another writes: "Your kind and encouraging letter received, finding us both sick, but out in the work. I had a sack of books on my shoulder going along, and a chill came on me. But we went on all that day and until in the night, and we praise the Lord that he did the work through us."

One who had been sick writes: "I got to work Thursday; did not do much but got in a good day Friday. This is the Lord's work, and it must go. Pray for me."

HORACE MILLER, *State Agent*.

## FLORIDA CAMP-MEETING

## Palatka

THE first few days of the workers' meeting which preceded the camp-meeting were stormy, but it soon cleared up, and we had a glorious ending. Our encampment was in a most desirable place on the banks of the St. John's River. The grounds gradually sloping toward the river, covered with a mat of Bermuda grass, and beautifully shaded with oaks, made it an attractive spot.

In looking upon the camp so beautifully located, and participating in the excellent meetings of the conference, in which there was nothing but harmony and union, we could but feel that it might be said, "How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob."

Favors were shown us by the citizens in many ways, and especially in filling the large tent to the utmost, manifesting a deep interest, and we trust much good will result from the presentation of the truth at this meeting.

About thirty tents were pitched, and many were accommodated in rooms near by. A new feature of the camp was the sanitarium tent, representing a new phase of the work begun in the conference during the year. We are pleased to note the hand of providence manifested in so many ways in the starting of the new sanitarium in Orlando. May it bring rich blessings of health and peace to many.

Another new feature of the camp was the youths' and children's new tent, which has been purchased by them this last year. The supplying this long-felt need was greatly appreciated by all. By a vote of the youth and children, this tent is to go into the field for active service. As it is on the battlefield, may the little folks who by their little sacrifices of self-denial and love have purchased it, remember to let their prayers go with the tent and its company of workers, that precious souls may be brought to a knowledge of this truth so dear to us.

All the workers were present at the workers' meeting. Elder W. A. Westworth, president of the Southeastern Union Conference; Elder R. T. Dowsett, secretary and auditor; L. A. Hansen, medical missionary secretary; and V. O. Cole, field agent, all arrived early at the workers' meeting. Also Elder E. W. Webster and his wife, who have come to our conference to labor this winter.

The meeting being so far to the northern part of the state, it was feared that the attendance might be small, but the attendance was about the same as at the meeting in Tampa last year. We were also pleased to note the early arrival of all at the camp, and remaining to the last meeting Monday morning. At this last meeting of praise and thanksgiving, the time was filled with testimonies, expressing appreciation of the good feast we had had together, the union and harmony that prevailed, the strength and encouragement that it had brought to their souls, etc.

In a recent letter one expressed it thus, "To say we enjoyed the camp-meeting does not fully express our feelings. It seemed to me and the friends with me a rich foretaste of heaven. There was such a sweet spirit of Christ-like

love manifested by everybody and such a yielding to the workings of the Holy Spirit. I for one am determined to hold on to the good things I received, and feast my soul on the memory of what was said until the Lord permits me to go to another feast."

The river afforded a convenient place for baptism near the camp, and two services were conducted. We were pleased to see the youth and children buried in the watery grave, and as they have risen to walk in newness of life, may they be encouraged and strengthened by our prayers, and by a deep interest manifested by parents and teachers in their travels along the Christian journey.

On Sabbath afternoon, while a meeting of consecration was carried on in the large pavilion, a special service of the celebration of the ordinances of the Lord's supper was participated in by about twenty-five of our isolated members. These do not have the privilege from year to year of meeting with the churches, and to them it was an addition to the many good things that took place at the feast.

Next week we will tell more of the meeting and some of the good resolutions passed.

Let us hope and pray that the good seed sown at this meeting may have found a lodging-place in the hearts of honest ones of the many outsiders who attended the meetings, and that it may spring up and bear much fruit.

There are honest hearts in all parts of the vineyard, and the call for them is to come out. We are commanded to sow the seed, and withhold not our hand. May our lights shine brightly that they may know where to come.

MRS. R. STRINGER.

## AMORY, MISS.

SINCE our good camp-meeting, I have had charge of the work here at the Pine Grove Industrial School. I am glad to say that the dear Lord has been with us and blessed us above what we expected. With the five boys who are here, we have gathered in the crop, cut the wood and hauled it to town, run the dairy, and done many other things too numerous to mention. Our wood sales for September and October have been about \$60; milk and butter sales, \$86.

We have done lots of work on our school-home building, and have it in fair shape for school; still there is much to be done yet before it is completed. It was quite a relief to our faithful cook and the girls to be able to move into our large dining-room after being cramped up so long in a little room 14 x 22. The Lord certainly has blessed, and we all feel to praise him for his blessings. The school has made all its expenses so far, and we start in with the new school term free from debt. We aim to go no faster than we can and keep out of debt. So far we have had an abundant sale for wood, milk, and butter. The people of Amory know us well, and respect us as good honest people. They are glad to have us trade with them, because we have always paid the cash for what we buy.

The school for 1908-09 will be under the management of the Mississippi Conference. After two years of hard work to get it built

up to where it is, we are glad to lay the burden on the conference, and feel that it will be better than to have it a private institution. We are sure that this institution is of divine planting, and feel that we made no mistake in beginning it.

School opened November 5. It was most gratifying to my heart to see twenty students gather in our neat little chapel for the opening exercises. Several of the parents were present. Elder W. S. Lowry, our conference president, was with us, and offered the opening prayer. The Lord came very near as we dedicated the school building, our children, and ourselves, to him for service. It was a glorious meeting.

To my mind we have a most promising class of young people in our school. All have been converted, and have united with the church, and they seem to manifest a most earnest desire to prepare themselves for a part in this closing work. We are glad to have Brother Gentry Lowry and his wife with us, and believe they have come to do all they can to make the school a success.

Our prayer to God is that the work in this place may continue to prosper, that our young people in this state may soon be ready to help in this great work. We earnestly solicit the prayers of all who read these few lines, that God will give wisdom in this work.

JAMES BELLINGER.

## CANVASSING EXPERIENCES IN SOUTH CAROLINA

ONE of our canvassers writes: "I had a good experience the other day. A gentleman I canvassed showed me a tract he had had for twenty years. I gave him a canvass for "Daniel and the Revelation," and he ordered it, as it taught the same doctrine as the tract, which he fully believed. One of his neighbors came in and I showed the book to him. He refused to take the book at first, but the first gentleman urged him to take it, which he did. So the seed sown twenty years ago began springing up. God's word will not return void."

Another, a faithful sister who has been selling "Christ's Object Lessons" for several weeks writes: "I had an experience that encouraged me. I showed the book to a lady of a prominent family in educational circles. She asked me to call again, which I did after a week or so. Then she asked what denomination published the book. I told her. She said she had once bought a Seventh-day Adventist book, and had burned it up, as she did not wish her children to learn such a doctrine. I asked the Lord what to say, and as she saw the change in my face, she asked me if I was an Adventist. I said yes, and that I too was careful to have my children taught the truth, and I could appreciate how she would want to be careful to have her children taught truth. After speaking of the merits of books which bore the stamp of divine authority, the lady said she did not mean to hurt my feelings, as she did not know I was an Adventist when she spoke. She asked me to leave the book, so she could examine it. I did, and when I called

again, she told me how she liked it, and gave me an order."

Another writes that at a certain Baptist church, around which he and another brother had a considerable number of orders, the pastor warned his flock against our two workers, even mentioning the books they handled. But, nothing daunted, these brethren prayed that "if they must fight," God would teach them how, and went ahead with their delivery. Suffice to say, their delivery was better around that church than it had been elsewhere. People were so interested that they asked for Bible readings and other instruction.

It is really encouraging to receive the reports from our canvassers from week to week. Another says, "I have never experienced such joy and contentment as I am now experiencing."

Still another: "I feel that I can not do a greater thing than to devote my entire life to the sale of our message-filled literature."

It is time for every one of God's children to arise, and shake off the stupor and lethargy of Laodicea, and work with an intensity commensurate to the solemn message given us. We might paraphrase the statement of Lord Nelson before the battle of Trafalgar: "God expects every Seventh-day Adventist to do his duty." *Now is the time to do it.*

H. B. GALLION, *Field Missionary Agent.*

#### THE WORK IN DAVIDSON CO., N. C.

I CAME to Lexington without the least idea of canvassing in this part of the vineyard; but after enjoying a spiritual feast, which all the camp-meetings are to me, Brother Tilden wanted me to stay. It seems to be his business to get fellows away from home, and out in the field; and about the next thing I was aware of, he had Brother Woodall, Brother Paul, and myself at work, and I am not sorry. It was our privilege, while Brother Jeys carried on the after meeting, to make the camp our headquarters, where we spent some very pleasant Sabbaths together. In fact, I canvassed some in Lexington, and I learned to love the dear people of this place.

After Brother Jeys had labored faithfully for about three months, the result seemed doubtful until the very last. But it was my privilege to see twenty dear souls take hold of this precious truth. My dear brethren, this is only a beginning for them. They greatly need your most earnest prayers that they may grow strong in the Lord. So let us daily remember them at the throne of grace.

I have just made a good delivery while the people are crying panic. I have delivered the largest per cent. that I have for some time. Right around close to Lexington, where I thought I would find prejudice, and have trouble in delivering, I scarcely lost an order. I find that when the people get well acquainted with this truth, they love it. Brethren Woodall and Alby Paul have made a splendid delivery. The Lord is good, and let us be up and doing while it is called to-day.

R. L. UNDERWOOD.

#### INSTITUTE WORK: DOES IT PAY?

ONCE in a great while we hear the question asked, "Does it pay to hold canvassers' institutes?" To be sure it does. Allow me to give one little illustration.

July 1 Brother Cole and I went down in South Georgia to the Dixie church in Brooks County to conduct the first institute for that church. This church is located in a rural district, and is composed of a good, industrious class of farmers; and when we arrived there, we found them just about three days late with their crops, so Brother Cole and I went to canvassing for two and one half days, taking orders to the value of \$86.50.

Then the institute began, and almost the entire church attended it, to our great satisfaction, even though none of them were situated so they could enter the canvassing work as regular workers; but some of them are just about to get the bridges all burned behind them now, so we expect some regular canvassers from that place soon.

But notwithstanding their having been very busy on the farm, they have,—some of them,—run out at odd times and worked what they could.

One worked 29 hours, taking \$56.50 worth of orders, and has already delivered \$44.50 worth. Another worked about 50 hours, taking \$41.00 worth of orders, and has delivered \$28.50 already. Another worked three hours, taking \$4.00 worth of orders, and has delivered \$3.00 worth. And still another worked 64 hours, taking \$59.00 worth of orders, and has delivered 40.50 worth.

Others have done some work. Altogether, including what Brother Cole and I did, there have already been delivered 38 "Daniel and Revelation," 42 "Bible Footlights," and 32 "Best Stories"—total value, \$199.50—as a result of the institute, and they have not really made a beginning yet.

Now do you think it pays to conduct canvassers' institutes? Of course you will say it pays, and so it does. And just here I want to make you happy by telling you that we are now planning to have another institute in Atlanta in January next, so begin *now* to plan to be there. We shall try to tell you more about it later, but begin now, just now, to plan to be there. May God's blessing be with us all.

A. L. MANOUS, *Field Agent.*

#### THE FIRST REPORT OF THANKSGIVING COLLECTIONS

THE first report to reach us respecting the Thanksgiving collections came from Canada, where Thanksgiving week is about a month before Thanksgiving in the United States. The churches in Canada have been taking a very lively interest in soliciting for missions during Thanksgiving week in the Dominion, and we are pleased to give this report of \$27.70 collected by one sister in Toronto, while distributing two hundred copies of the *Review*, making an average of nearly 14 cents per copy. This is not a large amount, but it demonstrates that the plan is a successful one, and that it is possible to collect a large amount

for missions. Many will do far better, but even at this rate the 500,000 papers we are to put out would bring into our mission treasury \$70,000. It will go far above this amount, for many are assuring us that they will get from 50 cents to \$1.00 per copy for all the papers they put out in the United States. Let all attempt to make the papers they handle average at least 50 cents per copy, and bring to missions at least \$250,000.

We are planning to publish the name of the party who collects the largest amount of money, without regard to the number of papers used, and also the name of the member who averages the largest amount per copy of the papers circulated. Who will take a part in this commendable race?

Those who have not yet ordered the papers should do so at once, and place all orders with the state tract society, who will supply the solicitors' cards. Canvasses will be sent direct from the publishing house.

FOREIGN MISSIONS DEPARTMENT.

#### SPIRITUALISM

SPIRITUALISM is attracting the attention of the world just now. Wonderful feats are being performed under its subtle influence. Many of the great magazines are giving space to the subject. Men and women are being stirred by the demonstrations of power, and scientific men are unable to explain the mystery or solve the problem.

The leading article in the *Signs of the Times* November Special presents some of the main points in the present agitation, and gives the divine definition of this subtle doctrine. The article is entitled, "What is Spiritualism, Anyway?"

A copy of this magazine ought to be placed in every home in the land. It throws light on a very important subject, and will doubtless keep some from being deceived. Address this office.

#### MISSION NOTES

DR. A. C. SELMON has recently found it necessary to change his location in the province of Honan, China. He and his wife are now at Cheo Chia K'ou. Their entering a new place has caused something of a stir. Dr. Selmon says:—

"We feel confident that it has been the Lord's leading, and that we have located in the right place to look after the work in Honan. We have been so busy that we have not had much time to work with the literature or to get the preaching work started, but of course our presence here brings people to look around and inquire who and what we are. It has led the China Inland Mission people to declare a boycott against any and all of our literature. None of their people are allowed to have or read anything that has our stamp on it. Of course in all this they are doing the very thing that will make people want to see this literature all the more. We are anxious to get settled down as quickly as possible; for we feel that there will be a good harvest throughout this section just as soon as we

make known the truth. The thing we want to do is to give the message straight, and leave out nothing essential; for if the Lord could make apostles out of the poor fishermen, he can make full-fledged Adventists out of some of these Chinese."

THE Bermuda Islands, just off the south-eastern coast of the United States, afford a desirable climate. The present season their crops have suffered somewhat because of a lack of rain and because of a disease affecting the onion crop, so that the residents will realize but little from that product this year. Brother and Sister J. A. Morrow and Brother and Sister M. Enoch are at present engaged in the work there. Brother Morrow is conducting evangelistic work, holding meetings in different places. Brother Enoch is doing self-supporting missionary work. They are endeavoring to support a school, but very much need a teacher. Brother Morrow writes:—

"A young man and his wife, the latter to take the school, and the husband with musical talent, so that he can give musical lessons or engage in some other self-supporting work, would fit in very nicely in assisting them in the work."

A MISSIONARY says of Changsha, the principal city of Hunan Province, China: "Unlike many Chinese cities, Changsha is quite prepossessing. Its clean, broad, and very busy streets, with their well-equipped stores; its well-dressed people; its well-built and substantial houses; its numerous heathen temples, many of them works of art—all these things appeal to visitors as expressing comparative luxury, wealth, and ease." But as one views such a city in the heart of China, who knows the third angel's message, very different feelings surge through the mind than are experienced by the common visitor. He thinks of reaching these unwarned souls with the light of this glorious truth. In this city five laborers have their headquarters, with millions of people in the province all around them outside this city with its vast population, for whom they are also expected to labor. But the Sabbath-message truth must reach all these in some way, and we have the sure word of the Lord that it shall.

The Lord is stirring up the hearts of our strong young men and women, and they are volunteering for the front. It seems that while the Lord is opening up the great heathen lands of the earth, and each year is making the conditions more favorable for the closing work of the gospel, at the same time *he is preparing workers to enter these open doors.*

The great problem now is, how shall we secure the necessary funds to pay the wages and traveling expenses of this continual stream of missionaries which is flowing toward foreign lands? The promise is, "Ask, . . . and ye shall receive."

The constituency of our denomination is comparatively small, and the amount our people can give is limited. However, we would

not under-estimate or show a lack of appreciation of the splendid effort made by our Sabbath-schools, our young people, and, indeed, by our people as a body, in raising funds for foreign missions. The recent plans which have been laid and adopted for raising an average of ten cents a week throughout the denomination, together with the constantly increasing liberality of union and local conferences in appropriating from their tithes in behalf of the foreign work, is very materially increasing the foreign mission funds, and yet, the *needs* are increasing altogether out of proportion to the increase of these funds; therefore the ingathering of funds during Thanksgiving week from the outside people should be made the greatest event in our financial history. It should bring into the treasury of the Mission Board a large sum of money with which to help on the work in foreign fields. A united army of sixty thousand Seventh-day Adventists filled with the Holy Spirit ought to do much in a week's consecrated effort. We ask the hearty co-operation of all our workers in the execution of this plan above outlined. Through this plan we not only desire to free our Mission Board from debt, but in addition to give them a liberal balance for aggressive work. Through it we hope to reach millions of people in other lands, and bring to them the good news of the soon-coming Saviour.

#### LOCAL SABBATH-SCHOOL CONVENTIONS IN MISSISSIPPI

WHILE our Sabbath-school work has been progressing very nicely, and much interest has been manifested in the various schools, we decided to have some local conventions in which the needs of each school could be considered by all its members. Accordingly a suggestive program was made out and sent to the superintendents, with the request that they send in reports of their exercises and copies of two of the best papers written up on the topics assigned. Several good reports have been received, with a number of quite excellent papers.

Following are a few selected portions from some of the papers.

MRS. MARY M. CRAWFORD, *State S. S. Sec.*

#### WHY WE SHOULD COMMIT SCRIPTURE TO MEMORY

CHRIST is our example in all things. In Luke 4: 1-13 we find that Christ was tempted of the devil, and each temptation was met with, "It is written." This is proof that he had committed the Scriptures to memory—in other words, he had them in his heart. It being necessary for the Son of God to know the Scriptures in order to meet the enemy, how much more is it necessary for us in this evil age.

We have David's example also. He said, "Thy Word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee."

Then there is the example of Timothy, to whom Paul said, "From a child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus."

One who has not the Word in his heart is in error, for it is written: "Ye do err, not knowing the Scriptures." We should fill the whole heart with the Word, for "the entrance of thy Word giveth light."

Again we read from the Word that the Comforter will bring all things to our remembrance; but the teachings of Christ must previously have been stored in the mind in order for the Spirit of God to bring them to our remembrance in the time of peril which is just before us.

MRS. INEZ HARWELL.

*Jackson.*

#### HOW I SHOULD BEHAVE IN SABBATH-SCHOOL

WHEN I go into the Sabbath-school, I should sit down and be quiet; and if any of my friends, or any others, should come in after I get there, I should offer them my seat if there is none vacant, and hand them my song book if necessary.

I should not get up and walk around or talk to any one or whisper. I should not talk or interrupt while the superintendent is speaking. I should not leave the room while the lesson is being heard or during prayer. I should not open my eyes and look around. I should sing, and take part in everything that is necessary to make the Sabbath-school pleasant. If asked to read a verse of the Bible, I must read it and not refuse, for that would be a part of my duty.

When we are in the Sabbath-school, we must remember that we are in the house of the Lord. We must sit still and be quiet, and be as good as we would if Jesus were sitting by our side. When in Sabbath-school, I must not think of things outside, or think of playing or of going out walking or anything of the kind.

When having prayer, I must imagine that Jesus is standing in front of me. I must do what Jesus wants me to do and behave accordingly.

VERNON STEWART.

*Vicksburg.*

#### HOW TO BECOME A SOUL-WINNING TEACHER

CHRIST was the greatest teacher the world has ever known. He came to seek and to save that which was lost. When we have truly found the Lord precious to our souls, the work of winning others to Christ will be second nature. Christ said to his disciples, "A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another." This same admonition is given to us who are living in the last days. When we learn to love those we are instructing as souls for whom we must give an account, we will point them to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world. We must gain the confidence of our pupils and let them see Christ manifested in our lives.

God regards more the love and faithfulness with which we work than the amount we do.

Think for a moment of that beautiful Bible character, Noah. He taught the people one hundred and twenty years, not only by precept but by example, and won seven souls to Christ. Should we not take courage, knowing that we have a similar work in warning the world of its impending doom? . . .

It is "not by might nor by power," but by

the Spirit of Christ, that men will be drawn to him. He said also to his disciples, "I will make you fishers of men." They were to seek and save the lost, pointing them to Jesus. And just as truly as this was the life-work of the first disciples, we to-day, as his followers, have a similar work to do.

With love, faith, and obedience, let us work the works of Him that sent us while it is day; the night cometh when no man can work.

LONA VIOLA ODEN.

Yazoo City.

THE Sabbath-school is said to be the life of the church. It is a place where the seeds of truth are sown in the hearts of the youth. Care should then be taken in the selection of teachers. Only those whose aim is to win souls to Christ should be chosen.

The first duty of the teacher is to learn lessons in various lines from the great Teacher. Seek to be taught by God through the Holy Spirit. Seek help through prayer and a diligent study of God's Word.

Those who are interested in soul-winning should be unselfish, devoted, faithful teachers.

Teachers who are constrained by the love of God, having hearts filled with tenderness, a close connection with God, and a thorough understanding of his Word, may be able to teach divine wisdom and a knowledge of the future immortal life. They should be men and women who not only have a knowledge of the truth, but who are doers of the Word of God.

It requires great skill to make the truth understood. For this reason every teacher should strive to have an increasing knowledge of spiritual truth. The teacher should lead the scholars of his class to think, and clearly understand the truth for themselves. Inquiry must be awakened, and the scholar drawn out to state the truth in his own language, thus making it evident that he or she sees its force. . . .

To become a soul-winning teacher, we must express an interest for their souls. We must pour into the hearts of the scholars the living stream of redeeming love. Counsel with them before the mind is preoccupied with the things of the world; entreat them to seek Christ and his righteousness; show them the changes that will take place if the heart is given to Christ; fasten their attention on him; train them to place their will on the side of God's will that they may be able to sing the new song and blend with the harmonies of heaven. . . . We must be calm and kind, manifesting love and forbearance for the very ones who most need it, always bearing the fruits of the Spirit. In the name of Christ, put on the whole armor, and warn and seek to win souls from sin.

M. E. G.

Natches.

#### THINGS NEEDED TO MAKE OUR SABBATH-SCHOOL A SUCCESS

IN order to make a success of anything, we need certain requisites or tools wherewith to work. And in order to make a Sabbath-school successful, the following things are needed:—

1. We need the *Sabbath-School Worker*, a

sixteen-page monthly journal, containing valuable instruction on various phases of the Sabbath-school work, with helps on current Sabbath-school lessons, for the senior, intermediate, primary, and kindergarten departments; and also many other valuable suggestions for Sabbath-school officers, teachers, parents, and pupils.

2. We need the *Youth's Instructor*. It is becoming more and more evident that the burden of the work in giving this message is to rest on the young people of this denomination. How necessary, then, that they should have the best of instruction and guidance in their preparation for the work. The *Instructor* is designed to fill this place.

3. We need *Our Little Friend*. The little ones should have as good help and instruction as the older ones. *Our Little Friend* is prepared especially for the children, and nothing can take its place. In addition to the Sabbath-school lessons for the primary and kindergarten grades, it contains only the best moral literature, carefully selected and especially adapted to the young.

4. We need blackboards for several uses. They are especially needed for illustrating and reviewing lessons for the children, and also sometimes for the general reviews.

5. We need a missionary map of the world. Then when we read and study of missionaries, we can locate them and have a better idea of where our missionary workers are, and of the magnitude of the work.

6. We need a ten-commandment chart to be placed where it can be seen and quickly referred to for any of the commandments.

7. We need some kindergarten supplies. With their help the lessons could be made much more interesting for the little ones that cannot read.

8. We need a library containing missionary books, files of our Sabbath-school papers, and also copies of our denominational books.

There are many books to be kept for reference, and many of our Sabbath-school papers, also the special numbers of our various other papers should be kept for reference.

Now for the things that are especially needed by our school. The *Sabbath-School Worker* we have, but not enough copies. The *Youth's Instructor*, *Our Little Friend*, and blackboards we have all right. But the other requisites for the success of our Sabbath-school we should get to work to secure.

L. D. SMITH, S. S. Sec. at So. So.

#### HE WANTED TO HELP

It is a simple little story of a farmer's wife who longed to do something for missions, and of a stranger who was led to help also.

Our sister prayed the Lord to send her a purchaser for a calf that she owned, in order that she might give the proceeds to missions. One day a stranger called, and offered ten dollars for the calf. The price was quickly accepted, and our sister thanked God that she was able to realize so much for the cause.

A little time passed, and the stranger appeared again. He reported that the animal had died soon after he purchased it, and re-

marked upon his misfortune, after having paid a good price. Our sister then told him how she had prayed the Lord to send a purchaser so that she might give the price to foreign missions. She told how glad she had been when he himself offered so liberal a price, and expressed her sorrow over his loss.

He put his hand in his pocket, took out ten dollars, gave it to her, and told her to send that also to the cause of missions, along with her own ten. Her interest in the missionary cause touched his heart, though a stranger to our cause and people.

How many such neighbors there are all about, who would gladly help the cause of foreign missions, if they had a chance, we do not know. But the plan for handling the special Mission number of the *Review* during Thanksgiving week is to afford a chance to let these neighbors have an opportunity to share in the blessedness of helping on the cause of foreign missions.

W. A. SPICER.

#### OUR EXAMPLE

THE following from Elder Luther Warren greatly encouraged our periodical and book agents during the Lodi camp-meeting last May: "Jesus, the Son of God, was a peddler. He said, 'Behold, I stand at the door and knock,' just like the canvasser. He also said, 'If any man hear my voice and open the door, I will come in.' This is what the canvasser says.

"Jesus has something to sell. He is peddling something. 'I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, . . . and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.' As he knocks at each home, he virtually says, 'I am peddling jewelry, clothing, and eyesalve.'

"He is like the canvasser in another respect. If the people in the house do not answer when he stands at the door and knocks, he goes on. But like the faithful canvasser, he does not become discouraged, but comes back to that same house and stands at the door and knocks again. He keeps at it. He is so patient with his customers, so gentle, and so kind with us all."—*Selected*.

#### INTERESTED IN THE REVELATION

THE following is from a letter from one of our faithful canvassers:—

"It is almost astonishing how many in this state (Georgia) are interested in the book of Revelation compared to the interest where I have been (Kansas). It seems that the Lord has been working in an especial manner for these people, and has called their attention to the prophecies. But there are so few Philip's to say, 'Understandest thou what thou readest?' True the Lord has said to many, 'Arise, and go toward the south.' Acts 8:26. But people have not gone as willingly as Philip."

This reminds me of the following statement from the Lord's servant:—

"'Daniel and the Revelation,' 'Great Con-

trovery,' and 'Patriarchs and Prophets,' will make their way. They contain the very message the people must have, the special light God has given his people. The angels of God prepare the way for these books in the hearts of the people. . . . Of all the books that have come from the press, those mentioned have been of the greatest consequence in the past, and are at the present time."—*Special Instructions Regarding Royalties*, pp. 9, 12.

A. L. MANOUS.

**THE TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE**

OVER thirty-five have signed the covenant to keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus as a result of the tent effort and camp-meeting in Memphis this year.

The *Reviews* for Thanksgiving week have begun to come in, and the churches are getting ready for the campaign November 22-28. A good spirit to do something to let the people know what we are doing is taking hold of our churches. We trust that all who can will take hold, and see how much money they can get for our work in other lands.

The work at the Hazel school is going nicely. Professor Rowe is of the best of courage. The two buildings are full of students; and all are well and doing good work. The church schools in our conference are doing well, and the interest to have these schools is growing. This we are glad to see, and hope the work will go on until there will be a school in every church.

W. R. BURROW.

**WILL IT PAY?**

God has called man to worship him and only him; and through faith and obedience has promised life everlasting with no interruption; and no sadness, sorrow, or death, for the former things shall have passed away. Rev. 21:4.

Will it pay? Society with the saints, the angels of God, and with Jesus, and a crown of everlasting life and joy will pay through all eternity. Sin with its terrible work and influences will never enter the new earth. None but the meek will inherit that lovely land. "Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth." Matt. 5:5. How can anything pay compared to an eternity in the city of God?

We can be there if every one will relate himself to God as he should. This means to walk in his precepts, to revere the Creator and his holy law. Will it pay?—Yes, my brother, my sister. God helping me, I will see you there, because it will more than pay to see the green fields of the new earth, to meet the saints, and so realize completeness of joy in the presence of Jesus forevermore.

J. F. BAHLER.

**A TIME TO WORK**

THIS winter will be such a time in Louisiana. While there has been a little falling off in crops in this state this year, the general revival of business has put all the sawmills to work, and there will be a great deal of money

**CANVASSING REPORT  
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NAME—	Book	Hours	Value	Deliv'd
ALABAMA CONFERENCE				
Peter Nelson	D&R	34	\$27 00	
W G Ringgold	D&R	26	30 75	
Albert F Prieger	D&R	34	43 50	
D V Barnes	BFL BS	4	5 90	4 75

in circulation in the timbered sections of the state this winter.

Winter is the best time in which to work in this climate. You do not have the hot, blistering sun nor the short nights, nor the cultivation of the crops to hinder you. You can work better and with less exhaustion now. But above all these considerations, the coming of the Lord is so near that not one minute can be wasted except at the risk of the loss of life; not only of the lives of the persons you might benefit, but your own life as well. A useless life is a lost life. Only those who have *done well* will hear the welcome.

Now is "the time to work." "Work for the night cometh." The devil never quits in the winter. Then should *we*? People die without this truth in winter as well as summer. Shall we not work as earnestly for them now as then? Jesus has promised to be with us "all the days" (R. V.), winter as well as summer, if we are in our places. If yours is in the canvassing field, can you afford to leave Jesus there just because it is cold? Can you afford to get along without him while he is trying to do the work that you ought to do? What will God think of your answers?

E. L. MAXWELL, Pres. Louisiana Conf.

**OBITUARY**

YATES.—On October 14, 1908, at her home near Cross Plains, Tenn., Mrs. Minnie Lee Yates, aged 26 years, 2 months, and 8 days, fell asleep in Jesus after an illness of twenty-one days. Sister Yates was converted at an early age and united with the Seventh-day Adventist church in Nashville. She was a loyal believer in the Lord's work for these last days, and during her last illness she manifested the Christian spirit of patience and trustfulness. Two days before her death, she called for her sister, Mrs. Ola Covert, to sing with her "Anywhere with Jesus." Her abiding confidence was in the Saviour, who soothed her during her painful illness. Sister Yates leaves a husband and four children to mourn, yet not as do others "which have no hope." A mother, three brothers, and one sister will also miss her. The comforting assurances of the Holy Scriptures were dwelt upon by the writer at the funeral services, which were largely attended by those who knew and loved her in life.

S. B. HORTON.

**Wanted!** a church school teacher for Alpharetta, Ga., another for Hayes, La., and possibly another for an opportunity in the Carolinas. Teachers of qualifications only should apply, with recommendations, to M. B. Van Kirk, secretary of the South and Southeastern Conferences, Graysville, Tenn.

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE				
Chas Romines	D&R	36	29 75	3 75
Mrs Alice Reynolds	BFL	12		42 25
M J Weber	BFL	44	50 00	18 00
Mrs J M Hill	BFL	2	4 00	
Lillie Romines	BFL	2		5 00
M Wheeler	BFL	31	10 00	4 00
R A Crider	D&R	40	48 00	3 50

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE				
E Booth 2wks	BIBLES	4	12 00	10 50
John Harzman	GC	28	37 50	
Wm Olmstead	GC	22	26 00	
C L Collison 4w	D&R BR	177	177 00	28 00
Mrs W M Eaton	BFL	30		29 00
I T Reynolds	BR CK	48	70 00	100 25
Mrs SE Richardson 6w	PAP'RS	156		153 70

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE				
Louis Thomas	BFL CK	45	17 60	19 00
W H Haddon		3		2 50
A A Johnson	CK NTP	32	4 00	20 15
Ella Johnson	CK	24	2 00	13 90
Delice Wilson	stoc		4 80	5 40
J S Fry	D&R	59	13 50	74 25

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE				
H C Balsbaugh	sofp	48	52 60	
C H Chenault	D&R	47		93 25
J T Eaton	D&R	41	29 00	5 75
T J Fry	BFL	20	19 70	
Amanda Gahr	D&R	6	3 85	35
R H Hazelton	D&R MISC	21	22 00	
Mamie Moore	D&R	19	15 20	20
C H McColrey	D&R	45	43 40	
Mrs Alice Patton	D&R	18	9 00	85

RECAPITULATION				
Alabama Conference		98	107 15	4 75
Kentucky Conference		167	141 75	76 50
Louisiana Conference		465	322 50	321 45
Mississippi Conference		163	41 90	135 10
Tennessee River Conf.		265	194 75	100 40

Total .. 1158 808 05 638 20

**Southeastern Union Conference**

CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE				
W A Nelson 3w	BFL BS			536 60
J S Moore	sofp sofd	45	41 50	7 60

FLORIDA CONFERENCE				
Gracie Hunter	BFL	49	51 00	
Wm K Achenbach	D&R CK	15	12 60	1 00
Carl Mathews	BFL	17	11 00	1 00
M E Thompson	BFL	21	21 50	
E B Romans	D&R	22	19 50	
Mrs Janette McColough	D&R	26	51 50	
S Starke	BFL	33	16 50	
Miss Wilda Wilson	BFL		28 00	

GEORGIA CONFERENCE				
J A Kimmell	BFL BS	43	36 25	8 60
J J Jobe	BR BS	18	15 00	1 75
Albert Cochran	D&R	12	2 00	6 50
I T Merchant	BFL	10		14 00
Mrs L C Tolhurst	PAPERS	7		5 00
Mrs A L Manous	D&R BS	12	17 50	2 00
Albert Benson	D&R	1		1 50
J D Andrews	GC	38	10 15	50
Gustav T Ellingson	GC BS	35		128 00

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE				
W E Lanier	sofp BS	17	12 00	
Guy L Kerley	D&R	40	29 25	1 25
Neill Q Smith	CK	31	13 85	35

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE				
Wm C Rahn	sofp sofp	10		23 00
J B Rise	D&R	39		78 00
Rose Lull	BFL	13	4 20	1 00
S H Swingle	sofp sofd	15		31 00
Henegan Reaves	BFL	7	7 00	
H B Gallion	D&R	18		25 00
Joseph Revans	GC	25	43 50	
G B Case	D&R	39	39 00	2 00
G S Vreeland	dofA	24		24 00
Mae Foote	BFL	6		14 00
F A Evans	D&R sofp	24	1 25	25 00

RECAPITULATION				
Cumberland Conference		45	41 50	544 20
Florida Conference		183	211 60	2 00
Georgia Conference		176	80 90	167 85
North Carolina Conf.		88	55 10	1 60
South Carolina Conf.		220	84 95	223 00

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THERE will be a general meeting at Birmingham, Ala., December 25 to 30.

THE present address of Elder Geo. W. Wells is 105 Cherokee Ave., Atlanta, Ga.

## TO CHURCH ELDERS

DEAR brethren and sisters of the Southern Union Conference, will you who are leaders and elders of companies, as well as the librarians, please send me your names and addresses? I would like to correspond with you personally, and so become better acquainted with you, and know where to find you, so I am putting this little notice in REPORT OF PROGRESS. I will be glad, too, if you will send me the names of any who are specially interested to hear the truth. Trusting that all will be prompt in sending all information, so that we may pursue some lines of work during this winter, I am yours in the Master's vineyard and the spread of this message.

MRS. W. M. CROTHERS, *Mis. Sec.*, S. U. C.  
24th Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn.

The following letter, written by W. A. Reaser, will be of interest to the readers of this paper:—

"Last season in New York we had a quiet little dressmaker come up from Washington and spend a month with us—Miss Moody by name. She came partly to sew and partly for the outing and change. Just as she was leaving to go to her home in Virginia, I presented her with a copy of 'Steps to Christ,' remarking as I did so that it was a wonderful book, and quite surpassed Drummond's 'Greatest Thing in the World.'

"I met her a few months later at the Dolliver Home in Washington. She at once began to tell me how fascinating she had found the book, that she first read it with the greatest eagerness (she is an earnest Christian) then took it to her brother's farm in Virginia. There his wife read it, taking it to bed with her nights, and then the brother became absorbed, and Miss Moody found the hired man, an unbeliever, poring over it late at night. Then she brought it to her Y. W. C. A. boarding-house in Washington and loaned it to various inmates, and with the same result that everybody became interested and aroused.

"Miss Moody told me that she intended buying other works by Mrs. White, and asked me

if I did not think she would find copies of the big works in the Carnegie Library at Washington, so that the working girls of her acquaintance could be sent there for them. I suppose this is an old story to you; but if you could have seen the enthusiasm in Miss Moody's face, it would help you to realize some of the possibilities that lie ahead of the book. We ought to have a beautiful little limp leather edition, for a presentation copy."

"Steps to Christ" has been the means of leading many a person to follow in the footsteps of the Saviour. It ought to be circulated by the hundreds of thousands. Agents are wanted everywhere. Address the Southern Publishing Association.

## NIGHT RIDERS

DOUBTLESS all of the readers of the PROGRESS are more or less acquainted with the "night riders" and their work, so I will not say anything about them. In fact, it is another class of people—the "day walkers"—that I am especially interested in. Unlike the "night riders," they do not have to go about at night under cover for fear of being discovered, or band together for protection. But openly and freely, a little handful, scattered here and there over the state, they are doing a grander and greater work, and some day will make a greater stir in Kentucky than the "night riders" are doing.

These "day walkers," or evangelistic canvassers, of Kentucky have no horses to ride, but they are getting over the streets and roads of city and country, giving the last message of heaven to the people.

The past six months they have placed over three quarters of a million pages of literature in the homes of the people of this conference. How glad I will be if we can go over the million mark by the close of the year; but we cannot do this unless we have recruits.

Some canvassers are now attending school, some have been called to other lines of work, while home duties have called others from the field. Who will now step in and fill their places? "There is no higher calling than evangelistic canvassing." May God help those whom he is calling to this work to see their duty before it is too late, is my prayer.

Write me at Glasgow, Ky.

C. F. DART, *Field Missionary Agent.*

## FROM THE NASHVILLE SANITARIUM

WE are glad to report an excellent spiritual influence among the sanitarium nurses and helpers. This is not only encouraging, but is as it should be. It is the earnest desire of the sanitarium management that every one connected with the institution should be continually enthused with the spirit of the great Missionary.

A class of seven was organized in the Medical Missionary Training School of the sanitarium a few weeks ago. Those composing the class are, Haskell Huguley, Webb Scarborough, Lee Huguley, Ethel French, Anna Bell Harper, Velma Scarborough, and Stella Huguley. There is room for others who may still desire to enter this class.

## AN IMPORTANT CHANGE

BEGINNING with next January, the WATCHMAN will be changed from a weekly to a monthly paper, in magazine form, somewhat similar in size to *Life and Health*. This change has been decided upon by the Southern Publishing Association, with the advice of Elder A. G. Daniells, and other leading members of the General Conference Committee. These brethren believe that this change will greatly increase the circulation of the WATCHMAN, thus adding to its value as an important messenger of present truth. In magazine form the WATCHMAN will retail at ten cents per copy, which will be an inducement for many more agents to engage in its sale.

Every month some important current event will be considered in a thorough, practical manner, giving the information necessary to make the article of interest to all classes of readers. The prophecies which accurately point out the meaning of these things and show the present trend of human affairs will also be given careful consideration. These articles from month to month will be made so intensely interesting, that new subscribers will be found on every side. Thus it is believed that many thousand more papers will be distributed each month than are now being printed of the four weekly issues.

The subscription price will be reduced from \$1.00 to 75 cents a year. To make up for this difference, the publishers will send REPORT OF PROGRESS, the conference paper for the Southern and Southeastern Union Conferences, with the monthly WATCHMAN during the remainder of the WATCHMAN subscription term; or the subscription term will be lengthened one third, whichever subscribers may desire.

## The January Number

THE special topic for consideration in the January WATCHMAN will be the United States in Prophecy. This subject is becoming daily of more interest and moment, and will be taken up in a brief, pointed, interesting manner. Special consideration will be given to the Church Federation Movement, which is now brought so prominently before the people of this country by the big meeting of the "Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America," to be held in Philadelphia December 2-8. This issue will be a standard number for agents to handle. Workers in every part of the United States will find great demand at this time for a paper dealing with this subject. The prices of the monthly will be as follows:—

Single copies, ten cents each.

5 to 25 copies to one address, 5 cents each.

25 to 500 copies to one address, 4 cents each.

500 to 1,000 copies to one address, 3½ cents each.

Special rates will be made on larger orders. Advance orders should be sent at once. Plans should be laid for definite work with the Church Federation Number of the WATCHMAN. Cash should accompany all orders, unless special arrangements have previously been made. Orders should be sent to the WATCHMAN, Nashville, Tenn.