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## ★ Our Boys in the Service ★

### Youthful Minister in the Navy

On October 14, 1943, one of the young ministers of our church, Brother Everett D. Hellard, entered the Navy to render service to our country. Brother Hellard holds offices as First Mission Association League Evangelist, President of First Mission Association League, and President of our home League. Of course our church shall sense a great loss, but we feel God can use him there too.

Bro. Everett started his ministry in April of this year, bringing his first message at the home church. Thirteen (13) souls have found Christ under his ministry, and he was given his license when the First Mission Association convened this year at the Camp Ground and Old Ministers Home, between Drumright and Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

We would like to report a great success of our last Young Peoples Rally held at the Pretty Water Church near Sapulpa. Brother Everett opened the service with songs and prayer. Brother Rex Weatherman brought a very inspirational message on the subject, "The Tree That Does Not Bear Fruit Will Be Cast Down." Basket lunch was served at noon. Blue Bell Young People's League received both "The Program" and the "Largest Attendance" banners. BLUE BELL F. W. B. LEAGUE. League Sponsor, Mrs. Ann Thresher

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Rev. Everett D. Hellard

### Greetings From Missouri Leagues

To our dearly beloved men and women in the service of our great country, at home and abroad:

We have enjoyed one of the best associations on record. It was a spiritual uplift to all present. However, we missed each of you very much — you, who would have been there if circumstances would have allowed.

Special prayer was held in behalf of all those in the service of our country. Theorder of prayer was according to 1 John 5:14, with the hope of John 7:17, and the protection of Psalms 91. As we took sweet counsel together in the work of the Lord while at Monett, Missouri, it seemed good to send this word of good cheer to you. We are ever trusting that the home league and church will hold the fort and ever keep pressing onward, ever holding a glad welcome to you on that great home returning day under the guiding hand of God.

> Yours for the Kingdom Rev. Harry Beatty, Secretary of the Missouri State League Association

### The Christian's Weapons

Pvt. Clarence Hearron of Camp Crowder, Missouri, sent this to be read at the Arkansas State League Association as he could not be present. The Theme was "The Christian Army." This was read by Miss Martha White, young daughter of Brother J. E. White of Warren, Arkansas.

Soldiers, in order to give a good account of themselves in any battle, must have good weapons. The same holds true with the Soldiers of Christ, and God has not neglected us in that respect, "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds." (2 Cor. 10:4).

Now let's examine a few of our weapons. Love is a mighty good weapon. In fact, God is the author of love, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life," (John 3:16). In the parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus teaches that we should love, not only those dear to us, but also the downtrodden. All during His life on earth, He showed His love by healing the lame, sick, etc. In Romans 12:9-10, we find, "Let love be without dissimulation, abhor that which is evil, cleave to that which is good, be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love in honor preferring one to another."

Prayer is another wonderful weapon. Through prayer, we first become soldiers of the cross, "And I say unto you, ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall

find; knock, and it shall be opened unto For everyone that asketh receiveth: you. and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh, it shall be opened." (Luke 9:10). When Peter was in prison, prayer was the cause of his release. In Acts 12:5. "Prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him." And Acts 12:7, "And, behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison: and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands." "Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual, fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." (James 5:16).

The greatest of all weapons is the Word of God, "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of the soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the the intents of heart." thoughts and (Hebrews 4:12) "And out of His mouth geeth a sharp sword that with it He should smite the nations; and He shall rule them with a rod of iron; and He treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God." (Rev. 19:15). And to prove how well the Word of God can serve us, and the lasting qualities of this great weapon, we turn to Matthew 24:35, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away."

With these weapons and with God on our side, who can be against us?

### The Man At The Periscope

"DEJECTED" didn't quite describe the sailor who occupied the seat across the aisle from the woman in brown. As the train pulled away from the station she observed him more closely. Something puzzled and questioning in his face caused her to ask her Lord for guidance and an orportunity to talk with him. She tried several times to open the conversation, but the sailor ignored her. Finally she rose from her seat, crossed the aisle and sat down beside the young man. "I certainly do not relish this any more than you do," she began, "but I may never see you again, and I feel so strong an urge to talk to you that it would be disobedience to God if I failed to come over and at least make one more try."

"But I don't believe there is a God!"

"And I don't believe you," she replied calmly.

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"I guess I know what I believe!" he growled.

"Certainly! How long have you been in the Navy?"

"Five years," he answered before he realized it, then added grudgingly, "but what's that to you?"

"Five years sailing the sea! Then you know the moon controls the tides?"

"Sure!....And, strange enough, I've been thinking of that very fact this afternoon."

"Well, God made the moon, and He controls more than tides. He controls nations and individuals. He knows our thoughts, teo—and knows that you have been trying for years, but you still can't figure out why you are here. You *want* to believe there is a God."

Suddenly the young sailor turned to his unwanted companion. "That's the truth!" he exclaimed. "I've nearly gone crazy trying to figure, and I guess I would like to know if there is a God." He crossed his long legs and settled back as one ready to be bombarded with evidence of the existence of God.

The woman surprised him by saying, "Tell me some of the most exciting moments in your experiences at sea."

"I thought you were going to talk."

"After you! Do you think I am here to treat you as a child being given castor oil?" "I don't feel like talking. I was busy

thinking before you broke in." "Pardon! Forgive mc? I'll go back to my seat."

"Well," he cut in, "since you feel so personally responsible to God, I'll at least tell you of what I was thinking. You see, na'am, I'm a periscoper on a submarine, and one day a lady sent my pal a small magazine. He read it and got so dreamy I began to think something was the matter with him.

"'What's eatin' on you, Bob?' I said "He replied, 'Seven men go singing into Heaven.'

'Bob!' I yelled, 'Snap out of it! You're goin' coocoo. Take a turn at the peri.'

"He said, 'No, I'm not going coocoo. I think I'm goin' to Heaven. Read the story for yourself.' And then he got the copy of the little magazine and shoved it into my hand. "I read the story about the seven Russian prisoners who were condemned to death, but because one of 'em started praying and singing, they all became Christians, and sang as they were executed. I couldn't get the story out of my head.

"I guess there must be a real God trying to show me, because a few months later I was at the periscope and saw a British ship on our right and a German on the left at right angles....Well, the German ship let out a shell! It hit the side center of the British ship, and she began to throw up bow and stern and fold like a jackknife.

"I saw one of those English sailors stand there on the stern and extend his arms to the sky as if he were two years old and reaching for his dad! Then I magnified him in the periscope; he was stretching his arms to Heaven and smiling. The happiest man I ever saw!

"Then a wave swept him off, and the beat cracked up like a toothpick. But I found myself thinking, "That man went singing into Heaven, too, and yet you think those seven didn't.' We lowered, raced over near where the British boat had dropped, and came to the surface to pick up all we could.

"It was my turn to go up top to see what we had picked up; and there, stretched side by side, were two men. One was the very man I had seen smiling and so happy. The smile was still there, as if to prove something to me. I think God wanted me to confess that there is a God."

"Doubtless," agreed the woman, much moved by what she had heard, "and I think

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that God wants me to tell you the evidence. The good news for you is that Christ died for your sins according to the Scriptures; He was buried, He rose again; and offers Himself as your personal Saviour, because He settled your account with His own blood. Death was required, and death is what He paid—a wonderful price!"

While he sat deep in thought, she drew a New Testament from her purse, and together they read of Jesus. Then she quietly asked him, "Will you believe that God sent Christ to die in your place?"

"Yes, I will. Why should I hold out when all the evidence was laid out for me on the top of my submarine; and now yeu've come to talk to me exactly as I wanted someone to, since I read that story."

"I can see right now," smiled the sailor,

"that I'm going to be another to go singing into Heaven!" Then he bowed his head and reverently said, "Oh, God, I do believe! I confess Jesus as my Saviour! Give me a song!"

> — Evelyn M. McClusky From The Conqueror!

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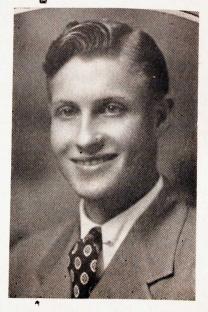
2 Peter 1:20, 21 — "Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost."

The Word of God tells you that -

#### You Need A Saviour

Isaiah 53:6 — "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all."

Romans 6:23 — "For the wages of sin is death ....."



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Romans 3:23 — "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God."

Psalms 51:5 — "Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me."

Galatians 3:22 — "But the scripture hath concluded all under sin ....."

The Word of Cod shows you the Saviour needcd.

Jesus Christ is that Saviour

Acts 4:12 — "Neither is there salvation in any other, for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

1. He is our Sin-Bearer — 1 Peter 2:24 — "Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed."

2. He is our Substitute — Isaiah 53:4, 5— "Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows; yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed."

3. He is our Redeemer — Ephesians 1:7 — "In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace."

Romans 3:24 — "Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus."

The Word of God also shows you -

#### How to make Christ your own personal Savicur

1. Believe — Acts 16:31 — "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house."

John 3:16 — "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, tut have everlasting life."

2. *Receive* — John 1:12 — "But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name."

Isaiah 1:18 — "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

3. Trust (or confess) — Romans 10:9, 10-

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salavation."

John 3:36 — "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life ....."

Won't you believe on Christ right now? "For by the grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not by works, lest any man should boast."—Eph. 2:8, 9.

Won't you become a child of God now? "For ye are the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus."—Gal. 3:26.

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### The Doctrine of Sanctification

Part I. Human Requirements Rev. John B. Rollins, Monett, Missouri

Text: 1 Peter 3:15 — "But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts."

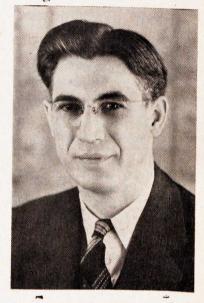
This message is to be in two parts: The first dealing with the human requirements, and the Message to follow in the next issue of The Gem will be the Divine work.

In the New Testament, the Greek word, 'agios in its various forms, is rendered "holy", "holiness", "sanctify." Like the Old Testament word, qodesh, it signifies "to set apart for God." In the New Testament, the word is used inter-changeably as "holy" and "sanctify." For example: "the holy city" of Matthew 4:5 and "that which is holy" of Matthew 7:6 is rendered "sanctify" in Matthew 23:17; and, in various other New Testament texts. Sanctification or Holiness is a very prominent doctrine and is one that is very grossly misunderstood. After a person becomes a Christian, it is expected of him that he live a holy life, and the Lord has made provisions whereby he may do this for Satan cannot present any temptation but what the Lord provides a way of escape; and a Christian may, with the Lord's help, live a victorious, overcoming life until there be no condemnation resting upon him because he is .hid away in Christ. Many Christians seem to fall short of a victorious life and seem to delight themselves with the make-belief that it is impossible to live without "sinning a little every day." These may take warning for "sin is of the Devil" and "Ye cannot serve two masters." Were Jesus on earth, today, He would be forced to say as He did to the unbelieving Pharisees, "Ye do err not knowing the scriptures neither the power of God."

To give heed to the doctrine of holiness as it is pointed out in the scriptures, we want to point out two great facts which Sanctification *is not*.

#### Sanctification Is not A Baptism Of The Holy Ghost

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#### Rev. John B. Rollins

Holy Ghost, however, According to Eph. 4:5, there is "Cne Lord, one faith, one bapt'sm." The one all-sufficient baptism is Spirit baptism; for, in 1 Cor. 12:13, Paul tells us "For by one Spirit are we baptized into one body." We see that the Spirit baptism places a person into the body which is Christ, as 1 Cor. 12:12 sets forth the statement that the body is Christ. If a person is in Christ, he is there by an opera. tion of the Holy Ghost; and, as Paul further taught in Romans 8:9, "Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His." If one have not a baptism of the Holy Ghost, he is just simply outside Christ and does not belong to Christ. Jesus, himself. taught that to be born again is to be born of the Spirit. So one cannot be saved or regel erated without coming into the Truth of this great doctrine. Regarding the oper tion of the Holy Spirit, regeneration or onversion is the time when one is baptized of the Spirit into Christ and there are many over-coming promises made to those who are in Christ. For example:

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"There is, therefore, now no condemnation to them which are in Christ, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." Romans 8:1.

#### Sanctification Is Not A Second Definite Work Of Grace

Sanctification is not a second definite work of Grace, it is a work of Grace, however. Conversion is a definite work of the Grace of God. When one is converted today, he does not need to come again tomorrow and be converted again. It is a definite work. Jesus said, "Ye must be born again", but He did not say, "Ye must be born again, and again, and again." We Free Will Baptists, who believe in and practice backsliding, are inconsistent when we talk of those who have been converted again.

Sanctification is not a second work of Crace because there is no second work. It is all one work. It is a continuation of the work of the Grace of God, and it is not definite because it is a continual thing and must be the principle of our life every day as in the case of the Apostle Paul who died daily in order that Christ may live in him.

#### What Sanctification Is

If we were living in Moses day, we would have a commandment of the Lord to "Sanctify unto me all the first born — both of man and of beast." Exo. 13:2. The people were called upon to sanctify all first born, and to set it apart for holy use and to make it holy for a holy cause.

A city who feared the coming of the Prophet, Samuel, cried out at his coming, "Comest thou peaceably?" And he said, "Peaceably: I have come to sacrifice unto the Lord. Sanctify yourself and come with me to the sacrifice." 1 Samuel 16:5. The people were called upon to give themselves over for holy service.

The Apostle Paul told the Christian women to sanctify their unbelieving husbands, and told the Christian men to sanctify their unbelieving wives in the case of of a divided home regarding Christanity. Thus, the Christian member of the home is to commit the non-christian to the keeping of God, to lay them on the altar, as it were, with a plea for God to work the work of Grace upon them and cause them to become Christians. As in our Text, Peter commanded the Christians to "sanctify the Lord God in their hearts." 1 Peter 3:15.

These scriptures show that the great doctrine of sanctification cannot be the baptism of the Holy Ghost nor a second definite work of Grace because men are commanded to give it to men and beasts. They are told to work that work upon themselves and upon one another. And they are told to sanctify the Lord Jesus.

When we yield ourselves completely and wholly unto the Lord, the Lord does bless every sanctified soul. Many Free Will Baptists are denying themselves the blessing which the Lord would so graciously bestow upon them if they would only yield them. selves, their possessions, their families, and their kinsmen on the altar of service making themselves holy, cleansing themselves of all that is worldly so as to be a vessel fit for the Master's use. God is honoring and blessing people of holiness faiths even though they are a bit inconsistent in naming the great doctrine. Yet, they yield themselves to the Lord and are receiving His blessings, for God will bless anybody who will thus yield themselves to God.

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### Investments

#### Dr. John H. Wolfe, Pawnee City, Nebraska

The two Great Questions for us all are, "What wilt Thou have me BE?" and "What wilt Thou have me DO?" In answering the first one, most of us have settled that question by saying, "We are His Servants."

Take a look up in that Upper Room where the Disciples have met at the command of their Lord. They were there "In one place in one accord" talking with God - that is, praying. Prayer has three elements-Adoration-Thanksgiving-Petition. For what were they waiting? The baptism of the Holy Ghost for SERVICE, and when that came what was expected? RESULTS, and they came by adding to the church 3000 saved souls. When we meet in our Prayer Meetings, are we expecting RESULTS? Those who met in that Upper Room made an INVESTMEST in 3000 souls who would go out to the uttermost parts of the world to add to the Investment of those who preached the Gospel that FIRST GLAD DAY.

Peter and John met the lame man on their way to prayer and stopped long enough to make an Investment of "Such as we have." O brethern, may we too take out some stock as an Investment giving even the little of such as we may have! It will be working 365 days in following years long after the Lord has said unto us, "Come up higher."

I prize a few Investments made during my years in the ministry. One of the many is that of a 10 year old boy in the Lincoln, Nebraska Free Will Baptist church, whom I saw converted, baptized, received into the church and extended the Right Hand of Fellowship. I cannot become the National Organizer in the Young Men's Christian Association but Earl, my Investment can and has. Then there were two orphan children who after our going from the Lincoln church, they would come to spend the summers with us. I cannot stand in the pulpits of some of those large Methodist churches and proclaim the unsearchable riches of Jesus Christ, but Clyde, my Investment can stand there for me. And his sister is at present head of the Womans Department of the Great Union Pacific Railroad with headquarters in Omaha, Nebraska, where my Investment is being used to help thousands to a higher life. True, most of us are not able to take out large Bonds for Investment but "such as we have" may be expended to widen our sphere of usefulness, letting even the little be multiplied to give Him Glory. We may have but one talent—use it in teaching. Let it be multiplied in Investment in others as we prayerfully dedicate ALL to Him.

What a lesson we have in the subject of Investments in the case of Saul of Tarsus and Ananias! Saul, starting out with all the authority to bind those who professed to be followers of the Christ and was met on the road to Damascus with all the fire and zeal to fulfil his mission. What a meeting! "What wilt Thou have me do?" was settled shortly when Christ said, "Go and there would be a man who would give sight, etc." Christ could have told Saul just what He wanted of him but He wanted Ananias to have an Investment in Saul. Me thinks that the sweetest words ever



Dr. and Mrs. John H. Wolfe

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heard up to this time, that Saul had heard were "Brother Saul" coming from one who was listed in Saul's cruel list to bind. Anyone richer than Ananias? Make the Investment and leave it "In Trust" with others and the Master.



### First Anniversary Gift Expressions

#### Rev. J. R. Davidson, Business Manager, Free Will Baptist Bible College 3609 Richland Avenue, Nashville (5), Tennessee

According to promise I am coming to our people with an itemized report of the Anniversary gifts sent in to the Free Will Baptist Bible College.

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Tennessee	13.00
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I feel that \$584.14 is a right nice expression of thanksgiving for our First Anniversary, however we readily recognize the fact that, had all who were given the privi-



Rev. J. R. Davidson

lege to express their thanks for the occasion had done as much as these few, the figures would have run in thousands instead of hundreds. We would not like for any one to get the idea that we are complaining about this response, for the Lord has blessed this institution even beyond the Bible measure, for which we are very grateful. Yea, we thank the Lord and our brethern who have proven to be good colaborers.

Possibly the \$106.54 should not have been considered as an Anniversary Offering, however one of the students, Rev. Rashie Kennedy, brought it in just at the right time to get in on this. We wished to give some special mention of this which was done by this Union on the appeal of one of the students, hence we thought it would be nice to get it in this classification.

Many thanks to all the good friends for all that you have done, what you are doing, and what you plan to do in the future. Should any one discover an error in this report I shall be very happy to correct it. Should there be gifts which have been sent in as Anniversary Gifts, and which do not appear in this report, I shall be happy to publish necessary corrections. May the richest of God's blessings rest on every one who makes any type of contribution to this great cause.

We are happy to report the fact that the school is progressing nicely with almost a capacity enrollment. Keep the school on your prayer lists.

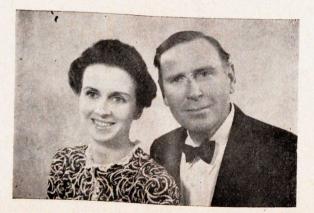


## The Cuban School of Missions

Rev. T. H. Willey, Missionary, Pinar Del Reo, Cuba

We want you to share with us in the good news. Truly we have reason to rejoice in the marvelous way God is placing His approbation on our work in Cuba. When we came back in September, our people made it possible for Brother Davis to send us a check for \$1000 with which to purchase a farm as a center for our Cuban Bible Seminary. A few days after

arriving home, we found the property at a reasonable price and closed the deal without delay paying \$800. The property consists of about 18 acres, has 550 orange trees that, with care, will be a source of income for the school. There are about 200 palm trees which are very valuable to us as the roofs of our buildings are made from the palm tree leaves, while the berries



Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Willey

are used to fatten hogs. We are now paying 25 cents per pound for lard, so this will take care of a large item in feeding our students. The produce already planted had to be settled for with the former tenant so we purchased his share for \$100, consisting of sweet potatoes and yuca (like an Irish potato) including bananas and other fruit. We are just now in a good season of the year to begin sowing and planting for the local market.

Our plan is that the boys study and be in classes half a day and the remaining hours cultivating and thus paying their way to a large extent. Some of the boys are already on the farm working. On purchasing the farm, we began at once cutting the timbers for a building that would be inexpensive but suitable for a dormitory. Our principle, Joshua, with our pastors and students have been coming in relays in an effort to get the first building up, and have been living under very adverse conditions, sleeping on the ground, eating sitting around an open fire, laboring in the rain and mud without murmuring so that I have been led to love them and admire them the more.

The farm is out seven kilomitros from the city of Pinar, costing but ten cents by bus, and close enough that with horses and a wagon we can haul our needed supplies out from town. The present house which we are building will cost us between \$100 and \$150, as we must lay a cement floor. What we want to do, as soon as possible, is to build three buildings of equal size, 25 by 40 feet. The main timbers must be squared by hand in order to combat the very high cost of timber and nails. We plan to build the walls of mud or adoby. We hope later to burn our own brick for the more perminent buildings.

There are constant reasons for praise in the way God is answering prayer for us through our faithful helpers in the States. Monday, all day, one or the other of us expressed our need of a team of oxen. I told our pastor, Oliva, when he returned to Vinales to look up a yoke and we would trust God for the money. That night on arriving home there was a check from Brother Davis for the oxen, sent in by Brother Bruce Barrow's Churches, Kinston, N. C., and Elm Grove Church. Brother Bruce and his people have had a great part in helping in many of our vital needs. When we needed horses, they bought a horse and saddle.

The following day, Oliva returned and said, "I can get a very fine yoke of oxen if we can get the money." Praise the Lord! We could say here is money.

We want you to know of some of our vital needs. First we shall be compelled to build, as the money comes, various buildings similar to the one being constructed now and other outbuildings. We must buy pigs and cows, wagons and implements. We are expecting a cabinet maker to be with us as a student. He will build most of our furniture but still there are many things like beds and mattresses.

Later, when the weather is more favorable we are expecting a number of visitors down, pastors who are interested in the work. We want to use them in revival work over the fields. We are praying and

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laboring to get the school started the first. or the middle of November. If you want a building put up as a memorial advise us. People pay immense sums for monuments such as tomb stones. These buildings we hope shall be part of the great living stone from which shall spring a host of worthy Cuban young people. The greatest need of all is your prayers. To our friends who have been sending Postal Money orders, I am suggesting that instead of sending to Cuba you send such to Dr. Lydia Mason, 120 N. W. 8th Ave., Miami, (36), Fla. This will be deposited so that we might make necessary purchases in the States. Dr. Mason is my sister and will handle very carefully these donations. Send the Money Orders or checks in her name, stating the purpose, then at the same time write us that we might keep in touch with you from Cuba.

Again we wish to thank you and pray God's richest blessings on each of you. MO. Treas. Report

NATIONAL	FOREIGN	MISSION
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Receipts for the month of September

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Missouri	\$	571.56
North Carolina		293.95
Michigan		121.43
Texas		71.26
South Carolina		52.00
Illinois		21.90
California		10.50
Tennessee		9.00
Georgia		8.40
Ohio		5.00
New Mexico		5.00
West Virginia		3.20
National Treasurer F. S. Vanhoose		211.06
National Womans Auxiliary		99.44
Sale of missionary pictures		2.00
Total	\$1	,485.70

Winford Davis, treasurer

### A Description of Cuba, A Missionary Heritage

#### Rev. George Waggoner, Student in Our Bible College

Cuba is a small island at our own "back door." The Island is about seven hundred miles in length, extending nearly east and west; it varies from a few miles to ninety or one hundred in width. It takes only ninety minutes by air to reach Havana, on Cuba's northern coast, from Miami, Fla., flying in a southwestwardly direction. Or, if the trip is made by ship, the approximately three hundred miles is covered in about sixteen hours. So we see that Cuba is very near our own country, and yet it is very "foreign" to us.

The Island was discovered in 1492, the same year our country was. It was settled about 1511 by a very low class of people. Its 4,200,000 people are today ruled by a republican form of gevernment, with a president elected every six years. There are a few pure-blooded Spanish people, but the majority of people are of mixed blood. Because of this fact and their background of Roman Catholic faith, the people are very hard to reach with the gespel. However, during the past two generations many of the people have turned from their Roman Catholic faith. The sad part about this is that they have turned to nothing, since the other four Church faiths working there seemed to offer them very little. Because of this the people on the whole have little or no religious convictions. So we see that Cuba is badly in need of the gospel. One half the people of the Island have never heard the "goodnews" and they are awaiting the message from our Christian nation.

We, as Free Will Baptists, have done much to supply the need there during the past year, and this is just the beginning. At present we are concentrating our efforts in the westernmost province of the seven into which the Island is divided. There are six native preachers and one Bible weman besides our own missionaries there. (Bro. and Sister Willey), that are giving their life to help evangelize this "dark province." The neglected areas northeast and southwest of the town of Pinar del

Rio are now receiving the most attention.

Bro. and Sister Willey live in Pinar del Rio which is between the mountains on one side and the swamps on the other. With this as the center of activity, the Willeys have worked outward and have established five Free Will Baptist Churches, centaining seventy-six baptized believers and one hundred ninety-one converts awaiting baptism. There are forty-two preaching points in addition to these organized churches.

Sortheast from Pinar del Rio is an unorganized church by the name of Vinales. Pedro Olivia ministers to the congregation here and at three other places. A full line of work is carried on including a Sunday afternoon Sunday School of thirty members, a young peoples society which meets on Friday night, and a Tuesday night prayer meeting service.

Esperanza is another church in this locality. It is located on the coast. The shepherd of the little flock here is Pedro Rojo. He also ministers to five other congregations, covering an area of five square miles.

South of the Central station is a place called San Andres with Santiago Delgado as its pastor. He has five other places to preach, extending over a territory of fifteen miles. In each of these instances every station is serviced weekly. This is true of all cur work there.

Another unorganized congregation is located at La Palma, even farther into the

#### Butler-Dunn Theology

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mountains than the ones just mentioned. There is nothing being done in this town of 1500 except the work of Mrs. Maximina Sanchez our Bible women. The fact that she is a widow with four children, (now cared for by relatives), does not hinder her from working an area of fifteen miles. She has no horse but travels to each appointment on foot. This earnest zeal of hers is characteristic of all Christian converts there.

Southeast of Pinar del Rio the land slopes off to a level and resembles Eastern North Carolina. Five organized churches are located in this territory. They are Esmerales, San Juan, Reo Seco, Martinez, and San Luis.

Blass Serrano pastors the people at Esmerales and four other groups including an unorganized congregation at Sablo. Esmerales has twenty-six members and fifteen probationers. A growing Sunday school of fifty members and a young peoples work of forty is found here.

San Juan, with twenty-four members, carries on a full program of Sunday school work, prayer meetings, and young peoples work, under the leadership of Luis Dias. Bro. Dias also preaches to seven other church groups, including the churches at Reo Seco and Martinez.

Bro. Melvin had the privilege of organizing the Reo Seco congregation with fourteen members on February 12th of this year, and Martinez the following day with nine members. Each of these groups are very poor. The former does not have a church building but holds its services in the open yard. The latter group, all workers under a large land owner, have had to hold their services in the middle of the road because of the unfriendliness of their landlord to their Christian faith. However, he has recently given them permission to build a chapel and to worship on his land.

Probably the most outstanding native preacher is Julio Zohonet, pastor of the church at San Luis. A Free Will Baptist Association was organized on February 14, 1943, at Bro. Zohonet's church. (He showed his ability in making plans, by securing this place for the meeting of the group there and by arranging for them while they were there.) Bro. Zohonet's church has but five members and thirty-five proFree Will Baptist Gem

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bationers but bids fair to become one of Cuba's outstanding churches. He is leader of a prosperous group of people with a Sunday school of twenty-two members and a young peoples organization. We need to pray that this wonderful man will keep hemble.

Prayer is also needed for all of Cuba. There is a serious unrest there and no one knows exactly what is at the bottom of the whole affair. The army and police are always on the lookout and "cover" every place of importance, looking for something. A drastic change in political affairs might hinder our missionary work decidedly.

We are doing work among all classes of peeple. No strict racial lines are recognized but all alike need the gospel and receive it with equal faith. One man walks fifty miles to hear Bro. Willey preach once a month. People sit for hours on hard benches listening to the gospel proclaimed and they do not tire. The converts are not very emotional but when they have once made up their minds and have been converted, nothing can change them. They live a life much more sacrificial and consecrated than we do. Single men get filteen dollars and married men receive twenty-five a month for their ministry. These things show us we have gone a long way in a short time in the matter of achieving results through missionary endeavor.

However, much more needs to be done. We have only touched the surface.

Our opportunity to prove to God and man that we are evangelistic minded and interested in lost souls is at hand. Several horses and saddles are needed. Thousands are awaiting the message. Shall we take it to them? Let us not sit idly by while our neighbors perish without the Saviour.

## The National Association Enterprise Department

## The National Executive Secretary at Work

My work as Executive Secretary of the National Association of Free Will Baptists has been very pleasant and profitable. The plan of work was established under the able direction of my predecessor, Rev. L. R. Ennis. It has been my task to continue the good work he started and to improve upon it if possible.

A detailed account of all my activities are kept up to date. I shall speak in general terms that you might know the trend of things. This report is from July 16 to October 1, 1943.

I have held four revivals and have seen souls saved and join the Church. I have attended 16 local and State Associations and Conventions, and have presented the National Associational program. I have placed a few penny-a-day-stickers for the Unified Program. Even though I am not a collecting, but a promoting agent for the denomination, I have collected for all purposes and phases of the work to the amount



Rev. Robert B. Crawford

of \$1,647.21. None of this amount represents a promise, or the placing of Annual Endowment check books. I have handled this amount and the same has been turned over to the proper persons. I have preached in a number of local churches and presented our work, as a result, I have collected money and souls have been saved.

I am happy to say that all the State Associations I have attended, or have heard from, have adopted the plan of work of our denomination and resolutions approving and pushing the National Association were enacted. Contributions have been made by all State Associations for departments of the work.

I had a pleasant time in East Texas. The work is improving there and they are pushing the National Program. My visit to North Carolina was most pleasant. A fine spirit of brotherhood and fellowship prevailed in the State Association. I attended the Eastern and Central divisions of the Woman's Auxiliary of North Carolina. Really, the wongen turn out and bring grand reports to the Conventions. They have good plans for the future. They are due praise. My visit to the Church at Davis, N. C. was interesting to see the efficient way in which they carry out the Sunday School. The Church at large is deing good work. We have a fine Institution in the Orphanage at Middlesex, N. C. Watch the papers and you will say so also. We really have something to be proud of in The Free Will Baptist Press at Ayden, N. C. We have a fine building, a good staff that is working hard. Congratulations and blessings to them.

All reports from the National Board Chairmen are good. Good work is being done by each of them. I have need for your prayers and continued support. I thank one and all for the fine response thus far.



### History of Bethel Free Will Baptist Church

#### MacArthur, West Virginia

On the evening of March 12, 1939, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Paisley, a group of Christians met and organized The Bethel Baptist Church. The original membership of fourteen were: Mrs. Mae French, Rev. D. W. French, Gene' Whitely, Mrs. Merle Whitley, Charley Martin, Mrs. Bessie Cook, Roy Deck, Mrs. Myrtle Deck, Bert Aidridge, Mrs. Gladys Aldridge, Glen Paisley, Mrs. Thelma Paisley, Charley Widener, and Mrs. Dorothy Widener.

Rev. D. W. French was elected Pastor for twelve months. The deacons elected were: Charley Martin and Bert Aldridge. Trustees: Rev. D. W. French, Glen Paisley, and Roy Deck. Church Clerk, Mrs. Gladys Aldridge. Church Treasurer, Mrs. Merle Whitley.

The church lot was given by the Beaver Ccal Corporation, through the cooperation of W. M. MacTaggart and L. H. Davis. Breaking the ground for the foundation started June 18, 1939, and construction on the church building began July 11, 1939. The building was completed at a cost of al-proximately \$2500.00, December 23, 1939.

The building was under the supervision of a building committee namely: D. W. French, Roy Deck, Bert Aldridge, Glen Paisley, and Charley Martin.

The money for building the church was raised by free-will offerings through a financial committee composed of fourteen members which were: Robert Doan, Charley Martin, Glen Paisley, Mrs. Thelma Paisley, Bert Aldridge, Mrs. Gladys Aldridge, Orville R Phillips, A. E. Whitley, Mrs. Merle Whitley, Charley Widener, Mrs. Charley Widener, John Isom, Mrs. Bessie Cook, and Roy Deck.

Sunday School was organized on the 1st Sunday in September 1939, with 46 enrolling.

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### EDITORIAL

### MISSOURIS INTEREST IN TENNESSEE'S ORPHANAGE

Free will Baptists in the state of Missouri have, at various times, expressed a very sincere interest in the Free Will Baptist Orphanage in Greenville, Tennessee. This expression of interest has taken the form of gifts of various kinds including one \$250 cash gift with many other cash offerings, quilts, barrels of fruit, and other domestic supplies.

Recently, the Free Will Baptist Church of Aurora, Missouri, learned of the desire of Rev. Paul Woolsey, superintendent of the orphanage, to purchase a new farm tractor for the institution; and, upon Brother Woolsey's suggestion that one hundred churches giving \$15 each would make it possible for him to purchase a tractor with all necessary attachments, the Aurora church immediately responded with a \$15 cash offering for this purpose.

The church in Aurora is under the pastorial care of Rev. Winford Davis and has a small membership, but the zeal for the cause runs high.

There is a new development taking shape in that the board representing the Tennessee Orphanage has passed on the application for two Missouri orphan children to enter the home. These children live in Monett, Missouri, and their parents were members of the Free Will Baptist Church of Drumright, Oklahoma. As soon as the final details are finished, the children will be on their way to the Free Will Baptist Orphanage in Tennessee. This will serve as a greater tie with both Oklahoma and Missouri to the orphanage in Tennessee.

The Lord has wonderfully blessed in the establishment of the orphanage in Tenaessee, and the institution is being conducted to His praise and to the benefit of "one of the least of these."

### WANTED-A CHURCH

The Free Will Baptists of Chesapeake, West Virginia, are contemplating the construction of a new church building. They are in search of a set of blue-print plans for a church building similar to the one pictured here. This plea comes from sincere tolk who will gladly pay for any acceptable plans any Gem reader may furnish, or advise where such plans may be secured.

Address all communications to Eugene E. Hoover, Box 234, Chesapeake, W. Va.



#### Church Plan Desired

### SUB. PRICE INCREASED

The Board of Trustees of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptists met in The Gem office on Tuesday afternoon, October 19, to consider some vital business interests for the Missouri State Association. Among some of the things that were done, the subscription price for the Gem was raised to \$1 per year to become effective January 1, 1944.

We would urge everyone, who would like to secure the subscription of a friend at the present rate of 75 cents per year, make haste to do so before the increased price comes into effect. Anyone, who is already a subscriber and they know that their subscription will expire soon, may be priviledged to renew at the 75 cent rate if they will do so before January 1. But, in doing this, please give your key number as it appears on the wrapper of The Gem when the postman brings it to you.

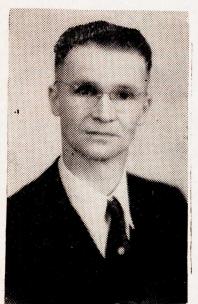
We would like very much to build the subscription list up, and we are asking our friends to assist us by inviting their friends to subscribe to The Gem.

CATLETTSBURG, KY. Concluding a seventeen-year pastorate at the Sandy City Free Will Baptist Church in odrer to  $d\epsilon$ vote his entire time to the field of evangelism, Rev. Lawrence E. Colliver of Catlettsburg will inaugurate his evangelistic work with a series of revival messages to be held at the England Hill church beginning Sanday night, Oct. 3, at 7:30 o'clock and continuing nightly for two weeks.

Rev. Colliver will be succeeded as pastor at the Sandy City church by Rev. Jay Duvall.

Rev. Colliver was born July 7, 1899, in Owingsville, Ky., the eldest of nine children. He is a son of Robert and Annie Colliver. In August 1915 at the age of 16 years, he came to Ashland to work in the stave business and was married on April 5, 1917.

He was converted on Feb. 11, 1919, in the Sandy City Methodist Church under the preaching of Rev. H. R. Bennett, and he was baptized by Rev. Bennett on Feb. 20, 1919. On the third Sunday night in



Rev. L. E. Colliver

November, 1921, he preached his first message in the Sandy City Free Will Baptist Church, where he has been pastor. He held his first revival in February and March, 1924, at the Sandy City Free Will Baptist Church. It lasted six weeks and resulted in 68 conversions. In his early Christian experience he served the Sandy City church as clerk for 6 years, and as assistant pastor for 4 years. He concluded his seventeenth year as pastor of the church this week. — News Clipping.

### SUPERANNUATION IN MISSOURI

The Missouri State Association has all details planned for the launching of the Protective-Benevolent Superannuation Service to all Free Will Baptist ministers through its Board of Superannuation which met in The Gem office Monday night, October 18. The purpose of this meeting was to have a full and complete interpretation of the program so that all advocates of the program will be "speaking the same thing."

Literature will soon be prepared and sent to each minister in Missouri. This will include a questionnaire. The Board of Superannuation urges that each minister fiil out the questionnaire promptly and send it to the Chairman of the Board. Some of our Missouri churches have already made substantial cash donations to the Superannuation Program, and it appears very favorable that success is imminent.

The Chairman of the National Board of Superannuation attended the Oklahoma State Association for the purpose of encouraging them to establish a state controlled Superannuation Program in Oklahoma. We have not learned of his success, but we are very hopeful.

### FRONT PAGE PICTURES

We are glad to offer the opportunity to any church in our denomination to utilize the front cover of The Gem for publicity in the capacity of a picture. The picture need not be of the church building, itself. However, pictures of church buildings do make a nice front cover. It may be pictures of outstanding enterprises such as a group picture of a Sunday School class, a baptismal scene, or any picture of high interest to the church.

We are watching the progress of the Free Will Baptist Church of Fredericktown, Missouri, in its construction of a fine stone church building. As soon as this building is completed, we have been promised a picture for the front page by its pastor, Rev. F. C. Zinn, Brother Zinn's church can only utlize the front cover for one issue. and we desire a picture for every issue.

It is our plan and purpose to ask the church supplying the picture for the front cover to pay the actual engraving cost of the picture which is \$3. We have been very fortunate in all the months past in that some one has utilized the front cover, presenting a fine picture. We wish to thank all our people for this co-operation as we solicit other people for the same fine co-operation.

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Bert Aldridge elected Sunday School Superintendent. Miss Stella Deck, Secretary and Treasurer. Teachers were: Bible class, Mrs. Merle Whitley; Young People, Roy Deck; Intermediate, Orville R. Phillips; Juniors, Mrs. Gladys Aldridge; and The Card Class, Miss Kathleen Bare.

The Bethel Free Will Baptist Church was dedicated, free of debt, the second Sunday of August 1940, with an all day service and dinner on the grounds. There were approximately one thousand people attending. The Rev. Jeff Thomas, age 79, of Charleston, West Virginia, preached the dedication sermon.

The church since this time has grown both in membership and in fellowship. Founded upon the solid rock which is Jesus Christ the Saviour of the World.

### Annual Report of the Tennessee Orphanage

INCOME	0
Cash	\$6687.61
Ciothes Money	660.89
Commodities	1267.52
TOTAL	\$8616.02
DISBURSEMENTS	
Cash	\$5951.39
Clothes	660.89
Commodities	1267.52
TOTAL	\$7879.80
Brought Forward	\$344.04

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### POEMS

Rev. T. H. Newsome, Springtown, Tex.

God's Word

It is the Holy Spirit's sword, Keen as a rapier's blade;

A two-edged sword, God's Holy Word, Wielded in every raid.

It is an anchor to the soul, Firm, sure and steadfast; Though angry billows round me roll, I'll weather any blast.

It is a beacon light to guide, Me over death's cold stream; I'll safely reach the other side, Directed by its beam.

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And then with saints and angel-band, God's Holy Word extol;

While round His throne, in triumph stand, We crown Him Lord of all.

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#### The King In Majesty Supreme

The King in majesty supreme, Sits on His royal throne, Mid glorious praise, from saints, serene, For whom He did atone.

Upon the cross in agony, He paid redemption's price, In shame and in humility, An awful sacrifice.

The only price that could obtain For man, a sure release From penalty of sin, and gain For him, abiding peace.

O cruel cross! O glorious crown! How can man e'er acclaim

To Christ, the honor and renown So justly due His name?

Lord, 'tis not possible that we, So prone to doubts and fears, Could recompense or repay Thee,

In multi-million years.

Yet, there is work that each can do, To magnify Thy name;

Yield to Thy will, obey Thy Word, Thy gospel, e'er proclaim.

Sc doing, we may lead the blind, Into God's radiant light,

And help the lost, that they may find, The way to God, aright.

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#### Adoration To God 1 Chron. 29:11

Greatness and power and glory art Thine, Majesty and victory are Thine own; Royalty and splendor kneel at Thy shrine, Kings and princes bow at Thy throne.

Unchanging from all eternity, More brilliant and constant than the sun; Thy glorious train fills immensity, Most Holy and righteous, Triune One. All that's in heaven and earth are Thine, Thou art the Creator of its all; The sun, the moon and the stars that shine, Obey Thy voice; respond to Thy call.

In Thy hand is honor, power and might, Riches and glory all come of Thee; Thou art the ruler of day and night, The giver of light, by which we see.

Thy sons are we, the work of Thy hands, All that we are, we owe unto Thee; Help us, Dear Lord, to hold Thy commands, Ever loyal and faithful to be.

No homage that we may render Thee, No glad Hosannas, we may acclaim; Will win Thy favor, except that we, Through Holy lives, glorify Thy name.

#### The World's Catastrophe

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Lord, what a great catastrophe, That all the world should turn from Thee; Become engulfed in chaos wild, By Satan and his hosts, beguiled. Dear Lord, What will the ending be? Will mankind, yet, return to Thee, And cast their man-made weapons down, To beg of Thee, a victor's crown?

Will hate, again give place to love, And man, again, seek God above? Will joy and peace, again, be found, And brother-hood once more abound?

Thou hast said: "If men will humbly pray, And from their sins, will turn away, And seek my presence, face to face, I'll save and keep them, by my grace."

Help us, Dear Lord, Thy promise claim, And trust, completely, in Thy name. Through Thee, alone, will conflicts cease, And all the world, enjoy sweet peace.

## Jesus' Promise

"Let not your hearts be troubled, What e'er your sorrow be; On me, lay all your burdens, I ll hear them, all, for thee. I know your every weakness, All human flesh is frail; My heart is full of meekness, My strength will never fail. "Though you be worn and weary, E'en ready to despair; The road be long and dreary, Heavy the load to bear. 'I'll ever walk beside thee, And hoid thy hand in mine; Whatever doth betide thee, Thy fate, to me, resign.

"Your father or your mother, May sometimes turn from you; Your sister or your brother, To you may prove untrue. But I will ne'er forsake thee, I'li be your truest friend; To glory, I will take thee, Ea with thee to the end."

## SPECIAL ARTICLE The Likeness of Love

A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another (John 13:34).

These are the words of the Lord of love. We are to sense the authority, and see the affection in this new commandment. In this scripture we are to find the likeness of His love revealed.

#### The Law of His Love

"A new commandment I give unto you." The love of Christ is a fact and a force; it is both a passion and a power. God was moved by the law of love when He gave His only begotten Son to die for us. Jesus was moved by the law of love to lay down His life for the lost. This commandment is the expressed law of the Divine Nature. When we are saved by His redeeming grace this love is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost. We love Him, because He first loved us. This is the "Seed" of God in the soul.

The manifested love of Christ is a revelation of His likeness. Therefore the law of love is both redemption and revelation. This love has redeemed our souls, and it reveals our Saviour. Love was seen in our Lord's living and laboring for men. He sacrificed and suffered because He loved. He died because of devotion to the lost. The fervency and force of His love shapes the hearts and hopes of His people. The strength of His love sustains them; and the sufficiency of His love satisfies them.

The command enjoins upon us the likeness of His love. He purposes that it shall be the law of our lives. "As I have loved

you, that ye also love one another." We look at the likeness in the words, "As I have loved you." The same measure and manner which He has loved us, so are we to love one another. We perceive the likeness of His love in the pattern revealed in this Scripture. There appear three truths in the written Word; the love that evaluates, the love that elevates, and the love that endures. Jesus evaluates His people for we read: "He loved His own which were in the world." These are "His own." They are His personal possession, purchased at the price of blood. Redeeming love only can give humanity true worth. Human life is held very cheaply in the world. But Jesus has lifted it out by love, and purified it that He might present it to Himself a treasure.

The law of this love moves us to evaluate others. We look not only on our own things; but we consider the things of others. This is the mind of the Master. Instead of criticism, we have consolation and comfort to offer others. We never exploit them for gain; we never endanger them by greed. To hurt them is to hurt Him. They are "His own in the world." His love evaluates His people while yet in the world. They are yet flesh and blood, living in the limitations of body and mind. He covered their faults with love, and restored the fallen by love. They tried His patience; they were slow to perceive, and slow to believe. He loved His own in the world. He did not require heavenly perfection, He only required heart purity. He saw motive rather than meanness; He

looked at the hearts and not at the heads; He saw the value rather than the vessel.

But love also elevates. There is a lift in His love. This lift of love is apparent in the "New commandment." It is a command with a "New" level of love. The law Moses enjoined that we love our of neighbor as our self. The law of the Master that we love as our Saviour loved us. Look at "self" and then look at the Saviour. This "self" is lifted to a moral likeness to the Lord. From that plane of purity the life of love proceeds. This is the New commandment of the New Covenant. When the life and labors of love move on this plane, it is because the laws of the New Covenant are written in the hearts and minds. A new commandment written in the soul can be worked out in the service. We will have forgiveness, for bearance, and faithfulness. Jesus is our Burden-sharer. He made an Inn out of His heart, and received us into His care. We must bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Again we see the endurance of His love. "He loved them unto the end." The span of His love is as long as the span of life. It extends to the end of our earthly life; and endures to endless life in all eternity. The disciples had their faults, their fears, and their failures; but He loved them to the end. It goes beyond all moral defeats and mental defects. Judas did not break the love of Christ, he only betrayed it, and departed from it to damnation. He ended in hell, though he could have ended in heaven. If the love of Christ ever ends for any man it will only end at the rim of ruin. Love goes to the brink of the pit, but not to the bottom. The traitor was loved before he was lost.

#### The Lowliness of Love

"He poured water into a basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet." This is not a ritual, it is a revelation. It reveals the lowly heart of the Lord. "I, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet." The fact of this being designed as a revelation is disclosed in the Master's words to Peter: "What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter." What was this washing to mean in its full revelation? It pointed to the holiness, humility, and helpfulness to be exemplified in all Christians. We see the pattern of these things in the Lord, Who said, "I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you." The Holiness of Christ is revealed in His lowliness and labor, these we cannot fail to see as we behold Him. But the revelation here is that this is the pattern produced in the believers who are created in His spiritual likeness. Perhaps we can see ourselves as we look at our Lord in lowly service.

Consider the humility revealed. He moves down from King Supreme to a kneeling servant. His Lordship is revealed in these words: "Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he came from God, and went to God." He stands revealed in all power and possessions. All things are in His hands. Now let us descend to the depth of holy him. "He riseth from humility with supper, and laid aside His garments; and took a towel and girded himself." Here is God girded, not in might, but in ministry. He is washing the feet of mortal man. He has become the Servant of servants. The Most High ministering in the most humble manner. In His meekness He is mighty. in His lowliness He is Lord. We see not a throne, but a towel; a rag in the hands of Royality. A King washing and wiping

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the feet of both friend and foe. Yes, the betrayer was there; his feet are among the faithful. Feet that shall hurry him to hell in a greed for gain. A lowly Lord knows all this, yet He washes the feet of Judas. The humble cannot hate, they can only help. There is a service for the unclean, and for the clean. We must find it in our hearts to wash the feet of the wicked, even as we wash the feet of the worthy.

Peter is among the company, and he pro-Jesus said, "If I wash thee not, tests. thou hast no part with me." Like many others, Peter considered the Lord too great to stoop to serve in such a lowly way. To hold such views is to defeat the very plan of God. Jesus touches us from our head to our feet. No service for His own will He consider too lowly to perform. We must see Him in this light if we are to have part with Him. Christ is Holy, yet He is humble and helpful. He laid aside His garment in order to serve. He laid aside His garments when He suffered. Behold the form and flesh of the robeless Redeemer, stooping to serve His saints. Such is the lowliness of love. He is before our face, and bowed at our feet. If we are to have part with Him, then we must see that we are a part of Him. His feet are our feet, and His form is our form. To wash us is to wash His own body.

#### The Light of His Love

"By this shall all men know that ye are

my disciples, if ye love one another." Jesus never overlooks the needs of a lost and lightless world. He is that Light which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. We are to reveal Him to all men in the light of love. Of several facts disclosed here we must observe two revealing Love is to disclose the Saviour truths. to the world; and love is to distinguish the disciples from the world. We must consider these two facts as one, since they are in unity. That love is to distinguish the saints from sinners is apparent in this word, "If ye love one another." Not if you love the lost will they know, nor if you love the Lord, will they know; but "If ye leve one another." The lost will see the Lord if ye love one another.

I do not underrate the love we have for the Saviour, and for sinners. This is exceedingly important. Yet we see that love first begins at the house of God. If it does not exist in the family, then it is only a pretense if offered to the Saviour of sinners. It reaches to heaven and to humanity when it centers in the church. Such love as we have for one another marks the difference between us and the world. The world has a love that is selfish and The saved have a love that is sinful. sinless and sincere. Love is the robe of the righteous; it is charity that covers; it is the warmth that wins both friend and fee.

TEMPERANCE

#### Boyd County Kentucky Votes Dry

God has heard the prayers of His children. The United Dry Forces of Boyd County was organized by Walter Hoschel of the Anti-Saloon League. The organization was made up of ministers from every denomination. From this went out word to every church and every citizen. The Free Will Baptists were represented by Rev. Herb French, Rev. L. E. Colliver, and Rcv. Henry Geyer.

As soon as God's people began to work the devil began to fight. He was afraid he would loose one of his best tools of

destruction. Ministers went from church to church and into the public schools. Both sides used the radio and newspapers but only one side used the key to the kingdom - Prayer. That was the weapon that turned the hearts and the minds of the people. The election was on the minds of people and was spoken of in every gathering. God's people were united in one common cause and were working side by side and calling on God for one purpose and that was the Right would prevail and the devil would be defeated and put to shame before the eyes of the people. The churches had bells rung at intervals on election day

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and people went in and prayed throughout the day.

When the final vote was taken it was two hundred forty-four in favor of the drys. A God given victory.

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#### Good Advice from a School Reader

Can you imagine this sound and noble advice being found in a public-school textbook?

"The Lord's Day lies at the foundation of all true morality. Morality flows from principle. Let the principles of moral obligation become relaxed, and the practice of morality will not long survive the overthrow. No man can preserve his own morals, no parent can preserve the morals of his children without the impressions of religious obligation.

If you can induce a community to doubt the genuineness and authenticity of the Scriptures; to question the reality and obligations of religion; to hesitate, undeciding, whether there be any such thing as virtue or vice; whether there be an eternal state of retribution beyond the grave; or whether there exists any such being as Cod, you have broken down the barriers of moral virtue and hoisted the floodgates of immorality and crime. I need not say that when a people have once done this, they can no longer exist as a tranquil and happy people. Every bond that holds society together would be ruptured; fraud and treachery would take the place of confidence between man and man; the tribunals of justice would be scenes of bribery and injustice; avarice, perjury, ambition and revenge would walk through the land, and render it more like the dwelling of savage beasts than the tranquil abode of civilized and Christianized men."

Yes, this appeared in a public-school textbook. But not a modern one. It is from an old McGuffey's Sixth Reader, and credited to the pen of Gardiner Spring.

The message is just as true today as when written three-quarters of a century ago. Such readings in religion and morality were largely responsible for the fundamentally sound moral character of the past generation.

But try to get anything like it in a modern school reader! The shameful paucity of ethical teaching today is already causing thinking men to fear for tomorrow's world. A generation untaught in Christian principle can only result in the doom of Christian civilization.

## **Church Letters - Field Reports**

#### Free Will Baptist Church Tulsa, Oklahoma

Lear Gem Readers:

After reading the requests from The Gcm editor for more church letters, we felt the urge to comply with some news from Tulsa Church, altho we feel our weakness and our inability, yet we do want to be of service to the Lord at all times.

We want to report the good revival Bro. Birgham held in Detroit, Mich., from September 5 through 26th. He preached each night to a Spirit-filled audience and saw 44 sculs saved and a good number of re-consecutions.

Tulsa Church also has been blessed with an 8 day revival, with Bro. John West, pastor of The Free Will Baptist Church at Wewoka, Okla., bringing powerful messages each night that refreshed souls and made each that heard him desire a closer walk with Jesus.

The ladies of our church held one hour prayer services each afternoon, beginning with the observance of National Prayer Week and continuing on through our revival.

This coming week has been set aside as a week of prayer for our boys in the service of our country. If there was ever a time when we should pray, pray and keep on praying, it is now.

Prayer is our weapon that the mothers are going to use here on the home front while our precious boys are facing the

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enemy on the battle front.

Join us each afternoon at 1:30 and

breathe a prayer for our boys in the service. We held our second broadcast directly from our church auditorium last Saturday hight from 10:15 to 10:45, with good congregational singing and special numbers by the different quartetts present, some coming from other near by towns to be present for the broadcast. The Lord gave us a great blessing.

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#### Free Will Baptist Church Gushing, Oklahoma

Dear Editor and Gem Readers:

I am sending a report of the wonderful progress our church is making.

The Lord has wonderfully blessed us with a new church, and it is free of debt. We are starting our new Sunday school rooms and have the money in the treasury to pay for them. We are going to build a kitchen on the back of the church in the near future.

We have a wonderful Free Will Baptist League. The attendance is between 25 and 30 young people.

We have much for which to praise our Lord. He has furnished our many needs and has been so good to us, but we covet the prayers of our Christian friends that many others will find the Lord before it is too late.

Rev. George Johnson of Drumright, Okla., is our pastor and we are thankful for him and his family.

Our young people show much interest in the church. We are hoping to have a revival soon. We desire the prayers of God's people, and especially pray for the yeung people of our community. So many are lost in sin and need God, as God needs them to carry on His work.

May the Lord bless you is our prayer.

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Mrs. D. Reese

#### Free Will Baptist Ladies Aid Brilliant and Boston, Alabama

Dear Gem Readers:

We are glad we can report we are still moving forward in our Aid work, even though we are few in number. We still feel the Lord with us and get a blessing every time we meet. We read in our blessed Saviour's Word to pray one for another and that is what we do. We are still praying that more of our church members will feel the need to come and meet with us.

We have Bro. and Sister H. A. Pitts with us for another year and we feel that each member has been blessed by having them with us in our Aid work and with us in prayer meeting each Wednesday night. We just want to ask all of God's people to pray that this year will be the best year we ever had in Brilliant and Boston. Let's come together and pray for our boys and brothers and husbands that are in this war, that we may win a victory and win our loved ones to God.

Here is our report:

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Bible chapters read 500
Sick visited 100
Flowers sent sick 30
Quarts of milk given 75
Pounds of butter given 40
Vegatables given \$15.00
Clothes given \$16.00
Give Alabama Orphanage \$10.00
1 Bible given to our church \$4.00
May God's blessing be with us all
Mrs. H. A. Pitt, president
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Mrs. A. P. Leonard, recording sec.

#### Free Will Baptist Church Porterville, California

I'm very glad to report that we are still having some services, and we are hearing very good sermons.

This fall our crowds were very small, but the Lord was with us. There were some young people saved in our Sunday services. We thank God, for saving souls, and we pray that they will ever stay true.

Our young peoples' crowd is growing and most of them are Christians and I hope that they continue to come and bring more with them. We are praying that the unsaved ones will soon see the light.

Our Sunday school is doing nicely. Our crowd seems to grow a little more every Sunday and they seem to be very interested.

We hope and pray that our prayers will

be answered, and that people will come out and come back to God, and that our church will continue to grow, and that God will keep blessing us. Most of all, that we would every one be ready and willing to dc God's will. If we do that I know these things will be given to us.

I want every Christian that knows the worth of prayer, to pray for us.

I can't express my feeling for our church, but God knows, so maybe that is all that needs to know.

> Pastor, C. D. Findley Reporter, Della Ryan

#### Report of Mrs. Lizzie McAdams

Dear Co-Workers:

How time flies! Another month has slipped away and has become history and we are made to think, "Have we written our chapter well?"

Since our last writing, we have visited a number of churches in Oklahoma, and met a number of good pastors that we had never met before. We want to thank and praise our Lord for the sweet fellowship we had with our Oklahoma brethern. Then we came on to The Missouri State Association, which was one of the best we ever visited any where. The sweet Spirit of the Master was felt in every service. The National Program was well presented. Bro. Davidson's visit added much to the meeting; he told us of the wonderful success of the Bible school in Nashville. Our Woman's State Auxiliary Convention was carried out in a splendid way, and our Missouri women are taking a great interest now in the Auxiliary. Our Foreign Mission cause was presented in a soul stirring way, through Brothers Davis and Zinn, and before we left Monett the mission offering reached the high figures of \$208, the largest offering ever taken at one time for missions. Bro. Allred, the pastor, took care of the Association in a splendid way. Bro. Miller made us all feel at home, as he presided as moderator. The whole Association was the very best we ever attended in Missouri or any where else. We thank God for the wonderful fellowship that prevailed throughout the entire meeting.

We left Monett with Bro, and Sister Zinn te visit churches around Fredericktown and Flat River. It would take too much time to tell of each one separately, but all the dear pastors put forth every effort to make our tour a success and we praise God every church was in sympathy and fellowship with our National Program. We also received a splendid welcome around Flat River with the dear pastors and it seemed like old times to visit back in the churches where we had once worked as pastor. Many have gone on to their reward. We feel there is a great future for all these churches around Flat River.

We then left that section for St. Louis, where we found Bro. Mark Lewis, like Bro. Zinn, building a church. Only Bro. Lewis is remodeling, where the other is building a red stone structure. How we do praise God for the noble work these brethern are doing. It seemed like a revival and one precious soul was reclaimed. Then we visited the Berkly church one night with good interest.

We then came on to Kirksville, Missouri, to visit the entire Association with a group of 10 churches. We have visited three so far and two have accepted the Auxiliary, and ordered the year books and manuals. The New Harmony Mission that we organized thirty years ago, said these books and this system is just what we have needed, and when we had explained about the Jeholada Chest, they said, "Let's sacrifice our refreshments and put that in the Chest every time. They were so eager to do more for missions. Oh! Dear women every where, how wonderful it would be if every Auxiliary would follow the New Harmony women's example and sacrifice refreshments and put the price in Thank God for these noble the Chest women. The Hazel Creck Union women were glad to know that we had such good literature, and they all ordered the Auxiliary books.

When you send your Chest money, always tell the treasurer to mark it Jehoiada Chest money and then it will be sent on to Sister Polston. Our work is coming on splendidly. Pray on for us while we tour the country. When we see hearts so eager, like these dear women, to fall in line, we forget Free Will Baptist Gem

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our trials and disappointments and feel like going on. A work that Satan didn't attact wouldn't amount to much, so dear women every where, let's pray. Pray for a great years growth and fruitbearing among our Auxiliary work every where Yours for Jesus.

Lizzie McAdams

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Program of Georgia State Association November 16-17, 1943

(Greenwood Free Will Baptist Church, 8 miles southwest of Camilla, Ga.)

#### Tuesday, November 16

10:00 A.M. Devotional, Rev. Bruce Clenny Welcome address, Rev. C. J. Harvey

Response, E. C. Davidson

Appointment of Credentials Committee

Enrollment of ministers

11:00 A.M. Moderator's message, Rev. H.L. Catrett

#### Luncheon

1:00 P.M. Devotional, Rev. S. T. Shutes Report of Credentials Committee

Report of Treasurer

Appointment of Resolutions and Temperance committees Report of correspondents appointed last year

Discussions and announcements

7:30 P.M. Devotional, Rev. J. D. Payne Sermon, Rev. A. B. Arel

#### Wednesday, November 17

10:00 A.M. Devotional, Rev. John Little Reports from:

> Sunday School Secretary Temperance and Resolutions Committees

Foreign Missions representative

Home Missions representative

National Association representative

11:00 A.M. Sermon, Rev. R. B. Crawford, Exec. Sec. of Nat. Ass'n.

#### Luncheon

1:00 P.M. Devotional, Rev. E. C. Morris

Appointment of delegates to National Association

Election of officers and boards Appointment of Program Committee

Appointment of time and place for next session

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#### My Covenant

Deep in my heart I know that the Church is of God. That in spite of human frailties, she has brought blessings untold to all generations, including my own. That she has made my community and my country a better place in which to live, to work, to establish a home, and to rear my children. That I would not want to live or die in a land where no church spire points its people heavenward.

I also know that the Church continues to live triumphantly even when men and nations reject her by indifference or open hostility.

In this knowledge I gladly give myself to my Church and offer her my loyal support by intelligent membership, regular attendance, generous giving, ardent prayer, and devoted service.

#### The Tri-State Fifth Sunday Meeting Picher, Oklahoma

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The Tri-State Fifth Sunday Meeting met with the Northwest Picher Free Will Baptist Church, known as Blue Front, August 29, 1943. The Moderator, Rev. T. E. L. Curry was in charge and called Rev. Roy Rupe to preach the sermon at eleven o'clock. His subject was "He Paid His Fare." (Jonah 1). A committee on Divine Service was appointed, then, the meeting was dismissed, and basket dinner was served at the church.

During the afternoon program, the following ministers preached short sermons on the subjects indicated, interspersed with special singing by various members of the congregation:

Rev. F. E. Crain, Miami, Luke 24:40, "He Shewed His Hands and Feet."

Rev. Orville Johnston, Granby, Acts 2:38, "Repent and be Baptized Everyone of You."

Rev. Roy Rupe, "The Son of the Living God."

Rev. P. A. Spankewetz, Picher, "Jehu Was Around Showing His Zeal."

Rev. Clara Taylor, "God First."

Rev. Bill Johnston, John 1:33.

Rev. T. E. L. Curry conducted a praise meeting.

The next Fifth Sunday Meeting will be held with the Fairview Church near Melrose, Kansas, October 31, 1943. Rev. Orville Johnston is to preach the cleven o'clock sermon.

Rev. F. E. Crain was elected moderator for the coming year as Rev. T. E. L. Curry has been moderator for fourteen years, and he is eighty-six years old and wanted to retire. We made him a love offering of \$7.

The Northwest Picher Church is repairing the church building by putting on new siding. We have a fine working church. If any ministers care to come and conduct a revival meeting, they will be welcomed. Our church is a member of the First Mission Association of Oklahoma. — Elsie Dunn.

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#### Wanette, Oklahoma

It has been some time since I have written to our good paper. I am still in the "Land of the Living." I am always glad to get The Gem, and I am never satisfied until my wife reads it all to me. We are delighted to know the progress of our read the reports from the field first. Then, we read the articles and sermons, and we denomination. First, I am proud of our doctrine. We do not have to claim any mistranslations, nor change the wording of the Bible. The Word of God will stand the test when the world is on fire. Regardless of fashions, styles, and modern day opinions, our church is moving right on to the goal. When Jesus comes, it will be those who believe the Bible that will be able to stand. The conclusion of the whole matter is

to fear God and keep His commandments.

I will always be glad to receive a letter from anyone who knows me and wants to write to me.

> Rev. W. E. Dearmore Box 283, Wannette, Oklahoma

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### The Saint's Medicine Chest

The formula given below will, if followed closely, be appreciated by all who would enjoy good health. There is a divine remedy for all the sick today as as much as when Christ was on earth, but the following, if allowed to enter the heart, will be a preventive of all the ills and allments that come upon the human family.

One pound of the Holy Spirit's graces in equal portions of one ounce each, as follows:

One ounce Balm of Gilead (Jer. 8:22). One ounce Bark of Calvary (Isa., 53:4-6) Cne ounce Syrup of Faith (James 5:15). One ounce Essence of Love (1 Cor. 13:13). One ounce Oil of Confidence (Prov. 3:26). One ounce Honey of the Word (Prov. 4:20-22).

One ounce Spice of Concentration (Sol. 4:12-16).

One ounce Stalk of Uprightness (Prov. 14:2).

One ounce Flower of Discretion (Prov. 22:3).

One ounce Root of Contentment (Heb. 13:5-6).

One ounce Bread of Joy (Prov. 15:15-16).

One ounce Milk of Kindness (Prov. 31: 20).

One ounce Frankicense of Worship (Matt. 2:11).

One ounce Dew of Humility (Prov. 22:4). One ounce Crystals of Patience (2 Pet. 1:6).

One ounce Perfume of Praise (Psa. 103: 1-2-3).

Pound these ingredients well in the mortar of believing prayer (1 John 5:14), with the pestle of truth (Eph. 4:20-21), add sufficient water of the Spirit's life

(Rom. 8:11), until all are proportionately mixed together, and then put up in the ja1 of a sanstified memory (2 Peter 1:12).

Apply the preparation three times a day, and oftener if required, with the hand of dilgence (2 Peter 1:10), and it will be found that this Christ-all preparation (Matt. 8:17) will not only cure all kinds of sickness and disease, but it will be a mighty bulwark against which Satan with all his aches and pains can never prevail. Praise the Lord.

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#### "BLESS THE LORD" Psalm 103:1

1. Are you weary? If you groan, someone may think the Lord works you too hard (Matt. 11:28). 2. Are you in poverty? If you fret, someone may think the Lord neglects you (Hab. 3:17, 18).

3. Are you persecuted? If you pity yourself, someone may think the Lord forgets you (Heb. 7:25).

4. Are you sorely tempted by Satan? If you yield, someone may think you are not saved (Heb. 2:18; James 1:12).

5. Do you neglect to witness for Christ? Someone may think you are ashamed of our lovely Lord (1 Pet. 4:16).

6. Do you recoil at the possibility of death? Someone may think that hope has died in you (Rom. 8:36, 37).

Conclusion: I will "speak well" of the Lord "at all times" (Psalms 34:1).

## Saint Paul's Balance Sheet

#### DEBIT

"The sufferings of the present time."

In labours more abundant.

In stripes above measure.

In prisons more frequent.

In deaths oft.

Five times received I forty stripes save one;

Thrice was I beaten with rods;

A night and a day have I been in the deep;

In journeyings often;

In perils of robbers;

In perils of my own countrymen;

In perils by the heathen;

In perils in the city;

In perils in the wilderness;

In perils in the sea;

In perils among false brethern;

In weariness and painfulness;

In watchfulness often;

In hunger and thirst;

In fastings often;

In cold and nakedness;

Besides those things which are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the Churches.

Total: "Light afflictions but for a moment."

#### CREDIT

"The glory to be revealed in us."

"For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

"Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him."

"That He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He hath prepared unto glory."

"Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only but unto all them also that love His appearing."

"When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory."

Total: "An eternal weight of glory."

- In The Oriental Missionary Standard.

### FULFILLING OUR DUTY

The evasion of duty is never a complete escape from the embarrassment. Jonah ran away from a distasteful task into a dangerous storm. We often think that if only we could get away from our present circumstances, if only we could change our work, we would change a disagreeable situation for some happier sphere. But many attempted changes are for the worse.

Better than the wings of fear to fly away from duty may be the wings of faith to meet it and surmount its disagreeable elements.

The result of unfaithfulness never exhaust themselves in one life, the consequences move out into other lives who are made innocently to share the penantics of the guilty person.

"Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly." -1 Thes. 5:21, 23.

### THE WHOLE HEART

I am convinced that nothing in the whole Christian religion is so difficult and so rarely attained, as a praying heart. Without this you are as weak as weakness itself. With it you are irresistible. This, by some, would be thought a strange remark, and to savour strongly of fanaticism. But I tell you the Church will have to get a new lesson on the subject of prayer.

Frequent seasons of secret prayer, in my own mind, are wholly indispensable to keeping up an intercourse with God. Let me say again and again, if you lose your spirit of prayer, you will do nothing, or next to nothing, though you have the intellectual endowment of an angel. May the Lord deliver His dear Church from the influence of men who know not how to pray.

"There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." — Proverbs 16:25.

### THE NEW LIFE

It is very blessed to know that the Lord

Jesus died for me, and that the reception of Him into my heart as Lord and Saviour will give me "a title clear to mansions in the skies." But it is a blessed day when the Holy Spirit gives us a further revelation of what might be called the deeper message of Calvary than substitution,

Not only has the Lord Jesus died for me, but I have died with Him. In other words, my history as a sinner, from the Divine standpoint, came to a close when the Lord Jesus bowed His head and died, Out from that death there is born a "new creation" life, and those who are in Christ are new creatures.

"Blessed are they that keep His testimonies, and that seek Him with the whole heart." — Psalm 119:2.

### A MANIFEST SALVATION

Many people imitate Christians, and try to behave like them. They do not know anything of the Christian life. They have never been born again.

"Except a man be born again he cannot see the Kingdom of God." Some people are seeking holiness of life when they need to be born again. They have joined a Church, they have observed certain ordinances. They hear people talk of a deeper, more wonderful life, and they say, "That is what I want: I must go on and get into this richer more blessed life." For such it is necessary to go first to the Cross for salvation, and then to live out the new life obtained.

"If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." -2 Cor. 5:17.

#### YOU SHOULD KNOW

THAT "God" ... hath appointed a day, in the which He will judge the world in righteousness by that Man whom He hath ordained; whereof He hath given assurance unto all men, in that He hath raised Him from the dead." Acts 17:30-31. THAT "It is appointed unto men once Page 32

to die, but after this the judgement." Heb. 9:27.

- THAT "The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Rom. 6:23.
- THAT "When we were yet without strength. in due time Christ died for the ungodly." Rom. 5:6.
- THAT "Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God." 1 Pet. 3:18.
- THAT "He that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him." John 3:36.
- , THAT "He that believeth not God hath made Him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of His Son." 1 John 5:10.

THAT "He that believeth on Him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already." John 3:18.

- THAT THE LORD JESUS CHRIST "Is before all things, and by Him all things consist." Col. 1:17.
- BUT "He that heareth My word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation: but is passed from death unto life."- John 5:24.
- THAT HE IS THE CREATOR. Col. 1:16. THE LIFE. ..... 1 John 1:2. "BEHOLD. NOW IS THE ACCEPTED TIME: BEHOLD, NOW IS THE DAY OF SALVATION." 2 Cor. 6:2.

Take time to pray -- to let God speak, Our will in His combine. Take time for reverence to burn And all our dross refine. Nor haste God in His plan. Cur souls' enrichment let us seek. Why hurry so? Be patient while God makes a better man.

### **Report of Missouri Treasury**

For the Past Two Months

#### Rev. Winford Davis, Treas. Monett, Mo.

#### Foreign Missions

Foreign Missions	W. I. Jemes, Niangua, Mo	10.00
Eldorado Springs Church \$ 6.25	Willey Circle of Flat River Aux	15.09
Rock Chapel 2.00	Wagoner Church	2.25
North East Mo. Mission Band 25.00	Blue Eye Church	12.64
Shibleys Point Church	Desloge Church	27.39
Clarence F. Dunn, Hartville. Mo 40.00	Buffalo S. S	1.72
Designated as from a friend 2.00	Niangua Quarterly Meeting	.75
New Harmony Mission 9.00	Justin Gann, Aurora, Mo	2.00
Off. at Indian Creek Association 103.46	Amity Church	3.00
Mrs. Tina Mason, Joplin, Mo 5.00	Sublette Church	2.00
Lewis E. Campbell, Flat River, Mo. 1.00	Union Light	2.00
Victor Medley, Carterville, Mo 20.09	Niangua Church	7.09
Ruth Ann Williams, Carterville, Mo. 6.00	Mattie Spiva, Stella, Mo	1.00
Mt. Olive (Neola) Church 8.32	Mrs. T. F. Lewis, Freeman, Mo	5.00
Mrs. Nettie Davis, Monett, Mo 2.30	Mrs. Margaret Turner, Stella, Mo	5.00
True Blue Class, Mt. Olive (Neola) 1.00	Off. at Mo. State Association	207.35
Monett Church 9.12	Banner S. S. near Sarcoxie, Mo	7.00
Rev. S. H. Marcum, Warrensburg . 1.00	Rev. Claud Timmons, Monett, Mo	5.00
Mine La Motte S.S 3.60	Doris Rollins, Monett, Mo	2.50
Hickory Grove Church 3.36	Macedonia S. S	6.21
Happy Circle C. Hazel Creek Union 5.00	Hazel Creck Union Church	18.45
Pleasant Grove Church 9.39	Womans Aux. St. Louis Third Ch'ch	6.00
Aurora Church 6.35	Connors Chapel	4.70
Hickory Grove Ch'ch, Haddam Kan. 12.00	Aux. St. Louis Third Church	5.00

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Fredericktown Church	2.53
Doris Rollins, Monett, Mo	$2.50 \\ 2.50$
Eldorado Springs S. S	5.52
Leadington S. S	4.28
Missouri State Aux. Convention	29.50
Shibley's Point Church	1.00
	3.97
Mt. Olive (Neola) Church	1.00
Mt. Clive (Neola) Auxiliary	1.00
True Blue Class Mt. Olive (Neola)	5.00
Hickory Grove Church	2.65
Mine La Motte S. S	5.00
Lizzie Turner, Carterville, Mo	
Oliver D. Matthews (in the army)	1.00
Aurora S. S.	3.73 5.00
Carterville Auxiliary	5.00
Catherine Stuart, Aurora, Mo	5.00
Amity Church	4.00
St. Louis Auxiliary	6.00
Willey Circle of Flat River Church	15.00
Tri-Unity S. S. Convention of	00.00
St. Louis	26.00
North East Mo. Mission Band	25.00
Macedonia Church	4.67
Mrs. Nettie Davis, Monett, Mo	2.00
Wagnor Church	4.10
Flat River Church	56.80
Sublette Church	2.00
Hickory Grove Church of Haddam,	
Kansas	7.00
Willing Workers class of Sublette	
S. S	1.75
Merls Chapel Auxiliary	5.00
Budget Fund	
	\$ 4.55
South East Mo. Yearly Meeting	φ 4.50 2.50
North West Mo. Association	10.00
Liberty Association	5.55
North East Mo. Association	<b>4.</b> 60
Desloge Church	31.27
Indian Creek Association	3.50
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State Auxiliary Convention	8.00
Educational Fund	
S. P. Easiey, Portaies, N. M	10.00
Jones Chapel Áuxiliary	5.00
St. Louis Third Church	25.00
Off. at Mo. State Association	77.00
Fredericktown Church	3.33
Leadington S. S	2.19
Monett Church	30.90
Willey Circle, Flat River Church	2.50
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#### Benevolent Fund

Rev. A. A. Kicenski, Jerico Springs, Mo. for Tenn. Orphanage ...... 1.99

S. P, Easley, Portales, N. M., for	
Tenn. Orphanage 5.0	00
Monett Aux. for Superannuation 5.	50
Monett Church for Superannuation 10.	00
Carterville Church for Superannua-	
tion	05
Aurora Mission Circle for tractor	
for Tennessee Orphanage 15.	90
Home Mission Fund	
S. P. Easley, Portales, N. M \$ 5.0	00
Off. at Mo. State Ass'n. on Sister	
McAdams expense 45.	19

#### Jehoida Chest Fund

Hickory Grove Church	\$1.00
Macedonia Church,	1.00
Hannon Church	-2.00
Macedonia Church	1.00

### Entertainment Fund

#### for Mo. State Association

	Rock Chapel	\$ 5.00
	Granby Church	3.66
	Richwoods Church	5.00
	Leadington Church	2.00
	Jewell Church	2.90
	Hickory Grove Church, Haddam, Kan.	2.76
	Desloge Church	10.00
	Hannon Church	6.00
	Hickory Grove Church	3.55
	Cave Spring Association	39.09
	Mine La Motte Church	10.40
•	Shibleys Point Church	3.10
	St. Francis Co. S. S. Convention	2.00
	Merls Chapel	7.00
	Fairview Church	5.65
	Mt. Olive (Neola) Church	6,00
	Twin Oak Church	3.25
	Sublette Church	5.09
	New Harmony Church	5.00
	Green Grove Church	6.25
	Aurora Church	5.00
	Amity Church	5.80
	Made up by Monett Church	31.17
	Oak Grove Ch'ch, Cave Spgs. Ass'n.	5.00
	M. H. White and daughter, Melba	2.00
	Mrs T. F. Lewis, Freeman, Mo	1.00
	Mrs. C. D. Smith, Niangua, Mo	
	Bethel Church	2.00
	Unified Program Fund	

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Carterville Church	\$12.80
Mt. Olive (Neola) Church	4.16
Merls Chapel	6.32
Willey Circle Flat River Auxiliary	3.00
Mt. Olive (Neola) Church	1.25

Monett Church	20.38
Mrs. J. W. Allred, Rogers, Ark	1.78
Aurora Church	1.28
Merls Chapel	5.00
Willey Circle, Flat River Church	2.50
Hannon Church	
Monett Auxiliary	3.39
	0.00

#### New Machinery Fund

Trans. from State Entertainment Fund 2.00

#### OBITUARY

DICKEY — Julia Ann Barnes was born September 20, 1864, in Jersey County, Illinois, and departed this life at the home September 20, 1943, on her 79th birthday. All was done that loving hands could do, but God saw fit to remove her from this world of suffering. She had been a constant sufferer for more than forty years, but she bore it all with great patience and fortitude.

She was united in marriage to Robert J. Dickey, July 24, 1881, at Nevada, Missouri. To this union was born 12 children, two dying in infancy, 10 grew to manhood and womanhood, of which 5 still survive. They are: Henry M., Liberal, Mo.; Mrs. Mabel Campbell, Iantha, Mo.; Mrs. Edith Leatherman, Lamar, Mo.; Wilbur, Kansas City, Mo.; Elbert, Arcadia, Mo. She also leaves 38 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren, 3 brothers, Will Barnes of Trinidad, Colo., Lesley Barnes of Yucipa, Calif., Charley Barnes, Hamilton, Montana

For more than forty years she lived in the Hannon and Liberal communities. She was a faithful wife and mother and was loved by all who knew her, and will be greatly missed by all her family and friends.

The sudden tragic deaths of several of her family came as a great shock to her, but she bore it all like a staunch soldier of the cross.

She joined the Free Will Baptist church at Hannon, Mo.,June 12,1910, from the M.E. church at Tilden, Illinois, and was a faithful member to the end.

A precious one from us is gone, A voice we loved is stilled, A place is vacant in our home, Which never can be filled. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Winford Davis in the Methodist church in Liberal, Mo., in the presence of a large audience.

DIXON — Mrs. Ora Columbia Dixon, 70, whose death occured Sunday at the home of a son, James K. Maynard of 926 Harris Street, Catlettsburg, Kentucky.

She has been an active member of the Sandy City Free Will Baptist Church for quite a number of years.

The funeral was conducted on Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock with burial following in the Williams cemetery, Ashland. Rev. L. E. Colliver, pastor of the church, officiated with Rev. Henry Geyer and Rev. Jay Duvall assisting. Pallbearers were Claren Maynard, Isaac Jordan, Ernest Griffith, Gordon Craig, John Hicks and Jack Beam.

Mrs. Dixon's death followed an extended illness. She was a native of Boyd County, a daughter of the late Leonard and Sarah Bartram Dixon. Her husband, Frank Dixon, preceded her in death. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Forest Ramsdall of Catlettsburg, Mrs. Harold C. Fisher of Ashland, Mrs. Bick Craft of Springfield, Ohio, and one son, James K. Maynard of Catlettsburg, a step-son, Frederick Dixon of Coldwater, Michigan, and two sisters, Mrs. Amelia Killen of Memphis, Tennessee, and Mrs. Georgia Pruitt of Paragould, Arkansas.

WHITE — Mrs. Laura Belle White, 84 year-old resident of the Sandy City section of Catlettsburg, died at her home, 1002 Greenup Street, Catlettsburg, Kentucky, on Sunday evening after an extended illness.

Mrs. White was a native of Lawrence County, Kentucky, a daughter of Peter and Martha Skaggs. She has been a resident of Catlettsburg for the past 50 years and was a member of the Sandy City Methodist Church.

Funeral was conducted at the Free Will Baptist Church, with the Rev. L. E. Colliver and Rev. Henry Geyer officiating. Burial in the Williams cemetery.

Surviving are her husband, William H. White, and one son by a former marriage, W. F. Vonson, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

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