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IN THE FIELD ONCE MORE.

A full month has passed since I came home from Newton, to be surprised by finding both my boys ill. It has been a month of deep anxiety, and also one of blessed experience, as we have learned over and over again the lesson of saying, "Not my will but Thine be done." They are now both convalescent, and we praise our Father for His mercy. I have received some letters that have not been answered yet. Let this suffice for an explanation.

Some have inquired as to when I would visit the churches. I shall try to answer each letter personally; but will say now that I am planning to hold meetings at Ashboro for about a month, after which I shall endeavor to visit some in the Conference.

And now that I have thus told my plans, let me ask you, dear brethren, what are you planning to do in the great missionary campaign that is now in progress? Are you so busy with the cares of life that you have taken little time to work for the Master? Perhaps you will say, What can I do in this work? Of the many lines that could be mentioned, I will at this time speak of only one. In order to meet the demand of the hour and provide the very thing that is needed at the present time, the publishers of the *Watchman* have arranged

for some special issues to be used in missionary effort. It is sincerely hoped that all our people in the whole South will appreciate this effort to supply the necessary munitions of war, and will at once fall into line of battle and begin to use the prepared material. Most of all, I do hope that our dear brethren of North Carolina will not fall behind any of their neighboring conferences in the good work. These extra editions are to be published in October, and it is not too soon to begin to plan to use them. Do not pass this by lightly, but begin at once to get ready to use a goodly number. The usual discounts will be given to those who use them in quantities.

Do you say, How shall they be used? There are several ways. One most excellent way is to sell these special issues to the people. Another is to give them away or loan them to neighbors and friends. Any way to get them before the people. The people need them, and many desire these truth-laden pages. Do you not want the blessed experience of being the channel through which God will pour His truth? But, says one, there are so many who don't want the papers, and will not thank me for my interest in them.

What if this be so? It is the fish that are caught that the fish-

erman counts. He never pays any attention to the fish he doesn't catch.

Even so in this time when the Lord is calling for many fishers and hunters. It is the people who *do* appreciate the message that we should be thinking about. In order to co-operate with one another, and also to be in harmony with the general work, it is suggested that a missionary convention be held October 7, for the purpose of studying local needs and laying plans for the successful prosecution of the work. Programs for this will be found in the *Review*, also useful suggestions as to how the work can be made successful. May God bless our dear brethren in their labor for the Master.

T. H. J.

[Since receiving Eld. Jeys' article, word has come that his son George has had a relapse, and their little daughter is sick. We pray and trust that this may not prove serious.] J. V. B.

WHO WILL RESPOND?

"Heavenly angels have long been waiting for human agents—the members of the church—to cooperate with them in the great work to be done. They are waiting for you. So vast is the field, so comprehensive the design, that every sanctified heart will be pressed into service as an instru-

ment of divine power. Work, O work! keeping eternity in view. A great work is to be done. Let the prayer go forth from unfeigned lips, 'God be merciful unto us, and bless us, and cause His face to shine upon us; that Thy way may be known upon the earth, and Thy saving health among the nations'."

The above words should come to us as a call from the Lord to service, stirring every believer in the third angel's message to action. It is said that "every sanctified heart will be pressed into service as an instrument of divine power." The angels are waiting to co-operate with you. This means every child of God. "When God reveals a truth or a message to an individual, it then becomes an individual responsibility with that one to deliver that message to those whom it concerns." Not many who read these lines are so situated as to be able to leave home duties and devote their time to any special line of work, yet the Lord has a work for each to do. "Let those who desire to work for God begin at home, in their own household, in their own neighborhood, among their own friends."

Dear brethren and sisters, shall we not begin at once to do our appointed work? Do you ask, What can I do? There are many, many means for carrying the message for this time to the people. Just now our attention is being called to the special issues of the *Watchman* and the *Signs of the Times*. There will be four spec-

ial numbers, as follows: "The coming of the Lord," "The Sanctuary and the Judgment," "The Sabbath," and "Praise." Each number will be filled with pointed articles bearing on the topic under consideration, and it is probable that in no other form can so much truth be found in so small a compass. They will also be beautifully illustrated, and the publishers promise something unsurpassed by anything that has ever been gotten up before in this line.

The price is 20 cents per set; five sets or more, 15 cents per set; 25 to 500 sets, 10 cents per set. It will be well for the members of each church or company to club together and have their papers come in one package to one address. Order of this office, and make your order as early as possible, so that you may get your papers while they are fresh and up-to-date. The papers will come out in October, so it is none too soon to begin to plan for their circulation, that they may be distributed as far and wide as possible. "All God's biddings are enableings." Let us then go forward trusting the promise, "My word shall not return unto Me void."

J. V. B.

A CALL TO ACTION.

To-day calls are coming from every direction, "Come over and help us." You would be surprised to know how few respond, "Here am I, send me." Not all are called to go, neither are all called to remain at home; but the Lord *does call every one* to a post of ser-

vice somewhere.

We are all trying to reach the city of God; and all who love the truth should know by this time that the pathway upward isn't a paved one, with railing on either side and a strong breeze behind to help us along. No; and it never has been for Christians in the past.

The Word says, "Work out your own salvation." How? "With fear and trembling." Phil. 2:12. The first missionary to China prayed for a hard field, and he certainly found it. He prayed for a field in which he would have to labor under the most adverse circumstances, where the difficulties were almost insurmountable. It is good to know what a great work that man did. So let us not always pray for the easiest place. Let us remember the words found in the Scriptures, "As thy days, so shall thy strength be." Deut. 33:25. We shall reap in due season if we faint not. Gal. 6:7.

J. S. KILLEN,
Tacoma Park, D. C.

IN THE FIELD.

After leaving Wilmington on my way to attend our annual camp-meeting, I visited the Sabbath keepers at Lagrange, and held two meetings, with a good attendance of those not of our faith. From there I went to Hillsboro, where I held a few meetings with a good outside attendance. Bro. Bedford W. Ray, of that place, went forward in the ordinance of baptism. Leaving there I met with the Greensboro church Sunday night, going thence to visit

Bro. F. A. Slate and family. He and his wife and three children were baptized, also a brother some eighty years old, who has been a Sabbath keeper for some years. I next visited Eufola, where I found Eld. Johnston very busy with his school work. We trust that the work there may become firmly established, so that our youth may be enabled to get a good education, both in book learning and in mechanical lines.

From the camp-meeting I came to Hildebran, and commenced to hold meetings in the little chapel east of that place, built by Elder Shireman. The work here is not extensive, but is becoming solid. Souls are rejoicing in the faith. I was invited to hold some Sunday night meetings in our Hildebran church. The attendance from outside has been good, the other ministering brethren helping to break the Bread of Life. During a part of the week I go to Toluca, where Elder Shireman is building a large school home. I helped him some on the building, and held one meeting a week, with a good attendance and interest. The prospect for the upbuilding of the work there is good. A Sabbath school and Sunday school are conducted in the little chapel.

W. H. ARMSTRONG.

REPORTS FROM THE WORKERS.

Good reports are coming from our canvassers. Brother O. Steed has had some difficulties in getting settled in his new field at Albermarle, but he has filled one guarantee book, and writes for more. He says, "Please send me some guarantee books at once. I am getting along finely. The Lord

is blessing me. I am well and happy."

Sisters Brensinger and Hoke are located at Lenoir. Sister Brensinger writes: "We have had some good experiences since coming here. We find the people very kind and pleasant. I had a long talk with a First Day Adventist minister. He bought a "Coming King," of me at once for cash, invited us to his meetings, told the people who we were and about our work, and recommended our books to his congregation very highly. He wanted us to tell him about the Sabbath and other points of truth."

Bro. Earl Hahn sends in a good report from Toluca, and asks for territory for "Coming King."

Since the camp-meeting, besides getting settled again, I have spent two Sabbaths with the brethren at Newton, visited Hildebran and Hickory in the interests of the canvassing work, and spent two days with Bro. Steed in actual field work. We had a blessed time together. I have also canvassed two weeks alone, yet not alone; for the Saviour by my side has been the chief worker. I am glad to get back into the harness again.

Now, brethren and sisters, let us stick right to our business; let us keep up a steady march, remembering the apostle's motto: "This one thing I do." Even if we should work for one or two weeks without taking an order, shall we give up and go home? No, no; others have had more severe tests than this, and then became successful canvassers. Let us all remember the canvassers in our prayers, and let us who are in the field press right forward.

Your brother in the Master's service,

H. G. MILLER, *State Agent,*
Mooresville, N. C.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA.

Dear MESSENGER: It has been some time since I have written to you, but I hope this will atone for my negligence. It was a great disappointment to me to be kept at home from the camp-meeting by sickness, but "All things work together for good to them that love the Lord." This is true, and I try to make it seem so. I am getting quite strong again, and hope to attend the South Carolina camp-meeting.

Just before my sickness my wife and I made a visit to Graham county, where Bro. Mathe has located, also some friends from these parts. Bro. Mathe was in another neighborhood holding meetings, with a good interest. I was privileged to speak twice there to a goodly number, and the word was favorably received. The people seem very anxious to hear the truth. I visited a family lately from Cove Creek that had about decided to obey. I also held one service at Bro. Mathe's residence, which was well attended. Through Bro. and Sister Mathe's labors there, a young man and his wife have identified themselves with the truth. The harvest truly is ripe there. We felt well repaid for the hard trip through the country. On our way home we visited a man who, with his wife, has begun the observance of the Sabbath. This they had about decided to do before they left Cove Creek. May they remain firm to the end.

Our school will begin here shortly with Sister Mina Hildreth as teacher. We expect a prosperous school year. The Sunday school is still prospering, with an attendance of thirty or more. I ask the prayers of the brethren and sisters for the work here.

Bring me your budget of news soon. GEORGE CRAWFORD.

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NEWS AND NOTES.

"Christ is the source of all strength. He is the Vine, and we are the branches."

A severe hail storm recently passed through the vicinity of Spero. No standing crops were left in the neighborhood.

Bro. Charles Johnston, of South Dakota, has come to North Carolina for his health, and is stopping with relatives at Eufola.

Bro. John Hunter, of Iowa, has located at Hickory. Bro. Hunter is one of the four who some years ago made a tour of the South with the "Gospel Wagon."

Elder L. H. Chrisler visited Salisbury, Norwood, and Albermarle, last month. At the latter place he was granted the use of a schoolhouse, and the people seemed much interested.

We acknowledge with gratitude the generosity of Battle Creek, (Mich.) friends, who have, through the efforts of Eld. H. Nicola, donated an organ to the North Carolina Conference for the use of the Eufola church and school. The organ was given by Bro. Will Davis, while the Missionary Society pay for tuning, boxing, and freight.

The September number of *Life and Health* contains special practical information applicable in every day life. Some of the subjects are: "The Use of Flesh Foods," "Giving Up Tobacco," "Useful Hints for the Household," "How Much Water to Drink," "Lung Affections," etc. Regular subscription price 50 cents per year.

Dr. Albert Carey has accepted an invitation to connect with the Graysville Sanitarium as Medical Superintendent. Dr. Carey has earnestly labored during his stay at Hildebran to build up the work, and his efficient services will be greatly missed. We wish him success in his new field.

Mrs. W. H. Armstrong has been visiting home friends at Waynesville since the camp-meeting. Her brother, Archie, who had an attack of typhoid fever while on the camp-ground, is now slowly improving.

Brothers Marvin and Maitland Woodall have lately made a visit to their old home at Raleigh.

Send in your orders for the Sabbath school Lesson Quarterlies early.

Bro. W. L. Killen has accepted a position at the Nashville Sanitarium, and has accordingly moved with his family to that city. We understand that he is comfortably situated, and likes his new home.

None of our Sabbath school officers or teachers can afford to be without the *Sabbath School Worker*. This paper is surely worth more than the subscription price, 25 cents in clubs of two or more, or 35 cents in single subscriptions.

Brother and Sister Frank Paul have moved to Archdale, having bought the home of Bro. M. G. Creasey. Bro. Paul is a trained nurse, and will engage in that work as the way may open. Bro. Creasey bought a home just across the street, and has moved into it.

A CALL FOR PAPERS.

Those having nice clean copies of the *Watchman* to spare will confer a favor by sending them postpaid to Oscar Steed, Albermarle, N. C.

Tithe Receipts for August, 1905.

Eufola	\$ 6.35
Greensboro No. 1.	9.58
Greensboro No. 2.	4.00
Hickory	10.06
Waynesville	7.75
Winston-Salem	24.48
Individuals	84.52

Total, \$146.74

JESSIE V. BOSWORTH, Treasurer.

CANVASSING REPORT.

(For August, 1905.)

	Hs.	Value Ord.	Value Del.	Helps.
H. G. Miller	81	\$30.00	\$ 8.65	\$ 2.00
Oscar Steed	62	23.00	2.00	
A. E. Brensinger	44	30.00	2.50	
Carrie Hoke	44	10.00	1.50	
Earl D. Hahn	11	6.25	5.00	
Total,	242	\$ 99.25	\$ 20.25	\$ 2.00

H. G. MILLER, State Agent.