

# Field Tidings

## The Southeastern Union Conference

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### ARE YOU COMING TO THE CONVENTION?

The convention referred to is the conference of self-supporting Southern workers to be held on the school farm of the Nashville Agricultural and Normal Institute, at Madison, Tennessee, August 27-30, 1910.

These meetings are held periodically and afford one of the best opportunities possible for those interested in the Southern educational problem to meet the situation face to face and learn first-hand what is needed in the way of men and means to carry the gospel to a neglected field.

#### IF YOU COME

you will meet representative workers from some twenty farm schools, most of them located in highland districts. These workers come right from the battle-fields. They are sturdy men and women, accustomed to hard work, both mental and physical, and they will tell you some things worth knowing about the Southern field and self-supporting mission schools in this field. They are working out problems in industrial education that will surprise and interest you, and possibly they will be instruments in the hands of the Lord to show others in what part of the vineyard he would have them work.

#### THE SOUTH

is at present the scene of some of the most interesting educational struggles. These struggles center, here as elsewhere, in the working out of a system of industrial schools.

#### THE NASHVILLE AGRICULTURAL AND NORMAL INSTITUTE

is training teachers and missionary farmers. It is training teachers to meet the needs of the great South. Its students, by establishing rural farm schools, are doing just what the South is calling for.

Concerning the teaching of this school the Testimony reads:—

“The class of education given at the Madi-

son school is such as will be accounted a treasure of great value by those who take up missionary work in foreign fields. If many more in other schools were receiving a similar training, we as a people would be a spectacle to the world, to angels, and to men. The message would be quickly carried to every country, and souls now in darkness would be brought to the light.”

#### THE LAY MEMBER

as well as the professional worker can find in this field a place for soul-winning. This is stated in the Spirit of Prophecy. If you desire to know what there is for you to do, and what you can do to advantage, you can profitably attend the August convention.

The Southern educational problem is one that should appeal to you. You are cordially invited to attend the convention. Remember the date, August 27-30, 1910. There will be a good crowd in attendance, hence if you care for accommodations correspond early with

E. A. SUTHERLAND,  
Madison Tenn.

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#### “MINISTRY OF HEALING”

Recently in reading “Testimony Vol. 9,” I have been much impressed with what has been said concerning this book and its place in the work in our conference.

Strong appeals have been made to our people in behalf of this gift of God for blessing and healing, both of soul and body. No mistake has been made in placing it before us and urging a well directed and united effort to place it in the hands and homes of the people.

We cannot charge God with folly in directing His servant to dedicate this precious volume to the medical work. The mistake that has been made is on the part of His people in not discerning the golden opportunity of laboring together with heaven in bearing this message of healing to a suffering world.

For years we have borne testimony that we had a message of health for the world and yet we have been slow to see in this book the very message.

Perhaps our dislike for going to the people as agents has hindered as much as any other one thing. We are all backward about carrying on an aggressive warfare. We are more use to and prefer the defensive side. The Christians armor, Eph. 6, provides not only for a shield and breastplate, but also for a sword. We must not be satisfied with the passive virtues; we must also cultivate the active virtues in our Christian experience. We are not to wait for the people to come to us and ask for this truth. We must carry it to them. The commission is "Go Ye."

The blessings occurring from the sale of this book are not all confined to the people who are in search of health. The Lord's plan is always that in blessing others; our efforts bless the givers also, thus our own souls will be watered and we will have a blessed experience and share, even here, in the showers of joy. Funds would be gathered which would greatly relieve our institutions, and not least of all many workers would in this way be developed for our regular book business.

The Lord is urging us forward in this noble work. I quote Vol. 9, p. 84, 85. "In such places as Southern California, where thousands of tourists, many of them in search of health and strength, are constantly coming and going, special efforts should be put forth to scatter the bright rays of light and truth. The books 'Ministry of Healing' and 'Christ's Object Lessons' are particularly adapted for us in tourist countries, and every thing possible should be done to place copies of these books in the hands of those who have leisure and are inclined to read. Especially do those who are seeking for restoration of health need the book 'Ministry of Healing,' every favorable opportunity for reaching this class is to be improved."

Please read the chapters in Vol. 9, "Camp-meeting and Publications," and the preceding one. Our people in Florida will understand these words because these conditions are seen perhaps more fully here than in any other place outside of southern California. All can see that this language applies when such conditions as we have in Florida prevail. Florida must be second, at least, in obligations to carry out these important instructions.

Can we safely neglect this God given work, and be clear in the judgement from the blood of those whom God is sending among us every year, and in the most favorable time of their life? Can we expect to hear the "Faithful Servant" and "well done" to "fall upon our ears as the sweetest music ever heard by mortal ears" if we put forth no effort? Can we "enter into" joy when no sacrifice has bound us to our Lord in ministering for souls?

Is not God placing golden opportunities before us in sending thousands of our fellow men

among us annually and at a time when their minds are most free from the cares and business of life?

We firmly believe that this is our opportunity for blessing souls. The resources of Florida are somewhat proportional to its relation to the more northern states. Florida looks for these openings. God has given us this advantage in working for these relief books.

The Medical Evangelistic and canvassing branches are united for a good strong effort to carry this work forward, and we urge our people to join hands and all unite in this noble work. It has been disclosed by the general body that if each member in our churches would sell two copies of "Ministry of Healing" and five LIFE AND HEALTH each year for three years, our health institutions would all be free from their load of debt. It has been voted that the denomination all over the United States unite in this campaign to this end. Will not our church elders and workers take the lead in this work? Take a day for its consideration. Read the chapters referred to in this article and encourage all our people to take hold with a will. We believe before spring our states can accomplish the task and join others in singing "Florida Free."

You may expect the hearty co-operation of the workers and call upon the canvassers for any help they may be able to render in giving selling points or general instruction. In the good providence we have here in this same field when these favorable conditions prevail, an institution situated as near ideal as nature can answer to the requirements of the instruction of the Lord, organized in harmony with the Union and general bodies, working in unison with the loyal sister institutions and blessing those who come within its influence. It is in every sense our institution. It is worthy of the loyal and hearty support of all our people. Not one single individual, but the cause in Florida is reaping the benefit of this place which was founded deep in the spirit of sacrifice. Its success is our success. Those who are working manfully and patiently to make it a blessing to the cause, are worthy of our hearty support and earnest prayers. They long, as we ourselves sometimes do, for a word of sympathy and assurance of appreciation. Let us not withhold that which will cost us nothing but a word that will rebound with blessings upon ourselves.

Let us unite our earnest prayers that God will bless those who are laboring early and late in this effort, and make this institution what He sees it can and should be—a praise in the earth.

Yours in the work,

W. L. BIRD, Field Missionary Agent.

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### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Although the Fireside Correspondence School is open to the admission of students every day in the year, it has been decided to have a

## SPECIAL OPENING

for the winter on October 3. The long winter evenings are the favorable time for many of our students to pursue their studies. It will be to the advantage of both student and the school to start the winter's work together.

## Terms

It has been thought best to make a slight advance in the rates of tuition, in order to give our students better service. But all who enroll before October 3, 1910, will be admitted at the old rates, which will be found in the calendars already distributed, and in a special insert in the new edition of our calendar just out. Those who enroll after October 3, will pay the new rates, which are found in the body of the new calendar. Understand that the tuition is the only feature of expense effected by this change. The matriculation fee, books, and postage remain the same.

## NEW STUDIES

In the new calendar will be found a description of six new studies to be offered this year; viz.: Second year New Testament Greek, first year Latin, Algebra, Stenography, Typewriting and office Routine, and Penmanship.

## INSTRUCTORS

Regular instructors in the various subjects have been chosen for the coming year. Their names are printed in the new calendar in connection with their subjects.

Send for a calendar, and tell your friends about our special opening.

Address:

FIRESIDE CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL,  
Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

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## RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GEORGIA CONFERENCE

1. Resolved:— That we express our gratitude to God for his fostering care and blessings, and that we pledge ourselves anew to Him for more aggressive service in the future.

Whereas, the Lord has graciously provided the facilities for training our young people in the establishment of the Southern Training School at Graysville, and,

Whereas, plans have been provided whereby our young people may earn the necessary means to meet the expense of attending this school through the scholarship plan, and,

Whereas, this plan gives to the persons who prosecute the same, an experience in meeting the general public and also insures a direct financial gain to the individual, in the 15% discount from the school charges, which is allowed every person who earns a scholarship through the sale of our subscription books and the ten-cent magazines, therefore,

2. Resolved:— That we, as a conference, urge upon those who should receive the training offered by our Training School at Graysville, the importance of taking advantage of the scholarship plan.

Whereas, the Lord has said, "To every man is given his work," and that there is work for our church members to do, therefore,

3. Resolved:— That we put forth special efforts during the coming year by visiting our neighbors, giving Bible readings, selling or giving away papers and tracts, and that we will as far as possible sell our good books; that we make an effort to bring at least one person into the truth the coming year, and if possible induce the same to attend the next camp-meeting.

Whereas, the General Conference has recommended a wide circulation of the book, "Ministry of Healing" on account of the great good that can be accomplished through the circulation of this most excellent book, and since the proceeds will be used for the relief of our Sanitariums, and the establishment of the Medical Missionary work, therefore,

4. Resolved:— That we, the constituency of the Georgia Conference, will, as soon as possible, arrange to enter upon this campaign in harmony with the following plan:

(a) Secure one copy of "Ministry of Healing" paying cash for the same.

(b) Use this copy as a sample from which to take orders until full quota of six books is disposed of.

(c) As soon as any book is delivered, the money received from its sale to be forwarded immediately to the conference treasurer, the conference treasurer in turn to forward the money to the Union treasurer.

(d) That the five copies of LIFE AND HEALTH be taken and sold as soon as possible, and this work continued until the full fifteen copies are sold and the money therefrom sent in.

(e) That the state missionary agent and ministers consider this campaign work as part of their responsibilities and do what they can for its furtherance.

(f) That local church elders be asked to keep the work prominently before their churches until each member has done his part, or until the church as a church has completed its full quota.

5. We recommend that a more earnest effort be put forth to get all our children and youth into our own denominational schools.

6. Resolved:— That we endeavor to maintain our record of 13¢ per week for missions and if possible to increase it. In view of the present urgent needs for homes and institutions in our mission field,

7. We recommend that our quota on the \$300,000 fund be made up as soon as possible and sent on to the General Conference treasurer.

8. Resolved:— That we improve to the best of our ability every opportunity of disseminating the principles of civil and religious liberty.

9. Resolved:— That we demonstrate our appreciation of God's manifold blessings in temporal matters by refusing, individually, to retain

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or use God's tithe for anything except His designated purpose.

Whereas, our conference year does not end at any regular time for which reports are made:

10. We recommend that the year end June 30, instead of July 31.

11. We recommend that the Executive Committee be empowered to locate the conference offices at some convenient place, as in their judgment would best serve the interests of the conference.

## NOTICE

South Florida Intermediate School will open Sept. 5, 1910. Students wishing to attend are urgently requested to arrange to be present on date of opening. For information, announcement, etc., address W. F. Martin, Fort Ogden, Fla.

B. D. GULLET, Principal.

## SOUTHEASTERN UNION CAMP-MEETINGS

FOR 1910

North Carolina, Kernersville, August 18-28.  
Cumberland, Chattanooga, Aug. 25-Sept. 4.  
Florida, October 13-23.

## Cash Statements of Funds Received by Treasure of Georgia Conference from August 1, 1909, to July 1, 1910

	Dr.	Cr.
Cash on hand August 1, 1909	\$13.69	
Cash in Bank August 1, 1909	336.81	
Cash in Bank Certificate	400.00	
Annual offering	103.23	103.23
\$8000.00 fund	5.00	5.00
Atlanta church repair	19.26	20.51
Aged and poor	8.99	10.24
Book profits	13.66	
Bills receivable		1000.00
California conference	260.00	
Canvassers fund	35.60	171.83
Donations	135.38	
\$300,000 fund	206.20	206.20
Expense, office		76.72
Emergency fund	165.33	207.72
Foreign missions	254.63	254.63
Georgia tract society	61.87	
Harvest ingathering	306.31	306.31
Ga. educational funds	3.00	5.45
Interest	12.40	21.00
India	11.70	11.70
Jewish	.25	.25
Mid-summer	43.60	43.60
Noslome mission	16.53	16.53
Negro mis. don. tuition, etc.	116.20	
Negro mis. appro. S. E. Union	1147.95	

Tithe on N. M. appro. S. E. union		100.00
Paid to colored laborers		1519.15
Paid to white laborers		4332.00
October collections	66.58	6.61
Religious liberty	13.00	31.00
Field Tidings	1.70	35.10
Sabbath-school donation	535.06	535.06
S. E. union conference appro.	1604.24	
Five per cent pub. house	254.78	
Union emergency fund	80.00	80.00
Wisconsin conferenc appro.	104.57	
Tithe S. E. union conference		687.45
Weekly offerings	127.75	127.75
Tithe, white	4213.84	
Tithe, colored	424.09	
Cash on hand, July 1, 1910		388.40
Cash in bank, July 8, 1910		399.49
Cash in bank, certificate		400.00
Total	\$11103.20	\$11103.20

## Comparative Statement

Tithe for eleven months \$4637.93 making an average of \$421.63 or tithe for year about \$5100.00.

1908 Tithe \$2198.93

1909 Tithe 3861.27

1910 Tithe 5100.00, a gain of \$2900.00 in two years.

Offerings

1908 \$417.97

1909 1319.72

1910 1690.26, for eleven months, but the

same ratio for twelve months would be \$1843.93 or a gain of \$1400.00 in two years.

Total gain in tithes and offerings for two years.

Tithe \$2900.00

Offerings 1400.00

Total \$4300.00

Tithe per capita \$19.00

Missionary offerings per capita per week, 13 cents.

HELEN D. DOWSETT.

## CANVASSING REPORT

Southeastern Union Conference for week ending

August, 13

Name,	Book,	Hours,	Value.	Del.
<b>CUMBERLAND</b>				
E. D. Haskel	CK	38	22.25	8.00
R. A. Judy	PPF	58	38.65	
A. D. Day	BFL	27	11.25	
J. F. Bartini	PPF	45	9.25	.75
S. F. Reeder	PPF	23	24.00	
Fred Meister 2 weeks	PPF	78	219.40	2.50
John Meister	PPF	32	38.75	1.50
Fannie Fine	COS	5	2.00	
<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b>				
W. E. Lanier	GC	34	87.50	5.50
W. H. George	GC	39	7.50	37.50
J. W. Siler	GC	35	5.00	35.75
G. L. Kerley	DR	48	52.75	.75
W. A. Morris	PPF	14	4.50	14.53
Mead Graham	CK	34	13.50	5.00
Hazel Graham	CK	32	20.50	2.50
Mrs. E. A. Wing	SofP	8	4.75	11.75
<b>GEORGIA</b>				
J. A. Kimmel	PGH	38	45.65	9.50
S. T. Walker	GC	14	38.20	
D. A. Fisher	GC	18	26.25	.50
<b>FLORIDA</b>				
Joseph Currier				20.00
R. Hubbell sr.	PPF	38	100.25	
R. Hubbell jr.	PPF	30	70.25	14.00
G. G. Green	CK	13	12.40	
C. A. York		45	18.00	
A. Orr	S of P	15	21.50	15.00
I. M. Haegart	Sof P	15	11.35	5.00
<b>Summary</b>				
Florida	Total	166	234.75	54.00
Georgia	Total	70	110.10	10.00
Cumberland	Total	306	365.50	12.75
North Carolina	Total	264	196.00	113.25
Grand Total		806	906.35	190.00