

AND LET THE BEAUTY OF THE LORD OUR GOD BE UPON US.

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CHURCH.

Rev. M. V. McDUFFIE, Pastor.

Preaching every first, second and third Sundays, at 11 o'clock, A. M., and 8 o'clock P. M.

Prayer-meeting every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Seats are free and all are cordially invited.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Every Sunday morning at exactly half past nine o'clock.

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DRAWING.

The present is a good time for our brethren to read the following from the N. Y. *Evening Post*: The examiner participated in the general desire of churches for preachers who can "draw," but it insists that if the church itself is destitute of the "drawing" quality, no preacher can do it much good. What is meant by a "drawing" church is illustrated by the paper as follows: "We remember an instance that came under our own observation, of the methods used by the church in question. A family stopping for a short time in the place appeared at their services. They were not allowed to go away until the pastor and some of the members had spoken with them, and learned their name and address. One of the

children went into a Sunday School class. Instead of being made to feel himself a mere visitor, and of no particular account, he was cordially invited to join the class, and have his name enrolled. Two or three days afterwards, he received by mail from the teacher, a lesson paper, and a postal card expressing the hope that he would come the next Sunday, and suggesting the verses of the lesson which would be best for him to learn. Meanwhile the pastor and later one of the women of the church called upon the family at their boarding-place. The next week the boy was delighted with a call from the Sunday School teacher. What wonder that a church working in such a spirit and on such a system should have extraordinary growth and vigor?"

WHAT BECOMES OF THE CLASS.

It would be interesting to know how many teachers keep a record of the pupils lost from their classes, and the cause of their leaving. It is a highly important feature of Sunday School work, to look well after those who grow careless in their attendance; and it is a solemn duty often sadly neglected. We have known teachers who thought these were not worth looking after. We dissent from this view. If these souls are worth Christ's dying, they are worth our labor and care, and we must answer for our neglect of duty at a time and place where the meanest beggar stands in the presence of God, an equal of the mightiest monarch that ever sat upon an earthly throne. God is no respecter of persons. Christ did not preach alone to those who wanted to hear him. *He sought*, and commands us to go into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. We are keeping a record of those who fall away from our classes and at a proper time will give the matter further notice.