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"FOR MY SAKE"

THREE little words, but full of tenderest meaning;

Three little words the heart can scarcely hold;

Three little words, but on their import dwelling,

What wealth of love these syllables unfold!

"For my sake" cheer the suffering, help the needy,

On earth this was my work, I give it thee;
If thou would'st follow in thy Master's footsteps,

Take up thy cross, and come and learn of me.

"For my sake" let the harsh word die unuttered,

That trembles on the swift, impetuous tongue;

"For my sake" check the quick rebellious feeling

That rises when thy brother does thee wrong.

"For my sake" press with steadfast patience onward,

Although the race be hard, the battle long;
Within my Father's house are many mansions;
There thou shalt rest and join the victor's song.

And if in coming days the world revile thee,

If "for my sake" thou suffer pain and loss,
Bear on, faint heart; thy Master went before thee;

They only wear his crown who share his loss!

— Sel.

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"TO EACH ONE HIS WORK"

"TAKE ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is. It is as when a man, sojourning in another country, having left his house, and given authority to his servants, to each one his work, commanded also the porter to watch. Watch, therefore; for ye know not when the Lord of the house cometh, . . . lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping. And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch." Mark 13:33-37.

All who believe the present message admit that these words were spoken for the present time; for ME. What are we to do?—To watch. Webster defines the word: "To awake, be or continue without sleep, keep vigilant; to be attentive or vigilant, be on the look-out, keep guard; to be expectant, wait, seek opportunity, etc." Evidently this is intended by the Saviour for admonition for us in this message. We are to watch its developments, and heartily relate ourselves to them.

The missionary number of the *Review and Herald* will be furnished free to all who will work with it, and we ask every one who loves the message to do something with this number. You may be happily disappointed in your territory. I have no doubt but that you will. Many will respond to this call for help whom you thought would not. This is the time when we should go to the Gentiles for help to spread the message. Only think what last year's effort did. If some one had said that \$30,000 would have been secured by that effort; who would have believed it.

Will we watch this coming missionary *Review*, and be ready to carry out the plan that the Lord's servants have arranged? Let the leaders of the churches and companies in Kentucky arrange for a strong work along this line. Last year, in all the Southern States, only two other conferences gathered as much from the ingathering effort as we did, of these, one had \$14.56 and the other \$5.17 more. Shall we lead them all this year? There is an abundance of money in this State. The Lord will be pleased to have us go out and gather a large sum for him. At the present time we have more than two thousand copies of the paper ordered. We should use double this number, and we can. A. O. BURRILL.

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LOUISIANA, NOTICE

IN remitting the money collected last year during the thanksgiving campaign with the "*Missions Review*," the amount of this fund was not reported separately from the annual offerings except in a few instances. This accounts for the showing in the report published in the *Review*, which several have written

about. The money has all been sent on to the mission treasury under the name of annual offerings.

This year our campaign begins November 1. The experience already gained should enable us to do more this year than last. Let us go forth in the strength of the Lord to receive a blessing from him. In each church a meeting should be held at once, and after ascertaining how many *Reviews* each member will take, the order should be placed with Mrs. C. A. Saxby, Woodlawn, La., not later than October 20. Then as soon as the papers come, let all go to work faithfully, and whatever is collected, turn over to the church treasurer, who should forward same to the conference treasurer immediately, stating clearly that it is "thanksgiving mission offerings."

"The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad," but he will do even greater things when we consecrate ourselves fully to him.

Let us all engage in this work for God.

E. L. MAXWELL.

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CULLMAN, ALABAMA

THE local camp-meeting for Alabama was held according to appointment, September 23 to 28, on the east coast of Mobile Bay, in a beautiful pine grove.

The attendance was fair, and all seemed to enjoy the meetings. Elder McVagh and Brother Harrison were present the first four days, and rendered valuable help. It was a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord, and all seemed to long for a deeper work of grace in their hearts, and to realize that the time had come when we must advance in the message; also that the work demands of us a waking up, a taking hold, and a doing of our part to finish the work.

Confessions were made, old troubles were put away, and all went home with new resolutions to grow in grace, and study the truth more fully for themselves. We tried to impress the importance of being Christians in the home, where we meet life with all of its perplexities and discouragements. Oh, that we would all let the beautiful life of Christ

cover ours and control all of our actions. Then we would be able to take our children through to the kingdom with us.

Pray for the work in Alabama, in this most Southern field, that God may give us divine wisdom and judgment to direct the work in such a way that many souls will be converted to him during the coming year.

J. R. BAGBY.

Pres. of Ala. Conf.

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THE TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

THE Tennessee River Conference held its twenty-second annual conference at Dickson, Tenn., Aug. 12-22. We have had several reports of this meeting, but I feel that a few words more will not be out of place. The presence of the Lord was manifest among us from the first meeting until the last, and all who attended this meeting pronounced it one of the best meetings they had ever attended. All of our churches were quite well represented, nearly all sending their full quota of delegates.

The president's address, showing how the Lord has blessed his work among us during the past year, was enjoyed by all. I will quote from his address: "We have seen the close of another conference year, July 31, 1909. Many have been the blessings of God in 'basket and store,' for which we should feel grateful, but the greater blessings are seen in the increase in tithes and offerings, and the good number that has been brought to a knowledge of this truth, the last message of mercy, by our faithful ministers, Bible workers, and canvassers.

"The blessings that have been enjoyed by our faithful book and paper canvassers, this year, can only be fully appreciated by a knowledge of what has been accomplished by them. Hundreds of thousands of pages have gone into the homes of the people in our conference this year. Often we hear the call for help from those who have received some light from reading the books, pamphlets, and papers brought to them by the canvasser.

"The Hazel Academy closed this spring with a record that shows good success both spiritually and financially. We have much to be encouraged over, and do not think we are mistaken when we state to our brethren and sisters that this school is one of the most important factors in our conference for doing good.

"Our ministers and Bible workers have been very greatly blessed this year. Through their efforts about one hundred have been led to keep the Sabbath of the Lord. May the Lord help us to feel thankful for this blessing of increase in numbers."

In the month of October, 1888, at Glendale Park, Nashville, Tenn., was organized what is known as the Tennessee River Conference, which included all the territory west of the foot of the Cumberland Mountains in Tennessee and Kentucky beginning at the east line of Franklin County in Tennessee and running north with county lines to north side of Kentucky and east line of Hardin County, Kentucky. In January, 1908, the Southern

Union Conference organized the Kentucky Conference, and we gave to them all of the territory east of the Tennessee River in Kentucky belonging to us, leaving us seven counties in Kentucky west of the river. July, 1909, at the request of the Cumberland Conference our committee gave to said conference the counties of Decalb, Smith, and Macon. January, 1908, we gave to the Kentucky Conference over one hundred members with the territory east of the Tennessee River, leaving us a membership of four hundred eight. In July, 1909, while in council with the Southern Union Conference, we gave to the Southern Missionary Society all our colored members, including the churches at Memphis and Nashville, two ministers and one Bible worker, and sixty-four Sabbath-keepers. Subtracting this number from four hundred eight we are left with a membership of three hundred fifty-six. Quite a number have moved away, but the number that accepted the truth last year and this has increased our membership to five hundred eighteen. As will be shown by the treasurer's report our tithes and offerings have increased year after year, and this year brings the news to us of the largest tithe of any year, a total of \$7,675.45, an increase over last year of \$999.29; but while we have had an increase in tithe, our expenses have also been increased."

This is a good report and I am sure that those of our number who did not have the privilege of attending the conference meeting will appreciate it. Truly the Lord has been with the work in this conference, and if we will only relate ourselves to him in the right way, he will continue his blessings to us.

The reports from the field that have come in since the camp-meeting are most encouraging, and I feel that this year will show advancement over last year.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, W. R. Burrow; Secretary and Treasurer, Thos. E. Pavey; State Canvassing Agent, C. F. Parmele; Religious Liberty Secretary, J. S. Washburn; Educational Secretary, Thos. D. Rowe; Medical Secretary, Dr. W. A. George; Secretary Young People's Work, Miss Amanda Gahr; Sabbath-School Secretary, Mrs. Bertha A. Parmele.

Let all pray for the work here in our conference as well as for the work in other fields, also remember those who are placed in places of responsibility.

THOS. E. PAVEY.

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DICKSON, TENNESSEE

SINCE last report we have been favored with the presence and services of Elder S. B. Horton of Nashville. He was greeted with good audiences, the tent being well filled on each occasion. The subjects dwelt upon were timely and important, as follows: "Civil and Religious Liberty," "Eden Lost to Eden Restored," and "How the Challenge to Protestants is Being Met."

The *Dickson County Herald* this week contains a well written synopsis of these discourses, by Brother G. W. Cullman, editor and proprietor, who now endorses, and is in full sympathy with all the principles set forth,

so, also, are the others who are keeping the Sabbath of Jehovah.

Last Sabbath we organized a Sabbath-school of twenty-one members, with Sister Balsbaugh as superintendent and Brother Cullman as secretary. Several others who are now keeping the Sabbath will be added to the membership of the school.

Our courage is good, the Lord is more to us than we deserve.

R. M. KILGORE.

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THE HARVEST INGATHERING

OCTOBER 2nd the Memphis church ordered nearly one thousand of the special *Review* to begin the work of harvest-ingathering on time. The success that attended the effort put forth by this church last year gives them courage and zeal to go at it whole heartedly again. Many of the members are taking twenty-five or fifty copies each. We trust that all orders will be sent in at once from our churches and companies that no one wanting to do something for those sitting in darkness may be hindered.

Last year our conference ordered 7,375 *Reviews* at a cost of \$147.50 and received \$362.30, leaving us a balance of \$150.80 to give to the work in other lands. I was indeed glad that we had a little to send, and I trust this time we will have much more. But this cannot be unless you, as individuals, take hold and help all you can. When each will do this, we shall see the work go as never before.

The writer's experience in this last year was good, and I feel like going at it again, believing God will help me.

This *Review* will give you one of the best opportunities that you have ever had to let your neighbors and friends know of the great work that we are doing. Do not fail to make use of it. God be with and bless you in the effort at this time.

W. R. BURROW.

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LANE, TENNESSEE

"In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this, or that, or whether they both shall be alike good."

For more than a year the little company of believers at Lane had not been visited by a minister. Recently, by the providence of God, Brother V. J. Spaulding came here doing photographic work, and was urged to preach on Sunday evening. This he did. After the sermon he was earnestly requested to hold a series of meetings. He remained two weeks, and each evening, beginning September 5, the truths for this time were given with no uncertain sound; and, notwithstanding the fact that our strongest doctrinal points,—those which make us a peculiar people,—were presented in this community where formerly so much prejudice and persecution existed, the attendance was good.

Each evening the church was well filled with people who manifested a deep interest. Some whose hearts were once calloused against the truth, were present most every meeting, and

the "fallow ground" of their hearts seems to have been broken up.

"He has proven it from the Bible," "It must be truth," are the opinions expressed by some of the people. Some are investigating and others express a desire to know more. Surely there must be honest hearts here into which some good seed will fall, and bring forth fruit unto everlasting life.

"Oh, that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men."

KITTIE HAMILTON.

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TO OUR COLORED BRETHREN IN THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

I WISH to say a few words to you in regard to the missions number of the *Review* and the harvest ingathering plans in behalf of foreign missions.

We have the great work resting upon us to help carry this last message of mercy to the world. Until just recently our own denomination has furnished the funds to spread the message, but as the work advances, more means are needed, and while we must not slacken our efforts, but to the contrary increase them, yet we find that the demand will be more than we are providing for.

The Lord has told us that the Gentiles would come, bringing their gold and silver to the house of God for the support of his work. See Isa. 60: 16.

The spirit of prophecy also says: "The people of the world have had the use of the Lord's vineyard, and have brought in little in return."

"Who is the real owner of the world? To whom belong houses and lands, and its treasures of silver and gold?"

"God has an abundance in our world, and he has placed his goods in the hands of both the obedient and disobedient. He is ready to move upon the hearts of worldly men, even idolaters, to give of their abundance for the support of his work, and he will do this as soon as his people learn to approach these men wisely, and to call their attention to that which it is their privilege to do."

"Do all in your power to secure gifts. We are not to feel that it would not be the thing to ask men of the world for means, for it is just the thing to do."

A good work was done last year with the missions number of the *Review*. Thirty thousand dollars was brought into the mission treasury, and this enabled the Mission Board to send out over twenty-five additional workers to the needy fields and to support them for one year.

At the last General Conference we voted to send out over one hundred more workers, who should go at once, but we cannot send them out and support those already in the field without a great increase of funds. So it has been decided to make a vigorous campaign again this year.

A fine number of the *Review* has been gotten out, and we should order a good supply at once, and begin work November 1, and

push the work until we get all our papers out and a good sum of money for missions gathered in.

Special *Reviews*, circulars, and solicitor's cards will be furnished free to all who will carry them to the people, and solicit donations. I hope every one of our colored people will order, at once, what papers they can use. Take hold of the work in earnest. Let our ministers, Bible workers, and teachers lead out in the work, and instruct our people how to carry on the work.

Write me at once how many papers you will use, and I will have them sent to you, with instructions how to use them.

A. J. HAYSMER.

61 Lindsley Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

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GRENADA TENT-MEETING

We began meetings in this place July 2, and continued until August 1. The meetings were well attended every night by both colored and white people. The white people manifest just as much interest in the meetings as the colored people.

Sisters Mildred Anderson and M. E. Gammon did good work selling papers, visiting the homes of the people, and inviting them out to the meetings. Their labor this summer in the tent-meeting was invaluable.

The result of the meeting was four good, strong Sabbath-keepers. These were set right to work in their own field by making some of them leaders in the Sabbath-school and church.

N. B. KING,
THOS. MURPHY.

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SUCCESS, JOSHUA 1:3-9

"For then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success." "Thou shalt make thy way prosperous." How?—By observing "to do, according to all the law." This "law" had reference to the instructions given by the servant of God; those instructions were to be faithfully followed. "Turn not from it to the right hand or to the left."

Faithfulness and obedience are the conditions for success. The servant of the Lord has as verily given us instructions in regard to the canvassing work to-day; and if we will faithfully heed these instructions, "keeping to the point with all diligence;" we may be sure of good success. Let all read "Manual for Canvassers."

M. J. WEBER.

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LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Tithe for August, 1909

Individual	\$10.00
New Orleans	50.90
Welsh	65.35
Lake Arthur	21.17
Hammond	41.36
Hayes	21.00
Total	\$209.78

MRS. C. A. SAXBY.

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CANVASSING REPORT

Southern Union Conference

For Two Weeks Ending Sept. 10, 1909

NAME—	Book	Hours	Value	Deliv'd
ALABAMA CONFERENCE				
R T Jacks.....	BFL	57	\$65 50	\$
W G Ringgold.....	BFL	29	35 50	13 55
T R Baugh.....	BFL	28	23 25	
Ross Lindsay	BFL		25 00	24 00
R V Cory.....	D&R	32		26 70
Mrs R V Cory.....	D&R	22		27 30
R Roberts	BFL	43	59 75	
K Skidmore	BFL	73	132 60	2 00
C G Mann.....	BFL	33	30 50	6 00
M L Ivory.....	BFL	17	24 50	2 00
Alex Wood	BFL	31	16 50	

For Week Ending Sept. 24, 1909

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE

Edward Whittier	CK	60		68 75
R W Harris.....	BFL	21		58 00
Charlsey Allran	BFL	18		36 00
C F Dart.....	CK	24		35 50
W P Ethington.....	BFL	38	26 00	50
Lyndon Taylor	BFL	30	5 50	50
H C Carmichael.....	dofa	59	60 35	
M J Weber.....	BFL	52	36 00	
H E Beck.....	D&R	41	24 75	1 00

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE

J S Fry 2 wks.....	D&R	90	120 75	4 25
Virgil Smith	D&R	32	29 65	4 90
W H Haddon.....	MOFN	13	3 95	7 75
J P Campbell 3 wks.....	sofp	63	51 75	28 85
W E Covington.....	CK	42	2 50	49 06
Cora Smith	BFL	18	3 90	18 90

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE

H C Balsbaugh.....	GC	49	44 70	
C H Chenault.....	D&R	31		31 45
R H Hazelton.....	MISC	30	28 00	2 35
Wm J Keele.....	PAPERS	71	23 40	23 40
Mamie Moore	D&R	28	31 15	4 75

SUMMARY

Ala Conf (2 wks ending				
Sept. 10, 1909.....	365	413 15	101 55	
Kentucky Conference ...	343	152 60	200 25	
Mississippi Conference ..	258	212 50	113 70	
Tennessee River Conf....	209	127 25	61 95	

Totals .. 1175 \$905 50 \$477 45

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HENDERSON, KENTUCKY

SINCE the camp-meeting I have been at home, and with the church at this place.

The outlook for a church school was very unpromising, because so many things seemed to present themselves to discourage the idea of a school. But now the way is more promising.

Enough has been subscribed for the teacher's wage, a home is opened for her, and the car fare advanced to bring her here. For this we give praise to the Lord, for he truly brought it all about in answer to prayer.

For some time we have looked forward to our quarterly service, and felt that before some could participate therein a work of repentance and confession would be necessary.

The articles which have appeared in the *Review and Herald* from the pen of Elder

Report of Progress

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ATTENTION, CANVASSERS

THE stock of "Gospel Primer," cloth, which we have been furnishing at 12½ cents is exhausted, and we will be unable to fill further orders at this price.

The new edition of the board style will be ready to ship by the first of next week, so no one need fear of being disappointed.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION.

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SPECIAL BOOK SALE

WE have had returned to us a quantity of "Daniel and the Revelation" of the old edition which we cannot use to fill regular orders. The books are the large size, cloth binding, such as now sell at \$2.75 in the new edition. They are in perfect condition, the subject-matter being practically the same, but lacking the new illustrations. Just the thing to loan to your neighbors for reading.

We will send these to any address, post-paid, as long as the stock lasts, for \$1.25.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION.

L. F. Starr were studied and presented. The last one, with extracts from "Steps to Christ," on Repentance and Confession, was read on the morning of the service. The spirit of the Lord was present, hearts were made tender, and the flowing tears spoke a better testimony than could have been given by eloquent speeches without the heartfelt contrition.

Sins were confessed, and it was truly a spiritual occasion. While partaking of the emblems we could claim the merits of the sacrifice in our behalf. How good it is to feel that the blood of Christ atones for us individually. This every soul can experience through true repentance and confession of every sin.

We are expecting Elder Hayes to visit us for a few days, and get our school started.

It will have some outside patronage from those who will have to pass by the public school on their way to attend ours; but they prefer to unite with us.

The church is also preparing to take part in the missionary campaign.

Recently the church ordered a supply of "Appeal to the Clergy" and mailed a copy to each of the ministers and delegates of the Southern Methodist Conference which convened at this place. In order to get them

on time a telegram was sent, and the literature reached us before the opportunity to use it was past. Pray for us. WALTER JONES.

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Now is the time for you to enroll your name with the Correspondence School, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C. Catalogues and blanks will be gladly furnished upon request. This opportunity comes but once this year.

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A NUMBER are already enrolling in the reading course, and I shall be glad to hear from all who are interested, and will send you reading course leaflets and enrollment blanks.

Mrs. W. M. CROTHERS.

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NEWS ITEMS

ELDER A. G. DANIELLS arrived in Nashville, Thursday evening, September 30, en route to the General Conference meeting at College View, Neb., and remained until the evening of October 2. On Sabbath morning he delivered a timely, stirring, and appropriate address to the Nashville church, exhorting us to put off selfishness with its various manifestations, and to seek for the deep experience of regeneration which will do away with cold indifference and professionalism and stimulate us to work more effectively from motives of love planted in the heart by the Holy Spirit. In the afternoon he spoke to the members of the colored church, and all that were there felt benefited by his talk on the missionary phase of the work.

Brother and Sister G. G. Lowry, who are under appointment to the work in far away benighted India, were with us a few days last week, and attended Sabbath-school and the young people's meeting the previous evening. Sister Lowry was formerly connected with the young people's work, and spoke for a short time about the proper organization of the society and conduct of its meetings.

Elders McVagh and Horton, and Brother R. Hook Jr., manager of the Southern Publishing Association have left Nashville to attend the general meeting which is to be held October 5 to 15. We bespeak for them a profitable time.

In a letter received this morning from Elder Burrill, we are glad to note that Sister Burrill is making rapid recovery. Her fever has been broken, and she is able to get up and dress herself. All her friends will join with her husband in thankfulness to God for this.

"Quiet Talks on Service," price, 75 cents, is the first book to be taken up in the Missionary Volunteer Reading Course. This will take up the first eight weeks of the course. This book is an excellent work, and well worth to any one the time spent in reading it. Do not delay in placing your order for

a copy. Remember the reading courses commence in the *Instructor* of October 5. Let every one receive an education for the highest service. Parents and teachers by taking an interest in the work of the young people, will be able to give them the benefit of their larger experience, and can help them to make their efforts effective for good.

Let all the churches plan for the "Harvest Ingathering of the *Missionary Review*." Brethren and sisters, let us rally for a great effort in November, and success will crown our efforts. We believe this plan is from the Lord, that it is the thing he wants us to do this fall.

A line from the General Conference Missionary Volunteer Department states that the price of "My Garden Neighbors" is \$1.00, instead of \$1.25, and the "Moslem World," paper, is thirty-five cents, instead of twenty-five, as was given in *The Pastime Saloon*, published three weeks ago.

Orders are already coming for No. 9 of the "Testimonies for the Church," the latest, the best, and most important of all numbers, of the "Testimonies." Retail prices: cloth, 75 cents, leather, flexible, \$1.25; thin flexible, \$1.25. Have your orders in early as you cannot afford to be without this number.

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Lost, yesterday, somewhere between sunrise and sunset, two precious golden hours, each set with sixty diamond minutes. No reward is offered, for they are gone forever.—H. M.