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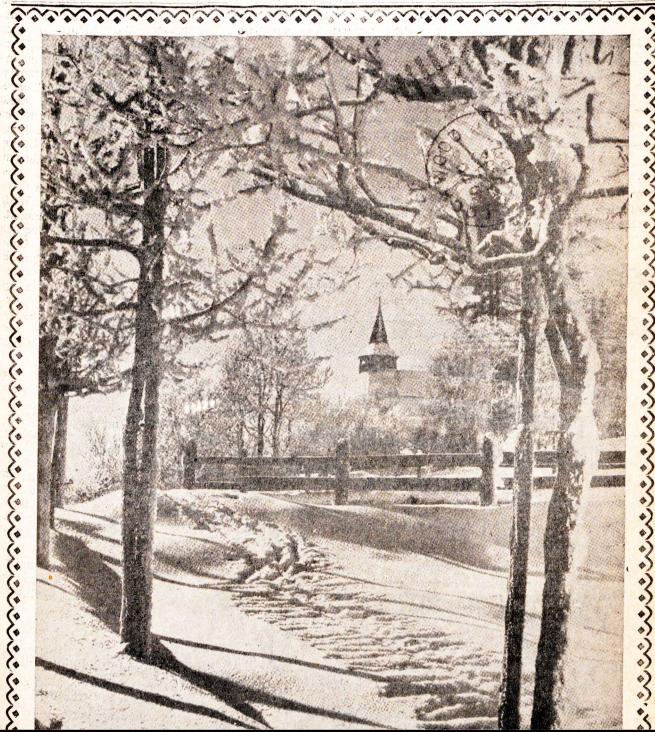
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As we come in to take over the management of the Gem Office, we find in stock several hundred copies of the Butler-Dunn Systematic Theology. These books were published by Dr. John H. Wolfe some few years ago and placed at the Gem office for sale. I 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

left at the time this new supply was published. I can truthfulle 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 especially true of lecture No. one under the heading, "The Doctrine of God". In this lecture is studied Theism, The Nature of God, The Attributes of God, etc. Then lecture No. two under the heading 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 Sabbath" as found in Butler-Dunn, to say nothing of the wonderful chapters which treat on the great truths such as: Divine Government, Proofs of Free Will, The Fall of Man, The Atonement, Objections to Evolution, Election Conditional, Perseverance, Conditions 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 Paptist 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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## A Christmas in Prison

Gweneth Tally, Aurora, Mo.

Scripture Reading, Acts 4:1-12

penitentiary some years ago. He was sent to prison for life and being a hardened sinner he had given the warden of the prison much trouble.

gospel, who went to the prison and vicious men we have ever reto hold a series of meetings for ceived and has given us much the prisoners. As he was sitting trouble. He is so hardened with on the platform with the warden, sin that it seems nothing can touch he watched the prisoners march him". in — 700 men, old and young. They marched in lick-step (every man's hand on the shoulder of the man in front of him). Among that number were seventytwo "lifers", men who were sent to prison for the crime of murder.

After the singing, the minister arose to preach but could hardly speak for weeping. Disregarding all rules of the prison in his earnest desire to help the poor fallen men, he left the platform and walked down the aisle among them, taking first one; then another by the hand and praying for them.

At the end of the long row of "lifers", sat Tom Jackson. He seemed more marked by sin's blighting curse than the rest.

The minister placed his hand on Tom's shoulder and prayed for him. It seemed that he felt led to pray for him more than any of the rest.

When the service was over, the Warden said to the Minister, "Well, Reverend, do you know you have broken the rules of the prison by leaving the platform and going down among the men''? "Yes, Warden, but never can keep any rules while preaching. And I did so want to help the men. I wanted to get close to the poor despairing fellows and tell them of Jesus, the Savior. 'For the Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost'. 'This man (Jesus) receivelle sinners, and eateth with them'. (Luke 19:10; 15:2)."

"Do you remmber"? asked the

the line in the lifer's row, with Tom Jackson was in a state whom you prayed. Would you like to hear his story?" "Yes," answered the minister, "gladly." "Well, here it is in brief: Tom Jackson was sent here about eight years ago for the crime of murder. There was a minister of the He is one of the most desperate

The minister went his way with a prayer in his heart for Tom Jackson.

Some years later, he again visited the prison but Tom Jackson was not there. After the service was over, the minister spoke to 'if your little girl was me an' the warden and asked about No.

This is what the warden told



prison instead of at home with my family as I had planned to do. Early in the morning, while it was yet dark, I left the prison and started for home. My pockets were full of presents for my little girl. It was a bitter cold morning and I buttoned my overcoat up tight to protect myself from the cold wind. As I was hurrying along, I thought I saw someone in the shadow of the prison wall. I stopped and looked closely and then I saw a little girl, clothed in a thin dress; her bare feet in a pair of shoes much too large for her. In her hand she was holding a tiny package. I wonder- Go back to your mother.' 'Please, ed who she was and why she was papa,' sobbed the child, "mamthere so early in the morning, but ma's dead. She died two weeks being too weary to be interested, I ago in the poor-house, an' before hurried on. I soon noticed that I she died, she told me to take care was being followed. I stopped and of little Tommy 'cause you loved standing there before me was the him so, an' she told me to tell you same child. 'What do you want,' she loved you, too -but papa-I asked her. 'Are you the warden and her voice broke in sobs and of the prison, sir?' 'Yes, who are tears - Tommy died, too, last

warden, "the man at the end of Please, sir I have no home; mamma died in the peor-house two weeks ago an' she told me before she died that papa, Tom Jackson, was in prison; an' she thought maybe he would like to see his little girl, now that mamma is dead. Pease, can't you let me see my papa! Today is Christmas, an' I want to give him this present."

' No,' I replied gruffly, 'you will have to wait until visitors' day", and I started on. I had not gone far when I felt a pull at my coat and a pleading voice said, 'Please don't go.' I stopped once more and there before me was the same little girl. As. I looked into her thin, pale pace, there were tears in her eyes and her chin was quivering. 'Mister' she said your girl's mamma had died in the poor-house an' her papa was in prison an, she had no place to go an' no one to love her, don't "One Christmas duty compel- you think she would like to see led me to spend the night at the her papa to give him a Christmas present; don't you - don't you think I would say yes?'

"By this time a great lump was in my throat, and my eyes were swimming in tears. I answered, Yes, my little girl, I think you would, and you shall see your papa. Taking her hand, I hurried back to the prison, thinking of my own fairhaired little girl at home. Entering my office, I placed her near the warm stove while I sent a guard to bring No. 39 from his cell."

"As soon as he came into the room and saw his little girl, his face clouded with an angry frown, and in a gruff voice he snapped out, 'Jessie, what are you doing here; what do you want? you, and why are you here?' week, and now I am all alone,

papa, an' today's Christmas, pa- now living a clean Christian life What then should the junior partpa, - I thought maybe as you with his daughter whose Christ- ners invest? If the Senior Partner loved Tommy, you would like a little Christmas present from him. Here she unrolled the little package of tissue paper, from which she carefully took out a little I will send rain upon the earth. (I fair curl, and put it in her father's trembling hand, saying as she did so, 'I cut it from dear little Tommy's head, papa, just before they buried him. No. 39 by this time was sobbing) like a elild, and so was I. Stooping down, he picked up his little girl and pressed her closely to his breast while his great frame shock with emotion".

"The scene was far too sacred for me to look upon, so I softly opened the door and left them alone. In about an hour I returned. No. 39 was seated near the stove with his little girl on his knee. He looked at me sheepishly for a moment, and then said, "Warden, vain." (II Cor. 6:1). May we look reme concern. We will all agree denly stripping off his prison low should we conceive of life in to help carry the spirit and puringled be said 'For God's sales jacket, he said, 'For God's sake terms of a partnership in which pose of Jesus is the main interest don't let my little girl go out on God, the Senior partner, and men, of the partnership. Let me give her this coat.' Tears were streaming down his face. 'No. Jackson', I said, 'keep your coat; your little girl shall not suffer. I'll take her to my home and see what my wife can do for lusiness for the firm. The Senior cess of the partnership. The Senior cess of the partnership. her.' 'God bless you,' sobbed han the junior partner. God has ial gifts to enjoy effective and the try home. She remained with us for some time and became a fine Christian girl. She had great faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. God's Book shows the needs of man and the remedy. Rom. 3:9-24: John 3:1-16. In a few years Tom Jackson also became a child of God, and then he gave us no more trouble. (Luke 8:35). Would you like to see Tom Jackson and

had received a pardon and was we are doing business with Him.

heart. Christ died for the ungodly. (Rom. 4:5-6).

Text: Go. shew thyself to Ahab and Kings 18).



## ARE YOU GOD'S PARTNER?

Robert B., Crawford

Christian "Are you God's "Part- for the partnership — God diener"? they answer, "Yes". "we tates the terms—as junior partthen, as workers together with ners men are to abide by them, be Him, beseech you also that ye re- loyal to the interests of all the ceive not the grace of God in partners in the enterprise as supat the possibilities that would fol- to "save souls and nourish them", the junior partners, work togethcr. Jesus knew He was in a part. must recognize with particular nership with God. He came as a concern — men must make the pecial representative of the Sen-largest contribution of which he for partner to transact important is capable of making for the sucinvested the whole material cre- wholesome living. We are to try tion — He created all things for to understand our fellow man's man — and the junior partner interests and objectives and live gets to use all the rich and inex- in cooperative relations with one haustible fruit of the Creator. We another. We have to have love for need to be eareful not to take the our fellow man to prove we are There are also responsibilities - Christ's disciples. we have to pay taxes to have prohis daughter?" Yes, replied the God has invested all the person- understand we are partners with The warden took the minister thing we ought to appreciate is indifferent, careless, self-centered down a quiet street and stopping the creative and reproductive people to their true relationship at a neat home knocked on the qualities of living beings. We as partners. Yes, there are many door. The door was opened by a reed to remember we are a pro- today who are more or less clearly cheerful young lady who greeted duct of the eternal creative life aware that life ought to be organized and the visitors and the resistors and the resistors and the resistors are the resistors and the resistors are the resistors the visitors cordially. They went of God. God has put Himself in ized in accordance with the will in and the warden introduced the to this partnership. God is no ab- and purpose of God but who of minister to Jessie and her father, sentee landlord, "God with us" we not have a very clear notion of who because of his reformation need to remember every instant what His will and purpose are. We

mas gift had broken his hardened has invested his all in the partnership, then, in simple fairness, the junior partners ought to meet his all with theirs. A junior partner cannot honorably do less than put in everything he has and is into the business. The junior partner ought to try to understand the partnership and try to serve the purpose of the partnership.

The Lord is the Executive Head of the partnership. He holds the controling interest and exercises decisive authority in determining policies and directing operations. God has a longer and larger investment, He has the greatest a-Immediately when some ask, a There is a covenant or contract bility to direct the business life.

There are interests which men artner has invested much more ior Partner knows we need mater-Generosity of God for granted. God's partner and that we are

For any enterprise to be sucperty — the government can get cessful — such as denomination cur property if they need it — al enterprises, Bible Colleges, miseven our own flesh and blood. sion work, etc. — We all need to alities He has created and one God. We must try to awaken the

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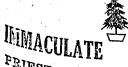
## EDITORIAL

## **INCARNATE**

## PROPHET

ing now plenty of signs tending toward that directon. There is an alarming amount of persecution of the ministry going on in the world today.

So in conclusion of this topic let us quote Paul: "Wherefore in all things it behooved Him to be made like unto His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful high- priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people." (Heb. 2:17).



FRIEST

earth, He is now our great highpriest. He is the first and on-The word "incarnate" means ly sinless priest. Always before "God manifest in the flesh". It when the priest made atonement is a relative of the word carnal, for the sins of Israel, He was al-It means God taking on Himself so compelled to make an offering a human to the solution of the a human body. It was vitally nec- for the sins of HIMSELF as well essay. essary that God thus clothe Him- as for the sins of the people. Jesus self and he doing and has self and be born, live, and die as had no sin. He is doing and has a man in the person of His Son in always done that of which sinful order. order to sufficiently acquaint man acting as priest was only a Hinself with man and to become type and a shadow. The Christ in succession of the control of the in sufficient sympathy with man, is that which was to come. Christ All through the dispensation of is that which HAS come. He is the law they looked for "that that which has conquered and has great to looked for "that that which has conquered at the great Prophet". One like unto ascended and is now scated at the Moses. At last He came. He walk right hand of the Father making ed up and the state of the state ed up and down in the land of ls-intercession for us. He is the one rael as the greatest Prophet of all and only Mediator. All who have time. He spoke as man had never ever acted in the official capacispoken before. He spoke as one ty as priest under the law were onhaving authority. He was the ly ordinary men with many ingrented authority. He was the ly ordinary men with many ingreatest preacher. A preacher of firmities. All who dare to act as course is both a foreteller and a priests in this glorious Christian Jesus, with the greatest of power, and imposters and cannot do poor both for both foretold and forthtold; but sinful man any good whatsoever it was the it was then, as it is coming to be so far as the eradication of his sins. in this could be so far as the eradication of his sins. in this end time age, the people in They are definitely not able to engeneral the congeneral turned a deaf ear, and e- ter into sympathy with man convention. Again ventually, as the Jews had been cerning his sin problems. Again guilty as the Jews had been cerning his sin problems. Again guilty of doing before, they kill-in conclusion of this topic, let us ed the God-sent "Great Prophet". resort to the Word: "For we have Like-cover: Like-conditions will prevail be not an high priest which cannot fore High priest will prevail be not an high priest which cannot fore High priest with the feeling of fore His return, and we are notice be fouched with the feeling of ing no. our infirmities: but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." (Eeb. 4:15-16).



#### INVINCIBLE

#### KING

Christ has never yet come into the fullness of His authority and power. The angel told Mary the Lord God would give unto Him. the throne of His father, David, and He would reign over the house of Jacob forever. Luke 1:-Immaculate of course means 32,33. This has not yet come to arifpurity, or sinlessness. As Jesus pass. Isaiah said that a king shall inquiring, "Where is He that is

was prophet while here upon the reign in rightcousness. Isa. 32:1. He has not yet done that, He also said, ".....the government shall be upon His shoulder ...... of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His kingdom, to order it and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever. The zeal of the Lord of Hosts will perform this." Isa. 9:-6,7. This has not yet been fulfilled. Jeremiah raid, "Behold, the days come, saith theLord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute Judgment and justice in the earth." Jer. 23:5. This too awaits fulfillment. Zechariah said, "And the Lord shall be King over all the earth: in that day shall there be one Lord and His name one." Zech. 14:9. John in the wonderful book of Revelation 19th Chapter saw Him coming as "King of Kings". Certainly these scriptures refer to earthly conditions yet in the future. While here He was prophet, now He is our great highpriest, and He is our coming King. A king invincible, or unconquerable. He is now only king potential. When He comes to earth again at which time He will climax Armagedden by slaying the wicked hordes of earth with the sword that proceeds out of His mouth. . (Rev. 19:21, His word of authority and power), He will then become king in the fullest sense of the term. The earth is now in great need of Him and His rightous government. He came the first time when the world needed Him most, and so it will be at the time of His second coming. It will take Him to straighten things out. Man can never do it, try as they may. Man has proven himself a failure in every dispensation. It will take the personal, visible, invincible return of the L'ord in power and great glory to usher in righteousness.

When the three wise men came

good time. I am thinking the time is not too far distant. The poet truthfully said in song, "All the earth is groaning, crying for that day of sweet release when our Savior shall come back to earth again."

In closing I am thinking again of the words of the poet in song, which are so much in keeping with this three point outline, when be wrote the words, "Praise Him. Praise Him, Prophet and Priest and King''.

## ALL IS GOING WELL

Everything is going good at the Gem office. We are highly encouraged. Subscriptions are coming in daily, and we are kept very busy all the time six days a week. We are doing a lot of minute work and a great deal of other job printing. Several improvements have been made, and we have plans for more. The roof has been repaired in good shape — a job we are proud of, and one that was needed. We are continuing to touch up our machinery a little all along.

coming. As we said in the first issue, "WE MUST BUILD THE SUBSCRIPTION LIST." With evthe job done.

#### UNUSUAL NUMBER CF GOOD REVIVALS

splendid success in revivals in After all, that is one of our great-

born king of the Jews?", the very fall. Two of my churches have en- EST need. Our home needs a wording of their inquiry was in- joyed precious revivals. The one great wave of evangelism. tirely correct. He was born king, at Amity was reported in the vangelistic campaigns in which and He will be king in God's over Manual to the vangelistic campaigns in which and He will be king in God's own November issue of the Gem, and as Dr. Evans puts it, "truth is on good time I am thinking the time." the other one at Rock Chapel, fire". We hope these good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts II, Tittle good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts II, Tittle good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts II, Tittle good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts II, Tittle good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts II, Tittle good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts II, Tittle good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts II, Tittle good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts II, Tittle good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts II, Tittle good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts II, Tittle good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts II, Tittle good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts II, Tittle good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts III, Tittle good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts III, Tittle good revivuelish and as Dr. Evans puts III and III an which was conducted by Rev. als may be, as it was in Elijah's Cecil Campbell, just closed Sunday night the 24th with splendid results. Some men were brought to the Lord in this meeting who have gone through revival campaigns for years and years. It was the happy privelege of your unworthy to go into the water Sun- lists who are busy in the evangeday 24th and baptize four men, listic field. Blessings on each one heads of familiar in heads of families, three of whom were saved in this meeting. Rev. J. F. Miller and Rev. O. T. Allred are now in a revival at Meri's Chapel near Cassville, Mo. It has just started. These brethern were in the office recently and reported the meeting is off to a good start. Bro. W. K. Weston has been in a revival with the church of his pastorate here in Monett for about four weeks. They have had a wonderful revival. Some have been saved, and there has been a great uplift in the church. Bro. Curtis Wilson and Bro. Dale Jones of Lebanon, Mo. have just closed 1 very fine revival with the church at Plad, Mo.; so Bro. Jones reports. Bro. Wilson is beginning a meeting at once with the church in Carterville, Mo. and Bro. Jones is to begin right away with an-We are very grateful for the other one of our churches which subscriptions. Just keep them we call Neola Church, Rev. Mark Lewis is now in a revival with the new church in Springfield, Mo. We have not yet had a report; but erybody co-operating we will get we are hopeful of this meeting. The church at Flat River, where Bro. Zinn is pastor, enjoyed a great revival this fall. The church at Aurora had a fine revival. The Cuba Church near Grove Springs was blessel with a real revival. The Pleasant Grove Church of We are highly encouraged over which Bro. Campbell is pastor, the many good revivals which had a great time of refreshing. I have been held, and are now in notice Bro. Henry Long reports progress here and there over the a good revival in this issue. Bro. state. It is indeed gratifying. Harvey Hill has had some fine re-Seems to me it is something we vivals, and so on it goes. Well, we have not experienced in several do thank the Lord for these fine years. Praise the Lord for this revival campaigns. Souls have spiritual awakening. Rev. O. T. been saved in these meetings, and Allred reported that he has had members added to the churches. various places over the state this est needs, if not THE GREAT-

day, something like the small cloud rising out of the sea which at that time was the sign of an abundance of rain. The great down-pour, as you will remember, followed immediately.

We are proud of all our evangeof you. Certainly the revival docs not come without the leader. A consecrated leader who will be used of the Lord, and will be a fearless mouthpiece for Him is a great blessing to the world.

May the Lord abundantly bless in all these revivals now in pro-

\_The Editor



I love a friendly little church, A white one if you please, Upon a hill where green grass grows,

And sighing, maple trees.

I love a little church wherein The common people pray. Where candle-light gleams silvery white,

At close of Sabbath day.

I love a little church that breathes Of well remembered hours, Revival meetings, christenings, Funeral, and bridal flowers.

And in this friendly little church No rich or worldly things; But in the hush of old-time hyms,

The voice of Jesus sings. -Pauline Schlegal

FARLY

#### THE MEDIATORIAL SERVICE OF GOD-HAN THE IN MAN'S DELIVERANCE

Rev J. R. Davidson

First Timothy 2: 5, 6

sion)

The suggestion of the necessity of God's paying a ransom price for man's deliverance awakens in us the fact of man's bondage. Conflict between God and man and man's deliverance from his bondage are suggested in Genesis 3: 15. And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel".

The idea of a mediatorial service to be offered suggests an issue between the parties concerned (God and man) - an issue demanding facts of the case being stated in Genesis 6:5. "And God saw arbitration; that the wickedness of man was great in the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and every inagination of the thoughts of down to God in the highest, and

Another necessity arises in which terms effecting reconciliation must be dictated, hence the ministry of the Holy Spirit Who dictated our record of one that believeth on Him is not finite condemnation. condemned: but he that be-lieveth not is condemned already, because he hath not befor man rested. His decree called for state at the first decree called for state at the first decree called for state at the form before the foundation of THE MAN CHPIST JESUS"
begotten Son of God. He that
believeth to world. "Ne shedding of He was always near to the Fatbelieveth. believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life: but the wrath of God abideth on him". The Spirit's declaration in Genesis 2:7 portrays the fact the Cod exected. fact that man, as God constal him, could have no objection-

able element for disturbing and "For there is one God, and destroying fellowship between the Modician is one God, and the two However. He further one Mediator between God and the two. However, He further the men, the Man Christ Jesus; declares in Genesis 3: 6 the entrance of man into so nething, for all, to be tasted a ranson and something into man, which for all, to be testified in due and something into man, which time." To "For there is one God, and them into one of enmity. "And there is one God, and them into whom the woman saw that the there is one God, and them into one of same that the God and men, the Man Christ tree was good for feed and that Jesus. Who are the Man Christ tree was good for feed and that the gesus who are the man Christ tree was good for feed and that the gesus who are the feet and the green and the green are the green a Jesus, Who gave Himself a rapsom for all, the testimony to a tree to be desired to make which was borne at the proper one wise, she took of the fruit time." Was borne at the proper one wise, she took of the fruit time." (Revised Standard Ver-thereof, and did eat, and gave sion) also to her husbard with her; and he did eat". Finally, the Holy Spirit anounces this state to be eternal in its nature with physical and spir tual death to man as its fruit; requiring the most unsual service- God must pay the consequences although the whole fault was man. God's response is recorded in Matthew 1: 21. "And she shall bring forth a Sen. and thou shalt call His name Jesus: for He shall save His people from their sins".

seen gives rise to the greatest story ever told, commonly callwhich is given in condensed form in Luke 2: 13. "And suda multitude of the heavenly his heart was only evil continually? heart was only evil continually? heart was only evil continon earth PEACE, GOOD WILL Son. TOWARD MAN".

fect man's deliverance.

one God". His being the only the Divine scheme- Himself finite wisdom and being triune to see the proposition from he for in nature, in Him the only hope angles. The law of necessity for man rested. His decree called for such an one, namely;

blood, No remission for sins"--placed the responsibility for the whole transaction in the realm of His own scheming to make possible satisfactory returns, hence Paul's acclaration in Remains 3: 25. Whem acd hath set forth to be a propiliation through faith in His blood, to declare His rightenusness for the remission of hirs that are past, through the forbearance of God". Mai, through his own volition, having moved himself so far from Ccd, there must of necessity be endered a mediatorial service. Christ being the only eligible modium, even by own deerro, brings Himself into such a service for both Jew and Gentile, Ephesians 2: 13, 18 "But now in Christ Jesus ye who some imes were far off are made nigh by the blood of For He is our peace. Christ. Who hath made both one, and hath broken down the wall of partition between rs: having abolished in His flesh the eamity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances: for to make in himself of twain one new man, so praking reace; and The whole affair as afore that He might reconcile both inhaving slain the enmity thereby ed the CHRISTMAS STORY, and came and preached ponce to to them that were nigh. For through Him we both have aceess by one Suirit unto the Father".

Regulations Involving The "And One Mediator between God and men (Him-Thus God became man to ef- self Man) Christ Jesus". One Principles Whiel: Involved both parties where emity exist-For there is (only) ed necessarily involved Him in omniscient one, possessing in- God and Himself man was able



her in every sense of the word, ed in the sacrifice, in His body, In fact so very close there was of the Arbitrator Himself. Who perfect oneness. But He must get can fathem such boundless just as close to man, hence the love? incarnation by which He be-came truly the God-Man, "thus truth are never complete until making peace". Hebrews 2: 16, they reach out to enclose the in-17. "For verily He took not on dividual object of God's love-Him the nature of angels; but man as an individual as well as He took on Him the seed of Ab- man as the race—and reach up raham. Wherefore in all things to enclose (appropriate) God's mendation. That a revival be neld it behoved Him to be made reloved Son as the object of the in the month of March 1948 in all like unto His brethern, that He jadividual's love. The question our churches, and that the Month might be a merciful and faith-comes to us personally on this of March be designated as 'Naful High Priest in things per- Christmas occasion as to the de- tional Revival Month' of infortaining to God, to make recon- 1th of the meaning of the whole mation, inspiration and Dedica-ciliation for the sins of the peo- scheme of salvation in God's tion." Where there is unity there ple". In every sense He was provisions for our deliverance. God, hence like Him, but to Dear Soul does it mean the espeaking to us today who said in what extent like man? He besternal peace of God for you per- Liatthew 12:25, "Every kingdom came a triune being (as man) sonally? Unless you are goverof body, soul and spirit. Even red by the laws operating in the man, the sinful being which he arbitration of your peace as bebecame was the pattern for the tween God and you all of your fashioning of a perfect media- confessions and ceremonial eftor. The Son became such as forts are fruitless. John speaks could be tempted like unto man, on Divine authority in saying, yet without yielding as man. "He that hath the Son hath life; His development into the ideal and he that hath not the Son of life before man was in His tri- God hath not life. "First John une nature like unto other 512. And again in First John 4: men's Luke 2:52. "And Jesus 10 "He that loveth not knoweth increased in wisdom, and in not God; for God is love. In stature, and in favor with God this was manifested the love of and man". He thus presented God toword us because that the life symmetrical as the ideal God sent His only begotten Son although He was one hundred into the world, that we might percent man. Yea, "in all things live through Him. Herein is it belooved Him to be made love, not that we loved God, but like unto his brethern".

clared In Penalty Falling On Ar- our sins". Notwithstanding the AND BECAME DEATH OF THE CROSS". to God for that broken peace. Thus by voluntary humiliation the requirements in the law of a mediated peace were satisfi-

that He loved us, and sent the Unfathomable Love De-Son to be the propitiation for

May each of us allow the opfact of Jesus Christ Our Lord eration of this peace to be efhaving been from eternity to feeted in us which Ged has proeternity, the very God, the enm-rided through His only Son. I ity brought between God and Iring this challenge to each man by man's sin He must needs reader of this message in whose bear in humiliation before God beart there is a semblance of and man. Philliprians 2: 6, 8 skerticism concerning this peace "Who being in the form of God. being affected, between Cod thought it not robbery to be e- and you: Obey Revelation 3: 20. qual with God: But made Him- Rehold, I stand at the deor and self of no reputation, and took I nock: if any man hear my upon Him the form of a see-voice; and open the door, I will vant. AND WAS MADE IN come in to him, and will sup THE LIKENESS OF MEN: And with him and be with me". His being found in fashion as a man-coming as your individual sin-HIMSELF, hearer will be meaningless for OREDIENT all elernity unless you let him UNTO DEATH. EVEN THE into your heart as your answer.



## NATIONAL REVIVAL MONTH FOR

## FREE WILL BAPTISTS

by Robert B. Crawford The 1947 session of the National Association of Free Will Bapdivided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand". We must have the cooperation of our brothers. We are yet our brother's keeper and we live with our brother so we must see, hear, act, and think alike as car as possible.

We have asked some responsible person of every National board and convention to give us some vital facts concerning their respective field of labor. All these facts will be compiled into phamp lets to go out to the different churches. This will be the information you need to let you know of the denominational activites. Surely you will be inspired in getting these facts. This phamp let will be so planned that different facts can be given at each service concerning one phase of our National work. Our prayers will be united toward this phase of work. No, we arn't giving you cermon topics, outlines - but we are giving you some facts and suggestions as to our objects of imerest.

Will you please get your Bible now and read Ephesians 5:14-21. Now that you have read it note first - "Awake thou that sleep est" — there is quite a Pearl Harbor situation now existing in our churches. Many are asleep at their post of duty —, they have great possibilities for God and, good - but coldness, luke-warmness, and indifference on the inside of our churches have caus ed us to doubt that we are real-

ly giving up ourselves, taking up white for harvesting. We need to our hearts are made right, then Whosoever therefore shall be denominational Goldand do it at once. Our March will bring good results. Golden opportunities are here and ed in the blood of the Lamb — ination needs this month of specgo for them. We must then let might be better understood. I beand our time count in these evil closer to their Lord Jesus Christ days of the count in these evil closer to their Lord Jesus Christ days. Fourth, we need to be till—that will put us all closer to-ed with the court weathers are ed with the spirit. It is still true gether. When our preachers are (one-half of the year is past) and that when the spirit is still true gether. cars, opened heir eyes, and un- our oneness. II Chron. 16:9 "The loosed that be filled with the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people send in your offerings and of our churches will be filled with show Himself strong in behalf of we will see that every thing is people where the people with the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people send in your offerings and people with the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people send in your offerings and people with the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people send in your offerings and people with the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people send in your offerings and people with the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people send in your offerings and people with the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people send in your offerings and people with the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people send in your offerings and people with the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people send in your offerings and people with the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people send in your offerings and people with the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people send in your offerings and people with the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people send in your offerings and people with the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people with the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people with the spirit that more throughout the spirit that the spirit that more throughout the whole earth — to people with the spirit that the spirit that more throughout the spirit that th People who are full of the spirit. them whose heart is perfect to-ready.

our crosses and keeping up with see and to speak to those in peed the our Captain during these trying of a Savior. If we want to do strong in behalf of His people. days. Second — we not only need God's will, we can be given more. His eyes do run to and fro to wake up — but get up and go understanding of His will. Fifth, throughout the denomination. If to work. Many are asleep inside we want good singing (speaking we leave things to Him, we will their and the state of the their own local church walls, some to yourselves in psalms, hymns, be "laborers together with God'. asleep inside their associational and spiritual songs, making mellines, some asleep inside their own ody in your hearts to the Lord.). state lines — but we need to a- Where Christianity has been ef- Dear Gem Readers: to the whole world's fective, heart's emotions have need. I would be afraid, but been touched, the word has been more ashamed to say that I was preached, and singing has been a a Christian and not believe and real part in the service. When we Precious to the heart of Jesus — through the name of Jesus Christ sions, children's homes, etc. Matt. one another in the fear of God, we have for our young people. note also — St. Mark 8:38 — vival. We can also expect every enterprise ashamed of me and of my words flourish when our leaders believe in their Cartian. in this adulterous and sinful gen- and do things for their Captian. cration; of him also shall the Son I speak especially of our preach- for our youth session next sumof Man be ashamed, when He ers. Will you not join at once comothing. cometh in the glory of his Father your hearts and minds to the task with the glory of his Father your hearts and minds to the task with the holy angels." You can of getting a revival going in all afford to holy angels." You can of getting a revival going in all afford to do no less than give our churches for Jesus' sake? your tithes and offerings unto the Starting your plans today to get Lord and Lord and say, "Count on me to your church to cooperate by unwin one." If you do so, Christ iting in this revival effort or will give will give you light. We must walk campaign will show that you as the will show that you as the wise, we will know what is want to do things to hear one day going on for the Lord among us "Well done, thou good and faith- us to do, we are ready to go; are and more than that, "He that ful servant". Planning today for you ready? winneth souls is wise". Third, your speaker, your singers, your if we

we must "redeem the time, be- the first days of 1948. Let's make cancer the first days of 1948. Let's make cause the days are evil". Surely, this first National Revival month them to Jesus for His cleansing We are depending on Him and We need to hear the call from ward Him". May we get our heaven heaven, to go into a field already hearts and heads together. When

Lord' will show

#### YOUTH ENCAMPMENT

I wish to make a report on our

youth camp propram.

Praising God "first" for the splendid report and the co-operdo somehing about the things so are thankful to God for all things ation from so many of our people, that have made it possible for us Christ such as Foreign Mis- Christ, and submitt ourselves to as a board to accomplish what 28:19-20, and Matt. 25:31-46. But then we can expect to have a re-God has wonderfully blessed our program and will continue to if we pray and do our part, which I believe we are all going to do.

I am sure every one is anxious mer. The Board is praying and planning to the end that we may see a real session where God will bless and save the souls of our youth.

Young people, we are depending en you to help plan and prepare for this session. We can only do what you make possible for

Here is how we stand. We need if we ever expect to do anything dates for ten days sometime in \$150.00 to finish paying off the note we borrowed to finish the Your phamplets will get to you preparation for the session last year which is due the first of January 1948. Let's figure some. sin abounds" but we must bring a glorious success for Jesus' sake. That amount would only be \$1.40 them to be successfor Jesus' sake. per Sunday School in the state. Power that they might be wash- one another. I believe our denom- But there are also nearly 60 ed in the later wash- one another. I believe our denom- But there are also nearly 60 ed in the later wash- one another. leagues and young people's ormany will come to Him when we call revival effort, that its program ganizations which would reduce go for the many will come to Him when we call revival effort, that its program ganizations which would reduce the amount even further. With our lights shine, our talents tell, lieve our preachers need to get this debt paid we will be ready and our time. We must then let might be better understood. I better amount of the amount of the amount of the start on our youth camp again. to start on our youth camp again.

Time is speedily passing by that where a church is on fire for closer to their Lord, it will bring a lot of work is yet to be done beGod, followed a church is on fire for closer to their Lord, it will bring a lot of work is yet to be done bedone, followed to the country of the country comes: so we are a-God, folks will come out to see the congregations closer togeth-fore summer comes; so we are and how a summer comes and how a summer comes are and how a summer comes and how a summer comes are a summer comes; so we are a summe and hear of this fire. Pentecost er — and we can then experience pealing to all you young people did form II. did four things to those present. to a greater degree what Jesus and children for I know there It filled the It filled them, it unstopped their was praying for in John 17 as to will be a great disappointment to cars. Once it unstopped their was praying for in John 17 as to will be a great disappointment to cars. all if we are not ready for our be filled in tongues. We need to eyes of the Lord run to and fro session in June. Come on young

Rev. Wm. Reeves Irondale, Mo.

The Great Commission - Our Mission

## Woman's Auxiliary Department

The Whole World For Christ

The Woman's Auxiliary Convention of the First Mission Ass'n. met Nov. 19 with the First Free Will Baptist Church, Tulsa, Ókla.

Theme - "Cast thy Bread upon the Waters." (Ecc. 11:1).

The session opened at 10:00 a.m. with singing directed by Mrs.Eula McLaughlin. Devotional service conducted by Rev. Hattie Newman. Mrs. Ethel Renegar gave the Welcome and Mrs. Anna Manning, the response.

The president's message was delivered by Rev. Leona Máyfield. A special number in song was rendered by members of the Lewis Ave. Church after which the morning message was delivered by Rev. Cleo Pursell. Text, Ecc.

Afternoon devotions were conducted by Hazel Reves. Reports were given by the following chairmen.

Enlistment - Mrs. Willard Day Christian Ed. — Mrs. John H.

Missions — Mrs. Bessie Staires Stewardship — Mrs. Cleo Pur-

Benevolence — Mrs. Lula Kuykendall

Treasurer, Mrs. Myrl Wilson, reports total disbursements for the past quarter reached \$90.93.

It was recommended that each local Auxiliary send a special Christmas offering to our State Brayer from Delceno Brown. Orphanage general treasury, (to

Rev. F. C. Zinn, Flat River, Mo., a Model Walk" was present and talked in the interest of Superannuation.

The next convention will be held with the Bristow Church in February, 1948.

> Cleo Pursell Publicity Chairman

#### WOMAN'S AUX. OF INDIAN CREEK ASS'N.

Greetings to the Gem family from the Woman's Auxiliary of

Woman's Auxiliary Convention Indian Creek Association. We had four Quarterly Meeting Nov. 12 at walk - Evelyn Weston. Jones Chapel with three Auxilirics being represented. A very inspirational day was enjoyed by all with a lecture about having the pastors there. This is the second time that we had our ministers there and we enjoy it so much that we now expect it. The morning service opened with singing led by Rev. Paul Williams followed by a prayer from Bro. Weston. Beriptures, Psalms 27, by Sis. Jewell Campbell.

> The Theme of the Day was the Mercies of God demand Thanksgiving".

For spiritual and temporal blessing - Bro. Paul Williams. - For Preservation - Bro. W. K. Weston.

ford Davis.

— For civil and religious privileges - Imogene Dunklin. Benediction by Bro. Williams.



A lovely dinner was enjoyed by ill; followed by a social hour.

The afternoon service opened at 1:30 with singing followed by

The talks of the afternoon were be sent through district treasury). on "Exalt ye the Lord Daily by

- -- Through Faith Delceno Brown.
- Through Separation Opal Williams.
- Through Spiritual Progress - Ella Atwell.

walk - Myrtle Alyea.

walk - Lola Ann Williams.

walk - Edna Gentry.

A Model Walk is a profitable

Poem - Jewell Campbell.

Song - "Don't Forget to Pray". Bro. Davis.

Talks and reports of Vice Presidents:

' 1st Sis. Campbell.

2nd Evelyn Alyea.

3rd Lola Anna Williams.

4th Opal Williams.

5th Sis. Alta Bush (absent). Sec.-Treasurer Thelma Hilton

(absent).

Talk on this being our Special Mission Month and on the Gem by Bro. Davis. Our regular offering of \$7.87 went to missions.

Closing prayer by Jennic Eaton. We are hoping to meet next time at the Aurora Church in Feb. on Wednesday after the sec-For Delieverance - Bro. Win- ond Sunday. We would like to have any who are interested in our work to meet with us. We would also like to meet with the Churches in our district that don't have Auxiliaries or the ones that need help and encouragement.

> I would like to stress the main subject that was left for us from our meeting. Let's give Thanksgiving throughout the whole year and not in mere words, but by concrete evidences in everyday life. Let's try to see the blessings that we receive every day and not just take them for granted. Let us, as women, try to use our time to glorify the Lord in visiting and praying.

Pray that our Auxiliary may grow and glow and help lead souls to God.

Imogene Dunklin, President

#### THE MONETT AUX.

The Monett Woman's Auxili-A Model Walk is a rewarded ary is still doing work for the Lord. We have an average atten-A Model Walk is a safe dance of twenty. There is also a Junior Auxiliary for the girls of A Model Walk is a pleasant our Church, having 9 members. Both groups meet every two weeks.

ly to our Children's Home as the of the President's message was resented and the largest atten-Auxiliary has a little girl adopt- the subject of prohibition. It was dance in our eight years of organed there. We are now planning to very fitting, since at this time we ization. A fine spirit of unity presend a Christmas box also.

plans to send four baskets out for to be wet or dry. It lies within the sions was taken amounting to Thanksgiving and also five fruit power of church members to say \$54.50 and an offering was taken trays to the older folk of our which. church.

Christmas program that is to be leven o'clock, using as his text warm welcome to a newly organgiven at church.

throughout this year and every- ther be thou dismayed, for the gave a message on "She hath one is receiving blessings by do- Lord thy God is with thee whi- done what she could", from Mark ing our small part with other therseever thou goest.' church Auxiliaries.

ficers for this year:

President — Imogene Dunklin 1st Vice P. — Thelma Hilton. 2nd Vice P. - Pearl Allred 4th Vice P. — Evelyn Alyea 5th Vive P. — Pearl Thomas Sec.-Treas. — Flossie Jones Cor. Sec. — Orpha Greenway Reporter — Dorothy Roller.

We women enjoy our part in helping spread the gospel, and we pray that the Lord will give us a greater vision. Pray for us.

#### REPORT OF OKLIAHOMA STATE AUXILIARY CON.

We have just returned from the State Auxiliary Convention which tist women of Oklahoma the past convened at Wewoka Church. The year has been one of progress. We day of October 21 dawned bright now have twenty three Auxiliaand beautiful, and for the women ries with four district conventions. of Oklahoma all roads lead to Wewoka. Our State Conventions are are as follows: something to look forward to President, Verden Bingham Okwith great anticipation, and we have not been disapointed. The I year's reports have far exceeded II those given in the past. To some III Vice, June Crum, Ada of our sister states, who have large IV conventions, our reports might V seem small but Oklahoma is fast building an Auxiliary work that Rec. Sec., Myrl Wilson, Tulsa we can be proud of. Oklahoma Asst. Rec. Sec., Myrtle Richburg, Free Will Baptist Women have caught the vision and are labor- Exe. Sec.-Treas., Bertha Keiffer. ing earnestly for the good of the cause.

The convention was called in DISTRICT MEETING OF session at 9:30 a.m. and from then until 4:45 p.m. búsiness was transacted systematically and with man's Auxiliary convence with or roll stood as follows on Decem-

es of the work were inspiration- Illinois. We have sent two boxes recent- all and enlightening. A high point are faced with the great decision vailed and many had a part on At our last meeting, we made as to whether we want our state the program. An offering for mis-

The Reverend J. H. West of The Auxiliary is sponsoring the Tulsa brought the message at e- Oak Grove, presided and gave a Joshua 1:9, "Be strong and of ized Auxiliary. Rev. William Bus-Our lessons have been good good courage, be not afraid, nei- ter, pastor of Bear Point Church.

Words are inadaquate to ex-The following is a list of our of- press our gratitude to the pastors to the Orphanage, School and Agwho have stood and are standing ed Ministers for Christmas. behind the Auxiliary work. The inspirational messages brought to in Pittsburg Church. us by them are like meat and 3rd Vice P. - Dorcas Weisman drink to us women who are climbing over great obstacles to carry the Auxiliary work forward.

I was especially proud of our financial report this year for over one thousand dollars has been Auxiliary Societies paid out to the different phases of the work. Our financial system is one of the best. Tithing 1948 Book of Programs for from our local treasury to the District; then to the state keeps The Revised Manual of Me, money on hand to carry on the work of the Lord.

Truly, with the Free Will Bap-

The newly elected state officers

homa City

Vice, Cleo Pursell, Bristow Vice, Eileen Melton, Ada

Vice, Inabelle Hamilton, Tulsa homa City.

Tulsa

Oklahoma City

## ILL. WOMAN'S AUX.

zeal. Talks on the different phas Rescue Church near Whittington,

There were eight churches repfor the orphanage and school.

Allene Hanna, President from

A plan was made for support

The next meeting is to be held

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#### THE HONOR ROLL

The new honor roll which will run over a six month period closing April 30th, opened November 1st. Five subscriptions gets your name on the roll — one may be Vice, Bertha Barker, Okla- your own. These subs. may be either new or re-newal. At the close of the period the one having sent in the highest number of subscriptions will receive 1st prize, the second highest, 2nd prize and the third highest, 3rd prize. The -Mrs. Llynn Hamilton prizes will be kept secret until the end of the period. Why not enter the honor roll by becoming On Oct. 23 the District Wo- a solicitor for the Gem. The hon-Continued on page fourteen



## Missionary Department



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

### DEFINITE CALL THE FIRST REQUIREMENT

the question uppermost in the with a burden for a benighted minds of our young men and wo- people, and the spirit would motmen preparing in our Bible Col. ivate you. Be sure it is the Spirit. leges, and Schools regarding the If It could always be with us as call and preparation necessary for with Saul and Barnabus in the foreign missionary work.

ground of 20 years of experience in the joys and heartaches of missionary endeavors, I have had an opportunity to charter some of the by-paths and innavigable rivers and streams in these years.

I know there is a time of gropwhat you are best fitted to do in the work of the Lord. If I can present some of the fundementals and plan for you, I shall be happy.

It is true that it is the work of the Spirit to make clear what we are to do and not for man to tell us, on the otherhand we must take man, and some of us very impatient and some very stubborn.

Thinking of a call to work, we must consider that there are no two individuals exactly alike, and that God does not deal with those two individuals in like manner.

There is a possiblity of one betain if he really is called and fitted for this particular work. If where a misfit is a calamity, the mission field is that place.

The first great fact that we are all in accord with is that God calls definitely and positively to any sider but your spirit and other ed in your own mind, to surren- of headaches and money. der yourself for far distant and

I am greatly concerned about pasionate appeal of a glowing soul church at Antioch after much fast-As a missionary with a back ing and prayer on the part of the church, the Spirit said, "Separate unto me Saul and Barnabus to the work wherein I have called them."

couraging young people to think yourself. that they are called to the mission ses. I warn you against this.



to shake one another.

separation comes frustration.

First, have you ever thought forbear with one another. strange places after hearing the what it costs the church to train. The official native workers.

and send a new missionary? I am going to be deadly frank. For five years you will be struggling with some difficult language. You won't be able to express yourself clearly; the sound of some of your words will seem ridiculous to those who listen.

Can you go to school from three to five or seven years; then wait five more to express what you have been studying all these years? Twelve years is a long I have long since stopped en- time to be able to fully express

There are the material human field. This I am convinced is not characteristics that can make us ing in the dark, striving to find my responsibility, and if I take it very unfit for the mission field, upon myself, I am usurping the if they are not dominated and work of the Spirit. In this I would controlled by the Spirit of God. call you to prayerful and careful One of the most vital requirepractical requirements that might consideration, you cannot go to ments of the individual is that help you find yourself and His the mission field on mere impul- they are filled with the Spirit of God; that they know what a dai-A good example of a spurious ly walk with their master is; that call is the haste manifested on the they know what it is to leave all part of many of our young people and follow Him, not come to the to get married. Boy meets girl, field and then begin to hanker into account that we are very hu- spends a few hours in the parlor, after the onions and garlie of Egypt (the camforts of home). To know in reality the promise "Lo I am with you always."

Shall we consider some of the relationships: His relationship to his fellow missionary. There are tendencies for the new missionary coming to the field for the ing mistaken who has not spent and then hunts a marriage licen- first time to have the attitude definite time in prayer to ascer- se. A short time later they want and feeling that they are going to revolutionize existing condi-Marriage and the call are very tions; to ignore the fact of seniorthere is any place in the world similar, better investigate, delib- ity. How many cases of failure erate over each other and be sure have resulted from just this misyou can stand one another or you take! The attitude, "Oh, I don't are in for a separation. With a believe what they say." I cannot impress too strongly upon you If I can present some sensible that if you are going to have this special work, this is of the Spirit. advise to help you find yourself, attitude, it is better that you stay I would remind you that there is I have accomplished my task. If at home until God does a deeper not only the Holy Spirit to con- you should happen to be a misfit work to your heart. Then when and I keep you away, I have done you become a senior missionary, spirits. I know from experience you a favor and saved you and don't forget the days when you that it is very easy to be influenc- the Foreign Mission Board a lot were beginning. Have patience, have understanding, bear and

The old saying "familiarty breeds called of the Lord to the mission resenting your country, be the contempt" is just as true on the field. What suggestions should I very best you can by His grace mission field as it is at home. One give you for preparation? of the unpardonable sins of the mission field is for a missionary applies to both a boy or girl. Get is where tamiliarty breeds contempt. There is the tendency also to live very separate lives from the native, letting them know that their ways are not our ways. This should not be. We must make them feel that we are co-laborers together and that we shall share together, suffer together for the salvation of their people, who become our people.

The people in the various fields and their background. This calls for the ability to adjust one's self to every condition and, circumstance. You will be called upon to vizit, cat with, sleep with people of the poorest status of life. There may be no floors in the house, pigs may rub against your legs and chickens peck you, dogs scratch their flees on you as you eat your meal, if you are the missomary you may have to go into that meeten that is filled with smoke, and help with the preparation. Does the smoke, dirt, and unsanitary conditions grate on you until you show by your actions and facial expressions that you are displeased? Or do you relish the food as if it might have been under the most sanitary condi- price. tions. Then to change the picture, could you sit at a dinner with to learn all this you will find it ber. We become so concerned with doctors, lawyers, and government pays when you fit into every need the material side of Christmas officials and feel perfectly at ease on the field. as you are served a six course dinner? Would you in both circum- can't be a success in the home sions treasury runs the lowest are stances have the grace and cour-field, you certainly cannot be one during and immediatel after the age to reveal the Master of your in a foreign field. If their is need holiday seasons. We are believlife? Could you converse with an of an ounce of patience at home, ing it will not be so this time; at individual of the highest intelle- there is need of a ton in the field. least not to the extent that it has gence and training, and do it with the confidence and graciousness thought that I was going to the from your abundance during your of a child of a king? "I can do mission field to preach but this Christmas shopping will you stop all things through Christ which looks like one must be a jack of in solemnity and think of all the strengtheneth me." An humble all trades." More than this you poor sin benighted people living in mud hut or a palace may be your must teach others this that you beathendom who have not the pare you as a true ambassador of show them how to do things. the King of Glory.

Most of the advice I shall give the Master". to criticize and make remarks a- all the practical experience posgainst the administration of the sible; settle on some musical inswork to the native workers. That trument if nothing other than a harp. Learn to use a hammer, saw, square and level. Take a thorough course in manual training with special missionary drives made in lumber. Learn something about the two above named states. The plumbing. Take a manual course Missions Director in Georgia, Rev. in motors and machinery, and E. C. Morris and the Director in learn to repair motors and mach- California, Rev. Dean Moore are inery. You may say, "why all in charge of these special camthis?" Because you have a diffic-paigns. The quota this year for the ulty in finding a mechanic you state of Geargia is \$850.00 and the

them, you will have to plant them. far beyond them. If you do not do the planting

Learn something about first aide and the most needed remidies. Other things to learn are brick laying, bookkeeping, and secreterial work, make wagon wheels and saddles, photography, how to get the best results with a camera, develope and print your bustle of Christmas season. As we own pictures, to write effectivly course in printing; the ministry concerning our missionary proprepared in the finest of homes of a small printing plant is beyond

and help - "Give of your best to

Rev. T. H. Willey DECEMBER IS SPECIAL MISSIONARY MONTH IN THE STATES OF GEORGIA & CALIFORNIA

During this month there will be can depend on in foreign fields. quota for the state of California Learn something about farm- is \$200.00. We are very confident, ing. You are in lands where they that both of these states are going do not eat vegatables; if you get to raise their quotas, and even go

Our set up this year with a Diryourself, you will have to direct ector and a suggested quota for others who do not know how, each state is working very satis-Study the care of eattle and chie- factory. We are grateful for the work that our Directors are doing. Such co-operation is what it takes to make things move for the

Lord.

#### MISSIONS GIVE A SPECIAL CHALLENGE DURING THIS SEASON

Again we are in the hustle and come to this season, we have many and convincingly. Take a short anxious thoughts and moments gram. Humanity as a rule ic very inconsistant. We forget at the If it takes you five more years time when we should most rememthat we many times forget the Prove yourself at home. If you spiritual. The times when our mis-You are no doubt saying, "I been in the past. As you spend mission field; ask the Lord to pre- have learned. You will have to slightest idea of what Christmas is all about. They have no Christ You shall be called upon to and therefore have no day or sea-Now the shall consider that you stand before kings and govern- son in which to commemorate His are really convinced that you are ors; you are an ambassoder rep- birth. To forget the spiritual need

of others is to lose entirely the true spirit of Christmas. In all of our giving let us give out the gospel of our Lord and savior, and remember it takes money to do it.

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Our goal for the Gem is 3,000 subscribers. It can be met. By the help of the Lord and your co-operation we will reach it. Come on now and do your best. We are very grateful to all of you who are soliciting and sending in subs. Just keep the good work going.

Miss Louise Fcrettino



Miss Fercttino went to Cuba in the early fall of this year to serve in the capacity of Secretary to our Cuban Director, Rev. Thomas H. Willey. Some one was sorely needed to serve in this position in connection with our Cuban work. Miss Ferettino is filling that need in a very capable manner.

## OUR LATEST IMPROVEMENTS

The Gem building has an entirely new roof. For a number of years we have been bothered with several leaks around the walls. It will not be so now. The roof is repaired in good shape. We are very well pleased with the job. cost was \$115.00. Of course the State Treasury paid this bill.

Other improvements we have made which were paid for out of the proceeds here at the Gem of lice are as follows.

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## CHURCH ACTIVITY & EVANGELISM

#### REPORT OF REVIVAL MEETINGS IN TENNESSEE

By Jas. F. Miller

As we draw near the close of our work in Huntsville; Texas where we had gone in the fall of 1946 to help build a church house, we begin to seek the will of the Lord in our next field of service. We felt the leadership of the Lord directing us to do some evangelistie work. We had held two revival meetings in Ft. Worth, Texas where we had met some fine peole and the Lord blessed our nearly together. We closed our work in Huntsville with the dedication of the new building on July the 6th and started back to Lilscouri July 7 on the way to the Letional Association in Michi. gan, I met our beloved brother, E. M. French of Newport, Tennessee again and we planned a meeting for his churches near Knoxville, Tennessee. So in the will of the Lord, we went to Bro. French's home. On the 15th day of August we got to attend a part of the local Association and met a lot of fine people and enjoyed a good fellowship with them.

On the 17th day of August we went to Wooddale Church and started our first revival. God blessed the effort and in two weeks we saw thirteen precious souls kneel at the altar and pray through to God and victory over sin. We shall never forget the Tine people and the sweet fellowship ing at Cedar Ridge Church near we enjoyed in the church and Long Lane, Missouri closed Sunhomes. The meeting closed Sun-day, October 26. The revival was the powers of Salan may profit

Grove Church Bro. French is pas- Henry Long of Phillipsburg, Mistor at this church also. Here we souri. were blessed of the Lord in another effort and in 2 weeks we saw ing there were 28 conversions, 26 vidual or some trivial matter or fourteen saved. In both of these baptized and 10 united with the difference of opinion. We use the meetings the church was greatly church. Resident members of the words of one great writer as sound blessed and revived. We closed Codar Ridge Community declared warning, "Brethern, these things the meeting at Forest Grove Sun- this to be one of the best revivals ought not to be." day night of the second Sunday ever to be held at the church. in September.

Memorial Church near the city Cedar Ridge. More than 10 years of Greenville, Tennessee and right ago the church was divided, the near the Tenn. Free Will Baptist result of there being two churches Home for children. Here Bro. Jes- of the same faith and denominase Laws is paster. We learned to tion existing in the same communappreciate Bro. Laws as a pastor. ity less than one-half mile apart. Bro. and Mrs. L. L. Stanley were In September, 1946, Rev. Scott there to render a great service to with the help of God, succeeded the Lord. Bro. and Mrs. French in bringing the community toand their children came several gether in a union revival meetnights to this meeting and cer- ing. After much prayer and tainly were a great blessing to through the help of the Lord, we the services. The children sang in this meeting as they did in the others. God did bless in a great way in this meeting and we saw fifteen souls saved. In the three meetings we saw forty-two souls saved for which we do praise the Lord.

We made our home in the Free Will Baptist Home for Children while we were in the meeting at Harris Memorial Church. It was a great inspiration to us to be in the home with Bro. & Mrs. Stanley and the children. Surely God was present there. We solicit the prayers of God's people for our evangelistic meetings.

We are yours in His name and service,

James F, and Eunice Miller



REVIVAL MEETING

A very successful revival meetday afternoon of the 5th Sunday, conducted by Rev. B. R. Scott, by the people of Ceder Ridge We moved over to the Forest paster of the church, and Rev.

Men'ay we went to the Harris facts concerning the people of ister who assisted greatly in the

were given the helper we needed in the person of Rev. Henry Long. Bro. Long preached the Gospel in great power. That which seemed to be impossible was a complished. Never did people come together in a more humble attitude and the spirit of meekness. It was a wonderful experience to see men and women, after years of confusion and discord, confess their faults and beg forgiveness of each other. On September 30, 19-46, the two churches voted unanimously to band together again as one church. Rev. B. R. Scott, of Mountain Grove, Mo., was elected pastor. During the past year the church progressed nicely.

When the revival started this year, a strange co-incidence took place. Contrary to former plans, at the last hour Rev. Henry Long was again sent by the Lord to help with the revival. Both the preachers and the church were truly rewarded for their faith in God.

This is being written in hope that other churches and communities that have been divided by Community. It seems to be a weakness of Free Will Baptists to allow churches and associations During the three weeks' meet to become divided over some indi-

We would like to mention Rev. There are come interesting George Sturdevant, an old mingreatly appreciated.

May the Lord's blessings be upon all his people everywhere.

> Yours in Christ, Rev. Henry Long, Phillipsburg, Mo.



#### REPORT OF REVIVAL

Church of St. Louis.

Dear Gem Readers:

We are praising God as we reort to you the glorious revival that we have just closed at our church here in St. Louis.

We praise the Master for sending us, as our evangelist, Rev. O T. Allred, one of the most consecrated men we feel we have ever

Bro. Allred brought to us powerful and inspiring messages and we feel here at our church that we have witnessed one of the best our work here a little over 4 years also. ago.

the Spirit of the Lord was in abundance with every night bringing great rejoicing among God's

There were 8 precious souls born into the kingdom, 1 united with the church and 3 baptized. A great revival spirit was still raging among the congregation with conviction deep as the meeting closed. We ask God's people to pray for the souls who even left our building with tears streaming down their faces, deeply under conviction, that God will save them soon.

To Bro. Allred our prayers go out for him and in the Southside Church here in St. Louis there will always be a love for him and his work, and a deep respect for this great man of God. 🕜

We want also to report some of the general activity of our church for we feel that God has so wonderfully blessed us that we want to tell others of the work here.

I, as their pastor, feel we have

past revival. His efforts have been one of the most consecrated working groups that can be found in our State. A large part of our church is composed of young people who love to work for the cause of Christ. We have two quartets also a girls' trio and a string band for which we praise God.

Our Sunday School is gaining regularly with an average attendance last quarter of 41 and with a possible chance of exceeding that number this quarter by quite a bit. Our Sunday School Super-At the Southside F. W. B. intendent, Bert Carver is really doing a wonderful job and we thank God for him.

> Our League is also growing under the leadership of Howard Kennedy, its president.

> Oh, yes, we have set next Sunday (Nov. 23rd) as our Sunday School Rally day and we are calling it 100 day because we are going to try to reach that number. Pray for us that we may reach our

One of our young preachers, Rev. Bob Hill and Miss Georgia Barr will be married at our revivals since the organization of church on this date (the 23rd)

Our prayer meetings are well During the two weeks meeting attended with usually from 30 to 50 present each Wed. night.

> Now for this important item we are really praising God and feel our people over the State will help us praise Him, for we have just purchased the property that we have been worshiping in and hope to remodel, it in the near future.

> God blessed us with a nice down payment and we were able to swing the deal for this building and lot.

> We do have an indebtedness of around \$6,000.00 left on the property, but we ask your prayers that God may help us lift this indebtness as soon as possible.

> I ask your prayers, as pastor of the flock, that God will use me to help this people to continue to prosper in His cause. May the Lord bless you all is my prayer and I ask you to remember us in prayer when it goes well with you.

> > Rev. Harvey E. Hill, 120 E. Loretta Ave. Lemay 23. Missouri

#### REPORT OF REVIVAL At Rock Chapel

The revival at Rock Chapel Church of Norwood, Missouri closed Sunday night, November 23, after continuing nearly two weeks, with Rev. Cecil Campbell of Wheaton as evangelist.

The Spirit of God was manifested in both the morning and the evening services. Bro. Campbell being a man of God, delivered messages throughout the successful revival. Three souls were saved, these souls having been burdens upon the hearts of praying people for many years.

The last Sunday, November 23, immediately following the 11:00 o'elock service, a baptismal service was administered to 4 candidates. Three of the candidates uniting with the church. Bro. Winford Davis, our pastor, had charge of this service.

Because of the great things which we cannot comprehend, we want to give unto the Lord the glory due His name.

We had looked forward and prayed earnestly for a refreshing shower from Heaven an we surely feasted on the spiritual manna for nearly two weeks. We know the Word says, "The effectual fervent prayer of the righteous availeth much."

Again God has wonderfully filled His promise to us in 2 Chron. 7:14, "If my people which are called by my name shall humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from Heaven and will forgive their sins and will heal their land".

So many times the "Spirit is willing but the flesh is weak." We yield to sin, but Christ rebukes and helps us up again.

It was with much regret that we bade Bro. Campbell good-bye. Everyone of this community had learned to love him during his stay with us. May God bless him in all undertakings for the Master. v

> Yours in Christ, Cecil E. Young, Norwood, Missouri

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Newport, Tennessee November 17, 1947

Dear Gem Readers:

The following is a report on the evangelistic efforts of my churchcs, and the churches my ministry has led me to be associated with revival meeting at our Union will enjoy their stay and labor in the last few months. On the third Sunday in August we began a revival meeting with my people in Knox County at the Wood-dale Church with the Rev. James F. Miller of Farmington, Mo. doing the preaching. This meeting was of much inspiration to my people; a number were converted and united with the church. When we had finished a meeting of two weeks at Wooddale, we went to Forest Grove Church we conducted another two week's meeting with the results that my church was revived and a number converted and united with the church. Rev. Miller also did the preaching at this meeting. We were very glad to have Rev. Miller bring his wife along, she found a warm place in the hearts of our people, and her memory along with Bro. Miller's is very pleasant to us.

The Millers went from these meetings to be with another of our very fine pastors for a meeting in his church, this being the church at the Tennessee F. W. B. Orphanage, Rev. Jesse Laws, Pastor.

In the month of October, I spent four weeks with Rev. F. C. Adkins in his work during which time we were in a meeting at Bridges Chapel in Jefferson Co. with very good results. We went from there to Johnsons Chapel in Granger Co. for our final meeting of the season; this meeting is also being remembered by us as one of very great results, in fact, the Lord blessed us in a most wonderful way all our evangelistic efforts this year, for which we found time to write our loved ones estly for us, that God will give a thank Him very much.

Yours in the Master's name, E. M. French

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Plattsburg, Missouri November 4, 1947

Dear Gem Readers:

I thought perhaps you would like to hear of some of the work way. It would be a joy to call othat has been accomplished for the ver every home in these two plac-Lord here in Northwest Missouri.

Third Fork Church with wonder- with these dear ones as much as ful results. The church is still we did. moving forward with a good Sunday School and Prayer meeting. A few weeks ago we organized a Women's Auxiliary, with twelve members. Also, we organized a Young Peoples League. A wonderful spirit prevails in each department of the church work. One Deacon has been recently ordained by the Executive Board. Improvements are soon to be made on the church building. Truly the Lord has been good to us and is leading his children forward in his service. We are so thankful that the Lord sent Bro. Allred to labor in the vineyard up there.

To the Women of our Missouri Auxiliary work, let us go forward in the cause of our Master. As your Third Vice-president of the State of Missouri, if you haven't already used as your text book "His Name Among all Nations" by Laura Belle Barnard, please do so as it is an inspiration to all who read and study it and it is very profitable.

year-books and also, our guide College here, and best of all, she books. We wish to get in contact has a deep spiritual soul, and at with all the local Third Vice-pres- our Association, she was licensed idents over the state so we can all to preach. Then before our meetwork together this year.

Huntsville, Texas November 3, 1947

Dear Co-Laborers:

coming to us again. You will see by Bro. Miller for the nice building. this letter that we are in Texas a- Also, may God bless everyone who gain. We were in North Carolina had part in making it possible so almost two years and the work we could have a place to meet and with our Davis and Cedar Island worship until we could get a

ministry. The people at these two churches are some of the very salt of the earth and it will always be a blessing to think of them and how good they were to us in every es if we only had the time and Rev. O. T. Allred conducted a space. We trust the new pastors

We left Davis in July and came to Cordova, Alabama and conducted a revival for Bro. K. V. Shutes and the church at Cordova. We have never worked with two souls that were more interested in the lost than these two saints of God. The weather was extremely hot, and none of us could do the personal work that was badly needed. We visited some with good results. Twenty were saved and reclaimed and may God bless the dear ones in Cordova. We then came on to Huntsville to take up the work following Bro. Miller. We found a very small number but true and faithful. Bro. Miller left a nice Sunday School building all complete, with no ingebtness on it, and we thank the Lord for what Bro. Miller did while here. It is going to take a lot of personal work here to build the congregation so help us pray. We have received twenty new members since we came and some fine workers, too. Mrs. Lilly Kel-No doubt we will soon have our ly, a graduate from our State ing closed, Sister Gladys Beane Yours for the Master's cause, from North Carolina came out on Melba White a visit and she united with us. She is already a licensed minister in North Carolina. She and some of the members plan to put on a radio program beginning Sunday morning of next week. This is a It is with joy we have at last great field of labor so pray earnin the Lord through the Gem. We great work here and many souls are indead glad the dear paper is be won. Thanks to the Master and Churches was indeed a precious church. We are praying for the

men.

Yours for Jesus, H. M. & Lizzie McAdams Richwoods, Missouri



Dear Co-Workers:

It has been a long time since we have written to the Gem and perhaps people are wondering about the little church at Richwoods We are still on the firing line for God.

We have just closed a successful year with Bro. Wm. Reeves, our pastor. God blessed our efforts abundantly. Bro. Reeves, we believe, is a true man of God, now, as a denomination, know fied.

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ministers and others visited our "crucified with Christ" and that ason, Sr. We had a wonderful or He can not be Lord at all. time in the Lord. The young minsouls were saved that day.

young men singing bass, and Rev. ing. Reeves singing the lead. We want Christ.

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our dear Lord for all of His god- things of the Lord - with joy. ..

may the coming year be the great- been so good the past year and the saints and they would give est of all years in His service, A- He has blessed us so much in ev- him support or backing. There are

> We want everyone to pray for us. We haven't a pastor yet for the coming year. Pray with us that God may lead the right one our way. Bro. Reeves is still helping us keep house for God.

> > "God hath two Wings He doth ever move, one is Mercy and the other is love."

Yours for the cause of Christ, Mrs. Sophia Ackerson, Church Clerk Richwoods, Missouri

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preaching Christ and Him cruci- much of what the Lord is placing at our hands to do. We know no We had a wonderful revival the profit will come to us unless we later part of July, our pastor do- get into the business with the ing the preaching. The Lord bles- Lord and be loyal to our covenant. sed and three souls found Christ "We must be about our Father's and the church was lifted up spir- business." We must leave all that would hinder, and follow Jesus. On August 31 two of our young It all depends on whether we are church. They were Bro. Randall "Christ lives in me" or us. Have Thomason and Bob C. Hill and we decided for Him to be Lord? the Barr sisters; also, Bro. Thom- Christ must be made Lord of all,

"The tithe is the Lord's - no ister preached for us and two it shall be - but it is. There is no doubt that the Church of Chris Our church has a quartet now; greatly needs this enlarged giving so we feel like we are climbing for the purpose of carrying out little by little each time. We al- the Great Commission of our so have the blessed privilege of Lord. We ought to give a trul. having a part in the radio pro- honest and regular acknowledge gram at Flat River, Missouri on ment that God is the giver and each Sunday evening from 5:00 owner of all things. We are to be to 5:30 p.m. We have two mem- good stewards and get the holy bers that sing in the radio quar- habit of worshipping the Lord tet; Harold Ackerson, one of our with His tithe and a large offer-

Will you please read II Cor. 8: to request that everyone will 1-5 as an example for us as individpray for this program that it will uals of His great Cause. These reach the lost and bring them to Macedonians knew they were partners with God so they begged We want to mention our Sun- Paul to take their offerings for the day School, also. It is doing nice- poor and for himself. They gave ly. We have an average atten- in "a great trial of affliction". they gave as rich people in the We are all happy and thanking They were poor people - but

success of our work everywhere; ness to us. We feel like God has They wanted Paul to minister to ery way, we want to praise Him many churches today who are calling, crying, and praying for their minister to be somebody and do something for them and with them for the Lord and His own. Our ministers could be gathering a big harvest for the Lord if they could really see what their position should be with God as their partner. Our laymen would be partners to the ministry if the ministry would work a little harder for their Senior Partner.

> May we look at what our Savior did for us in giving. "Ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ that though he was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich." We must give willingly, cheerfully, according to our ability, but more than that we should give sacrificially. "To their power, yea and beyond their power they were willing of themselves". When we can give as they did our regular gifts as well as our special gifts will be a genuine pleasure. The cross will east a shadow over our giving-we can then be partners with God to make some conditions different in a world gone wrong. If we will be wise and Christlike -- count it a favor to be allowed to give -then we will not receive the grace of God in vain. Are you God's Partner?

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