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Mayor Barnard, of Asheville, has begun a crusade against the immoral houses of that city. The law is being rigidly enforced and the disreputable district is being cleansed. This can be done when the Mayor and police officials go into enforce the plain laws which they are sworn to enforce.—N. C. Baptist.

PAYING THE TENTH.

BY REV. J. A. BLALOCK.

Some people claim that paying the tenth, was a law instituted by Moses, but we find in Genesis 14: 20 that Abraham gave tithes of all to Melchizedec. Again, Jacob vowed a vow that all the Lord blessed him with, he would surely pay the tenth unto Him. See Gen. 28: 20, 21, 22. This being a number of years before Moses' day, which shows very clearly that it was not a law instituted by Moses.

God speaks through His prophets in the words, "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, 'Wherein have we robbed thee?' On tithes and offerings ye are cursed with a curse, for ye have robbed me even this day. If I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devours for your sake, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast the fruits before the time in the field," saith the Lord of Hosts. "If I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devours for your sake, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast the fruits before the time in the field," saith the Lord of Hosts. Mal 3: 8-12.

Five years ago last summer, at Falcon camp meeting, through a sermon preached by Dr. G. D. Watson, God opened my eyes to the doctrine under consideration. Then, for the first time, I saw to fail to pay God His tenth, was to rob Him. There on my knees at the altar, I decided to bring all the tithes into the store-house and prove him, as commanded in His Word. Previous to that time, years came when insects, drouth, rain, etc, damaged my crop very seriously, since then notwithstanding the short crop years, that have effected the crops, generally, God has blessed me with abundance each year. Surely, he rebuked the devourer and has not destroyed the fruit of my ground. I believe on the authority of God's word, that many of the financial losers among God's children, caused by disease in man and beast, by fire and many other ways too numerous, to mention, is because they fail to pay God His tenth.

I believe if the sisters would pay the tenth they would lose less chickens. My wife consecrated one of her hens to the Lord when we lived on the farm, and the first year her increase amounted to over \$2.00 and the second, over \$3.00, besides she was more successful with her other chickens than she was before. The sheriff fails to collect his taxes some times, but God certainly can collect His tenth.

We Free Will Baptist believe in washing feet, in fact we preach and practice it, as a church ordinance, because Christ said ye ought to do it. I am sorry to say that we lose sight of the fact, that the same Christ said ye ought

to pay the tenth. See Matt. 22: 23.

May God wake us up to this great truth and help us to be consistent along all lines. The Apostle Paul preached this doctrine; "Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the church in Galatia, so do ye upon the first day of the week, let every one of you lay by in store, as God has prospered him, that three be no gathering when I come. God prospers people who practice this, while His curse is upon some of those who do not. In confirmation of this statement I quote the following scriptures; "Honor God with thy substance, and with the first fruits of thine increase so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." Prov. 3: 9-10. "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth, and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty." Prov. 11: 24. "He that soweth sparingly shall reap sparingly, and also he which soweth bountifully shall reap bountifully." II. Cor. 9: 6. May God convict those of His children who are negligent concerning this great doctrine, and may they vow to God as Jacob of old, that all He blessed me with, I will surely pay the tenth unto Him.

A GEORGIA LETTER.

DEAR EDITOR:—Here I come this morning feeling fine, and bow are you? Enjoying the best of health I hope. Well, again the dear old spring time has come, bringing with it the beautiful birds and sweet flowers, to gladden the hearts of all, old and young. Well, I am at a loss to know what to write this morning, as it has been so long since I wrote to the dear old paper, however I will do the best I can, and I think I will do my duty. Oh, what a different world this would be if every one would do his duty! I often wonder if we will ever get together, and all pull together for the right, but where there is one for the right, there are ten for the wrong. I often hear that remark. "Bring up a child in the way it should go, and it will never depart from it." There is not a mother but what wants her child to live right, and she strives to bring it up in the way it should go. As long as this child is under the protection of its mother, it walks the right way, but as soon as mother's back is turned, the child, where is he? Is he in the Sunday School or church? No, no, not one out of ten. Maybe he is off fishing, hunting or walking the streets picking a fuss with some of his associates. Is that the way mother taught him when he was under her loving care? No longer than last Sunday evening, I went to a little town to attend Sunday School. I gathered up good many little girls to go with me. Well I had a good time. One or two were anxious to go, and the others wanted to go walking. I said to them,

"would you not rather go to Sunday School than to go walking up and down these streets?" "No," they replied, "I much rather go walking on Sunday evenings and if it were not for mamma making me, I would never go." Now, this poor mother no doubt, has tried and is trying to bring up her children right, but I must find a little fault with mother here. Why does she not take her little ones and carry them to the Sunday School and teach them what it is for? And again, do mothers bring their sons up to drink? No indeed, no! and boys why is it you go so contrary to your mother's wishes? Don't you know her poor heart bleeds for you? I must tell you what I witnessed last fourth Sunday.

I attended a double wedding, well everything went on lovely. A large crowd was there before the groom arrived. It was announced that they had come, but there was only one. Of course every one was wondering where the other one was. Some time passed before he appeared, but how did he appear? Drunk, he was deeply under the influence of the demon whiskey, and he was heard to make the remark that he did not care whether his girl had him or not. How much better off she would have been had she not had him. Poor ignorant girls never know, until they have sealed their fate. Oh, what misery it must be to be a drunkard's wife, and a thousand times I had rather be in my grave, than to be a drunkard's wife. I often sing the song of temperance.

Many are the homes that are dark to-night. Blighted by the curse of rum, Many are the hearts that are saddened at the sight, Longing for the end to come.

O God, of heaven make bare thine arm, and stop the fiend from work too black to tell, give us strength to stay his hand, drive the monster from our land, that we in safety once again may dwell. Well, if I thought there would be room in the good old paper, for more I could talk all the evening, but for fear I will have said too much I will close, asking the prayers of all.

Your Sister in Christ, IDA V. MYERS, Sessoms, Ga.

FROM ADEL, GA.

EDITOR OF BAPTIST:—Please allow me space in the BAPTIST for the first time. Dear Bros. and sisters I am a widow's son, and was brought up in Clinch Co. Built the first Free Will Baptist church in the county, and have gone through many hard trials and struggles. I am now living in Barren Co. near Adel. I have organized a church with 32 members, and have the ground and most of the lumber for building. We need the church so bad, but as spring is on and money short can't build it without help. Any brother or sister that will assist me please send money order, to REV. J. P. PAFORD, Adel, Ga.

COMMUNION AND FEET WASHING.

Our Master said, "If you eat not my flesh, and drink not my blood, you have no life in you." You see brothers, a dead christian is no good, and if you wash not your feet you shall surely die. A man must live a holy consecrated life, or he will be lost. Rom. 8: 1. "There is no condemnation to them that be in Christ Jesus." St. John 8: 12 "He that followeth me, shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." St. John 3: 5. A man must be born of the water and of the Spirit." The natural child cannot look into the brightness of this world, neither can a man look into the glorious things of Christ, until he is born of water and of the Spirit, and he is then fit to go to the Lord's table. St. John 13: 2, 4 "Supper being ended he riseth from supper." Exodus 30: 21. "They shall wash their feet that they die not." St. John 13: 8. "If I wash thee not thou hast no part with me." We see that it means death if we wash not. Timothy 5: 10 The qualifications of the widow if she has washed the saint's feet. Christ says St. John 13: 17 "If ye know these things happy are ye if ye do them."

Now brethren, can any one show me in the Bible, where we can find any happiness promised and leave off part of his ordinances and commandments? 2nd Cor. 7: 1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse our selves from all filthiness of the flesh, and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God."

May God bless the FREE WILL BAPTIST and may it ever grow and prosper to carry the good news.

Yours in Christ, H. N. SMITH, Chicora, Miss.

A MESSAGE FROM CORDELE (GA.)

DEAR EDITOR:—Will you please allow me space for a few words? I have been very quiet for some time, also have received letters from friends whom I love, asking me if I had quit writing, and as I have not written any thing for some time, it does look as if I had quit. I have been resting and thinking that I would quit entirely it is such needy times, not for the lack of money, or raiment, but for the true word of God. I am proud to say that old Christian Hill Church, Wilcox Co. Ga. is coming to the front. We had our first mission sermon there the first Sunday in March, and we had the presence of the Spirit with us. The church seems to be some what warmed up. Praise the Lord we are just going right ahead, and planning for a glorious time this summer, and while we are looking forward to the summer, we are praying for a blessing all the time. I will close, pray for us down here in Ga. that we may be a blessing to each other. Your brother in the cause, W. C. JONES.

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE.

The ministers' conference, of the Free Will Baptist, of the Union Q. M., met with the Guyandotte Valley church, Friday before the first Sunday in March, 1906, at 2 p. m. Prayer by Rev. H. K. Freeman. Rev. C. T. Reynolds elected as chairman, and brother Jackson Akers, clerk, pro tem.

The character of ministers was passed on, voted that ministers leave the room while passing on his character. Names called and passed, viz: D. M. Deitz, H. Spears, J. M. Turner, H. K. Freeman, H. S. Spears, W. A. J. Smith, R. L. Stanley, J. S. Stanley, C. T. Reynolds and N. L. McAlister.

Essays were then read. On motion the subjects written on, be given back to the same ministers to write on.

On motion that the essays be sent to our paper for publication. Bros. H. K. Freeman and J. J. Jarvis were appointed with H. S. Spears to give subjects for next meeting. Motion the minister's conference adjourn till Friday at 2 p. m., before the first Sunday in June 1906. C. T. REYNOLDS, Ch'm. JACKSON AKERS, Clerk.

UNION QUARTLY MEETING.

The Union Q. M. met Saturday at 9 a. m. Called to order by the clerk and prayer by Rev. T. Murphy. H. S. Spear was chosen moderator, Rufus Stowers clerk. If. K. Freeman and G. W. Stowers were appointed executive committee, pro tem. G. W. Stowers was appointed treasurer pro tem.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, churches called, viz:

Brown's Chapel—C. Vickers, Charley's Creek—Jackson Akers, 60; Free Union, not represented; Good Hope, G. W. Davis; Guyandotte Valley, 50; New Fountain, verbal report; Pleasant Valley, verbal report; Pleasant View, verbal report; Pine Grove, H. S. Spear, 70; First Union, G. W. Stowers, \$1.00; Young's Chapel, H. K. Freeman.

Reports from messengers and visiting brethren; report from Rev. W. E. Lane, Pine Grove, Ohio; report from Rev. J. B. Yoak, favorably; report from Rev. J. Thomas, State Evangelist.

Conference adjourned until 2 p. m.

Conference met at 2 p. m., prayer by Bro. Eli Plumley.

EXECUTIVE COM.'S REPORT.

We your committee agree to recommend the following terms in regard to the calls for a council to examine, H. C. McNealy for license be deferred until the June Q. M. We grant the request of Good Hope church for the next quarterly meeting. W. E. Turners license are restored until Sept. 1906. We ask the conference to vote on J. F. Robert's case, leaving off discussion. Voted unanimously to restore his credentials. C. T. Reynolds was ap-

pointed corresponding messenger to the Kanawha, Q. M. H. S. Spears appointed to Boone Q. M. H. K. Freeman appointed to the Pine Creek Q. M. Ohio. W. E. Turner, corresponding messenger to the Raleigh Q. M. Moved and carried that J. M. Turner preach our next introductory sermon on Friday night before the first Sunday in June.

Conference adjourned until Saturday, before the first Sunday in June 1906, unless otherwise directed by moderator.

H. S. Spears preached Saturday night, Hebrews 12: 1, social meeting Sunday at 9 o'clock, W. E. Lane and I. M. Collins preached Sunday at 11 a. m., Cor. 16: 13. Rev. H. K. Freeman Sunday night Luke 10th chapter and last verse.

H. S. SPEARS, Mod; RUFUS STOWERS, Clerk.

SHALL A MINISTER MAKE EXCUSES IN THE PULPIT?

No, first, because if he is to preach the gospel he is to make no excuse, for Paul says "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace and bring glad tidings of good things" again he says, "woe unto me if I preach not the gospel" Isaiah says, "Cry aloud and spare not," and Solomon says, " whatsoever thy hands had to do, do with thy might. Again it is stated, that those who believe shall be saved, and faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God; and how can he hear without a preacher, and how can he preach except he be sent; Then he is sent to preach, and not to make excuses. God has ordained preaching to save the world. Excuses is not preaching. The Lord is set forth in the gospel as a feast, and those who neglect the feast, shall never taste of my feast, sayeth Jesus. Jonah was bidden to go preach to the people of Nineveh, he excused himself, and in the belly of hell, he cried, by reason of his affliction. Excuses will never save ones soul.

C. T. REYNOLDS.

PINE CREEK CHURCH.

MR EDITOR:—The Pine Creek Q. M. has been very greatly blessed, through the labors of Rev. Dell Upton, and Rev. Jones Turner. Rev. Dell Upton held a meeting at Antioch Church and the church was revived also six converted. He held a meeting at Pine Creek church and twenty one were converted. He is holding a meeting at Wheelersburg, and having great success. It seems that the Lord is blessing his labors, and every thing is going along alright. He brought Rev. Jones Turner to Union Church, and Rev. Turner held a meeting in which sixteen were converted. Eld. Turner held a week's meeting at Porter Church. The Lord is blessing his labors. He expects to move his family here soon. Yours in Christ, ELI HARTLEY.

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AYDEN, N. C., WEDNESDAY, Mar. 21 1906.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

We have a class in Logic, the first in the history of the Seminary.

Public Rhetoricals, at the Seminary, tomorrow night at 7.30. A full house is expected.

Send the FREE WILL BAPTIST to some poor minister or member for an Easter present.

The Summer term of the Seminary commences next Monday. We hope it will be a very progressive session.

If you want to know who to believe, energetic, promising students are, read the list of those who take part in Public Rhetoricals.

Every Conference ought to pay the actual expenses of its delegates to general conference. By some means it was wrongly stated last week.

We have nothing to do with the business affairs of the Seminary but the collection of tuition. There is a committee to attend to every thing else.

The Free Will Baptist Treatise, that has been anxiously expected for some time, will soon be ready for sale. We hope to announce the terms next week.

The Funeral Sermon of sister Helen M. Phillips, late missionary to India, will, Providence permitting, be preached at the Seminary, the first Sabbath in next month at 11 a. m. by Eld. Thomas E. Peden D. D. Friends of missions of all denominations are especially invited to attend.

The Convention of the Volunteer Students' Movement at Nashville, Tenn., was attended by four thousand students and professors. It makes us ashamed every time we read an account of it, because we had no representative there. The interest and enthusiasm is represented as almost unbounded. Several hundred students volunteered to enter the Foreign Fields as soon as they complete their course of study.

All who desire to assist the Scotoville church, in its difficulty, ought to send the remittance at once to E. T. Phillips Treas. Ayden, N. C. or sister Laura Hobstetter, Scotoville, Ohio. The Seceiders have several hundred thousand dollars of Free Will Baptist property in their hands, obtained by fraud, misrepresentation and treachery of trustees. It is thought, if this suit is won, that all the balance will be given up without further litigation. We are well acquainted with N. W. Evans, Attorney at Law, whose letter was published last week. He is a very able lawyer, an honest man and devoted Christian and we can rely on what he says. The trial is set for next month, on that account what is done must be done quickly.

WHAT ARE THE SEVEN SPIRITS OF GOD.

Well, they are the seven messengers of God, and each has their office of perfect work to perform for God, in the perfecting of man to a nobler, higher and hollier life. Also elevates the mind, heart and soul from natural to supernatural, from death to life, from earth to heaven, from woe and misery, to life eternal beyond this dark vale. You may want to know just how they perform the work of perfecting man's life. First, man is a sinful creature and without God and his perfect plan of salvation, would be eternally lost, but, we are glad to know that there is a way that man can be justified with God, and have peace, joy and comfort in the Holy Ghost, and that is by believing in the Lord Jesus Christ. This is no historical belief, but it must be a revelation from God, by the Holy Spirit that Christ is the Son of God. The Lord said, to the apostle Peter, "Blessed art thou Simon Barjonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this unto thee, but my Father, and thou art Peter, and upon this rock will I build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Now, we may differ in this. We contend that the rock that the Lord referred to in this was, that revelation from God, that Jesus was the Christ, and that we could never become a member of the church otherwise, and when we receive that revelation, that the satanic powers, can never overcome that one fact that we have been born again, though we may fail in our duty and get cold. Never forget that saving faith, or the power that we received when we did believe, and after this belief it is that Paul tells us to go on to perfection, not laying again the foundation of dead works. I am so glad that we can grow in grace and go on to perfection. It is here that the apostle Peter tells us just how to proceed. Now, before we go further, we want to call your attention to Zick. 3. 9 "That the stone that was laid before Joshua had seven eyes" Zick. 4: 10. Here they are made the eyes of the Lord. Rev. 4: 5. Here are seven lamps. Now, we want to light every one, for we are commanded to let our light shine, so others can see our good works. Peter says let the eye of God shine in you, and from you to the world, and lead you up, and bring others to the dear Lord. Bless the Lord, for pure religion and undefiled before God, the Father, and pure lives before men. Now, Paul was speaking to believers when he said, let us go on to perfection." Peter was surely speaking to believers for he said, add to your faith virtue, christian courage and fortitude, which is the first lamp of light, which is to be lit up for God after we have believed. Add knowledge to virtue. Solomon says in Prov. 1: 7 "That the fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge." We should fear the Lord and be like David, when he considered the goodness of God when he said in Psalms 23: 5 "Thou appointest my head with oil, my cup runneth over." We believe that David referred to the knowledge that God gave him as the oil, and his cup as the soul rejoicing before God because of the wonderful knowledge of the great sal-

vation of the Lord. We should seek wisdom with all we can of God and his holy word. This is the second lamp. Add to knowledge temperance. Now this means moderation in all things. Not only in drink but many other things. While we condemn rum with all our heart there is worse intemperance, than rum, and one is we are to be careful of each other's character. If we indulge in talking about our neighbor it is sin and intemperance. James speaks of the tongue as being an unruly member. We should be very temperate in the use of this. We should be careful of our temper, or we may say a word that will cause intemperance, therefore the lamp of temperance should be looked after very closely, and kept trimmed and burning brightly at all times, for we never know just when some soul will be led to temptation by our light. The most temperate things we can indulge in are the little "no harms." They are damaging the world because it is so easy to lead people to indulge in these things, and you know that the little foxes spoil the vine, and a christian ought not to advocate such things as would lead our minds from God to the world, from prayer to play nor from joy to sorrow. So let temperance shine brightly always and in all places, and the best way to let it shine is to keep where it will shine, for it will not shine in a saloon, so keep out of such places as saloons, ball-rooms, in short all places that you think the dear Lord would not go. Add to temperance patience. This is calmness of mind in bearing evils. Persistent in duty and waiting for the promises of God. The way to cultivate it is to keep the commandments of God and never complain of our duty for our patience worketh experience, and experience hope, and hope maketh not ashamed for the love of God abideth in us. Take Job for our example in the old book, and Christ in the new one. Job bore all his afflictions without murmuring, after he was sorely persecuted by the devil, he was then restored four fold. The dear Lord was called the prince of devils, spit upon, crucified and yet He bore all without complaining for the joy that was before Him was victory over death, hell and the grave, and to destroy the works of the devil. Bless the Lord for patience, perfect in experience of the wonderful love of Jesus.

(To be continued next week)

FALLING AWAY.

DEAR BAPTIST:—Please allow me space in your paper for a few lines.
"If they shall fall away." Heb. 6: 6. In the Bible gallery hangs the portrait of Judas Iscariot, the one who sold his Lord. Over against it is Ananias and Sapphira, with Demas the deserter in full view. A glance further back reveals Sampson with his eyes put out grinding in the mill, with locks shorn and power gone. Saul with the kingdom wrenched from him, and dying by his own sword. Faithful prophet torn and slain by a lion. Esau weeping bitter tears for his birthright. Cain running from God. Adam falling out of Paradise. Reader, beware of false prophets for they shall come among you, and deceive the very elect if possible.

Remember that up until the last supper, there was no suspicion of Judas being the one that would betray Christ. Remember, that when Jesus said, "One of you shall betray me." They said among themselves, "Is it I?" Remember, also that he was one of the disciples and had followed his Lord three years. Had power to cast out unclean spirits, was a partaker of the ministry and apostleship, but by transgression, fell. We find him bringing back the thirty pieces of silver and casting them down. Notice the Scriptures, first it says, the Devil now having put it into Judas' heart to betray Him, John 13: 13.

In I. Cor. 10: 12 it says, "Wherefore, let him that thinketh he standeth, take heed lest he fall." Let us notice some of the reasons we fall away.
The love of this world, II. Tim. 4: 10. Pride, Isiah, 14: 13. Lust, II. Sam. 11: 24. Riches, Matt. 19: 22, 24. Covetousness, Josh. 7: 21. Lying, Acts 5: 4, and many other ways of falling away from God.

May the richest blessing of our Lord rest on the dear old BAPTIST, is my prayer.

Your Bro. in Christ,
R. E.
Richardson, N. C.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

As the brethren in many places insist on my writing up my work, and as many of them have and are assisting me in my work, I will continue to write. My work is increasing in interest and not in interest only, but in visible demonstration. Last Sunday night, Mar. 11th I preached at Colquitt Ga. to a large congregation, my subject was "The Bond Woman and the Free Woman. I have never seen a congregation so wrought up. The people of Colquitt have invited me to hold a weeks meeting there.

Bro. C. P. Smith of Byrd, Miss. sends us two dollars. Bro. J. T. Linton, of Sidney, sends us \$2.50. W. A. McDonald, and Oak Grove, sent us some meat. Now, may God prosper and bless all these good people. Brethren of Ga. are waking to the mission cause. One half of all the mission money received this year, came from Ga. Brethren, we are in the work. Every church in Ga. Fla. and Ala ought to take up a home mission collection for me, for my labors are done in these three states. Brethren, Elders, Pastors of Ga. Fla. and Ala. want you all take up a home mission collection next month and send to me? I have lots of calls for destitute places. Who will help? I have already received over forty members this year. Who will help? Mr. Editor, I notice in the BAPTIST of late many articles on organization and system. Is it possible that we are not organized? These writers cry for organization and system as if we had no organization. Now, let's look over our machinery. We have a monthly church conference. We have a Union Meeting, we have annual associations, and conferences, we have a Triennial Gen. Conf. we have, both a home and foreign mission board, a woman's missionary society and educational society, now, what more do we want? We are not using what we have. Why waste time in organizing more, when we do not

use what we have? Editor, these articles hurt us as a people, for our paper is the greatest advertiser we have. It is read by thousands. When these, who know nothing of us read these cries for organization, they think we are in a state of chaos. It is real amusing to read our paper some times, one writer for organization, another writes we are organized. All this is hurting us. Outsiders laugh at our confusion. A missionary preacher said to me recently, "Well brother, I thought you Free Will were organized. These secretaries and boards, you have been telling the people about, are only in your mind." "No sir," I replied, "we have all these things, but we also have some who want more." That preacher has a copy of the BAPTIST with an article crying for system, and organization. He is using it against me, and trying to make it appear that I have misrepresented things. Now, let us use what we have and when we have used it to its full capacity, then cry for more. I will have no time to spend in new organizations, the things we have are good enough for me.

St. CLAIRE.
Epsilon, Ga.
FROM SPROULE, GA.

DEAR BAPTIST:—I want to say a few words to the BAPTIST, and Christian readers, as I claim to be one of that number, I don't only claim it, for I know it. What a glorious claim it is! How glad I would be if every one was born in Christ, and washed in the blood. I have just been reading in a paper and I saw where a lady said, she was not a Christian, because she did not believe in the Bible. Her reason was because she had asked for things and did not get them. So she might, but I believe every word of it. The Lord said, "If ye love me keep my commandments, and whatsoever ye ask in my name, I will do it." If we ask in faith believing, we will receive it, for we will certainly receive what we ask for.

I know the Lord is with me every day, and dwells there all the time. My companion is away now, and may the good Lord be with him and guide him in the right way, and may he sow good seed, and they bring forth much fruit, is my prayer.

I ask the good Lord every day to take us all and use us to His own good will, and make us what He would have us be. I know he has heard my prayers and answered them many times. I know he will again if I will do my duty, He will do His, if any fail it is I, not God.

May the good Lord open the eyes of sinners, so they may see where they stand before it is too late, is my prayer.

I ask all praying people to remember me in their prayers. As this is the first time I have written to the BAPTIST, I will close, and I may come another time.

Your sister in Christ,
Mrs. EVA BUTLER,
Sproule, Ga.

A mother was lecturing her little six-year-old son for not repeating the golden text. "Why the teacher will think you do not know it, and all those little children will think you do not know it." "God knows," was the reply.

QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

DEAR BAPTIST:—By your permission I will try to answer Bro Knowles' questions that appeared in the BAPTIST some time ago.

1. Are all Free Will Baptist ministers agreed on the subject of baptism? Ans. Yes, all true Free Will Baptist are, though we may have men among us that are not Free Will Baptist, that differ with our subject.

2. Do we all believe immersion alone to be "Scriptural baptism." Ans. Yes, all Free Wills accept nothing else.

3. Can any one be saved without baptism? Ans. One must be in a saved condition before he is a proper subject for baptism. Baptism is a righteous act. Matt. 2: 15. None can bear good fruit except a good tree. Matt. 7: 18.

Baptism is a command. None are subject to the law of Christ except those who have the mind of Christ Rom. 8: 7.

Salvation is by faith and not baptism. Gal. 3: 26, Rom. 10: 9, 10.

I John 5: 1. Other Scriptures might be cited, but this is sufficient. I hope Bro. St. Claire will not quit writing to the paper, because some do not like his style of writing. I have heard some saying already, if St. Claire quits writing for the paper it will not be worth near as much. Wish all the Free Wills, with all other true Christians, a happy and prosperous year.

I am yours for the Truth,
JAMES KENNEDY,
Avery, Tex.

OVER IN TENN.

Wife and I drove ten miles to the nearest Free Will Baptist church to day Sunday Mar. 11, This is Cabo, and our home church.

Elder E. A. Vandiver our beloved pastor preached an excellent sermon on "Faith." After which the church granted sister Mary Pierce, brethren J. A. Pierce, and J. C. Pierce church letters. There are only very few members of Cabo church. Some have crossed the chilly Jordan others moved to distant lands. But we who were present adopted this resolution that we will read St. Mathew through by our next monthly meeting, and note all the commands and at our April meeting some one will read the command and we pledge our sacred honor one to the other that we will follow these commands. Next month we shall read Mark then Luke etc. Brethren pray that this church may rid itself of all sin and follow explicitly the command of the Bible.

After services, quite a surprise was in store for us when Bro. W. H. Martin and sister Laura Horteu presented themselves to be joined in the bonds of wedlock. Brother E. A. Vandiver in his happy style pronounced the word that made them man and wife. These were both Free Will Baptist and the writer joins their many friends in wishing them along and happy life and eternal life after death.

W. A. POOL.

Doubt increases doubt. Faith breeds faith. The man who stumbles and stammers out his testimony is left alone and ought to be. If he wants other men to rally around his standard, he must set it up firmly where they can see it.—Cortland Myers.

THE FREE WILL BAPTIST.

AYDEN, N. C.

WEDNESDAY, Mar. 21 1906.

SHORT NEWS ITEMS.

In Town and Through the Surrounding Country:

Miss Prime, of Boston, Mass., is here visiting Mrs. M. E. Cason. Dr. Joseph Dixon and son returned from Baltimore Sunday night.

Mr. C. F. Turnage visited his father in the Hugo section on last Sunday.

Capt. J. G. Cherry, of the Ayden Lumber Co., was in town a few days ago.

Miss Allie Dail, of Renston, spent a portion of last week in town visiting relatives.

Misses Lottie Mayo and Lizzie Harris visited at Renston Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. H. C. Brooks left Tuesday morning for Baltimore, where she will spend some time with her sister.

It would be a much surer way of getting mail if post masters would give us a list of all on certain routes.

Eld. R. F. Pittman left on Saturday to attend his meeting at Mt. Olive, Washington Co. He returned on Monday at 12 m.

We see that the brick pillars are built upon that the attractive residence of J. F. Barwick is to be reared on Third street, near the M. E. church.

Next Sunday morning and at night we will have services at the Seminary. All are cordially invited to meet and worship with us and trust they may.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Margaret Cornelia Munford to Mr. Oscar M. Jolly Tuesday evening, March 27, at the Baptist church in Ayden, at 8 o'clock.

At the measuring party in interest of the Loyal Temperance Legion on last Wednesday night the 14th, a most little sum was raised for the order. Miss Lillian Mann is president of the society.

Mr. Burrell Skinner, who has been very ill with pneumonia here for several days, is reported to be much improved. There are now great hopes that he will soon be restored to health.

The Free Will Baptist Treatise is nearing completion. Would have had it done long ago, but for an over abundance of minute work. Every Free Will Baptist ought to have one surely.

Do not fail to attend the Public Rhetoricals at the Seminary on next Thursday night. Shall we not always encourage education? Help others by our presence and attention and be benefitted ourselves.

Brethren, fitly prepared and the plan is the sinking fund, then we promise you some neat and complete quarters. Let all the churches respond at once if you mean business in deed and in truth.

Miss Estella Bowden, of Goldsboro, who has been spending some time in our midst visiting her sister, Mrs. C. H. Duke, returned home yesterday accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Duke and little daughter, Cleas.

Rev. B. E. Stanfield preached a good sermon at the M. E. church on last Sunday from the text, "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God." Showed who wrote the Book and how we should use it.

Rev. E. L. St. Claire says he has the Florida fever. He has been there and done some noble work for our cause. He pushes the mission work to the front. He is having his collections sent in rapidly. Good for the Doctor.

Mrs. Jas. A. Davis has recently returned from Baltimore, where she purchased a fine supply of millinery goods. She keeps at the same place as formerly, adjoining the bank and is well up in her line of business.

The Central minutes will be sent out this week. We wish to send out by hand all we possibly can as the postage is very expensive. We ask the clerks to look out for them at their post offices, where they cannot possibly be sent by hand.

Bethany, a church that has all the while been faithful and true, has just sent in \$1.07 for our Seminary. Dear brother ministers, our Seminary needs about \$100, worth of repairing, painting, etc., right now. Now can't our churches send in \$50.00 within the next few weeks for our own loved institution. We have about \$50.00. Won't you send in the remaining small amount right away.

Every church in our connection should take up collections now and then for our Seminary. Each conference has stock according to what they give. There is a record for every cent sent in. Some do not know how that money is going. We can tell you and do tell you. None are so blind as those who will not see.

Legibility is one of the great things to be observed in writing. One thing we do insist upon is that particular pains be given in writing names and names of post offices. Post offices indistinct sections may be very familiar to the writer but remember we do not live in that neighborhood and are not so well acquainted.

On Wednesday of last week Mr. Claude Quinerly went to Baltimore accompanied by his brother, Mr. Watt Quinerly, also Dr. Dixon and son and Mr. John Pierce. Mr. Quinerly will go to the hospital in hopes of being restored to a much improved condition of health, as he has been in a feeble condition for some time.

Words fitly spoken are like apples of gold in pictures of silver. We once heard these words from a matron to her husband: "That is a fine influence for your children," spoken in an ironical manner. God help us to speak and act so that we may have a happy influence for good, over not only our children, but all with whom we come in contact.

Howell Swamp church has just sent in \$2.25 on the sinking fund for the S. S. literature. We need this fund and we need it now. We expect to commence with the 3rd quarter if our brethren will come to our relief at once. If not, the work will necessarily be delayed. O men and women of our loved church, remember your children and our precious cause.

The deed has been given for the Free Will Baptist church to be erected on the corner of Lee and Fourth streets near the Seminary building. A good steady pull is now demanded of all. A bill has been given for the timbers. We will soon see the building rising. May we all be ready with our means to aid in this great project for our worshipping people.

There is one of the finest things for furniture that has been damaged or soiled, at the drug store here. It is Liquid Veneer. At a very small cost your old bedsteads, chairs, bureaus and any article can be made to look as though it were new, and veneering will hold well. Try it on your old furniture and you will be highly delighted. Dr. M. M. Sauls will tell you all about it.

Misses Munn and Sawyer have inaugurated a sewing circle at the Seminary, composed largely of little girls. The way those little ones are working is indeed remarkable. They meet each Saturday evening and they are doing fine indeed. They have already done much little work and will continue. May they get an inspiration to do nice work all through life. This work is for the benefit of our church which is soon to be built.

Each minister ought to see that there is a good list of subscribers at each and every church for the paper. The Methodist ministers are pleading strong for the Advocate. The Baptist are at work might and main for the Recorder. Why not the Free Will Baptist minister be devoted for his church organ. Many are. Many never mention it. Some even oppose it. But all will never get right. We thank God the Baptist is growing and strengthening. It can do more and effective work than any agency we have. We do not boast, but we see the fruits being gathered from from every quarter of our land.

Dr. W. Williams, an aged and highly esteemed citizen of our town, died on last Thursday morning at 4 o'clock. Mr. Williams was upon our streets but a few days before his demise. He was however a great sufferer from dropsy and his death was not unexpected to those who knew him well. He had been living with his son, Lewis, for some time at whose residence he breathed his last. Deceased was a man of intelligence and a noted business man all through the prime of his life. Was for many years clerk in a large clothing house in Raleigh. From the capital he went to Wilmington, and was in various employments. From Wilmington he came to this country, where he has been for quite a number of years. He did business for James Cobb of Rochdale for many years and taught school in various places. Being intelligent, honest and strictly moral he won the confidence and high esteem of the people with whom he mingled. Was about 75 years old and was preceded by his wife some years ago, who was for many years an invalid. Has a brother in Norfolk, Va. His children are four sons, honorable citizens of our county, Lewis, Ham, Thomas and Mark. His remains were deposited in the burying ground near Luke McLawhon's on Thursday evening, 15th, by the side of his wife. There to await the great morning of the resurrection. Peace to his sleeping dust.

Tragedies of the Japanese Famine.

There are now over a million people suffering pangs such as we are not able to imagine, including thousands of the very old and helpless, the sick and the little children. It is true that the Japanese authorities are doing all they can, but this is pathetically little compared to the requirements of the needy. They are instituting large plans for public works which will give employment to many poor; but these projects will necessarily be slow of development—and starvation will not wait.

Mrs. Gurney Binford, a devoted missionary of the Friends' persuasion, relates in simple language a tragedy more thrilling than any of fiction or drama, which has just taken place before her eyes, but of which the learned too late to be of service. In a district near her there lived an honest, industrious farmer, who with his family, were brought to the last extremity. Everything had gone to procure the pittance which would keep them together for one more day, and at last the father said, "We have never begged—we cannot now. We must die of starvation here—there is no hope for us." So he traveled wearily up the hill, his wife and two children by his side; and together they flung themselves from a cliff at the base of which their dead bodies were afterwards discovered. Mrs. Binford adds: "There are so many, many suicides. The real Japanese war is only just beginning; there are so many widows and orphans, so many maimed and disabled soldiers who are fighting the grim enemy Starvation. Yes the war is only beginning."

Piteous appeal cannot strengthen nor emphasize the appalling drama of human suffering now being enacted in Japan. If these words fulfil their mission, they will constrain generous hearts to send money necessary to avert the most pitiful crisis which the twentieth century has so far known. All gifts, however small will be gratefully acknowledged, and will be transmitted by cable to Japan, through the Japan Famine Relief Work, The Christian Herald, 93 to 114 Bible House, New York.

For Japan Sufferers.

DEAR EDITOR.—In response to an article in the BAPTIST concerning the famine in Japan and for sympathy which we owe to one another, and being blessed of God with the fullness of plenty. We the little few whose names will appear below, have sent to the red fund, in care of Christian Herald \$12.32, which you will please publish that others may do likewise. "Ye call me Lord and Master and gave me no meat."

- J. R. Boyd, \$ 30
J. F. Gurkin, 10
M. E. Boyd, 25
J. D. Boyd, 1.60
J. G. Hoborn, 25
S. W. Boyd, 50
Alford Waters, 25
W. R. Waters, 1.00
W. J. Watson, 1.00
W. H. Bowen, 1.00
L. R. Cutler, 50
Jarvis A. Boyd, 75
Joseph Berry, 75
Mrs. Annie Waters, 75
O. J. Swain, 75
Mrs. S. J. Swain, 50
G. W. Boyd, 10
H. C. Swindell, 10
Levi Stables, 25
Clarence Ellis and child, 50
Annie M. Ellis, 35
Maud Bowen, 35
R. V. Aaters, 25
Annie Enslay, 25
F. L. Morris, 25
J. A. Morris, 50
M. M. Gurkin, 10

Yours for the Master, Rev. JAMES D. BOYD. Pinetown, N. C. March 17th, 06.

Teach Your Daughter.

- Teach her that 100 cents make one dollar.
Teach her how to wear a simple muslin dress and to wear it like a queen.
Teach her how to sew on buttons, darn stockings and mend gloves.
Teach her to dress for health and comfort, as well as for appearance.
Teach her to arrange the parlor and the library.
Teach her to love and cultivate flowers.
Teach her to have a place for everything and to put everything in its place.
Teach her to say no and mean it, and to say yes and stick to it.
Teach her to have nothing to do with intemperate young men.
Teach her to pay regard to the character of those she would associate with and not to how much money they have.—Detroit News.

Funeral Notice.

Eld. L. T. Phillips, Providence permitting, will preach the funeral of Bro. Exum Ellis at Aspin Grove church in Wilson county, on the 2nd Sunday in April 1906 Friends relatives and the public are invited.

State Sunday School Convention.

The Sunday School workers of our State will be glad to know that the date for the Annual North Carolina Sunday School Convention has been set for April 3, 4, 5.

THE PLACE OF MEETING.

Charlotte, and the Sunday School workers there, are making great preparation for the gathering. The sessions will be held in the Second Presbyterian Church, one of the largest churches of the city.

INTERDENOMINATIONAL.

This Convention is held under the auspices of the North Carolina Sunday School Association and is interdenominational. Every school of every denomination is entitled to send delegates. This is the one convention of the year for all the Sunday Schools in our State.

FREE ENTERTAINMENT.

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All the railroads will give reduced rates: One and one-third fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold on the certificate plan and will be on sale April 3rd, good to return April 9th.

THE MUSIC.

The music will be in charge of Messrs E. S. and Karl K. Lorenz of the Lorenz Publishing Co., of Dayton, Ohio, and will be one of the special features of the Convention. These two gentlemen are well known in the Musical World as publishers and leaders of Sunday School Music. They will come to Charlotte several days before the Convention and organize a large chorus choir. They will use their new Sunday School Song Book, "With Heart and Voice," recently published.

THE PROGRAM.

A glance at the program will show what a great treat may be expected. Mr. W. C. Pearce is the Teacher Training Secretary of the International Sunday School Association and is already beloved by the Sunday School workers of our State. Rev. B. W. Spillman, Secretary of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, belongs to us, and there is no man who better knows the needs of the Sunday school workers and how to meet them. Added to these men is an unusually array of talent which should bring to the Convention such a gathering of Sunday School people as has never before been.

Write to N. B. Broughton, Chm of the Executive committee for any information, at Raleigh, N. C.

A favorite Chautauquan who will reappear at Chautauqua Lake, New York, this summer is Professor S. C. Schmucker who will again deliver a series of popular lectures on Nature subjects and conduct two courses in the Summer Schools. To any who have been at Chautauqua within the last several sessions Prof. Schmucker has become endeared for the personal enthusiasm which he puts into his work and for the incentive to study the wonders of every day nature with which he inspires all who come into contact with him.

Receipts.

- B. F. Pate, \$1.00
A. J. Hardie, 1.00
J. H. Tripp, 1.00
J. G. Mitchell, 2.00
J. A. King, .70
Minnie R. White, .50
J. J. Harrington, 1.00
Mrs. J. A. Warren, 1.00
By W. D. D. Badgett:
R. S. Badgett, .25
W. R. Scott, .25
D. D. Badgett, .25
By Eld. L. T. Phillips:
Mrs. Claudia Liles, 1.00
W. H. Walls, .50
Mrs. C. A. Keen, 1.00
K. C. Atkinson, .25
By Luke McLawhon:
Oscar Atkinson, .50
By W. A. Poole:
Rev. E. A. Vandiver, .50
W. S. Vandiver, .50
By Rev. F. R. Skelton:
Thos. Jefferson, .50
Rev. J. S. Willingham, .50
By Geo. W. Dail:
W. H. Arnold, 2.00
By Eld. J. E. Richbourg:
Mrs. E. L. Gladson, 1.00
By Eld. W. B. Everett:
J. R. Dodd, 1.00
By Eld. H. Cunningham:
J. B. Smith, 1.00
Maud Cunningham, .25
By Eld. J. W. Sewell:
T. D. Noc, 1.00
C. H. Edwards, .50
By Eld. R. F. Pittman:
W. B. Waters, .50
Marcellus Brownie, .50
E. H. Ange, 1.00
Leven Ange, 2.00
By W. T. Kirby:
W. H. Flowers, 1.00
Mrs. S. F. Hooks, 1.00
B. P. Jones, .25

LOST,

While returning from Ayden Saturday, a pair of No. 13 Brogan Shoes. They were sewed, pegged and cable-strewn, would not rip, ravel or run down at heel, had a solid leather sole, and a sole leather counter. No reward offered, for I can get a plenty of the same shoes from J. R. Smith & Bro., Ayden, N. C. A full stock always on hand to fit your foot.

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Id. Lucas' Appointments.

Eld. P. T. Lucas will preach at the following places on the times mentioned, Providence permitting: He will also go to Union Grove, Wake county, about the first of April and will preach for the church on the 1st Sunday in April and Saturday before. Will preach at Cool Spring at 4 o'clock, 1st Sunday evening in April, and may make other appointments later on. Eld. Lucas will also visit Gum Swamp at their quarterly meeting in June, and will preach for them during the meeting, which will be on the 4th, Sunday and Saturday before.

Horse For Sale.

I have a small six year old horse for sale. She is very gentle and kind and broken to work anywhere. She is a beautiful figure of a horse, only small, very stylish and fast on the road. Guaranteed to be perfectly sound. If interested call to see me at Ormondville, or address me at Ayden, N. C. R. I. CORBETT.

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THE FREE WILL BAPTIST.

AYDEN, N. C.

WEDNESDAY, Mar. 21 1906.

INVITE THE MASTER IN.

DEAR EDITOR:—Will you again allow me space in your paper for a few words? It is such a welcome, and regular visitor at my house. I love to talk with the brethren and sisters concerning Jesus, and I see so much good reading in its columns, and see the old Free Will Baptist denomination, has some very good writers, so much so that I never tire of reading it. I often read it through at once.

It is said in the Luke 10: 38 as they went into a certain village, a certain woman named Martha received him into her house. We take it that Martha asked him to abide with her that day, or as we would say, take dinner.

I can imagine Martha coming from Bethany one day, and going into the temple in Jerusalem to worship, and the great Galilean Prophet, came in, who spoke as never man spoke before. She listened to his words, and she says, "I will invite him home with me, and will find out more about their doctrine. He will not hesitate to tell me I know."

It must have cost her some thing to do that, for Christ was not popular, and you know there was a hiss going up in Jerusalem against Him. They called him an impostor, a "Bezebut" the prince of devils, and said he was a wine-biber, also a deceiver. Yet Martha invited Him to her home to be her guest. We read of His going often to Bethany. We think the noblest act of her life was this one, for it will live forever.

Little did she know when she asked Him, with her, who He was, and when we receive Jesus into our hearts little do we know who He is. There was then a dark cloud hanging over that home in Bethany but Martha did not know it, neither did many see that cloud. It soon settled upon that family. The Savior, of course knew all about it, He saw that dark cloud coming across that threshold. We read that he often lodged there. A few weeks after he became their friend and guest Lazarus sickened with the fever, you can see those two sisters watching over their brother, probably the physician from Jerusalem was sent for, and he comes, does every thing he can but to no avail, he states the case serious, and some of us know how this goes to the heart of a true relative or friend.

Martha and Mary passed through this experience. There was no hope for this brother, and Lazarus must die. They felt if Jesus was only there, he would rebuke this disease, and would prevent death for a while of their only brother.

They sent a messenger to tell Jesus that Lazarus was sick, and here is the message: "He whom thou lovest is sick." They do not ask Him to come, they knew Jesus loved Lazarus, and that he would come if it was for their good.

The messenger returned, and found Lazarus dead and buried. Now, we can see those two sisters as they gather around the messenger, asking eager questions such as these: "Have you found Him?" He answers, "yes," "What did He say?" He said,

"The sickness was not unto death, and He would come to see him." The sisters knowing that he was already dead I see faith begin to stagger, and one of them asks, "are you sure of what you tell us?" "yes," he replied. "Well, that is strange, if He is a Prophet, He should have known that Lazarus was dead when you told Him. You had not been gone from the house very long before he died, surely Eliza would have known it in his day." "Well, that is what He said. Those sisters must have watched for Him all through the long hours of the four days, expecting Him every hour. Martha is standing in the yard, and some one tells her that Jesus is just with out the city, He is coming on toward Bethany Martha runs out to meet Him and says, "If thou hadst been here my brother would not have died" Jesus answers, "Thy brother shall rise again."

"Yes, I know that he will rise again at the resurrection." Christ told her that He was the resurrection. He asks for Mary, and they told her that the Master calleth for her. She went out to meet Him and addressed Him in Martha's words. "If thou hadst been here my brother had not died. Then Jesus asked, "where have you laid him?" They say, "come and see."

They led the way and you see Martha and Mary weeping as they go toward the grave, and their grief was so great that the Son of God wept with them. When they came to the sepulcher, Jesus tells them to take away the stone. Again their faith must have wavered as they say, "Lord, by this time he stinketh, for he has been dead four days."

They did not know who their friend was, and when they took the stone away, Christ cried with a loud voice "Lazarus come forth." Then he came forth bound in grave clothes. We have thought it was a good thing that Christ called Lazarus by name, for his words are so powerful it he had not have done so, all the dead in that graveyard might have come forth, at his word. Little did Martha know whom she was entertaining, when she was so combered with many things, and asked her guest to bid her sister help her.

Now, brethren can't we do as this good woman did? Invite the Master home with us and not only that but ask him to abide with us. JOSEPH B. RIGSBEE, Pinners, Va.

WHEN IS SILENCE IN HEAVEN? You have asked me a hard question; a question that would perhaps puzzle a D. D. When is the silence in heaven spoken of in Rev. 8: 1? I can only answer by giving my opinion, yet I do not wish to give my opinion on the sacred word of God, and I reach out and take hold of such sacred passages of the word as this, with a trembling hand. We cannot conceive from our stand point of the glory and praise of God, of silence in heaven. I think of it as being the most stupendous wonder and glory that ever occurred, that would cause it. It is spoken of in connection with the opening of the seventh seal, or the final glorious triumph of our Lord Jesus Christ on his glorified and redeemed church. The number seven runs through Rev. like the

links of a chain always represents the end or winding up of the gospel dispensation, and especially does the seven seals point to that glorious period. The seventh of those seals points to the time when the glorious conquering King of kings shall stand in the midst of His glorified church, then will be the time when the angels, seraphims and cherubims, will lay down their harps, and cimbals. I think they will hush their strains of halleluiahs, for wonder of wonders, there is a new song started in heaven. Angels cannot sing for profound wonder, that Christ has conquered the last enemy for his people, which is death. So there shall be silence in heaven for the space of a half hour. J. M. TURNER.

UNION MEETING.

The union meeting of the 2nd union district, of the Cape Fear Free Will Baptist Conference, met with the church at Lee's Chapel, on Friday before the 5th Sunday in December, 1905.

Eld. C. A. Jackson, who was elected at last union to preach the introductory sermon, was present and preached—Text: I. Peter 1: 2. "See that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently." At 12:30 one hour is given for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION. Union reassembled according to adjournment. Prayer by Eld. C. A. Jackson.

Enrollment of those entitled to membership.

OFFICERS. C. A. Jackson, moderator, W. A. Jackson, secretary.

MINISTERS. Lunda Lee, H. W. Jernigan, C. A. Jackson and G. A. Pope.

MIS-ION BOARD. N. T. Barefoot, S. F. Jackson, R. H. Blue and W. A. Jackson.

DELEGATES. Stony Run—L. W. Jernigan and G. H. Jernigan; Shady Grove—Ransom West; Lee's Chapel—T. S. Godwin; Robert's Grove—By letter; Long Branch—By letter; Corinth—R. H. Blue.

COM ON MISSION FUNDS. S. F. Jackson, R. E. Barefoot, and M. A. Williford. On motion, the union adjourn till tomorrow 9.30, for lack of a quorum. Prayer by Eld. G. A. Pope.

SECOND DAY. The union reassembled according to adjournment. Devotional exercises conducted by Eld. Lunda Lee.

Roll called with two absent from yesterday. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Enrollment is again called for and the following are enrolled, viz:

MINISTERS. W. J. Jernigan, H. J. Summerlin, W. L. Godwin, J. A. Blalock and W. B. Strickland.

OFFICERS. Nathan Barefoot, treasurer. COM. OF MISSION FUNDS. John Godwin.

DELEGATES. Lee's Chapel—T. S. Tart; DEBY—By pastor.

APPOINTMENT OF COM'S On Religious Exercises—M. A. Williford, T. S. Godwin and N. T. Barefoot.

FINANCE—L. W. Jernigan, Ransom West and T. S. Tart. Education—H. W. Jernigan, W. A. Jackson and H. J. Summerlin.

Sabbath Schools—K. E. Barefoot, W. L. Godwin and Lunda Lee.

Temperance—G. H. Jernigan, Ransom West and W. J. Jernigan.

Program—Lunda Lee, W. L. Godwin and H. W. Jernigan.

Reports from churches are called for and the following amount of Home mission funds is reported, viz:

Dunn—Home Mission funds, 50c; Stony Run—\$1 00; Shady Grove—\$3 00; Lee's Chapel—\$1 50; Roberts' Grove—\$1 00; Long Branch—75c; Corinth—\$1 25; Oak Grove, Sts. Delight and Rayner's Chapel, not represented. By K. E. Barefoot of Stony Run, \$2 70.

On motion, by Eld. Lunda Lee, the mission sermon be dispensed with for today.

The subject of one Lord, one Faith, one baptism, was taken up and discussed by the following, viz: Elds. Lunda Lee, C. A. Jackson, H. W. Jernigan, J. A. Blalock and W. B. Strickland. After which, one hour is given for dinner.

AFTERNOON SECOND DAY. The union reassembled at 1:30. Prayer by the moderator.

The discussion of the above subject was continued by Eld. W. J. Jernigan, Bros. G. H. Jernigan, Ransom West and T. S. Godwin. The following discussion was reached: The one Lord is Christ our Savior. The one faith, saving faith in Christ. One baptism representing the truth in baptism. The three that bear witness on earth: The Spirit, water, and the blood; also the baptisms with water, with the Holy Ghost, and fire.

Rev. L. P. Lee of the Holiness church, is enrolled as a visiting member.

Subject 2. Who was Melchisedec? Was discussed by the following, viz: Elds. Lunda Lee, H. W. Jernigan, J. A. Blalock and C. A. Jackson.

Discussion. Melchisedec, a type of Christ, a man, king and priest who officially represents Christ, who was his anti-type.

Report of committees on religious exercises.

To preach tomorrow at 11 a. m., Eld. W. J. Jernigan, open and Eld. C. A. Jackson preach.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.—We the committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to submit the following: We feel sure that much good has already been done in our churches and that much more may yet be done to add to the progress of the cause. We look upon the S. S. as being the nursery of the church.

We recommend that each local church maintain and support a school for twelve months in the year. We ask all parents to see that their children attend school regularly, and also attend themselves.

Respectfully Submitted, By the Committee.

FINANCE.—We the committee on finance beg leave to submit the following report: We find in hand of the treasurer brought forward from last union, \$29 92; Col. at this union, \$11 70. Total on hand, \$41 62. Respectfully Submitted, By the Committee.

TEMPERANCE.—We the committee on temperance beg leave to submit the following report: Seeing the great evil of intemperance and the necessity of temperance. We recommend that our preachers preach temperance and total abstinence, we also recommend that the laity live temperance.

Respectfully Submitted, By the Committee.

EDUCATION.—We the committee on education beg leave to submit the following report. Seeing the great need of a better educated people, especially that of the ministry of our denomination do urge and recommend that young men preparing for the ministry avail themselves of all the opportunities for an education possible. We recommend Beulah High School, as being adequate to such preparation. We also recommend said school to all who are seeking an education to any profession or calling.

Respectfully Submitted, By the Committee.

COM ON PROGRAM.—We the committee, report the following to be discussed at next union:

1. What did Christ mean when he said to Peter, "If I part with thee thou hast no part with me?"

2. Are all men possessed of an immortal soul, and what is the soul?

3. Would Jonah have been saved if he had continued to refuse to preach to Nineveh?

Respectfully Submitted, By the Committee.

MI CELLANEOUS. Petitions for the next union are from Dunn and Stony Run. By vote, Dunn gets the union.

Eld. Lunda Lee is elected to preach the introductory, and Eld. H. W. Jernigan be his alternate. Eld. C. A. Jackson the mission sermon, Saturday at 11 a. m.

On motion, the Secretary send the proceedings of this union to the F. W. B. for publication and that he draw on the treasurer for \$2 00, for his services.

On motion, a vote of thanks be extended to the church at Lee's Chapel and vicinity for their kindness and hospitality shown during the sitting of this union.

On motion, the union adjourn to meet at Dunn, N. C., on Friday before the 5th Sunday in April, 1906, at 11 a. m. Prayer by Eld. J. A. Blalock.

C. A. JACKSON, Mod; Duno, N. C.

W. A. JACKSON, Sec; Ramon, N. C.

SEEK THE LOST SHEEP. We find in the New Testament the beautiful parable of the lost sheep. "What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost until he find it. And when he hath found, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing.

One of the grandest sights I have ever witnessed is seeing the man or woman come back to the fold of Christ. In most of our churches in west Ga. we have some that are lost in the wilderness of sin, and it is our duty to go out and seek those that are lost, and continue to seek until we find and persuade them to come back to the church to the Shepherd who is able to save their souls from sin.

One of the greatest troubles is, that our members will not perform their duty on this line. They sit still and wait for the preacher to do all the work, and if God blesses his labors, and some of the lost sheep are brought back, some will boastfully say, "We are waking up." Brethren, if you would wake up now, and stay awake, attend your Saturday conference, visit the back-sliders, talk to them

about their souls salvation and bring them to the church instead of visiting on Sunday we would not have to wait until summer to have a revival, it would start now and continue until Jesus says, "It is enough, come uphiger." H. L. LUMPKIN. Rabbit, Ga.

A WORD FROM ELD. LINTON. DEAR EDITOR:—I closed my meeting at Satilla the 4th Sunday. Had a very good meeting, received 4 members. I was at Pine Level last Saturday and Sunday. Had a good meeting but no additions. You will find enclosed \$1 00 for Bro. R. Johnson, please send his paper to Moody, Ga., instead of Alma, Ga. I will close by asking all that read this to pray for me that I may hold out faithful to the end.

Your brother in Christ, J. A. BLANTON. Baxley, Ga.

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2. We believe that there is one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, the only begotten Son of God, born of the Virgin Mary, whom God sent into this world, because of the great love wherewith He loved the world, that whosoever should believe in Him, should not perish, but have everlasting life. He died for our redemption, and rose again the third day, and ascended into Heaven, from whence we look for Him, the second time in the clouds of Heaven, at the last day to judge both the quick and dead.—I. Tim. ii, 5, 6; Heb. ii, 9; St. John iii, 16; Rev. i, 7; Acts xxiv, 1-1; John vi, 39.

3. We believe that there is one Holy Ghost, the precious gift of the Father, who dwelleth in the hearts of those who are born of God, and who quickeneth and draweth and sanctifieth them to God.—St. John xvi, 7, 8; Acts ii, 4; Eph. ii, 1; Eph. iv, 4, 5, 6.

4. We believe that in the beginning God made man upright, and that God had him in a state of glory without the least mixture of misery, from which he voluntarily fell, by transgression, and by that means brought on himself a miserable and mortal state subject to death.—Gen. ii, 17; iii, 19.

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6. We believe that no man shall suffer in hell for want of a Christ who died for him, but as the Scripture has said, for denying the Lord that bought them; because they believe not in the name of the only begotten Son of God. Unbelief, therefore, being the cause why the just and righteous God of Heaven will condemn the children of men; it follows against all contradiction that all men, at one time or other, are found in such a capacity as that through the grace of God they may be eternally saved.—Acts xvii, 30; Mark vi, 5; Heb. ix, 14; I. Tim. ii, 4.

7. We believe the whole Scriptures are infallibly true, and that they are the only rules of faith and practice.—II. Tim. iii, 16.

8. We believe in the doctrine of General Provision made of God in Christ, for the benefit of all mankind, who repent and believe the Gospel.—Luke xiv, 16-20; St. John vi, 39; I. Cor. xii, 3-5; Luke xxiv, 47; Acts iii, 19; Mark i, 15.

9. We believe that sinners are drawn to God by the Holy Spirit, and that the Holy Ghost offers his divine aid to all the human family; so as they all might be saved, and brought to the knowledge of the truth; whereas, those who do not receive the Divine impressions of His Holy Spirit, shall, at a future day, be brought to the knowledge of the truth, and charge themselves with their own damnation, for wilfully rejecting the offers of sovereign grace.—Matt. xi, 27; St. John vi, 39; I. Tim. ii, 4; I. Tim. ii, 11, 12; Jer. xxii, 29.

10. We believe that men, not considered simply as men, but ungodly men, who are born into the world, and are by nature under the condemnation; considered such who do not receive the grace of God into lasciviousness, denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ, who bought them, and therefore shall bring upon themselves swift destruction; but we observe that they, and such the Apostle saith, because they receive not the love of the truth, that they might be saved; therefore the indignation and wrath of God is upon every soul of man that doeth evil, though he be ignorant thereof; for there is no respect of persons with God.—Jude 1, 4; H. Peter ii, 1; II. Thos. ii, 11, 12; Rom. ix, 11.

11. We believe that children dying in infancy, having not actually transgressed against the law of God, in their own persons, are only subject to the first death, which was brought on them by the fall of the first Adam, and not that any one of them dying in that state, shall suffer punishment in hell by the guilt of Adam's sin; for such is the kingdom of God.—I. Cor. xv, 22; Matt. xxvii, 2-5; Mark ix, 24; Matt. xix, 14.

12. We believe that good works are the fruits of a saving faith, and that in the use of the means of grace, and not out of the use of those means, eternal life is promised to men.—Rev. xxi, 14, 15; Gal. v, 22; Matt. vi, 8; Jer. vi, 16; Luke xiii, 34, 35.

13. We believe that no man has any warrant in the Holy Scriptures for justification before God through his own works, power, or ability which he has in and of himself, only as he by grace is made able to come to God, through Jesus Christ; believing the righteousness of Jesus Christ to be imputed to all believers for their eternal acceptance with God.—Rom. iv, 24; Acts viii, 20, 21.

14. We believe that all things are foreseen in the wisdom of God, so that God knoweth whatsoever can or cannot come to pass upon all supposed conditions; yet not as having decreed any person to everlasting death or everlasting life, out of respect or mere choice, farther than He hath appointed the godly unto life, and the ungodly, who die in sin unto death.—Heb. ix, 23; Prov. vi, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31; Matt. xxv, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46.

15. We believe, as touching Gospel ordinances, in believing, baptism, laying on of the hands, receiving of the saints' feet, anointing the sick with oil in the name of the Lord, fasting, prayer, singing praise to God, and the public ministry of the Word, with every institution of the Lord we shall find in the New Testament.—Mark xvi, 15, 16; Acts vi, 17; Acts xiii, 6; Luke xlii, 19, 20; John xiii, 5-7; James v, 14.

16. We believe the Gospel mode of baptism is by immersion, and that the believers are the only subjects for baptism.—Matt. iii, 16; Mark i, 9-10; Acts ii, 38, 39; Rom. vi, 4; Cor. i, 12.

17. We believe in a general resurrection of the dead and a final judgment at the last day.—John v, 28, 29; II. Cor. v, 10.

18. We believe the happiness of the righteous is eternal and the torments of the wicked are endless.—Matt. xxv, 46.

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