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M. E. Church South, services every 3rd Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and every first Sunday night, Rev. H. S. Tippet, pastor. Sunday School at 10 o'clock a. m., H. C. Ormond, Supt. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night.  
Christian Church, services every first and third Sundays at 11 o'clock a. m. and at night, Rev. R. H. Jones, pastor. Sunday School at 10 o'clock a. m., E. L. Brown, Supt. Prayer meeting every Thursday night.  
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**THE DUTY OF CHRISTIANS.**

As it has been some time since I have written to the paper, I will again pen a few lines, as I feel it my duty to do so. My subject to be the duty of Christians:  
We, as Christians, should let our lights so shine that others seeing our good works may be constrained to glorify our father in heaven. We should dwell together in unity, visit the sick and widows, and ever lend a helping hand to the poor and needy. We should urge those who are out of Christ to accept him as their Savior. We should go out on the highways and compel those who are out of Christ to come and be saved; for we realize the time is fast approaching when we will have to stand before the judgment bar of God and give an account for the deeds done in the body. If we have been faithful, obedient children, we will have an entrance into the kingdom; when on the other hand, if we have been disobedient, instead of enjoying the blessings of heaven we will be ushered into everlasting punishment. Stop and think, just one little word, "Eternity," and where are you going to spend it? *Quia iustus utitur alicuius modo deo, and if it first begins at us, what shall the end of those be who obey not the gospel of God. "If the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and sinner appear?" How many are there of us who are preparing to meet our Savior in peace? "How can we escape if we neglect so great salvation?" We should take advantage of the blessings and privileges that we are allowed to enjoy, but I fear that we, or a great number of us, are laying up our treasures in this world, for where our treasures are our hearts are there also. When times of afflictions come to Christians, a few words fitly spoken are often times a great help. Let us pray God to awaken us to a sense of our duty before it is too late. "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Since the way of salvation is so plain, why do you reject it? Christ says, "Not every one that says, Lord, Lord, shall enter in, but he that doeth the will of my Father. I trust the time will soon come when we can see ourselves as God sees us, and may we say as the poet:  
All to Jesus I surrender,  
All to him I freely give;  
I will ever love and trust him,  
In his presence daily live.  
Let us earnestly contend for the faith once delivered to the saints, and in all things give thanks.  
Asking an interest in the prayers of God's people, I am yours for Christian progress.  
EUNICE JOHNSON,  
New Zion, S. C.*

**FAITH.**

I want to say a few words about our church at Christ Hill. We did not have a pastor from Aug. till Dec., although we made three calls, we got no pastor until the last call. We called Bro John Weaks, of Norman Park, Ga. Bro. Weaks has preached for us three times, and we think we have a most excellent pastor in Bro Weaks. Brethren, let us praise God for a good sermon when we hear one. It is the Lord that does the work, not the man. While our prayers were going up to God Saturday, Bro. Weaks preached from the eleventh chapter of Heb. The sermon was a great feast to our souls. We find without faith it is impossible to please God, for he that cometh to God, must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of those who diligently seek him. If we go to the Lord for a blessing, and it does not come, let us say, "it is not you Lord, but the trouble is in me," and keep on praying. If we have the faith, the blessing will come. Jesus said, "If ye then being evil know to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him." *Quia iustus utitur alicuius modo deo, et si non habuerit aquam et spiritum, non potest dare.* Read John third chapter. When we receive this blessing it brings love, joy, and peace to our souls, and we have no more use for sin, if we hold fast the faith. Are we like faithful Abraham looking for a city which hath foundation whose builder and maker is God?  
Let us follow Jesus and be ready for that home, he has gone to prepare in the 14 Psalm, and the first chapter of St. John. We read in this lesson that John was not that light but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. So we see that Jesus was the true light. I will say a few words about watch. It means something. Let us watch ourselves to see if we live every day, as the Lord would have us. Let us come boldly unto a throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.  
Yours in hope of heaven,  
ANNIE L. MARTIN,  
Rechele, Ga.

valued at about \$50 00. I left about 72 members there. I have been appointed by the Board of General Conference, National Evangelist. Now I can't do pastoral work, and at the same time carry the gospel throughout the length and breadth of this, the great American continent.  
To the many churches who write me, and who desire to call me as pastor, I cannot do your work unless I resign my appointed lot. I can only serve a church where it is convenient for me to evangelize. Eld. W. C. Jones is in Macon serving his appointment, as I learn, to the best of his ability. I made two payments on the church before resigning charge, there is \$175 00 still due on the church property. Bro. Jones is not getting a living there as best I can learn. Let each church take a collection for the church in Macon, the central city of the state, and send to me at Oak Park, or Macon, or Eld. W. C. Jones, Macon, Ga. Help me take care of the work in Macon. If I stay there and pastor that church I can't do your National work, so I want help to keep Bro. Jones there, to keep the work going on. Now, who will be the first to help me prosper the work in Macon? *Quia iustus utitur alicuius modo deo, et si non habuerit aquam et spiritum, non potest dare.* Can send a liberal donation, so can Ebenezer, so can all the churches. If you want churches out of the back woods, in the leading cities, prove your faith by your works. Help the work in Macon, it is so much needed. Pray too for the work. Will say to the people of Taylorville, Fla., if God is willing, I shall endeavor to visit Taylorville soon. Will write sister Lela Patterson and others of Taylorville soon.  
Pray for me and don't forget this request.  
Your Nat., Evangelist,  
J. MARSHALL EMANUEL.

**UNION MEETING.**  
The union meeting of the 4th district of the Cape Fear Conference, met with New Chapel, Johnston Co., N. C., Friday night before the 5th Sunday in December, 1907.  
Eld. E. C. Futrell preached the introductory from 3rd, chapter of I. John, subject being, "love."  
Officers present, Eld. J. M. Langdon, moderator, M. F. Blackman, secretary and H. N. Jernigan, treasurer.  
Ordained ministers present --Elds. D. R. Stafford, E. C. Futrell, J. S. Ellis, Robt. Stickland by letter; also J. P. Casey by letter.  
Licentiates present--W. J. Johnson and L. B. Grice.  
List of churches and their finances for home missions.  
Bethel--L. B. Grice, \$1 00; Casey's Chapel--J. F. Strickland, \$1 00; Fort Run--by letter, \$1 25; Hope Well--J. R. Wallace, \$1 00; Johnson's Union--D. S. Parish, \$2 30; Johnson's Chapel--A. J. Holmes, \$1 00; New Zealand--by letter, \$1 20; New Hope O. A. Jones, \$1 50; Pittman's X Roads--A. T. Price, 65c;

St. John, River Side, Tea Chapel and Yelvington's Grove, not represented; Wood's Grove--J. J. Roberts, \$1 00; Bizzell's Grove--by letter, \$1 00; Piney Grove--W. J. Stanley, 92c.  
Appointment of committees are as follows:  
Religious Exercises--J. M. Corbett, J. W. Pool and J. S. Parrish.  
Sunday Schools--A. J. Homes and J. F. Strickland.  
Temperance--E. C. Futrell and L. B. Grice.  
Education--D. R. Stafford and J. R. Wallace.  
Finance--J. J. Roberts, W. J. Johnson and Jones.  
On Queries--Eld. E. C. Futrell.  
On motion, the union adjourn until tomorrow morning 9 o'clock.  
**SATURDAY MORNING.**  
The union met according to adjournment. Devotional exercises conducted by L. B. Grice.  
Committee on religious exercises report, to preach to day at 11 o'clock, Bro. J. W. Johnson open and Eld. J. M. Langdon preach.  
Committee on education make the following report:  
We, the committee on education, I. Earnestly request our ministers to educate themselves as much as possible with others in teaching the word of God.  
2. That we as a union do what we can to aid the young ministers at Ayden, N. C., and other places in preparing the gospel to dying men and women.  
By the Committee,  
**SUNDAY SCHOOLS**--We, the committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to submit the following report: Seeing the great importance of S. S. in places, where the gospel is not preached, we earnestly recommend that every one who is interested in the Sunday School cause, will meet at such places in April, 1908 and organize a S. S. We further request that all our preachers see that there is a good S. S. at every church or in every community in which they preach, and may God hasten the day when parents who are bringing up children, will be so interested that they will go and take them along with them.  
By the Committee.  
**TEMPERANCE**--We, the committee on temperance report: Seeing the great danger of the youth of our country following into drunkenness, be it, therefore, resolved that we as the people of God use every influence possible, to down intemperance in all its forms, and that each pastor preach a sermon on temperance once a year, to each church he pastors.  
By the Committee.  
We, the committee on queries, wish to submit the following report: "What is meant by the pentecostal baptism of Holy Ghost, as it was given to the disciples on the day of pentecost?"  
By the Committee.  
We the committee on finance wish to submit the following:

We find on hand from last union, \$29 31;  
Rec. at this union, \$14 32;  
Total, \$43 63.  
On motion, this union give Bro. J. F. Casey, \$5 00, to help him pay rent on a house in Goldsboro, N. C., to preach in.  
By request of the moderator this union bow in prayer, in honor of Eld. W. H. Avery's family.  
The election of officers for the ensuing year are as follows: Eld. J. R. Johnson, moderator, M. F. Blackman, secretary and H. N. Jernigan, treasurer.  
On motion, this union give New Zealand church \$5 00 to help them paint their church house.  
On motion, the union pay to the secretary \$2 50 for his services during this union.  
Petitions received for the next union and vote taken. The next union will be held with Pittman's X Roads, commencing Friday night before the 5th Sunday in March, 1908. Eld. J. S. Ellis is to preach the introductory, and Eld. J. M. Langdon to be his alternate.  
On motion, we tender our thanks to this community for kindness shown during this union.  
Union adjourned with Eld. J. M. LANGDON, Mod; M. F. ELACKMAN, Sec.  
**ST. ANNAH UNION.**  
The St. Annah Union was held with Mt. Elon church, Marlboro Co., S. C., according to appointment, Dec. 28th 1907.  
Eld. Neil Hunt, who was appointed to preach the introductory, preached, Text: Gen. 20: 26.  
Eld. Hunt announced the house in order for business.  
On motion, Eld. Wm. Coats was elected moderator, who called to his assistance, Eld. N. O. Hunt.  
The moderator appointed the different committees, viz: Devotional--J. W. McGirt, W. D. Maynor and S. F. Sweat.  
Finance--L. T. Bryant, D. L. Locklear and E. H. Hunt.  
Public Collection--W. T. Taylor.  
On motion, the devotional committee report. They report, that Bro. W. T. Taylor close for dinner.  
On motion, Sister Sarah Laurin was excused for home.  
On motion, the church letters were called for and contributions placed on the table.  
St. Annah--W. D. Maynor and E. H. Hunt, 70c; White Hill--S. Jones, J. W. McGirt and Sister Maggie Johnson, 80c; Little Zion--S. F. Sweat and Sister Sarah Laurin, 75c; New Zion--L. T. Bryant, 60c; Pee Dee Chapel--Jas. Chavis and Sister Mollie Chavis, 70c; Mt. Elon--D. L. Locklear, \$1 00; Eld. N. O. Hunt, 10c; Neil Hunt, 10c; Wm. Coats, 10c; and M. B. Emanuel, 10c; Total collected, \$5.15.  
On motion, the reports from the churches were recinded.  
On motion, the devotional

committee report; they reported as follows: Eld. S. F. Jones open in the afternoon.  
On motion, the ministers and delegates were enrolled as follows: Elds. Wm. Coats, N. O. Hunt, Neil Hunt, M. B. Emanuel, S. Jones and E. H. Hunt.  
Delegates--W. D. Mayner, J. W. McGirt, S. F. Sweat L. T. Bryan, D. L. Locklear, Jas. Chavis, Sisters Maggie Johnson, Mollie Chavis and Sarah Lourie.  
Visiting brethren--W. T. Taylor, Charlie Sanders and Keieth Rawls.  
On motion, we close one hour for dinner.  
**AFTERNOON.**  
According to adjournment services opened by praise and prayer. The moderator in the chair declared the house ready for business.  
On motion, the roll was called and was received.  
On motion, we have three days of the union. This was objected to.  
Devotional committee report Rev. E. H. Hunt close at 4 o'clock p. m. Eld. N. O. Hunt open Sunday at 11 o'clock, Eld. Wm. Coats preach, assisted by Eld. N. O. Hunt; and the clerk administer the sacrament.  
On motion, the reports of the committee were received.  
On motion, the finance committee settle and report.  
Rec. at this union, \$5 15;  
Paid clerk, \$1 80;  
Paid church, 5c;  
Total paid, \$1 85;  
Balance on hand, \$3 30.  
On motion, the report of committees were received and they discharged.  
On motion, the next union convene with St. Annah church, Saturday before the fifth Sunday in March, 1908.  
On motion, Eld. N. O. Hunt preach the introductory, and was assisted by Eld. M. B. Emanuel.  
On motion Sister Mollie Chavis was excused.  
On motion we extend a vote of thanks to this community for their kindness during this union.  
On motion a programme was taken up, but the time being short, it was laid on the table to be discussed at the next union.  
Motion that Eld. N. O. Hunt open services by praise and prayer on Sunday morning.  
Public collection in order. Collected for support of ministers, \$1 06; Collected for the sick, \$1 15; Eld. Wm. Coats preached a heartfelt sermon, Text: Dan. 4: 15.  
Eld. N. O. Hunt closed, after which we had 40 minutes intermission.  
M. B. Emanuel opened services by praise and prayer, and after communion services closed, by singing, and giving the parting hand in love. May God bless all.  
On motion services closed by praise and prayer, and all unfinished business left in the hands of the clerk.  
ELD. W. M. COATS, Mod.  
M. B. EMANUEL, Clerk.