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TITHERS MEETING TO BE HELD SUNDAY NIGHT

Joint church services Sunday night in school building to discuss tithing

The three congregations of the town are having a union service Sunday night, December 14th. This service will be held in the school auditorium so as to make sure of accommodating all who may care to attend and it is expected that a great many will come out for this service. The entire services will be devoted to Stewardship, with special reference to tithing.

The topics to be discussed are as follows:

1. Stewardship, with special reference to tithing.
2. Scriptural basis for tithing in Old Testament.
3. Scriptural Basis for tithing in New Testament.
4. What causes are included in tithing, to what causes may one contribute and consider it part of the tithing.
5. Making Tithing Easy. (A discussion of methods of keeping track of contribution made as a part of the Tithing.)

The three pastors are taking part in the discussions. They are vitally interested in these subjects and all three are anxious that not only their entire congregations, but also as many as others as will, may be present for those discussions. Mrs. E. G. White will discuss topics.

Remember, when presenting parcels at the window for dispatch, that yours will be only one of many thousands and these parcels will be handled hurriedly, so be sure that they are packed well, in heavy corrugated boxes, wrapped well, and tied with good strong cord, for unless properly packed they will not be accepted. Also remember that we will not have the time to pack, wrap or tie for the public, as our duties will keep us quite busy.

EZRA LEDFORD BEING HELD FOR WIFE KILLING

Hayesville, Dec. 10. Ezra Ledford, 20th years of age, is being held in the Clay County jail for the murder of his youthful wife at the home of her father's, Miles Parker's, Sunday morning, December 7th. The young husband approached his wife from the interior of the house, as she was standing on the porch looking down the road and discharged a loaded shot gun in the back of her neck, the shot completely piercing the neck. She immediately fell dead.

It is not known just what precipitated the killing. The young couple had not been married long. They had been parted once but for the last several months had been living together peacefully. He had been employed on Buck Creek, and it is said when he came home last Friday he brought home whiskey, it is said, and the wife broke the bottle and threw it away. Everybody apparently went well until Sunday morning when the shooting took place. The young husband used the shot gun of his father in law.

Following the shooting he is said to have thrown down the gun and to have run down the road, losing several loaded shells in the flight. He pulled off his boots near Mack Penland's store, waded down creek about a quarter of a mile to John Tiner's store and went to Tiner's home and asked that he be taken to Hayesville and turned over to officers. Sheriff Ed Kitchens was phoned and came and took the young man in charge. The young wife was buried at Bethel Church Tuesday.

Chambers Named As Postmaster At Hayesville

According to a news dispatch coming out of Washington Monday, John A. Chambers has been nominated for postmastership at the Hayesville office. His nomination was sent to the Senate for Confirmation Monday. It is expected that the nomination will be approved by the Senate.

Mr. W. E. Studstill will spend the holidays with home folks at Moultrie.

Mr. Julius Martin of Martins Creek spent Saturday in town on business.

Mrs. H. D. Smith and children of Greenwood, S. C. have joined Mr. Smith and will spend the winter near friends, Mr. Smith is the state superintendent of the State Highway Department.

INSTRUCTION ON CHRISTMAS MAIL

Murphy, N. C., Nov 24, 1924.
To The Public:

The post office department has requested that the public mail their Christmas parcels early in order to avoid delay as a big business is anticipated. Also that this day will be recognized as a holiday by the employees, rural carriers will not make their usual trips, city carriers will only make a partial delivery, stopping at 11 a. m., also at that hour postoffices all over the country will close and there will be no further service for the day, except the dispatch of mail and only first class and daily papers will be considered in this.

If your cards or parcels are going a long distance they should be mailed no later than December 14th, if they are going within three days' travel, not later than the 16th, if within two days travel not later than the 18th and if only one day travel, not later than the 20. This in order to reach destination and be distributed before Christmas Day. If these instructions are not followed, you are liable to be disappointed.

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Now in conclusion remember, that the service will be congested, and that travel from one point to another will be in all probability lengthened out. You may mark your parcels "Do not open until Christmas." You may also put a card inside bearing your name and address, and if the parcel is for different members of a family the several articles may bear the name of the person for whom it is intended, as, "for John" etc.

Very respectfully yours,
A. B. DICKEY, P. M.

WILL ORGANIZE PEACHTREE S. S.

A Sunday School will be organized at Peachtree Methodist Church, Sunday December 14, at 10: A. M. All are invited to come and help make this very important institution a success. Mr. C. F. Trull is to be superintendent. A teachers training class is to be organized soon. "The organization and administration of the Sunday School" is the book to be used.

Officers Capture Five Gallons Of Whiskey

Sheriff B. B. Morrow, Revenue officer Jake Dewese, and Deputy A. L. Morrow captured five gallons of whiskey in the Floyd Settlement on Shoal Creek last Thursday. The whiskey was in gallon jugs. The distillery had apparently been removed from the locality the day before as all signs pointed to this fact. The whiskey was brought to the Sheriff's office and poured out.

Wheeler's History Soon To Be Published Again

Wheeler's History is soon to be republished, according to plans now under way by the Daughters of the American Revolution. This is one of the most accurate and prized histories ever published and is has become very scarce because it has been out of print for sometime. The last copies of the history are said to have sold for \$25.00 and \$50.00 respectively, showing how highly this book is prized.

The new edition will be sold at \$3.50 a volume. Mrs. E. L. Shuford of Hickory, N. C. has charge of securing advanced orders for the book and all who would like to have a copy of the history should notify her at once.

S. S. LESSIAN FOR DEC. 14th, 1924.

THE RESURRECTION OF LAZARUS

I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth on me, though he die yet shall he live; and he that liveth and believeth on me shall never die.

Such is the promise of our Lord. He proved his power in Bethany many years ago. Lazarus, thought he had been dead for days was called from the tomb, a living human being. Jesus, the Saviour, exercised his power over death and restored life.

Though the Grace of God as grace miracles are taken place today. Rev. Walter S. Scott gives the following incident.

"Returning once from a visit to our Uvalde Mexican Mission Church I stopped at Sabinal and held two open air meetings. Among those who heard me preach a man who had quite a reputation among Mexicans and Americans as a gambler.

The morning following the second service he had to leave town and go to work on a ranch. Before leaving he took his favorite pack of cards, one he did business with, and burned them. He hunted for a copy of the New Testament which he had stored away in some of his boxes and took it with him. He read it through twice before I saw him again several months after. On that second visit he and his wife professed religion and united with the Church. His wife's parents and relatives disowned her and would have nothing more to do with her. She went to visit them shortly after but was not allowed to enter the house and was abused most unmercifully. Her father never forgave them till the day of his death.

The gambler a transformed man is winning to himself the respect of the entire community. He is an industrious, lawabiding citizen and is endeavoring to win honors to the same new life in Christ. By the united efforts of himself and wife, two whole families were brought to a saving knowledge of the Gospel and now active members of the church, resulting in the organization of the Mexican church."

This is but one of a multitude of incidents that can be found on every side of the power of Christ to bring the death in trespasses and in sin to a spiritual life that is worthwhile. Returning to the miracle of the lesson we find certain essentials that are clearly pointed out. First and foremost is of course the promise of our Lord. He is the resurrection and the life and he has promised that he that believeth though he be dead yet shall he live. Without the power and promise of Christ on new life can be produced. His promise is the one ray of light in the dark chamber of death.

Next we find here a couple of women of faith. Mary and Martha were real factors in the resurrection of Lazarus. Any one who is at all familiar with the work of the Church today knows what a tower of strength women of faith are in the work of the Lord.

We also find a third factor in the opposition that was raised by certain ones there gathered. This opposition was couched in a performance of apparent sympathy and good-will. It was on time for a show of indignation but the Lord was deeply grieved at the hypocritical show of condolence on the part of those who were opposed to all that Mary and Martha held dearest and best. Opposition, when it comes in the faithful performance of one's duties is a real factor of success. When one is engaged in a cause that is just opposition is not to be feared. It cannot be right to cultivate an antagonistic spirit but if it is present without cultivation it should be received as an evidence of the rightness of a just cause. A pretty sure guide is the opposition of a degraded man to a cause. It is to be a righteous cause.

In the world today, we find whole communities in a condition of spiritual decay. Sometimes there are churches that are spiritually dead. The desire of the people of the Lord is that such may be brought to life. What are some of the necessary essentials for the doing of the raising of a dead church or a spiritually dead person.

First of all is the cause one that belongs to the Lord. He has promis-

THIRD NUMBER LYCEUM COURSE VERY DELIGHTFUL

The Columbus Entertainers, appeared here last Thursday night as the third of a series of five numbers composing the 1924-1925 Lyceum course, delighting a fair sized audience at the school auditorium. Many were the enthusiastic comments on the program of this versatile company of young artists. The Character Sketches and readings of Miss Baughman were wonderful, and revealed unusual talent and training. Miss Hoover delighted with her solo. By many this was said to be the best of the three numbers that have thus far appeared here this year and many are looking forward to the coming of the additional numbers in the spring.

Afternoon Wedding Notable Social Event

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Mattek, of Murphy, North Carolina, announce the marriage of their daughter, Martine, to Mr. Frank C. McDonald, of Knoxville Tenn.

The wedding ceremony was solemnized in Clinton at the parsonage of the Southern Methodist Episcopal church in the presence of a group of the most special friends of the bride and groom.

The groom had as his best man Mr. R. Herman May and Mrs. May served as the matron of honor to the bride who was her friend from childhood.

The bride wore a traveling costume of dark blue with gray and touches of silver. Mrs. May wore a blue suit with blue and accessories and furs.

The bridal party motored to Knoxville and a dinner was served after which a theater party was planned.

Mr. and Mrs. May later entertained with a supper after the theater when the guests in addition to the bridal party were Miss Grover C. Davis, Miss Irene Davis, Mr. C. D. White, Mr. Carl McDaniel.

The bride and groom have gone to Murphy, N. C., to spend their honeymoon and upon their return to this city will be at home to friends at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. Harman May No. 410 Walker street.

ed and his promise is backed by all the power of Heaven and Earth. That is all the power there is. What more could even the coldest, calculating man of affairs ask for?

Then we must have some women who belong to the household of FAITH. A Church with even a few women of the right sort of interest and faith is not going to die. It may be accounted dead but it isn't.

It is with a bit of justified pride that I think of the mothers in old Thyatira Church. The fact that this old Church has sent out nine ordained Ministers and has now four young men studying for the ministry either in College or the Seminary besides having four women on the foreign field and three women in training for this same kind of work is on mere happening. The secret in part lies in the fact that Old Thyatira has a group of Mother's who are the sort to rear minister's and missionaries. She has women of faith and the result has been a steady stream growing larger all the while of gospel preachers.

I have in mind a church that is looked upon as dead. It may be years before the community realizes the real life but a couple of devoted Christian women of faith are there and the Church will live.

This little Church is backed by all three essentials. First it has the promise of Christ; Then the faith of some women. Also there is a measure of opposition that is manifesting itself in very much the same way that the subtle Jews did in the case of the incident of the lesson.

My brother if your purpose is true your aim right, you too will have in abundant measure all three essentials. So take courage and remember that it was the last half of life for which the first was made. Now friend of mine take courage, Trust God, see all and fear not.

BEMIS LUMBER CO. WILL BUILD R. R. IN GRAHAM CO.

Is to be common carrier and will connect with Topcon-Fine timber in county

Graham County, one of the richest in natural and scenic resources in Western North Carolina, for many years practically owned by English interest, without railroad and highway facilities is virtually to be reclaimed.

Purchase of the roadbed of the Graham County Railroad and timber holdings from the Independent Order of Foresters, a Canadian body, will mean the expenditure of millions in the county.

Property in the county has been under control of the English owners, making it almost impossible for residents to own land, while thousands of acres of American's finest timber has never been touched.

Announcement by the Bemis Lumber Company of plans to immediately begin work on a common carrier, connecting Topcon with Robbinsville, county seat of Graham, will mean an almost undreamed of move for residents of that section.

The county has only five negroes, the residents being of the finest of native Americans and the purchase of the land on which they live by American interests is being received with great interest.

Graham county was former in 1872 from Cherokee and named for William A. Graham. Agricultural activity at the present time is limited, as difficult access to market prevents the more extensive operations for which the soil is well fitted by reason of its fertility. The soil everywhere is fertile. The people are engaged in stock raising. The adaptability of the region to cattle raising and the extent and cheapness of pasturage makes it an attractive place for settlers who wish to grow beef for market.

Major Warren E. Hall, of Western North Carolina, Inc., gives the following information in regard to Graham County: "Graham is one of our least known counties. It is truly one of the 'Lost Provinces' but is now about to be found. Located along the Tennessee border with Swain County to the north, Macon on the east and Cherokee on the south. It is one of the few counties which has not a single railroad.

"Only one State Highway penetrates Graham County, No. 108, running from Topcon in Cherokee County to Robbinsville, the county seat of Graham. Only about 11 miles of highway No. 108 is in the county but it is an excellent gravel-sand-clay road. At present the highway does not form a connection with any part of the State except Cherokee County, because the Nantahala section of road No. 108 is under construction and is practically impassable. However, contractors are hard at work along the Nantahala. On the completion of this section of No. 108 it will be possible to reach Robbinsville from Asheville with a four-hour drive.

"The Highway Commissioners has surveyed road No. 108 on from Robbinsville to Topcon on the Tennessee line, where it is expected that Tennessee will join with a main highway from Knoxville. The plan is to start construction of 108 within the next year. With the completion of the highway and the proposed railroad, Graham will be an integral part of Western North Carolina.

"Graham County contains 177,413 acres and the last census showed a population of 4,872 people. This means that there is available 27 acres for every man, woman and child. The people are practically 100 per cent white native born, the census only giving five colored people in the county.

"Though the area of the county provides for 27 acres for each person as a matter of fact there are relatively few property owners. This is due to the fact that a very large portion of the county has for years been owned by an English group, and so entitled the property could not be sold. Even the land on which the town of Robbinsville is located was thus held, so that few of the people in the town could own their homes. It is obvious that there was little incentive in Robbinsville toward

Registration Books Closed Saturday

Everybody who registered is urged to vote on December 23rd

The registration books closed last Saturday evening. Only about two thirds, or 320, of those on the old registration list registered for this special election, which is to be held on the 23rd of the month to approve the action of city officials in contracting to sell the power plant on Notla River. It will require a majority of those registered to carry the election. This means that more than 160 must vote their approval of the contract with the Carolina-Tennessee Power Company in order for it to become effective. These not voting will automatically be counted against the sale of the plant, as, according to law, a majority of the qualified voters must vote for the measure in order for it to become effective. A qualified voter is a voter who has registered. It, therefore, becomes important that every registered voter cast his ballot on election day, December 23rd, or some person friendly to the sale may be counted against it.

Tea Room was open Tuesday Afternoon

An attractive little tea room was opened over the Brittain & Mayfield Hardware store last Tuesday afternoon by Misses Elizabeth Brittain and Kathryn Thompson. Hot Cocoa and cake were served all who visited the tea room during the afternoon and evening.

Steam Heat Being Installed in Hotel and Church

Plumbers are fast at work installing steam heat in the Dickey Hotel and at the New Methodist Church. The work at the hotel is under way. It is thought that it will have been completed by the first of the year. Work was gotten under way this week at the Methodist Church and this can probably be finished by early January.

growth and improvement. This is one of the great reasons why the recent announcement of the sale of the property to American interests means so much to the people of Graham County. It is thought that the land will soon be available for private purchase. When timber is cut off of land it is thought that the new company will be glad to sell.

"Graham County is one of our most beautiful mountain counties. Snowbird mountain on the south, Yellow and Cheak Creek mountain on the north and the lower end of the Smokies on the west from a complete setting for the heart of the region.

The Little Tennessee forms the north boundary, running through a wild wooded grove and Cheoah River with its tributaries make a basis in the heart of the county. The Little Tennessee and the Cheoah rivers are two of the county's greatest assets. At Topcon, near the State line, the Aluminum Corporation of America has built one of the highest and finest dams in the world, the powerhouse developing 100,000 horsepower. It is understood that the company pays 60 per cent of the county taxes. The lake above the dam is about nine miles long, affording splendid fishing. In the future another big hydro-electric power plant will be built by the same company along this stretch of waterway. On Cheoah River surveys and plans have already been made for a tremendous power development. This project will afford a lake covering thousands of acres right in the heart of the county. Besides the fishing on the Little Tennessee River, Snowbird, Buffalo and Sentella Creek are famed for their brook and rainbow trout.

"It is understood that the body of timber taken over by the Bemis Lumber Company is one of the finest in the county. It is possible to 24 miles on horseback through timber which have never been touched by the axe of men. Everybody hopes that lumber operations will be carried on in a thoroughly modern manner, along the latest forestry lines, as proper care of the forests would make Graham County a great timber storehouse for future generations."