Rites of Dawn: Hill Country

The sun, cautiously peeking bove the hazily obscured

hori zon, winks at the receding darkness. Cold. blue-black visages thrusting up through rivers of mist nestled

the night-shrouded valleys, gingerly peep at the distant source of warming rays. Tender maple saplings,

shivering from the crisp night air that still creeps 'midst their half-naked branches, weep silently.

Dewy drops fall to lie

Ushers Union Gives Annual Xmas Dinner

The Advisroy Committee of the Durham Ushers Union held its annual Christmas dinner Sunday, December 2, 1973 at 4:30 p.m. at the Ranch House, Chapel Hill.

Mr. W.M. Grandy chairman and the Advisory members and their many friend met at the Rogers-Herr Jr. High School at 4 p.m., then in a motor-cade of cars, we were lead by Mr. Grandy to the Ranch House.

The members entered the Christmas appointed room, dressed in lovely long and short formal attire. We were led to the banquet style table which was arranged with Christmas decoration by the social ehai rman, Mr. Thomas Strodwick.

Prayer of thanksgiving was by Mr. Grandy. He gave thanks to God for letting usagainunite together, with all the members from 1972 to 1973. Mr. Grandy said one of the happiest experience of facing the New Year is the opportunity to forget the past and to start over again.

The president of the Durham Ushers Union Mr. Clyde Monroe, Jr. stated, "We have had a properity year. The blessings are far to many to mention, but let us pause now and take time for stock taking, for evaluating, for revamping

for redirecti ng. and for ermapping. We close the books on an old year experience and open another on a new year." "Brethern, I count not myself to have apprehended: But this one thing I do forgetting those things unto those thing which are behind, and reaching unto those things which are before me." Mrs. Hattle B. Williams expressed thanks to Mr. Thomas Strodwick on behalf of the committe for a job well

The delicious dinner was enjoyed by the following members and their guests. Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Grandy, Mrs. Belvin Mitchell, Mrs. Marie Bailey, Mrs. Mary Vanhook, Mr. Calvin Bailey, Mr. & Mrs. William William, Mr. Thomas Stodwick, Mrs. Hattie Bell Thomas, Mrs. Mannie Warkins Mrs. Margaret Hedgepeth, Mr. & Mrs. Louis Erwing, Mr. &



glistening on the tanned withered grasses. Bejeweled

with the sparkling droplets, the dew-laden grasses bow thankfully even tho' they know that the water wets their lifeless blades to

no avail. For they are secure in the knowledge that another time, their time, will come when they shall bloom forth, greening

the hillisde clearing. A gray squirrel scurries nervously and deftly on, over, under, and among the hickory's delicate

leafless limbs. He halts briefly to greet the newborn sun with a shake of the head, a shudder of the shoulders, which courses down

his body, culminating in a twitch of the tail. Song sparrows flutter from scrub oak to granite block to

goldenrod to fallen log, twitter with undisguised glee, each seeking to be the first to announce the glories of the

freshly born morning.

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A closing prayer was by Mr. Grandy.

Sat., Dec. 15, 1978 Mount Calvary Missionaries

The Mount Calvary United Church of Christ Missionary Circle Held It's monthly meeting Wednesday night, November 21, 1973, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was open by Madame President Anne Wilson, opening song "Jesus Keep me near the cross," Brother John Barbee lead us in prayer and Sister Patterson read and elaborated on St. Titus 1st chapter, 1st through 16th verses. Sister Patterson pointed out that these readings had a significant meaning for

the Missionary. Some of the points gained from this message are (1) Speak the truth, but also speak those things which become sound Doctrine. (2) The Wisdom of the elders to teach the young to love, be sober and show lover for mankind so that all might live soberly, righteously, and in the present world (3) God gave himself for us that we might redeem from all, impurities and iniquities and draw unto himself, a people zealous of good works. We had seven members out of 19 present for this inspiring

Our Missionary also appeared at Oak Grove, Sunday evening Nov. 25, at 3:00 p.m. Let us pray that God's love and grace draw us nearer each day to another.



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White Rock Jr. Missionaries **Holds Meeting**

The White Rock Baptist Church Junior Missionaries met at the home of Mrs. McNeil on December 1, 1973. The president, Miss

Rosiland Thomas opened the meeting with the song "We're Marching to Zion," and "At The Cross." Scripture lesson was read by Miss Cheryl Stevenson which included passages from St. Luke, 1 Chapter Verses 1-12. The Missionary Helper Lesson was read in unison and discussed Official business session followed.

Mrs. Torrence, advisor raised the young folk for their

participation in the United Cerebral Palsy March. Members present included Misses Rosiland Thomas, Cynthia Thomas, C. Annette Page, L. Rence Page, Valeria Miller, Karen Bright, Cheryl Stevenson, Laura McNeil, Tami McCrae, Ronald Edwards, Darryl Edwards, and Conald

Mrs. Torrance. After closing the meeting with God Be With You, a delicious repast was served by Mrs. McNeill. The hostess was thanked by Miss C. Annette

Edwards, along with the leader,

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