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SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY

As we come in to take over the
management of the Gem Office,
we find in stock several hundred
copies of the Butler-Dunn Sys-
tematic Theology. These books
were published by Dr. John H.
Wolfe some few years ago and
placed at the Gem office for sale.
I do not know how many have
been sold, but I do find a large
supply of them on hand. The
selling price of this book is \$2.00
per copy, and the Gem Office gets
half the price of each copy
sold. If we could move this stock
of books it would help greatly in
a financial way, and, too, the
public needs the book. The writer
has had a copy of this book for
a number of years. In fact I have
one of the few originals that were

left at the time this new supply
was published. I can truthfully
say it is a wonderful book. It has
been a great help to me in my
studies. There may be some few
portions that I cannot wholly
agree with; as to the greater
part of the book, however, I have
never read its equal. This is espe-
cially true of lecture No. one un-
der the heading, "The Doctrine
of God". In this lecture is stud-
ied Theism, The Nature of God,
The Attributes of God, etc. Then
lecture No. two under the head-
ing of, "Necessity and Authority
of Scripture Revelation". This is
also a wonderful chapter. I think
I never read anything quite so
good on "The Law of the Sab-
bath" as found in Butler-Dunn,
to say nothing of the wonderful
chapters which treat on the
great truths such as: Divine Gov-
ernment, Proofs of, Free Will,
The Fall of Man, The Atonement,
Objections to Evolution, Election
Conditional, Perseverance, Con-
ditions of Salvation, The Church
and its Institutions, Prayer,
Faith, The Ministry and many
others. The book has 467 pages,
and is beautifully bound in heavy
board binding. A book any one
would be proud to have in their
library.

As most of you know it was
written by two of our earlier
Free Will Baptist Ministers, Drs.
J. J. Butler and Ransom Dunn.
The writer was privileged a few
years ago to visit the old home
of Dr. Dunn, and look through
his old library as it yet stands in
Hillsdale, Michigan, just a few
blocks from Hillsdale College,
a Free Will Baptist Institution
at one time. I indeed enjoyed that
visit.

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der for this book at \$2.00 each.
—The Editor

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EDITORIAL

A THANKFUL THANKSGIVING DAY

*"Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most high."
(Psalms 50:14)*

There are none of us but what have much for which to thank the Lord. In this land of plenty, land of the open Bible, with an unusual Christian back ground we should be ashamed as Christians to offer as much complaint as we do. Everyone, with few exceptions, has plenty to eat, plenty to wear, and a little money. How very thankful we should be this special thanksgiving season. As I go here and there over the country in the interest of the work, I can't help but be especially impressed with the marvelous manifestations of plenty throughout the land. The great fall ingathering of crops of all kinds certainly affords a gratifying scene.

You will notice in the first part of the above scripture we are admonished to offer thanksgiving. In the last part of the scripture we are admonished to do something. In other words we are admonished in the last part of the verse to prove our gratitude by performing service rather than by trying to get by with "lip service" only. I feel certain the Lord has a very light esteem for our words of thanksgiving and praise unless they come from a heart which is swelling with eagerness to perform the real activities and service of a Christian life. It costs but little in either energy, time, or financial means to offer our thanksgiving in word alone, but the matter of proving the gratitude of our heart is something else altogether. What God wants is concrete evidence of our thankfulness.

There are none of us but what have made vows unto the Lord. Have we paid them? As we this thanksgiving season, gather around the table laden with the delicious things with which the Lord has so graciously blessed us,

may we stop and solemnly ask ourselves the question, "Have I paid my vows to the Most High. Am I proving to God that I am grateful by striving to do His full will concerning my life."

WE WANT YOUR REPORTS FOR THE PAPER

Our people over the field like to know what is going on within the bounds of the Free Will Baptist Denomination. They should know. In fact they need to know. It is a great encouragement to people when they learn of a successful revival, a splendid associational meeting, a great fellowship meeting, rally day, baptizing services, etc., etc. But they will not know unless you tell them. The medium for giving out such news and information is the church paper. We want to report through the paper all the activities of the denomination. We want to keep you posted on the progress of all our enterprises such as: our Bible College, Missions, Auxiliary work, Orphanage work, the Superannuation program, Youth Encampment work, Institute work, etc. Come on with your reports for the paper. Get them in early. Bro. Ministers don't forget to send us some good sermons.

SEND US YOUR PRINTING

We would like to keep busy doing printing for the Free Will Baptist Denomination. While we are striving to make the Gem Printing establishment pay we would at the same time like to make it serve the cause of Christ just as far as possible. We have turned out two minute jobs just the last few days, and have two more minutes on hand to print. We also know of others that are

coming in. If you have minutes, booklets, pamphlets, letter heads, envelopes, advertising material, report blanks, programs, or any such work you want done, send us your job. We will be more than glad to serve you and the cause, and you will at the same time be helping us greatly. We have set out to put the Gem on its feet. We can only do it as we have your cooperation. So please remember us when you have work you want done. **Thank you.**

THE DEADLINE FOR MANUSCRIPT

Several have written in asking to know the deadline for sending in manuscript for the Gem. I might be able to best inform you by telling you when we hope to get the Gem out each time. We hope to get the Gem in the mail in the very first days of the month. It may vary from time to time; but we want it on its way to you in the very early part of the month. So you see the sooner you can get your manuscript to us the better. If it gets in later than the 28th there will be good chance that it cannot be printed in the current issue. I would advise that you get your manuscript in just as soon after the 15th as possible.

OUR GEM OFFICE STAFF

We are very proud of our staff of workers here at the Gem Office. I think you will be happy to know they are all Christians and are all Free Will Baptists. They are more than nominal Free Will Baptists. They are loyal Free Will Baptists.

We have Roy Alyea at the head of the production department. Roy worked here about a year

and a half with Bro. Dees and therefore has quite a bit of experience. He is proving to be of great help to us.

We have Donald Greenway at the linotype. Donald is the son of Rev. Virgil Greenway. Donald is a very fine Christian boy, has not a great deal of experience at this kind of work; but he is improving every day. His heart is in his work. We are sure that with just a little more experience he is going to prove to be of tremendous value to the Free Will Baptist Gem.

Miss Thora Arbogast and my wife together are taking care of our home and the children and helping with the office work. They have been taking day about with the home and office.

All of our helpers are interested in seeing the Gem make a success. They are not just working for the money. In fact, we are paying small salaries so far. We hope to raise them in the future as the growth of the work justifies, but as yet we must be as conservative as possible. All our workers realize that, and are willing to sacrifice with us. Please keep us all, here at the Gem office, on your prayer list.

GRATIFYING RESPONSE TO OUR APPEAL FOR SUBS

We mailed around six hundred circular letters to all the delinquents at the time we mailed the last Gem, asking them to renew their subscriptions. With each letter we sent a self-addressed envelope. We are happy to tell you that these envelopes are coming in now in every day's mail as many as ten and fifteen at a time. So you see our subscription list is growing rapidly. We are indeed grateful for this splendid response. Such support is exactly what it will take for us to be enabled to give you a worth while monthly magazine. Please keep them coming.

WE HAVE CONSOLIDATED THE TWO OFFICES

Most of you know that our National Missions Headquarters Office has been located here in Monnett at 205 Fifth St. for some time. A few days ago I wrote the Chairman of our Foreign Missions Board, Rev. Raymond Riggs, and suggested that we consolidate these two offices. He gave us an immediate and favorable answer, so we proceeded at once to move the Missions Office into the Gem building. Bro. Riggs and I agreed that the Missions treasury pay \$10.00 per month rent to the Free Will Baptist Gem. We are happy to have our missions office located here in the Gem building. It is so much more handy for us, and is better all the way round. I feel sure you will agree with us that it was wisdom to consolidate the two offices. Of course, as to the funds, expenses, etc., we are keeping them all separate. Each department has its own office desk, its own set of books and a separate bank account.

SOME OF OUR LATEST IMPROVEMENTS

When you come to see us at the Gem office we want to be able to show you some marked improvements. We will have to do this slowly, of course; but already we are working to that end. In the office we have a new linoleum on the floor and the wood work is being painted. Moving in the mission office furniture has, of course, made quite a difference in the appearance.

In the machinery department we are also making some improvements. Roy has been doing some work on the other linotype and now has it working. Both of the boys can now operate linotypes so it is a great help that we have one for each of them. We have some new small parts ordered which the machinery needed in order to make it do better work,

and already the freight truck has backed up to our door twice with packs of new stock for our paper shelves. Yes, you guessed it, the most unpleasant thing about this is the big bill that follows.

On the outside we are having a sign boy to re-touch the lettering on the front, and a contractor is coming at once to give us an estimate on repairing the leaks in the roof.

In course of time we hope to get all these things taken care of. We must do it, however, according to our time and our means; but as the old colored brother said, "If you will furnish the green back, we will do our best to furnish the grit."

WILL YOU HELP CORRECT THE MAILING LIST

If you should get two papers at once, please notify us. If you fail to get a paper at any time, we want to know that also. We are working hard on the mailing list to get it as nearly correct as possible. We want you to get your paper; but we do not want to send you two papers. Of course, it is not our fault every time if you fail to receive your paper. Something can happen somewhere after the paper leaves the office. No doubt the majority of times the fault is here in the office. Of course, if you receive two papers, the fault is definitely ours. We will appreciate it very much if you will help us in this way to correct our list.

You should by all means own a copy of the book written by Laura B. Barnard entitled, "His Name Among All Nations."

Price, \$2.00 per copy.

Let us have your order for a copy of the Butler-Dunn Systematic Theology.

Price, \$2.00 per copy.

GODS ANSWERS TO YOUR QUESTIONS

By Gweneth Talley. Aurora, Missouri

1. Am I not young and likely to live a long life?
GOD SAYS, "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them." (Ecc. 12:1)
2. But I would have to make so many sacrifices to become a Christian.
GOD SAYS, "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" (Mark 8:36)
3. Can I not say my prayers, and give to God's work, surely that will count in my favor?
GOD SAYS, "Many will say to me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?' And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you depart from me, ye that work iniquity." (Matt. 7:22-3)
4. Does God really love me, before I am saved?
GOD SAYS, "God commendeth His love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Rom. 5:8)
5. Even if I live a harmless life, am I condemned?
GOD SAYS, "There is none righteous, no, not one." (Rom. 3:10) "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." (John 3:3)
6. If I should die, would not that be the end?
GOD SAYS, "The rich man died, and was buried; and in hell he lifted up his eyes, being in torments. (Luke 16:22-3)
7. God is a merciful God, and trust he will pass over many misdeeds.
GOD SAYS, "He will by no means clear the guilty." (Numbers 14:16) "Because I have called and ye refused, I also will laugh, when your fear cometh." (Rom. 1:24)
8. How will it be determined at the judgement day who will be sent to hell?
GOD SAYS, "He that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." (John 3:18)
9. I cannot believe that the immoral and I are alike before God.
GOD SAYS, "Whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, is guilty of all." (James 2:10)
10. Just what must I do to be saved?
GOD SAYS, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." (Acts 16:31)
11. Kindly tell me exactly what I am to believe.
GOD SAYS, "The Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all." (Is. 53:6) "...of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me." (Gal. 2:20) "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit." (I Peter 3:18)
12. Lord, I believe, but is there nothing I must do to gain salvation?
GOD SAYS, "...a man is not justified by the works of the law; but by the faith of Jesus Christ...." (Gal. 2:16)
13. Must I not work, the Bible says, "Work out your own salvation"?
YES, after salvation is yours, but not until then.
GOD SAYS, "To him that worketh not but believeth in Him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness." (Rom. 4:5)
14. Now has God nothing to do for me?
GOD SAYS, "...and without shedding of blood there is no remission." (Heb. 9:22) Paul said that Jesus loved him and gave His (Jesus') life for him (Paul) in Gal. 2:20. (COULD HE DO MORE?)
15. Often I think I am too great a sinner to be saved.
GOD SAYS, "Come now, let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet they shall be white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." (Is. 1:18)
16. Quitting the life I am now living, I would be unable to bear the scoffing of my acquaintances.
GOD SAYS, "My grace is sufficient for thee, for my strength is made perfect in weakness." (2 Cor. 12:9) "I the Lord have called thee in righteousness, and I will hold thine hand, and will keep thee,...." (Is. 42:6) "Redeemed with the precious blood of Christ," (I Peter 1:19) ".... we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ". (Rom. 5:1)
17. Redeemed with the blood of Christ, what love God must have had for me!
"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)
18. My sins deserve eternal death, but Jesus died for me.
GOD SAYS, "For while we were without strength, in due time, Christ died for the ungodly." (Rom. 5:6)
19. Then there are only two classes of people, the saved and the unsaved?
GOD SAYS, "Then shall the king say unto them on his right hand, 'Come, ye blessed of my father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels.' (Matt. 25:34,41)
20. Unto what races of people is this great salvation promised?
JESUS SAYS, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." (Matt. 28:19)
21. Must we have "Victory In Jesus" and Him alone to overcome the world?
GOD SAYS, "For whosoever is born of God overcometh the world; and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that

overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?" (1 John 5:4-5)

22. With Jesus as my Savior should I not live a different life?

GOD SAYS, "Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." (Rom. 6:3-4)

23. Except I repent and be converted, shall I be lost?

JESUS SAYS, "I tell you nay: but except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." (Luke 13:3)

24. Yielding myself to God, must I serve Him daily?

GOD SAYS, "Neither yield your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin; but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God." (Rom. 6:13)

25. Zealous of good works I will follow my Lord and serve Him.
GOD SAYS, "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men. Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously and godly, in this present world; Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ; Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." (Titus 2:11-14)

REVIVAL AT AMITY

A splendid revival has just closed at our Amity Church of which the Editor is pastor. The revival was conducted by Rev. Dale Jones and Rev. Curtis Wilson both of near Lebanon, Mo.

During the two weeks' meeting there were nine souls saved, five

united with the church and four were baptized. There is one other to be baptized yet.

We are very grateful for this revival. Because of the many duties here at the Gem Office, the pastor could not be present to enjoy this revival, but we concurred with the church in securing Bro. Jones and Bro. Wilson to hold the meeting for us. We appreciate the valuable service rendered by these brethren.

We are grateful to the Amity Church and community for the financial help given these brethren, and for the shower of canned goods given them on the closing date of the meeting.

— Winford Davis

— FLASH —

"Not slothful in business...." (Rom. 12:11)

We need manuscript for the Gem. May we women, who have wanted the Gem to go forward, now put forth an effort and send in some articles to be published in our magazine. You have a chance now to prove whether or not you want the Gem. Get your pen and paper and the Lord will give you something to write. We'll be hoping to hear from you.

Mrs. Winford Davis
4th Vice President
Mo. State Aux.

HABITS AND MORAL COURAGE

By J. M. Doughty
Strafford, Mo.

Many young people do not realize that the habits they may form before they reach the age of twenty-one has much to do with their health, happiness and success throughout life.

Good habits are of great value and lead to happiness; but bad habits will surely lead to unhappiness.

No doubt most Christians will agree with me in thinking that the drink habit is the worst of our bad habits, and should be kept out of our lives if we want our lives to be happy and a bless-

sing to ourselves, to our loved ones and associates and to Christ.

There are those who will tell you that there is no harm in taking a glass of beer. Beer is an alcoholic beverage and a habit forming drink that will in time make the drinker crave a stronger drink.

The drinking of alcoholic beverages leads to evil, and the Apostle Paul warns us to abstain from the very appearance of evil. Paul also tells us to abhor (hate) that which is evil.

Drunkards and drunkenness are condemned many places in the Bible. All drunkards commenced with their first drink. Whether you take a so called friendly drink or take a drink as medicine, it is habit forming and may lead to drunkenness. Let us see what drunkards say about the first drink: The Alcoholics Anonymous, which is an organization of reformed drunkards, have a slogan, "One drink is too many and a thousand is not enough."

If your tempters call you old fashioned because you do not drink, remind them that drinking was common in Solomon's time one thousand years before Christ. Solomon states that those that are deceived by strong drink are not wise.

Alexander the Great conquered the world and died of drunkenness more than three centuries before Christ. The ones that drink are the ones who are behind the times.

Christian young people, who abstain from the very appearance of evil and have the moral courage to say no to those who tempt them to drink are the up-to-date people.

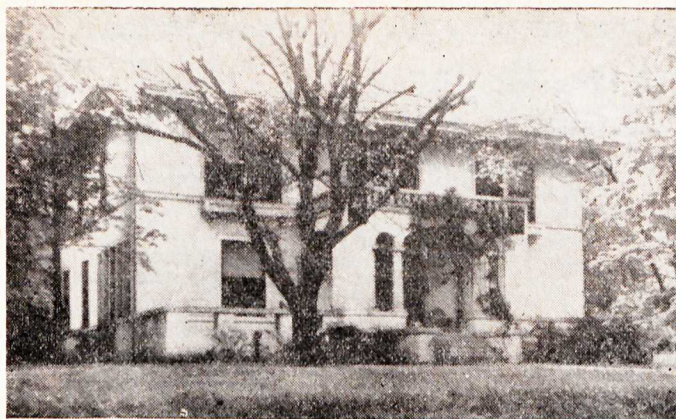
Anyone living in these days of motor vehicles and complicated machinery should be a total abstainer to be up-to-date.

NOTICE

Any-one wishing to contact me now, my new address is-

Rev. Mark Lewis,
Myrtle, Missouri.

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FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE NEWS

L. C. Johnson, President

The Free Will Baptist Bible College has enjoyed the blessings of the Lord throughout its history. We have been unusually conscious of these continued blessings upon us in the beginning of this, the sixth term of its operation. We believe that it will be encouraging to our many friends to bring to their attention some specific items for which to praise the Lord.

First, we are grateful for the fifty-seven young men and women who have registered for Christian training this semester. Of this number, there are thirty-five young men who have either definitely answered the call to preach or whose lives are yielded to the Lord for whatever service they may render. The twenty-two young ladies have also either committed themselves to missionary work or are willing to serve in whatever place the Lord may choose. We are thankful that the Lord is calling so many fine young men and women in our church to definite Christian service.

Secondly, we are most grateful for the congenial attitude of our present student body. In a most unselfish manner, they have adapted themselves to the purpose and spirit of the institution. This has made possible a most congenial and Christian atmosphere in

which to live and work.

Thirdly, we thank the Lord for a faculty and staff who are co-operative and are in harmony with the purpose of the Free Will Baptist Bible College.

Fourthly, we praise the Lord for the loyalty of the friends of this institution in praying for its success. Continue to remember us in your daily prayers.

Fifthly, for the financial support that many Free Will Baptists are giving to the college. This with your prayers, will guarantee the maintenance and expansion of our school. Let us take none of these blessings for granted but be aware that continued success depends upon the blessings of our Lord. We are glad to share with the many readers of our church papers these items of praise that they may join with us in real thanksgiving for his manifold blessings upon our institution.

But, let us remember that every item for praise becomes a chal-

lenge for continued prayer and continued work as long as their is an unfinished task. Therefore, we suggest to you some items for prayer.

First, continue to pray with us the prayer of Jesus when He said, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest;" for we believe that divinely-called young men and women, trained in an institution consecrated wholly to the will of God, will be the answer to many of the needs of our church.

As the Lord answers this prayer and calls more Free Will Baptist young people into service, there will have to be an enlarged institution of training for them. This, then, leads to the second object of prayer, namely, that the Lord may continue to raise up friends to support our College with their gifts. There are many Free Will Baptists whom the Lord has blessed materially who can make nice gifts of money for a greater Free Will Baptist Bible College.

Thirdly, pray for all who are responsible to plan and administer the affairs of the institution.

If you will cooperate with us in praying and giving, we believe that, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, Free Will Baptists will be able to make a contribution to the world in its hour of direst need. May we ever keep ourselves dedicated to this cause.





Missionary Department



Rev. Winford Davis, Promotional Secy.-Treas. National Board

THIS IS SPECIAL MISSIONARY MONTH

November has been designated as Special Missionary Month in the state of Missouri. It is hoped that every Free Will Baptist organization and individual in the state will do something extra for the support of Foreign Missions during this month. In the allotted quotas, which were given to each state in our denominational connection, Missouri was given \$6,000. This is to be raised within the bounds of the state by July 1, 1948. This \$6,000 is of course the equivalent of \$500.00 per month, or \$1500.00 per quarter. We balanced up with all the states at the close of the first quarter which ended Sept. 30th, and found that Missouri had given a total of \$1532.57 for the first quarter (July, August and September). So that makes Mo. \$32.57 ahead on her \$6,000 quota for the Nat. Associational year. Mo. has always done wonderfully in supporting Foreign Missions. We could not make any consistent complaint. For this support we are very grateful. Yet, there are Free will Baptists in the state who do absolutely nothing at all for the missionary cause. There are whole churches, and in some places almost whole associations of churches that contribute nothing to missions, wholly neglecting the great commission. If all the Free Will Baptists in the state were loyal, we could very easily do twice what we are doing for the spread of the gospel in other lands. I am hoping that during this month of November we will hear from nooks and corners over the state in the support of missions from which we have never heard before. At the same time we are expecting everyone, regardless of how loyal a supporter you have been in the past, to put in an extra offering for missions during this special month. Come

on! let's GO for missions during this month as we have never done before. When this National Associational year comes to a close, let's be able to say that Missouri went over the top with her quota. An extra offering for missions this month is a very good way to observe Thanksgiving.



Estrella Celorio

THE WILLEYS' FOSTER-CHILD

A little over four years ago Maximina Sanchez came to see us at our home in Pinar and expressed her keen desire to serve the Lord as a full time worker. We could not place her on the field without preparation. This presented a problem as she had four children, three girls and one boy. After prayer and thought her children were distributed in different places. Estrella came to us, to be our daughter. Miss Yeley took Tita, the daughter next in size. The son, Tinito, we placed in the school, as an errand boy and he is now a student. The youngest child, a girl, is with her grandmother. Thus Maximina was free to trust the Lord for her preparation. He has not failed her.

Estrella begged us that we would let her study and finish her Grammar Grade work. She was twelve then, and only in the third grade. She did her work at

the home during the day and studied at night for the first year. The next years she would get up at five-thirty in the mornings, do the house work, then go to school during the day. She finished all her work through the sixth grade; Miss Olive VanSyoc making it possible for her to study in private school this past summer. She took first place in her class each year, and her grades were always between 95 and 100. She is an exceptionally bright girl.

This past month when we took Barbara and Tommy to Tococoa to school, we took their Cuban sister also. It has been extra expense and will be, but up to the present the Lord has supplied their every need. Our children said they would be willing to work two hours a day that Estrella might have the same opportunities as they. In a letter from her a few days ago, she said, "Mother, I have only one desire in my life and that is to serve the Lord Jesus, I am more determined than ever to follow Him."

As you pray for our children will you also include Estrella, her brothers and sisters, as well as all the Cuban boys and girls that are waiting for the "Light" and the love of God to be shed abroad in their hearts?

—Mabel Willey

WHO SAID THE MISSIONARY HAS AN EASY LIFE?

Mrs. Willey recently brought her two children, Tommy and Barbara, and a daughter of Maximina Sanchez over to Tococoa Falls, Georgia to enter them in school for this winter. She got them settled and then returned to the work in Cuba. She had not been back on the Cuban field but a few days until Barbara was taken with an acute attack of appendicitis and had to be operated on immediately. There was

no time to wait for parents to come. The operation was performed and the parents notified afterward. To be sure Barbara had the best and most careful attention, but would that be easy for a parent? Would it be easy for the child? No indeed not. This just further verifies the fact that a missionary's life is one of self-denial. It means something to forsake all and follow Him.

MICHIGAN AND MISSISSIPPI. TAKE NOVEMBER

The states of Michigan and Mississippi have with Missouri taken the month of November as their Special Missionary Month. Bro. Homer Willis, Director for Michigan and Bro. L. E. Duncan, Director for Mississippi, will be pushing the cause of Missions in these states during this month in a very special way. These brethren have proven themselves very loyal to the cause of Foreign Missions and I am confident we will be receiving some gratifying returns from these states as a result of the special campaign during the month of November. We trust every Free Will Baptist in the states of Mich. and Miss. will do more for missions during this month than they have ever done at any one time before.

It is wonderful how the many states have lined up with the missionary cause the last few years. It is nothing short of a modern day miracle. I can remember just a few years back when we were receiving practically nothing for missions from either of the above named states. Now the picture is all together different. We are receiving splendid support from both these states right along. If we do not receive some unseasonable offerings from both Mich. and Miss. at the close of this month, it will certainly be a disappointment to me because I have great faith in both states as to what they will do this special missionary month, and not only this month, but in the months to come. In fact every month should be Special Missionary Month with all of us.

NO ROOM FOR THEM

Sunday night we had to send a telegram denying a student entrance in the school, -no room. This is not like the schools in the States with their overflow of students due to the fact that the GI's are getting in school, -this is a condition that we have had for two years, an incomplete building, one just half finished!

Mr. Willey made the statement in the States this summer that we would be having an increased enrollment this year. We hoped to have such, but it was impossible, -no room.

Just yesterday I was reading of a work in South America; there was need of thirty-thousand dollars to finish a mission school building. The people at home and on the field prayed, and God touched the heart of one man who gave the needed funds. I couldn't help but cry out, "Oh, God, have I failed Thee, has it been a lack of faith on my part, that we can't have just one thousand dollars to finish a dormitory?"

My dear friends where is the trouble? God wants to give it to us. How are we going to reach out into new fields if we can't finish that which we have already begun?

We are grateful to the nine groups who have taken students and thus are helping us to meet the actual expenses of the school. There are still 21 students waiting to be cared for now. If these twenty-one students are taken, we will be in a position to buy furniture for the dormitories, and do some needed repairing. The girls have a bed, that they bought themselves, and a little night table, which Mr. Willey made for them. That is all the furniture that they have in the dormitory. They do not even have a chair or dresser, no place to hang their clothes except behind the doors. I am sure you would not be proud of this existing condition if you could see it; it is spotlessly clean, but very bare.

One outside of the denomination, Mr. Clarence Vandenburg, raised the money to build the dormitory as it now stands. If it

had not been for this we could not have had school these past two years.

Are we going to keep on saying "no" to these who have felt the call of God, and long to prepare themselves to carry the Gospel to their own people? Please make this a matter of urgent prayer. Shall we trust God together that the burden will be laid on hearts everywhere to share with these splendid, consecrated young people that they might have, at least, a building to stay in as they prepare for the ministry. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, ye have done it unto Me," said Jesus.

—Mabel Willey

HONOR ROLL

When we came into the Gem Office, Bro. Brown had been carrying on the subscription honor roll. It was started to continue six months closing with the 31st of Oct. The position of the honor roll at the close of the six month period stands as it is listed below. The first three names at the top receiving first, sec. and third prizes for sending in the most subs. We thank each and every one for the nice lot of subs. you have sent in. Whether you were able to receive one of the prizes or not, you have nevertheless rendered a valuable service. It has helped greatly.

HONOR ROLL

Rev. Billy King, Fredricktown, ...	56
Hazel Creek Union Church	54
Rev. O. T. Allred, Monett, Mo. ...	20
Rev. Cecil Campbell, Wheaton, Mo. 13	
Dave Bowers, Myrtle, Mo.	19
Rev. Paul Williams, Carterville ..	10
John Bough, Lockwood, Mo.	10
J. K. Stephens, Stockton, Mo.	7
Rev. Eunice Edwards, Desloge ..	6
R. J. Wisehart, Afton, Mo.	6
Opal E. Jeffreys, Lockwood, Mo. ...	5
Rev. Chas. Meyers, Flat River, Mo. 5	
Rev. A. A. Williams, Lone Grove 5	
Rev. Harvey E. Hill, Lemay, Mo. ...	4
Rev. W. F. Willingham, Mt'n Grove 4	
J. W. Hollingsworth, Racine, Mo. 3	
Fannie Worsley, Arcadia, Kans. ...	3

Rev. Wm. Buster, Sesser, Ill.	3
Pauline Henderson, Purdy, Mo. ...	3
Eulah Wisehart, Myrtle, Mo.	2
Woodrow Matthews, Mine La Motte	2
T. O. Dunn, Purcell, Okla.	2
Albert Halbrook, Mine La Motte...	2
Thora Arbogast, Greenfield, Mo.	2
Mrs. W. H. Poitevint, Quincy, Fla. ..	2
Mrs. A. R. McCracken, Indianola,	
Okla.	2

THE NEW HONOR ROLL

We are continuing the honor roll for another period of six months, but we are making some changes. We are going to make the requirements just a little more strenuous. Is that alright? I believe it will be a little more interesting if you have to strive harder in order to be entered on the honor roll. We are raising the minimum to five instead of two subscriptions as it has been. All who may send in as many as five subs.- one being your own, if you wish- will be entered on the honor roll. At the close of six months, which will be April 30th, the one having sent in the most subscriptions will receive the first prize, the second highest the second prize and the third highest the third prize. As of before we will keep the prizes a secret until the set time comes for their presentation. Come on now and get in on the new honor roll. We will begin publishing the names with the December issue of the Gem.

If you need subscription order blanks, please let us know. We are glad to hear from you any time.

WE ARE SORRY

Some manuscript came in too late for the November issue. We are sorry we couldn't get it in this time; however, it will be nice to have it on hand with which to begin the December issue. We hope you understand and will be patient until we can get to your article. The Gem was already full or your article would have appeared this time. Please get your manuscript in as early as possible.

—The Editor

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FINANCIAL REPORT NATIONAL FOREIGN MISSION TREAS.

Receipts during the month of October, 1947

Bethlehem Church of Tenn.	\$ 7.75
State of Okla. by D. B. Hellard	7.50
Clayton Texas Church	4.40
Central Church, Central City, Ark.	5.00
Oak Grove Church of Tenn.	3.25
Bethel Church of Tenn.	25.00
Trinity Church of Tenn.	10.00
Union F. W. B. Sunday School of Tenn.	5.00
Ina Church, Ina, Illinois	28.72
Ina Church Rally day offering, Ina, Ill.	132.28
S. P. Easley, Portales, New Mexico	10.00
League Rally of Hope Well Ass'n. of Okla.	2.00
Midway Church and Aux. of Tenn.	9.00
Northeast Mississippi Ass'n.	31.00
Lansing Gospel Tabernacle, Lansing, Mich.	120.00
State of Michigan by George Ritter	4.00
Friendship League of Tenn.	2.65
Lellie Herring, Nashville, Tenn.	5.00
Bear Creek Aux. of Illinois	10.00
Freedom Church of Ill. by W. E. Gullledge	25.00
Mrs. Houston B. Ham by K. V. Shutes of Alabama	12.00
Shawnee, Okla. First Church by Milford Bowlan	7.49
Mayme L. Palmer, Castleberry, Ala.	2.21
Central Ave. Church, Okla. City, Okla.	7.10
Progressive Ass'n. of Ala.	34.55
Rev. Wilson Parker, Nashville, Tenn.	10.00
State of Ohio by Grace Peach	250.00
Wolverine Ass'n. of Mich.	211.14
George Ritter for Mich.	4.00
New Prospect Church, Hyman, S. C.	10.05
W. J. Gibbs, Pamplio, S. C.	25.00
New Hope League, Joelton, Tenn.	2.16
Mrs. G. T. Harris, Ashland City, Tenn.	10.00
I. H. Phillips, Kenley, N. C.	100.00
Miss Catherine Wallace, Mt. Olive, N. C.	10.00
F. M. Mosley, Blakely, Ga.	5.00
State of Mich. by George Ritter	7.50
Liberty Church, Chucky, Tenn.	25.00
New Hope League of Tenn.	2.52
Rev. Wilson Parker, Nashville, Tenn.	5.00
Harmony Church, Benton, Ill.	23.00
Horney Heights Church of N. C.	20.00
Central Texas Quarterly Meeting	24.00
Bethany Church of S. C.	100.00
Oak Lawn Aux., Thomasville, Tenn.	22.00
Aux. of Rose of Sharon Church of N. C.	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Claud E. Sawyer, Ware Shoals, S. C.	15.00
Midway Church and Aux. of Tenn.	9.00
Hazel Park Church of Mich.	30.21
Sale of linoleum as result of moving office	5.00
South Carolina Con.	88.00
Bethlehem Church of Tenn.	9.00
Clayton Texas Church	4.40
Mo. State Association by Marie Hyatt, Treas.	505.80
Sale of book, "His Name Among all Nations"	52.00
Subscription to the "Review"	1.00
Union Meeting of Eastern Con. of S. C.	100.00
Liberty Church of Johnston City, Ill.	114.00
State of N. C. by J. W. Alford, Treas.	574.12

Designated Funds
For support of Cuban students

Hazel Park League, Hazel Park, Mich.	15.00
T. L. Scruggs, Outwood, Ky.	15.00
F. W. B. Church, Leeds, Ala.	15.00
Highland Park Aux., Highland Park, Mich.	15.00
Intermediate S. S. Class, Mt. Elon Church of S. C.	15.00
Mtn. Valley Church, Mtn. Grove, Mo.	15.00
Ladies Prayer Band of Hazel Park, Mich.	15.00
Ina Church, Ina, Ill.	15.00
Young Peoples' League, Turkey Creek Church of Ohio.....	15.00
State of N. C. by J. W. Alford, Treas.	125.00

Special gift to Miss Barnard

Huntsville Texas Church	27.00
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To help send Zalene Lloyd to India

John B. Elliston, Okla. City, Okla.	30.00
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To help build a church on Cuban farm

State of N. C. by J. W. Alford, Treas.	25.00
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—Rev. Winford Davis

RECOMMENDATIONS

BY THE THIRD VICE PRES. OF W. N. A. C.

Dear Co-Laborers:

As your National Third Vice President, I wish to set forth the following recommendations for the pursuance of your study courses for the year 1947-48:

Each Auxiliary should conduct three study courses for the year as follows.

Stewardship Study Course in September or October
Manual and-or Benevolence Study Course in February or March

Mission Study Course in April or May

Let us remember that the more active we are in the realm of study, the greater will be our achievements in bringing honor and glory to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Study brings inspiration and inspiration leads to action.

I am herewith recommending the following books for study:

Stewardship Books—

"Stewardship in Lives of Women" by Helen Wallace.....	\$0.40
"The Larger Stewardship" by Chas. A. Cook	.40
"Studies in Christian Stewardship"	.35
"Will a Man Rob God" by Ralph Cushman	.35
"Stewardship For All of Life" by Luther E. Lovejoy	.50
"Faithful in Much" by John E. Simpson	.75
"This World's Goods" by John E. Simpson	.75
"He That Giveth" by John E. Simpson	.75
"Stewardship in the Life of Youth" by Williamson & Wallace	.75
"To Whom Much is Given" by E. Ernest Thomas	.60
"The Stewardship Life" by J. E. Crawford	.75

Mission Books—

"Stewardship and Missions" by Chas. A. Cook	.40
"Stewardship and World Missions" by John E. Simpson	.75
"God and Man in Missions" by W. O. Carver	.40
"Missions in the Bible" by J. B. Lawrence	.50
"Thus it is Written" by Henry C. Gobner	.75
"These Things will Last" by Stacy R. Warburton	.75
"Pray Ye" by Frances L. Tyler	.50
"Christian Nurture" by Basil Holt	.60
"Famous Missionaries" by J. Gilchrist Lawson	.50
"The Bible and Missions" by C. S. Detweiler	.40
"His Name Among All Nations" by Laura Belle Barnard	2.00

Benevolence Books—

MISSOURI STATE

TREASURER'S REPORT

(For October, 1947)

State Unified Fund

Merl's Chapel S. S.	\$ 12.52
Carterville Church	11.45
Flat River Church	116.03
Sublette Church	12.70
Mine LaMotte Church	4.41
Leadington S. S.	1.73
Twin Oaks Church	3.00
Monett Church	17.42
St. Louis S. Side Church ..	12.50
Mr. & Mrs. Ross R. Thomas, Hannon, Mo.	5.00
Verdella Church	5.06
Mrs. Roy Alyea, Monett ..	3.00
Desloge Church	9.33
Copper Mines Church	7.00

Total \$221.15

Foreign Mission Fund

Rock Chapel Church	\$ 22.52
Blue Eye Church	5.63
Connelsville S. S.	8.00
Mtn. Grove League	10.00
Rev. Archie Cooper, Kirksville, Mo.	10.00
Mtn. Grove Auxiliary	10.00
Mtn. Valley League	7.00
Mrs. Orene Rader, Nian-gua, Mo.	2.00
Mr. & Mrs. R. W. Huffman, Strafford, Mo.	20.00
Rock Chapel Church	20.65
Carterville Church	9.90
Mr. & Mrs. Graden MeDaniel, Long Lane, Mo. ..	75.00
Flat River Church	5.97
Union Third Fork S. S. ..	6.00
Aulsbury Chapel Church ..	5.00
Monett Church	18.46
Mr. & Mrs. Ross R. Thomas, Hannon, Mo.	5.00
Hannon Church	5.00
Golden Oak League	1.65
Golden Oak S. S.	3.35
Hickory Grove Church	6.20
Amity Church	13.00
John W. Adkins, Kirksville, Mo.	75.00
Hazel Creek U. Church	77.43
Union Light S. S.	20.00
Jewel Church	25.00
Neola F. W. B. Church	6.57
Myrtle League	20.47
New Harmony Mission	20.00

Total \$505.80

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"Women in the Church" by Louise Novotny	.60
"Studies of Famous Bible Women" by H. T. Sell	.75
"Helping Others to Become Christians" by R. Q. Leavell	.35
Books which will help you to enlarge upon your programs in the	
"Yearbook of Programs" if you meet more than one time each	
month:	
"The Open Gate to Prayer" by Mable N. Thurston	.25
"Gems of Thought" poetry by Edward Boone	.35
"Food for Thought in Poetry"	.35
(The above books can be obtained from the Free	
Will Baptist Press in Ayden, N. C.	

Yours in His service,
Mrs. L. E. Ballard

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Home Mission Fund

Mr. & Mrs. Graden Mc-	
Daniel, Long Lane, Mo. ..	25.00
Aulsbury Chapel S. S. ..	5.00

Total \$ 30.00

Tennessee Orphanage

Aulsbury Chapel S. S.	5.00
Hazel Creek U. Church	19.36

Total \$ 24.36

Superannuation

Aulsbury Chapel S. S.	5.00
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Expansion Fund

Hazel Creek U. Church ..	58.07
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Jehoida Chest

Copper Mines Church....	2.00
Marie Hyatt, State Treas.	
Greentop, Mo.	

REPORT OF REVIVAL AT NEW HARMONY

"Praise the Lord; for the Lord is good: sing praises unto his name; for it is pleasant." (Psalms 135:3).

The above verse of scripture explains how my heart feels about the success of our revival effort in the New Harmony Church. God led Rev. Harvey Hill (120 E. Lorretta Ave., Lemay, Mo.) to us as our evangelist. His heart and soul were poured out in the messages that were delivered. The Holy Spirit accompanied each message with real power from the throne of God. Bro. Hill was a blessing to our church and community.

During the two weeks of worship and fellowship unkind feelings toward one another were made right in the lives of church

members; three persons accepted Christ as their Savior, and our church membership was increased as three consecrated Christians joined our ranks to work in the service of our Lord. Many Christians were at the altar for consecration.

Mrs. Dan Gilliam acknowledged her call to the ministry. We thank God for this definite step on her part in the Lord's work. Mrs. Gilliam is a consecrated Christian with great potentiality in the ministry of our church. She is the mother of two fine Christian children who will be of help in her ministry. This Lady with her good companion and children are a real blessing to our church.

As the services came to a close, a revival spirit prevailed. We feel confident that souls will continue to be saved and our church will be blessed as God works in the hearts of our people. Remember our church in your prayers.

"O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: for His mercy endureth forever." (Psalms 136:1).

Marie Hyatt, Pastor
Greentop, Mo.

IF YOU NEED CHRISTMAS CARDS WE HAVE THEM

A nice assortment of Christmas cards at \$1.00 per box of 25. Your name can be printed on them if you like. We will appreciate your patronage.

BIBLE PUZZLE

God made Adam out of dust
But He thought it best to make
me first

So I was made before the man,
According to the Maker's plan.
My body He did make complete
But without arms, legs or feet
My ways and actions He controll-
ed

That I received a living soul
A living creature I became
And Adam gave to me my name
Then from his presence I with-
drew

No more of Adam ever knew.
I did my maker's laws obey
From them I never went astray.
Thousands of miles I run in fear
And seldom on earth do I appear.
But God in me did something see
And put a living soul in me
A son in me the Lord did claim
Then took from me this soul
again.

And when from me this soul was
fled

I was the same as when first
made.

Without hands, feet, or soul
I travel now from pole to pole.
I labor now both day and night
To fallen men I give great fright
Thousands of people, both young
and old

Do by my death a light behold
No fear of death doth trouble me
And happiness I cannot see
To heaven above I cannot go
Nor to the grave or hell below
If right or wrong I can perceive
The Holy Bible I don't believe
Although therein my name is
found

They are to me as empty sound.
Thus when these lines you do
read

Go search the Bible with all speed
And if my name you don't find
there

It will be strange I do declare.
(See Matt. 12:40)

NOTICE

Anyone wishing to correspond
with me will please address me at
my new address which is:

Farmington, Missouri
Rt. 3

—James F. Miller

CHURCH ACTIVITY & EVANGELISM

A GREAT REVIVAL NEAR CABOOL, MO.

Dear Gem readers:

Here is a line to let you know how everything is coming along with us. As most all our friends know, we are pastoring the Central Avenue Free Will Baptist Church, 1815 S. Central Ave., Oklahoma City, Okla.. Our address is 1904 S. Central Ave. We live in the church parsonage. The church is doing very good, and we have a broadcast over Radio Station KOP, 1140 on your dial. We are receiving a marvelous response to our broadcast which is on the air from 3:00 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday.

The church has been very kind in giving consent to our going to Cabool, Mo. for a revival with the Faith and Hope Free Will Baptist Church, which is located twelve miles southeast of Cabool. Rev. A. A. Hogue is the pastor. The revival began on Monday night Sept. 29th, and closed on Wednesday Oct. 1st with 21 conversions and 25 additions to the church. Later we were informed that 9 more joined the church and that they baptized 17. This was one of the best revivals that I have been in for some time. The good people in and around Faith and Hope Church are some of the best people we have found anywhere. They are very anxious to cooperate with all the National program, and are a real group of progressive folk. Pray much for them and their good pastor and wife. Yes, we found some real friends in the persons of Bro. and Sis. Hogue.

U'm, U'm! we sure did enjoy the chicken and squirrel and all of the good eats in this fine community. On Sunday while my wife and I were there, the church had one of the old time spreads. Such a dinner, My! My! there was enough to feed a threshing crew, and was the spirit of the Lord present to bless our hearts. We

will never forget those good people around Cabool. We also had a marvelous service with Bro. Cleo Curtis on Sunday afternoon Sept. 27th with the First Church in Cabool. The Faith and Hope Church, the Mt. Pisgah Church and other churches that were represented in this service made it an outstanding service. Bro. Curtis is doing a fine work in Cabool.

It was also our pleasure to be in the home of our good Brother, Geo. Scott at Mtn. Grove, Mo. one night. And say, did we see that fine stone church building that Bro. Scott has built there at Mtn. Grove.

Well, these are the highlights of our revival and visit in and around Cabool. We certainly appreciate our many friends that cooperated with us in this fine revival. May the Lord bless all of you.

—Rev. Melvin Bingham

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH OF AURORA, MO.

To you our beloved Gem Family, brothers and sisters in Christ.

I count it a privilege to let you hear from us through the Gem. Our Assistant Pastor, Rev. Earl Bandy, and Rev. Elbert Haley closed a revival at our church last night. It began Sept. 29th, lasting a little over two weeks.

We are happy to report three conversions, some renewals and ten members added to the church. The church was greatly strengthened as a result of this revival. God was present with mighty power to bless our souls, and truly we had a great feast of the spiritual blessings of God.

Sunday night the power of God was manifested in a wonderful way. Christians were made to shout and praise God and leap for joy, as at Pentecost. Praise God! He is the same today as He was then.

Without a sermon or altar call one fine young man came forward

and was gloriously converted.

It is surprising to look over the crowd and see the new faces that have come into our church in the last few months. Thank God we are moving on even though Satan is still fighting in many ways. God is with us in a big way.

Our newly organized league is improving right along. Please pray for these young people and their leader.

Praying for our Gem and its new Editor, I will close by asking all our brothers and sisters to pray for us.

May the Lord bless you all.

Yours in His service,
Gweneth Talley.

REPORT OF FELLOWSHIP MEETING

Dear Gem readers:

On the second Sunday in October at the Mt. Olive church near Racine, Mo. we had a wonderful all day service. Rev. B. F. Henderson brought the message at the 11:00 o'clock hour. In the afternoon we had a grand song service, and Rev. George LaShum brought another gospel message. Everyone had a wonderful time singing, testifying and praising the Lord. Before the service came to a close, one young girl came forth and asked the Christians to pray for her, and she was renewed.

Mt. Olive plans to start a revival the 25th of October. Rev. Green will be the evangelist.

Yours sincerely,
Roy Alyea.

REVIVAL AT PLEASANT GROVE

A glorious revival is in progress at the Pleasant Grove Church which is in the Indian Creek Association.

The pastor, Rev. Cecil H. Campbell is the evangelist and Bro. Roy Alyea is in charge of the song services. Bro. Alyea is the evangelistic singer for the Indian Creek Association and is certainly proving to be of great value to the services.

There have been many wonderful messages delivered both in sermon and song for which we thank our God. Many special numbers have proved a blessing.

To date there have been five conversions and renewals resulting from the meeting. The church has been greatly revived.

The attendance has been unusually good with all the neighboring churches of other denominations attending regularly and some coming as far as forty or fifty miles to be in the services.

We are trusting and praying that many others will find their way to the Lord before the services come to a close.

One outstanding event of the meeting will be the ordination of a young man as deacon of Pleasant Grove Church. Bro. Delbert Wallis has proven himself worthy of the office of deacon, and will without doubt be a blessing in the Lord's service.

REPORT OF TWO REVIVALS

On Sept. 29th we began a meeting with the Mt. Zion Church in Northwest Ark. Rev. Bruce Phillips of Rt. 2 Springdale, Ark. is the pastor. He has been with the church for a number of years; one Sunday each month. Last year this church built a new church and this year has called Bro. Phillips for full time. We rejoice with them in this advancement in the Lord's work. We enjoyed very much the fellowship of God's people in this meeting. This was our fourth revival with them. We conducted one back in 1935, one in 1937 and one in 1943. We rejoiced to find some who were converted in other meetings earnestly working for the Master. Three came to an altar of prayer and found the way of salvation during the meeting. Two united with the church. We clos-

ed this meeting Sat. night Oct. 11 and came by our Merls Chapel Church for our appointment on Sunday and Sunday night.

Monday Oct. 13th we went to our Verdella Church in Barton Co. Missouri and began a meeting there. We had a good revival in the church. Most of the unsaved of the community were too busy with the things of this present life to come to church. In this meeting we had one conversion, baptized two and three united with the church.

Our next meeting is to be held with our South Side Church in St. Louis. Rev. Harvey Hill is the pastor. This meeting is to begin Nov. 3rd.

We ask the prayers of those who read this that God may use us wholly to His glory.

Yours in Christ

Rev. O. T. Allred

THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

McCune Brooks Hospital, Oct. 12 1947.

Dear Editor,

I am sending a copy of our Oklahoma State Women's Aux Convention program. If you can print it for us we will be grateful to you.

The Auxiliary work in Oklahoma is going forward. We as God's people, must go forward to please Him because his ways are always forward. The Lord spoke unto Moses, saying, "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward." Today He is still saying to us through His word, "Go forward"; "work while it is day for the night cometh when no man can work." There is no place to stop or let down. We thank God for the women whose lives are so consecrated to His great cause. No giant or doubt can cause us to fail if we pray and hold on to His "unchanging hand." Much has been accomplished but there is so very much more to be done and such little time in which to do it.

LOYALTY

We can't stop because of burdens

We can't lay our armour down.
We can't brood o'er disappointments,

Nor on our lot dare to frown.

We can't weep o'er things that hamper,

Nor cherished aims that were denied.

There's an army vast that needs us

Though in the march we're sorely tried.

There are deeds to be accomplished,

We can lend a helping hand.

"See the millions - burdened
Struggling in the sinking sand!"

There's no place for idle tears,
drops,

No time for unearned repose
Hours elapse, the years swift

pass,
Soon the scenes of life will close.

Now's the time we're sorely needed

Ere the sun of life goes down.
Take our stand in life's battle,

We can't lay our armour down
Till each foe has been defeated:

Toiling in the heat of day,
Giving of our best to others,

Learn to labor, watch and pray.

— Mary Wall

I can truly say with David:
O Lord, our Lord, how excellent
is thy name in all the earth!
I will praise thee, O Lord, with my
whole heart; I will shew forth all
thy marvelous works. I will be
glad and rejoice in thee; I will
sing praise to thy name, O thou
most High." "The angel of the
Lord encampeth round about
them that fear Him, and deliver-
eth them." O, taste and see that
the Lord is good; blessed is the
man that trusteth in Him.
"Many are the afflictions of the
righteous; but the Lord deliver-
eth them out of their troubles."

— Bessie Stairs

ARE YOU WORTHY

"He that taketh not his cross,
followeth after me is not worthy
me. (Matt. 10:3-8)

As we enter this new year of
service in our women's work as
well as the entire program of the
church, may we pray much and

examine our hearts to be sure we are worthy of His countless blessings.

First of all let us pause for a while to look back over the past year's efforts and thank our Lord for the progress we have made in His name. Just think of the growth of our missionary work in the last few years: the establishment of our Bible College where our young leaders can be trained for more powerful service; the ever increasing number of missionary minded Christians in our home churches.

For all these blessings let us offer to God a sincere prayer of Thanksgiving, and look forward to the fields that are white unto harvest.

In so doing we will examine our own hearts more closely. A story is told in Scotland concerning Dr. Alexander Whyte and his friend Dr. James Hood Wilson of the Barclay church. Some traveling evangelists came to Edinburg for a mission and fell to criticizing the resident ministers in the town. A man who was present, called on Dr. Whyte the next day. "I went to hear the evangelists last night, Dr. Whyte," he began, "and do you know what they said? They said that Dr. Hood Wilson of Barclay was not a converted man."

Alexander leapt from his chair in anger. His serene face went dark with indignation.

"The rascals!" he said, "the rascals! Dr. Hood Wilson not a converted man."

The visitor was amazed to see a saint so furious.

"That isn't all they said, Dr. Whyte," he continued, "they said that you were not a converted man, either."

What did he think would happen then, that the angry man would be angrier still? If so, he was vastly wrong. Whyte stopped in his stride, all the fire went out of him, and sinking into his chair, he put his face in his hands. For a long full moment he did not speak.

Then looking up he said to his visitor with awful earnestness, "Leave me friend, leave me! 1

must examine my heart."

That is how a man or woman of God reacts to a spiritual challenge. He is not resentful; he does not ask, "Who are you to challenge me?". In the light of God he examines his heart.

To that point God is surely drawing Christian men and women today. An increasing number are saying, "I must examine my heart! Lord is it I? Is it I?"

It is a personal message to each Christian. The church must demonstrate to the world a new depth of spiritual power.

So let us begin by examining our own hearts. Lord is it I?

*"We heed, O Lord, thy summons,
And answers Here are we!
Send us upon Thine errand,
Let us thy servants be."*

—Mrs. Cecil Campbell

EXALT YE THE LORD

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"Exalt ye the Lord our God, and worship at his footstool; for He is Holy." (Psalms 99:5)

As "co-laborers together with God", we are admonished to **exalt the Lord**. It is our duty to glorify God by our service for Him. We can honor the Lord by praise. "Ye that fear the Lord, praise Him; all ye seed of Jacob, glorify Him, and fear Him, all ye seed of Israel." (Ps. 22:23). Praise to God in song is enjoined. "Sing praises to the Lord", and with musical instruments, "Praise the Lord with harp: sing unto him with the psaltery and an instrument of ten strings". (Ps. 33:2)

Women, we are a chosen generation; therefore, let us show forth the praises of God who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. God has given us a place in which to serve: let's be true to that trust and strengthen our church by true devotion to His service.

We are to exalt God by good works. "Let your light so shine before men, that they see your Father which is in heaven." (Mt. 5:16). God has called upon us to

be of service unto mankind. By our good works we can lighten life's burdens. "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of God." As an auxiliary organization we can do good works and glorify the Father through united and individual prayer, missionary study, benevolent service and giving of our tithes and offerings unto the Lord. "Therefore, my beloved, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

Our fruit-bearing will measure our consecration unto the Lord. We can glorify God by bearing fruit for Him. "Herein is my Father glorified that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples." (John 15:8). My prayer for the women of our church is "that ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God." We can do just that as we serve God through the plan for our auxiliary work.

Spiritual unity describes the fellowship of "co-laborers together with God." Where unity prevails, strength is manifested. "Be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another." (Peter 3:8). When we adhere to the preceeding verse of scripture, spiritual unity will prevail. Then, we truly can "Exalt the Lord our God." Let's continue to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Thus, we can with one mind and mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We will exalt the Lord by entire consecration unto His service. "For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." (1 Cor. 6:20). My prayer is "that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ." (2 Thes. 1:12). Let's continue to "Exalt ye the Lord."

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