



SOUTHERN UNION WORKER

"My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish His work."

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For My Sake or Thine

Dost thou love only those who are loving to you?
 Dost thou fellowship only the saint, who is true?
 Dost thou give but to those who can give in return?
 Dost thou teach but the few who are willing to learn,
 For *thy* sake?

Dost thou carry thy light where light already shines?
 Dost thou go with thy solace where no one repines?
 Dost thou pray for thine own who are walking in love?
 Dost thou enter the field where 'tis pleasure to rove,
 For *thy* sake?

I would teach thee to love those who hate and who sin,
 I would cause thee to mingle with publicans mean,
 I would have thee bestow upon those who have naught,
 I would lead thee to teach those who hate to be taught,
 For *My* sake.

I would send thee with light to the dark and unsaved,
 I would make thee to comfort where comfort is craved,
 I would give thee a spirit to pray for *all* men,
 I would prompt thee to sacrifice pleasure for pain.
 For *My* sake.

—Charles L. Taylor.

Plan to Provide Workers

Last week's issue of the SOUTHERN UNION WORKER we trust was read with especial interest. This number was intended to create an interest in educational lines. The time to begin planning for an education is months before the school year begins. It will now only be a few months until all our schools will open their doors for the beginning of another year's work, and then it will be too late with many to prepare. Every church elder should study his church with the view of securing to each young person in his organization the privilege of a Christian education.

We are soon to be plunged into the experiences of our brethren in the old world, and when that time comes, it will be very difficult, and probably more so than it is for them, to do the work that can be done today. The privileges of this day should be appreciated and improved by every believer in the prophecies. Will it not be possible for every church elder to create a desire in his church for education? We ought to see every young man and woman who has ability in the field earning a scholarship in some way. Our publishing houses, tract societies, and schools offer large inducements for scholarships by the sale of books. When there is a will there is always a way, and we are told by the spirit of prophecy that all our young people can secure an education if the proper effort is put forth. All our schools should be crowded to their utmost capacity, and not a young person in all this field should be deprived of the privilege of entering into the work and doing his part in the spread of the great message that means so much to the world. The Lord has promised to use the young people who prepare for this work, and we as guardians of the flock, ministers, elders of churches, and parents, are responsible for the training of the youth; for God cannot use them unless they have the proper preparation. The children are to be used, but they cannot be used unless they have Christ-like characteristics.

Let us now rally to this work, and when the summer of 1916 is ended, may it be found that we have done well our work, and God will bless abundantly every individual who perseveres to this end.

S. E. WIGHT.

"Liberty" Extra

In the carrying forward of our work, we must be fully and thoroughly organized. It is training, education, that is needed. Preparedness is the word. The battle is on. The forces of evil are marshalling. The church must fight against seen and unseen forces. Men have confederated to oppose the Lord of hosts. "These confederacies will continue until Christ shall leave his place of intercession before the mercy-seat, and shall put on the garments of vengeance. Satanic agencies are in every city, busily organizing into parties those opposed to the law of God. Professed saints and avowed unbelievers take their stand with these parties. This is no time for the people of God to be weaklings. We cannot afford to be off our guard for one moment."—*Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. VIII, page 42.

"The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds; casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ." 2 Cor. 10: 4, 5.

Every opposition of the enemy affords an opportunity to set forth right principles, and to uphold truth which is immortal. In the Free Press and Religious Liberty Extra, prepared especially to meet the confederated forces of evil, we have a wonderful opportunity to work for God.

"Opportunities are opening on every side. Press into every providential opening. Eyes need to be anointed with the heavenly eye-salve to see and sense their opportunities. God calls now for wide-awake missionaries. There are ways that will be presented before us. We are to see and understand these providential openings."—*Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. IX, page 130.

The trumpet call to universal action has sounded. God expects every professed believer to do his duty. "It is the neglect of Seventh-day Adventists to improve these providential opportunities that is hindering the advancement of the cause."—*Id.*, Vol. IX, page 50.

We feel confident that our people will rally to the call and place this Extra in the hands of their friends and neighbors

everywhere, and secure signatures from every quarter. We must in the spirit of Christ put forth every effort to bring to the attention of men the great message of Revelation 14. This is the message for the hour. This Free Press Extra at \$1 per hundred, or \$8 per thousand, is within our reach. Great good will accrue to the movement in this concerted action.

If the bills, which are designed to shut out from the mails literature dealing with religious issues, should become laws, our work would be greatly hampered. Most of our books, magazines, periodicals, and tracts would be refused passage through the mails. The difficulty in placing the literature in the hands of our people for distribution would be almost insurmountable, and we would be largely deprived of one of our most effective soul-winning agencies. Therefore every Seventh-day Adventist should be deeply interested and active in sending in as many signed petitions as possible. Let them pour in, accompanied by the prayers of God's people, and we may expect the bills to be defeated.

A hearing is soon to be granted. Now is the time to put forth a united effort in defense of truth and liberty. The Press is a mighty factor, one of the greatest, and its voice must not be silenced.

F. W. PAAP.

Louisiana Conference

Conference Directory

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Sunset Table. Standard Time.

East 5:52

Friday, February 25

West 6:15

A Call to Finish the Work

That the end of all things is near, and that there must be a large amount of work done ere Christ comes, is apparent to every believer in this message. Christ, in Matt. 24:14, tells us when we can expect him to return, and until this gospel shall have been given to all the world we cannot look for his return.

Christ taught his disciples to pray, "Thy kingdom come." But he has definitely stated that his kingdom would not come until the gospel had been preached in all the world. Then is it not true that when we pray this prayer, we are under obligation to make it possible of being answered? The only way that that can be done is for each one to do his part in giving this message to the world.

Christ said to his disciples, "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest." Matt. 9:37, 38.

The Lord has given a work to his people in which all can have a part. We are told by the spirit of prophecy that, "If there is one work more important than another; it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures."—Vol. IV, page 390.

There is a great work to be done in scattering our publications. All should feel that they can do something in this line of God's work. Again we read, in Vol. IV, page 600, "Our publications should have a wide circulation; for they are doing a great work."

The products of our presses will become as great factors in the finishing of this message, as the printing-press did in the Reformation. This cannot be accomplished unless our books and pamphlets are placed in the hands of the people. God has spoken definitely upon this. "The press is a power, but if its products fall dead for want of men who will execute plans to widely circulate them, its power is lost." "Hundreds of men should be engaged in carrying the light all through our cities, villages, and towns."—Vol. IV, page 389.

We hope to see a large number of our people entering the canvassing work this summer. What greater and more noble occupation could one wish to be engaged in? The work of the Christian colporteur is that in which all heaven is interested, the salvation of precious souls, and will succeed. I again quote from the Testimonies. "The work of the colporteur is elevated and will prove a success, if he is honest, earnest, and patient, steadily pursuing the work he has undertaken. His heart must be in the work." "We must carry the publications to the people, and urge them to accept, showing them that they will receive much more than their money's worth. Exalt the value of the books you offer. You cannot exalt them too highly."—Vol. IV, pages, 603, 392.

We hope our ministers and elders of our churches will become burdened over the canvassing work, and do all in their power to interest such persons as should enter this line of God's work. We know that this work will succeed, for God has said through the spirit of prophecy, "There is no such thing as failure in this work." Certainly this should not only be an encouragement to all, but an incentive for a large number in our conference to enlist in it this summer.

Brother G. B. Boswell, our field missionary secretary, would be glad to hear from any who are thinking of entering this work. Address him at Alexandria, La.

May our people in Louisiana pray that we shall have ten canvassers where we now have one, and those who read this, answer in the words of Isaiah: "Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, HERE AM I, SEND ME. Isa. 6:8.

C. N. SANDERS.

Kentucky Conference

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Sunset Table. Standard Time.

East 5:52

Friday, February 25

West 5:48

News Items

Brother James Hickman is spending a short time in the eastern part of the State. He reports a good interest at the different places he has visited.

Sister Steele, one of our old canvassers in Louisville, writes us that while she is not able to go out and sell the printed page, she is very anxious to see the message go forward.

Elder W. H. White writes that his interest in Covington is growing and that they have secured a hall in which to hold their meetings.

Brother Hatton Ford writes us from Pikeville that the Lord is going before him in selling the printed page. He had just begun to make his delivery when he wrote.

Sister Ewald ordered a supply of the *Temperance Instructors*

for the Louisville church. We would be glad to receive orders from other churches for this good paper.

Brother E. A. Williams, our treasurer, was called to his mother's home at Glasgow because of the death of his aunt. We are hoping that he will soon be with us again.

Miss Bessie Mount sent in an order for some of our papers the past week. She writes that she is of good courage.

Sister Washington, the treasurer of the Chestnut Street church in Louisville, sent in her remittance a few days ago and stated that the church-members are of good courage.

Elder O. A. Dow, who is now laboring in Louisville, writes that they are kept very busy looking after the interest of those desiring to know the truth in that city.

Elder Lawrence has been spending the past week in Louisville assisting with the church work in that place.

Brother Winston has been spending some time in Lexington in the absence of Elder Lawrence.

Word comes to us that W. B. Wilson and Brother Perry are both planning to attend the coming institute in Louisville. We hope and trust that there will be a good attendance at this important gathering.

The church elders' meeting which will be held in Louisville will begin February 25. We hope that all the church elders in the conference will be present.

Brother M. L. Howard, of Irvington, has been ordering some of our literature with which to do missionary work.

The Henderson church has recently ordered a supply of tracts and papers to warn their neighborhood of the coming of the Lord.

Sister Harry Potter who has been visiting in Florida during the winter months has returned to her home in Bowling Green.

Brother Reichenbach writes that he is of good courage and that they are nicely located in their new home in Louisville and are expecting by the Lord's help to do a good work this year.

Brother Eason, the elder of the Lexington church, writes that they are pressing forward in that place and that he is planning to attend the elders' meeting.

Brother D. R. Allman, of Richmond, has recently sent in some orders for books to be sent to different persons by parcel post. We hope to see Brother Allman actively engaged in selling our books in the near future.

Sister Mary Ramey, of the Davisville church, writes that they are of good courage. She sent us the good news that the quilt they promised to make for the minister's tent is finished and will be sent to the office in a few days. We are indeed glad to get this quilt, and we hope and trust that all the other churches who promised to donate a quilt will see that they are ready before the coming camp-meeting.

Brother W. G. Michael has ordered books for another delivery. We hope that the Lord will give him many souls for his hire as a result of the sale of these books.

Brother Winkler reports a new family of Sabbath keepers near Hazard, Ky., as a result of reading our good books.

Sister F. L. Harrison has just ordered a supply of the Present Truth Series to be used in the Covington church.

The Hartford church has just sent in an order for one hundred Present Truth Series to be sent to their friends.

The Religious Liberty Department is getting out an extra issue of the *Liberty Magazine* containing 16 pages. It will cover the ground of religious freedom, and has a protest in the back of it to be signed by those who are opposed to the press bill that is now before Congress to allow the postmaster-general to exclude any mail which does not seem desirable to him. We hope that our members will rally to this work and order these papers at once and get the protest signed and sent in to your congressmen.

Mississippi Conference

Conference Directory

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 OFFICE ADDRESS, 703 S. Gallatin St., Jackson, Miss.

Sunset Table. Standard Time.

East 5: 45

Friday, February 25

West 6: 03

Sabbath, February 26

I desire to call attention to the religious liberty offering that is to be taken in all of our churches Sabbath, February 26. There is a special program prepared for this day which appears in the *Church Officers' Gazette*. I am sure that the instruction given in this program is very timely for our people, and is very interesting as well.

There is no subject upon which our people ought to be so intelligent as the subject of religious liberty, and I hope that no one will absent himself from church service on this special day.

The offering that will be taken is for the promulgation of religious liberty throughout the world. Doubtless you will remember that six of our brethren are now under indictment in the State of Tennessee waiting the trial which is to take place some time this spring. These trials are expensive, and I believe that our neighboring conferences should assist these brethren who are under arrest. It will not only help these brethren, but it will be the means of placing before the public our beliefs as a people.

The church which has not yet sent in its order for the *Church Officers' Gazette* should not fail to do this at once so that you will not be without the program on the Sabbath appointed.

The members who have not church privileges should likewise remember this special offering. All donations of the isolated members should be sent into the office at 703 S. Gallatin St., Jackson, Miss. Let none of us excuse ourselves from helping in this important offering.

C. S. WIEST.

News Items

Elder Wiest was called to Graysville last week to a meeting of the school board. On his return home he stopped off at Meridian, where he spoke to the colored church on Friday night, on Sabbath morning to the white church, and then again in the afternoon to the colored people.

Our colored brethren in Meridian desire very much to liquidate the indebtedness on their church property, and every effort is being put forth to this end. There may be some of our brethren in the State who desire to assist our people in this large city. If so, you may kindly send in such amounts to the office and we will see that it is applied to this fund.

Elder Burke was in Quitman over Sabbath and spoke to the believers there.

I am sure that the brethren and sisters that have assisted in erecting the new church building here in Jackson, will be glad to know that the main auditorium is being filled every Sunday night with a large and attentive audience. We are very much encouraged and hope to soon see several taking their stand for this last warning message.

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old he will not depart from it." Prov. 22: 6.

Good Nature

Half the misery of human life might be extinguished would men alleviate the general curse they lie under, by mutual offices of compassion, benevolence, and humanity. There is nothing therefore, which we ought more to encourage in ourselves and others than that disposition of mind which in our language goes under the title of good nature, and is more agreeable in conversation than wit, and gives a certain air to the countenance which is more amiable than beauty. It shows virtue in the fairest light, takes off in some measure from the deformity of vice, and makes even folly and impertinence supportable.— *Addison*.

Alabama Conference

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Report of Home Missionary Work for Alabama Confer-

	Ashford	Birmingham	Borden Springs	Citronelle	Carbon Hill	Elkwood	Gadsden	Lynn Haven	Long Island	Montgomery	Mobile
Church membership	15	69	30	6	8	27	9	11	17	16	33
Number of members reporting ..	6	17	15			16		11	11	14	12
Letters written	1	154	1			5			10	48	60
Letters received	4	89	1			2			1	13	12
Missionary visits	114	454	35			10			143	54	134
Bible readings given	43	142							62	13	42
Subscriptions taken	3	38				15				17	
Papers sold	18	228	13			17			54	107	27
Papers lent	208	9098	45			102		200	126	1000	595
Books sold	7	119	52					25	49	1	14
Books lent	4	192				2		10	7	20	33
Tracts sold	1	205	10								
Tracts lent	169	7739	25			24		50	58	54	
Hours of Christian help work ...	1	601				94		60	207	40	202
Articles of clothing given away ..		213	11			2		25	36	38	23
Meals provided		275	30			4			6	128	4
Treatments given	2	570	45						13	3	
Signers to temperance pledge ...		9									
Offerings		\$31 30	\$ 45					\$.60		\$11 62	\$ 8 23
Conversions		3									

Report of Home Missionary Work, Third Quarter, Ending Dec. 31, 1915

	Birmingham	Decatur	Dothan	Huntsville	Mobile	Montgomery	Oakwood	Pensacola	Sylacauga	Young People	Total
Church membership	35	5	20	19	20	30	56	30	15		230
Number reporting	15	3	17	15	20	20				41	131
Letters written	22	3	9	5	80	42				81	242
Letters received	17	1	12		71	14				68	183
Missionary visits	249	10	199	32	246	47				575	1358
Bible readings	145	3	132	13	88	20				302	703
Subscriptions taken	7		4							6	17
Papers sold	165	5	14	39	199	200				492	1114
Papers lent	78	21	55	8	62	20				205	549
Books sold	103		5	41	59	3				235	446
Books lent	27		17	2	11	4				58	149
Tracts sold											
Tracts lent	106	10	50	32	22	28				122	370
Hours of Christian help work ...	341	3	239	12	173	36				923	1727
Articles of clothing given away ..	35		19	28	8	36				36	162
Meals provided	128	8	23	13	47	40				107	376
Signers to temperance pledge ...	9									10	19
Treatments given	37		8		21	12				57	135
Offerings	\$.51	\$.25	\$ 1 50	\$ 1 25		\$ 3 96				\$ 8 99	\$16 46
Conversions	5		2		1					2	10

J. F. WRIGHT.

There where turbid waters fall apart
 From hidden depths of tangled ooze and mire,
 The tall white lily lifts its golden heart;
 Soul, shalt not thou aspire?

— Selected.

When over the fair name of friend and foe
 The shadows of disgrace shall fall, instead
 Of words of blame, or proof of thus and so,
 Let something good be said.

— James Whitcomb Riley.

Not As I Will

“ ‘Not as I will,’—the sound grows sweet
 Each time my lips the words repeat.
 ‘Not as I will!’ The darkness feels
 More safe than light when this thought steals
 Like whispered voice to calm and bless
 All unrest and all loneliness.
 ‘Not as I will,’ because the One
 Who loved us first and best is gone
 Before us on the road, and still
 For us must all his love fulfil —
 ‘Not as I will.’ ”

News Items

In reply to a letter regarding the One per cent Fund the elder of one of our churches writes, “I shall lay the One per cent Fund before the church here and do all that I can in favor of it. It appeals to me as something that will bring results. I hope that this will be the case.” This plan of systematic giving is meeting with a favorable response from many directions. We trust that the church remittances for the month of February will each contain a goodly amount on the One per cent Fund.

Brother W. E. Jones writes encouragingly, sending in tithe and offerings to be credited to the Oakwood church.

Brother R. M. McAllister orders a small supply of the Family Bible Teacher for Pensacola.

Brother D. A. Fisher sends an order for tracts to be used by the Borden Springs church. He is a firm believer in active home missionary work and is leading out in this effort.

Brother S. D. Miller orders one hundred *Watchman* and one hundred *Weekly Signs* for the Mobile church.

The *Youth's Instructor* of March 7 will be a “Tobacco” number. It will be a regular issue of this paper, but will have special illustrations and reading matter, and all on tobacco. This paper will retail at five cents per copy but will be sent from this office at two and one-half cents per copy in quantity orders. It is now ready for distribution.

Brother C. L. Little sends in a goodly order for Present Truth Series. This last order of one thousand will provide the Mobile church with much missionary ammunition. The Lord is blessing the efforts of the Mobile church.

Sister S. A. Fowler requests fifty copies of the *Watchman* and states that she is very thankful to be in this blessed work.

Brother J. P. McLaughlin, a member of our conference church, located in Fort Payne, sends in a renewal for the *Review and Herald* and *SOUTHERN UNION WORKER* for the coming year.

Sister Jennie E. Washam places an order for the *Signs of the Times* and *Youth's Instructor*.

Brother R. E. Chapman, of Troy, tells of a very interesting experience and conversation he had with a member of the Methodist Church who has a copy of “Bible Readings.” This gentleman seems to be deeply interested in the book and is desirous of knowing something about “your articles of faith.” Minds are open everywhere to the truth.

Sister E. C. Warren, of Piedmont, sends a renewal for the *SOUTHERN UNION WORKER* and states that she enjoys reading it every week.

Brother Joseph Self, of Elkwood, sends his renewal for the *SOUTHERN UNION WORKER*, asking that it be sent to his address the coming year.

Brother W. H. Daniels, of Citronelle, sends a nice order for tracts, also asks for a copy of the Harvest Ingathering *Signs* which he intends to place in the hands of an interested gentleman who made special request for it.

Sister Belle Collins orders one thousand Present Truth Extras for use by the Montgomery church.

Sister Essie Eyster, leader of the Montgomery Missionary Society has ordered fifty copies of the *Watchman* and fifty of the *Signs Magazine* to be sent to her address every month. These magazines are to be sold by members of the church.

Brother B. Pittman places his monthly order for fifty copies of the *Watchman* for Pensacola.

Sister Annie D. Richards, of Lynn Haven, Fla., orders seven sets of Present Truth Series, numbers one to thirteen, sent to different individuals, also the *Signs Weekly* for six months.

Brother O. P. Ivie was an office visitor February 14. Brother Ivie was in Birmingham with his physician to have an X-ray photograph taken of the fractured bone in his arm. The recent break was not healing as rapidly as desired.

ence Quarter Ending Dec. 31, 1915

Marlow	Santa Rosa	Sheffield	Stapleton	Conference	Young People	Total
24	10	18	7	15		315
		16	3	8	36	169
		39	3	12	199	532
		28		7	105	261
		103		10	170	1227
		31	15	27	39	414
		21		1	50	145
		460			70	996
		1008	35	300	589	13306
		42			26	335
		25	4	25	15	337
					4	220
		257	82	150	510	9118
		35		18	196	1454
		47		7	60	462
		21	2		184	654
		4		5	111	753
						9
		\$26 80			\$12 00	\$91 00
					11	14

J. F. WRIGHT.

Report of Home Missionary Work of the Alabama Conference for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1915

	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	Total
No Churches	26	26	26	26	26
Membership	485	496	511	521	545
Number reporting	189	181	240	300	Aver 229
No hold miss meet		2	2	7	
Ch hold 4th Sab meet		10	10	12	
Isolated members.	15	15	15	15	15
Isolated mem rep'tg			14	14	14
Letters written . . .	377	522	498	774	2171
Letters received . .	197	258	320	444	1319
Missionary visits.	1626	1630	2718	2585	8559
Bible readings . . .	749	785	831	1117	3474
Subscrip's taken . .	46	42	41	162	291
Papers sold	602	578	1046	2110	4336
Papers lent	4774	6667	12233	13855	37529
Books sold	215	238	498	781	1732
Books lent	193	520	190	456	1359
Tracts sold	73	17	32	220	342
Tracts lent	3133	2741	3022	9485	18384
Hrs Ch help work.	1698	1689	1988	3181	8556
Clothing given away	298	254	269	624	1445
Meals provided . . .	673	491	914	1030	3108
Treatments given . .	143	170	308	888	1508
Signers tem pledge	13	30	22	28	93
Offerings	\$95 66	\$85 27	\$130 96	\$107 46	\$419 35
Conversions	11	15	10	24	60

J. F. WRIGHT, Secretary.

Sabbath, February 5, Prof. Lynn H. Wood visited both of the Birmingham churches, speaking Sabbath morning and afternoon to the 19th St. church. Following this he held an afternoon service at the Walker St. church. As far as could be learned, every one present promised to read the Bible through during the year 1916.

We wish to extend a word of warning to our people scattered throughout the State to be careful regarding receiving individuals claiming to be selling Seventh-day Adventist literature unless these individuals have a letter of introduction from the office of the Alabama Conference.

Alabama Individual Sales Report for Year 1915

	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
B N Grant	BR	45	19	\$64 00	\$ 5 50	\$69 50	\$47 50
R T Jacks	BR	750	182	548 25	16 00	564 25	516 95
J H Reams	BR	92	35	92 00	7 50	99 50	96 00
G W Brown	BR	545	75	196 00	22 10	218 10	81 20
M L Ivory	D&R	1473	135	520 30	1 40	521 70	38 50
E L Marley	BR	237	86	231 00		231 00	81 40
Mr&Mrs Miller . .		203	91	140 60	6 85	147 45	185 08
O Suddith	Misc						4 75
C L Ryals	BR	602	154	540 00	10 40	550 40	205 10
D A Fisher	BR	281	67	212 75	10 15	222 90	205 10
C Jenson	GC	49	9	31 00	5 00	36 00	197 78
R Meade	BR	217	145	472 00	3 75	475 75	125 00
J W Wade	BR	618	63	184 00	11 45	195 45	130 40
E Waters	BR	696	149	472 65	23 65	496 30	334 34
N Waters	BF	593	174	408 05	9 85	418 90	346 75
S S Guilford	BR	591	142	501 35	5 95	507 30	138 45
U Bracy	BF&GC	1200	275	801 90	8 60	810 50	234 95
G A Stephens	BF	160	63	145 75	1 50	147 25	137 76
B Crawford	BR	586	93	313 00	3 10	315 10	189 70
R Ringgold	BR	223	173	155 95	5 80	161 75	101 25
A Wood	D&R	742	190	626 80	1 80	628 60	127 25
H A Lynd	BR	142	62	85 05	70	85 75	76 74
M Miles	BR	640	168	489 10	23 15	512 25	306 35
R Cook	BF	511	116	181 45	12 15	193 60	143 92
E Gudmundson	BF	161	76	109 50	8 70	118 20	97 68
H Edwards	BR	326	59	194 00	1 75	195 75	150 80
W Lorren	BR	108	35	99 20	3 85	111 85	103 05
H G Moburg	US	111	46	79 00		79 00	39 00
Q Tew	BR	442	78	280 00		280 00	275 00
C Holland	BR	836	169	498 15	23 10	521 25	416 90
G H Ward	BR	337	48	288 50	2 10	290 60	265 25
O Forland	BF	76	31	58 00	31 85	61 85	26 05
Mrs Rainwater		107	75	75 50	31 05	106 55	44 00
E C Widgery	CK	10	2	3 00	2 30	5 30	
Miscellaneous		45	53	157 50	35 00	182 50	42 40
Bibles				178 00		178 00	142 75
Totals		13800	3341	\$9432 10	\$308 05	\$9740 15	\$5793 23
Magazine Sales							1281 55
							\$7110 73

A GOOD REPORT

In Proverbs 15:30 the Lord tells us, "A good report maketh the bones fat." We believe the above report will make those who by their faithful efforts made this report possible, rejoice when they see what has been done the past year. Our report last year was about \$6,000, including books, helps, Bibles, and magazines. This report gives us a gain of \$1,110 which is indeed very encouraging, when we take into account the war times and conditions the past year. In all this we see the blessings and over-ruling power of God.

M. L. WILSON.

"Worship is not acceptable if it is devoid of humility."

The Institute

The institute for the white colporteurs will be held with the school at Red Level in Covington County, February 28-March 8. We have been planning and working to make this meeting all the Lord would have it be. The conference has left nothing undone that would add to the success of the meeting. We hope that not one colporteur will fail to come to this meeting as well as any others who would like to enter the field or who would like instruction in the great work of soul saving.

The school in connection with the conference will furnish free entertainment during the meeting for those who come with the expectation of entering the work. Many should avail themselves of this opportunity for getting a better preparation and training for the service of the Master. Those who have not had the privilege of these meetings do not realize what they are missing. In a special way the Lord is blessing in these meetings.

Red Level is on the Georgiana and Graceville branch of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, located about twenty miles east of Georgiana, which is on the main line from Montgomery to Mobile. Those coming from the north or south should change at Georgiana for Red Level. Those coming from the east change from the Georgia Central at Samson or Andalusia to the Louisville and Nashville for Red Level. Come Sunday, the twenty-seventh, as the first meeting will be held on Monday, the twenty-eighth. Some one will be at the station to meet the trains Sunday and Monday only. Should any come and no one be present to meet them, enquire for Mrs. C. G. Leitzman's school. The school is located two and a half miles southeast of Red Level.

Come, for we need you, and you need the meeting and the blessings of the Lord. Elder Miller and Brother Godsmark from the conference, and Brother J. W. Davis, the union secretary, will be with us, but best of all, the Lord will be with us. Come praying, thinking, planning, and hoping that the meeting will be all the Lord would have it be, and that we might all go forth in the strength and power of heaven to finish the work.

M. L. WILSON, *Field Secretary.*

Tithe and Twenty-Cent-a-Week Funds for Alabama Mission, Year Ending Dec. 31, 1915

Church	Mem	Tithe	Due	Paid	Short	Per Cap
Birmingham	36	\$290 37	\$187 20	\$120 50	\$66 70	\$.064
Decatur	8	36 08	41 60	16 00	25 60	.038
Dothan	19	150 06	98 80	46 40	52 40	.047
Gadsden	4	5 80	20 80	1 90	18 90	.009
Huntsville	24	246 28	124 80	110 14	14 66	.088
Mobile	21	138 46	109 20	55 93	53 27	.051
Montgomery	36	230 68	187 20	133 43	53 77	.071
Oakwood	52	1214 92	270 40	318 65	48 25*	.117
Pensacola	37	168 85	192 40	48 44	143 96	.025
Sylacauga	20	50 94	104 00	9 79	94 21	.009
Individuals		57 81		42 94	42 94*	
Totals	257	\$2590 25	\$1336 40	\$904 12	\$432 28	\$.07

This report of mission funds received by the Alabama Mission of Seventh-day Adventists is encouraging in many respects. A weekly average of nearly seven cents per member was made during the year 1915. The offerings included in this report are as follows: Annual, Harvest Ingathering, Midsummer, Missions, Sabbath school, and Weekly. It will be interesting to note that \$201.08 was raised in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, every church taking part. The Lord has blessed during the past year abundantly, and we have faith to expect greater things in 1916.

O. R. GODSMARK, *Treasurer.*

* Overpaid.

Colporteurs' Report Southern Union Conference for Week Ending Feb. 12, 1916

ALABAMA CONFERENCE							
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
Robert Cook	HM	48	13	\$36 00	\$ 75	\$36 75	\$
Thos Goodman	HM	18	8	17 00	35	17 35	
SS Guilford	HM	25	1	2 00		2 00	
Hattie Hilliard	BF	29			4 20	4 20	
M L Ivory*	HH	57	8	19 50	35	19 85	10 50
Q Tew*	BR	169	11	38 00	1 75	39 75	3 00
J W Wade*	PP&F	1	1		3 15	3 15	3 00
E C Widgery*	D&R	39	12	38 00		38 00	3 00
Bibles				2 50		2 50	

Totals (Agts. 8) 386 54 \$153 00 \$10 55 \$163 55 \$19 50

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE							
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
Jeff Hickman	BR	25	45	\$137 00	\$ 7 50	\$144 95	\$
Hatton Ford	BR	54	41	123 00		123 00	
Luther Bowles	BR	57	19	59 00	5 00	64 00	
Felia Pierce	BR	19	16	60 00		60 00	
JB Reichenbach	BR	50	15	56 00		56 00	6
Andy Schroader	BR	32	15	48 00		48 00	
H Ethington		50					60 50
Bibles				22 95		22 95	

Totals (Agts. 7) 287 142 \$505 95 \$12 50 \$517 95 \$60 50

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE							
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
J M Boyce		7		\$	\$	\$	\$60 85
Walter Edmonds	BR	88	58	178 00	5 10	183 10	
LMcElroy	PP&F,D&R	26			1 75	1 75	4 00
M P Sparks	D&R,BF	36	19	25 00		25 00	1 00
Percy Stewart	BR	38	46	148 00	2 10	150 10	
E A Taylor	BR	71	67	205 00	9 30	214 30	33 00
Annie Watts	PP&F	62	51	112 00	6 90	118 90	
Bibles						14 20	6 30

Totals (Agts. 7) 328 241 \$668 00 \$25 15 \$707 35 \$105 15

Missionary Work

I have been visiting and holding Bible readings with a Catholic family now for several months and still visit them, but the way is too straight for them, it seems.

I have done some work for the prisoners at the jail by taking them papers, journals, a Bible, and a song book. I have also been taking literature to a Jewish merchant and two of his clerks who seem to be interested.

I had some part in the Harvest Ingathering work this year, and surely enjoyed it. In years past because of my book work I did not think that I could take time to do any soliciting, so just made a donation of \$5 to the fund and gave most of the papers away. This year besides doing this as usual, I have also used thirty-one copies of the *Signs*, collecting \$15.75. I don't think that I will ever want to go back to the old plan of just making an offering myself. It does not pay and there is a greater blessing in soliciting.

I called upon five of the clergy here and they all responded except one. The Catholic priest and M. E. minister each gave me 50 cents; the Presbyterian minister gave 35 cents; a doctor 50 cents, and several others gave me 50 cents. My sister gave \$1. The largest offering received was \$3, from a merchant. I will be glad when the next Harvest Ingathering time comes and will try to do more.

I am well and happy in service and in the hope of a soon coming Saviour. All things show that the end is near and hasten greatly, so I feel that I must reconsecrate myself to the Lord and hasten to prepare for that glad day.

Sterling, Colo.

HORACE G. MILLER.

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE							
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
C G Bishop	D&R	22	8	\$26 00	\$ 3 40	\$29 40	\$ 4 00
R H Hazelton	GC	80	27	58 00		58 00	
Wm J Keele	BS	28				16 50	16 50
DELindsay	BR&PG	80	27	82 00		7 00	89 00
BEWagner	BR&PG	61	28	84 00		4 00	88 00

Totals (Agts. 5) 271 90 \$250 00 \$30 90 \$280 90 \$ 4 00

G'd Totals (A. 27) 1272 527 \$1576 95 \$79 10 \$1669 75 \$189 15

Summary from January 1 to Date

Conference	Orders	Helps	Deliveries
Alabama Conference	\$ 211 50	\$ 14 90	\$ 24 85
Kentucky Conference	1373 65	21 20	278 50
Louisiana Conference	245 15		
Mississippi Conference	848 50	34 40	216 10
Tenn. River Conference	600 90	91 05	163 05
Totals	\$3279 70	\$ 161 55	\$ 682 50

Magazine Agents' Report for Week Ending

Feb. 12, 1916

Agent	No.	Value
ALABAMA CONFERENCE		
M L Ivory		\$ 35
KENTUCKY CONFERENCE		
Mrs. Reichenbach	200	20 00
Louisville Church	50	5 00
D R Allman	5	50
Totals	255	\$ 25 85

More Congressional Legislation on Free Press and Sunday Sacredness

Four strong Catholic bills having been recently introduced in Congress and hearings set for them, two to establish a censorship on the press and free speech, and two for the protection of Sunday sacredness, a sixteen-page Extra of *Liberty Magazine* has been published with the hope of defeating these bills.

This Extra deals with these questions in a most effective manner, and has petition blanks on the last two pages to be torn off and signed and sent at once to the congressmen from the territory of the petitioners. The prices of these Extras are 5 cents each up to ten copies, \$1 per hundred, \$8 per thousand.

This Extra contains a strong, timely message for the American people on the cardinal principles of our free press and religious liberty — just the things the general public now needs and what it must have if the liberties of this nation are preserved. Whatever is done with this Extra must be done at once. If the petitions are circulated immediately and promptly sent in, they will have a tremendous influence in defeating these two Catholic bills now before Congress. Watch the *Review* for full particulars. Orders for the Extras should be sent in at once.

Oh, let us fill our hearts up with the glory of the day,
And banish every doubt and care and worry far away!
For the world is full of roses, and the roses full of dew,
And the dew is full of heavenly love that drips for me and you.

— James Whitcomb Riley.

*Two weeks.

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Institute Dates for 1916

Kentucky	Feb. 21-Mar. 1.
Alabama, Red Level.	Feb. 28-Mar. 8.
Mississippi, Greenville	Mar. 10-20 (colored)
Louisiana	Apr. 3-13.

News Items

Brother S. E. McNeill, the North American Division Conference auditor, spent several days last week at the union conference office auditing the books for the year 1915.

Elder S. E. Wight and Prof. L. H. Wood went to Atlanta, Ga., last week to confer with Elder Branson, the Southeastern Union Conference president, in regard to the educational work.

Brother J. W. Davis returned from Springville, Thursday, February 17, where he has been holding a colporteurs' institute with the help of Elder Elliott, Brother Wheeler, and others.

FOR SALE: 52 acres of land situated eight miles from Portland, Tenn., near Gallatin Pike; 30 acres cleared, seven-room house occupied, but not yet completed, concrete cellar, good 30x40 foot barn, good water, lumber, and other improvements. Price \$1,500. For further information write to George Wallace, Fountain Head, Tenn.

Do You Have to Write Minutes?

If you do, you will appreciate the three column article in the March number of the *Sabbath School Worker*, entitled "A New Leaf." It tells about a perplexed Sabbath school secretary who found her notes late Friday evening and wrote a report, with the usual result. It was monotonous, uninteresting, and just like dozens of others which she had previously written. But the article does not leave the secretary there, but shows how a little incident helped her to know just how she could change that very uninteresting report into one that bristled with interest. If you want to know how she did it, read the March number of the *Worker*.

Most of the shadows of this life are caused by standing in our own sunshine.—*Emerson*.

Southern Union Conference Association

Notice is hereby given that the fifth biennial session of the constituency of the Southern Union Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at the chapel of the Southern Publishing Association, 2123 24th Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn., Monday, Mar. 27, 1916, at 9 A. M., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing quadrennial term and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Dated Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 17, 1916.

S. E. WIGHT, President,

G. H. CURTIS, Secretary.

Meeting of the Southern Union Conference

The first meeting of the seventh biennial session of the Southern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the chapel of the Southern Publishing Association, 2123 24th Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn., Wednesday, Mar. 22, 1916 at 9 A. M.

Each conference is entitled to one delegate for its organization and one additional delegate for each fifty of its church organization.

Dated Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 17, 1916.

S. E. WIGHT, President,

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Sunset Table. Standard Time.

East 5: 17

Friday, February 25

West 5: 54

News Items

Elder W. R. Elliott left Nashville February 9 for Graysville Tenn., to attend a meeting called for the consideration of school work.

Brother Wheeler and Brother Davis left Nashville Sunday morning, February 6, for Springville, Tenn., to conduct the colporteurs' institute, which will be held at that place beginning the seventh and continuing until the seventeenth.

We received a letter from the *Signs of the Times*, enclosing a check for \$5.84, that being the amount of the profits they have received from all the business done in our conference. This should cause each one of us to take a more active part in circulating this good magazine, because they will continue their policy of giving all their profits to the cause of foreign missions. This money will apply on our twenty-cent-a-week fund.

Saturday night, January 29, Brother Foree and Brother Sam Jones held a meeting in the vicinity of Brother J. N. Womack's home, about six miles from the city. The talk given was illustrated by the use of the stereopticon. The publishing house truck carried a large number of the brethren and sisters to the place of worship and all reported a very good meeting.

This is what life means to me: a place where a Father above deals differently unto his children, but with all in love; a place where true joys do not hang on material pegs, and where all the time the fact that God our Father is on his throne lines every cloud with gold.—*W. T. Grenfell*.