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TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH, REV. B. K. HALL, PASTOR. CHURCH STREET.

SERVICES: Sunday - Breaching at 11 a. m. and at 8:00 p. m. Sunday School - 9:15 a. m. Prayer Meeting - Wednesday night at 8:00 p. m.

TRINITY ESWORTH LEAGUE.

OFFICERS: M. W. Reed, President. E. K. McLarty, First Vice-President. Mrs. C. B. Green, Second Vice-President. Prof. Edwin Mims, Third Vice-President. T. A. Brown, Secretary. Miss Addie Reed, Treasurer.

MEETINGS: Devotional Meeting - In Sunday school room every Sunday at 4 p. m. Literary and Business Meeting - Every Tuesday night at 8:00 p. m. in Sunday school room.

Let us live joyously and be not. As the hypocrites of a sad countenance.

Fire alone, sets on fire. We should not be disappointed at the spiritual coldness of those around us when we ourselves are only warm.

After all, suffering may be considered as a salt for humanity. We should be thoroughly persuaded that without it humanity would have remained in barbarism.

An office no longer honors the man, the man must honor the office. Every person on the church roll is an office holder, and the office of a simple member is capable of receiving as much honor as that of the Sunday School School superintendent.

Belief is not like money which one drops into his purse. To be ours it must be born in the heart of our existence and our conscience and transform itself into a personal conviction. If we truly believe in the love and saving power of Jesus Christ then every act of our lives should in some way bear testimony of the fact.

Although we cannot like our Divine Savior, perform miracles by giving sight to the blind, hearing to the deaf, walking to the lame, and strength to paralyzed limbs, yet we can perform miracles of charity, mercy and of love to our fellow men by causing flowers of joy and of gladness to grow up in hearts that were before dark and dreary and barren and desolate.

A man's respect increases or decreases with his conception of his own dignity. The more a man is worth in his own eyes, the more willingly does he respect men or institutions which perpetuate a human nature and society. When he has lost faith in his higher self, in his worth as a moral being, in his soul, he has lost the very basis of respect. Nothing should then appear worthy of his reverence.

The Revival.

For over two weeks a series of meetings has been held in our church twice every day. For the first five days the meetings were preparatory, invoking the presence of God in saving power among us. These were led by our pastor and others. Many earnest appeals were made and many fervent prayers offered, so that when Dr. Morris, of Birmingham, Ala., arrived to take charge of the services, the church was ready to begin at once to work for the unsaved.

No sooner had Dr. Morris taken charge than large crowds attended every night service, and under his leadership a continually increasing interest was manifested. Dr. Morris is not an exciting preacher, though always holds the undivided attention of his hearers. In a calm, simple and direct manner he marshals forth truth with a wonderful power and telling effect. He believes that every one should be in dead earnest concerning their soul's salvation, and he preaches to that end. While he does not possess the powers of a great orator, his manner of speech is indeed prince-like and is of that forceful, persuasive kind that carries conviction to every heart. He has to be heard in order to be fully appreciated, for in every way he manifests a most lovable character. No man in so short a time has ever endeared himself so much in the hearts of our people.

To justly sum up the results of the meeting is difficult, for they are more of that permanent and lasting kind that are not always easily apparent. Fifteen joined the church last Sunday by profession of faith and two by certificate. More are to follow soon. Many backsliding God, but a greater work still was the quickening of the religious pulse of our entire membership. Our religious experience is deeper and more satisfactory, our hearts beat with a stronger and more active courage and the reality of the world of possibilities that daily surrounds our life has been made greater. Let us be up and doing, for the harvest truly is great and the laborers are few.

Dr. Morris left Friday afternoon after holding his last service Friday morning. Brother Hall preached Friday night, Sunday morning and Monday night. Uncle Jesse Cuninggim conducted the communion service Sunday afternoon and preached at night. President Kilgo was expected to take charge of the meeting Tuesday morning and conduct it for over a week, but when he returned from Asheville Tuesday morning he was so unwell and broken down physically, that his physician would not think of letting him exert himself at all. The bad weather set in again and it was decided to bring the meeting to a close. Altogether it was a most successful one. Dr. Morris will always receive a warm and hearty welcome among us. The untiring energy and the unabated interest and efforts of our pastor, and the noble work for Christ of not a few of our members contributed much to the success of the meeting.

Economy, whether public or private, means the wise management of labor, and it means it mainly in three senses: First, applying your labor rationally; second, preserving its produce carefully; third, distributing its produce seasonably.

God has never had much use for the man who was not willing to do little things.

SEED THOUGHTS.

The best remedy for worry is trust.

God has no use for people who simply play at religion.

Every man who does honest work gets double pay for it.

God's promises are heaven's bank notes, made for circulation on earth.

The devil's cause prospers most when Christians quarrel among themselves.

There is no such thing as doing right until we have made up our minds to stop doing wrong.

The word which declares the will of the Lord is better than the beauty which tell his glory.

The man whose head is in the clouds will often be found standing with his foot on a brother's neck.

A sense of perfect peace with God is the grandest thing in all the world to travel through life with.

Everything that happens to us leaves some trace behind; everything contributes imperceptibly to make us what we are.

Seize this moment of excited curiosity on any subject to solve your doubts; for if you let it pass the desire may never return, and you may remain in ignorance.

The common notion is that to do what we like is most pleasant. Not at all. To do what we ought is most pleasant. Fools always want to give or take.

A true man can be true whatever influences are about him, and there is no time so miserable but a man may be true. He who does wrong because of his surroundings shows that he is wrong apart from his surroundings.

No man lives to himself alone. Sometimes it is said of sinful persons who are good-natured toward their fellow-men that they harm no one but themselves. This is a false saying. Some one is touched by the evil of every evil life and by every wrong deed, no matter how trivial it may seem to be.

A Pathetic Letter.

The following is a letter from a Japanese student who is being educated at a school in Caledonia, Mo. It is a response to a letter written to Mr. Ishida by one of our Methodist women in Wilmington, N. C. It contains so many valuable lessons for us, surrounded as we are by so many advantages and opportunities, that we gladly publish it.

CALEDONIA, MO., Nov. 2nd, 1894.

My Dear and Kind Sister: Oh! how I wish that I could have eloquence enough to write out all my happiness and sincere gratitude, but the broken English and imperfect Grammar. I will attempt to write to you a few brief pages, though my language utterly fails to express my grateful feeling toward you, not only to you, but to them who helped such a poor servant of God and opened the way for my school work.

Yesterday when I opened your letter unexpectedly found money order which enclosed twenty-five dollars. I cry out, What shall I do to you?

"How good lady she is!" after a while I perceived that that is not from you only but from the mercy of God. As you said to me, therefore I at once kneel down and gave my earnest and sincere thanks to my good Father, then I could hardly refrain myself dropping tears. Dear sister, your kindness and deepest sympathy with me did move me to many thankful tears.

I read some poet said: "If I can stop one heart from breaking, I shall not live in vain. If I can ease one life the aching, Or cool one pain, Or help one fainting robin into his nest again, I shall not live in vain."

Whittier said: "A little word in kindness spoken, A motion or a tear, Has often healed the heart that's broken, And made a friend sincere. A word, a look has crushed to earth Full many a budding flower; Which had a smile put on its birth, Would bless life's darkest hour."

Dear Sister: I know that it is not my privilege to wear a new shoe but my old one entirely wears out and the shoe maker refused me to mend any more time and they have holes, therefore to-day I bought and paid \$1.50 by which you sent to me, and now I am walking proudly, just like a King, and I bought one cover and paid \$1.40, may be I can sleep more comfortably than I ever slept here. Though our saviour has no place where to lay his head. Oh! how God has mercy on me. I was reading the other day, 2nd Timothy, 4:13: "The cloak that I left at Troas with Carpus when thou comest, bring with thee and the books but especially the parchments." Then I found out how Paul was poor for he has only one old cloak and books that were his property after he served 40 years.

Dear Sister: I will answer all your kind questions: food, books, clothing and all others.

I lectured this summer 86 places, and 89 times.

My room has no furniture at all, but it shall be my great desire to live in my Heavenly home in the future world.

"My Heavenly home is bright and fair, No pain nor death can enter there, Its glittering towers the sun out shine, That Heavenly mansion shall be mine."

Dear Sister, I have not decided yet when I will go home, but relying upon the providence of God, and I am always ready to go back there. If the Lord calls me to labor for him in his vineyard, it is the highest and most honorable calling we could ever obtain on the earth. I do not care for the esteem of men, but only wish to remain an humble child of God.

Pray for me that I may be ever submissive to the will of my Heavenly Father.

Please tell to your church members, that I appreciate their kindness so much. Ask them to offer special prayer for my own brother, that thick unbelieving scales may fall from his eyes and he may see the gentle Saviour standing by him. You know how happy I would feel if I could carry him to Jesus feet.

Some days ago, you wrote to me that do not look back and do not go back to worldly things just like some Chinaman did, please sister do not be anxious about it, for I am remembering always word of God and sweet whispering voice "follow me" How I can let them alone who do not know true happiness and our Father's name and worshiping idols which made by wood and stones. I want to let them know that grand song:

"Oh! happy day, happy day, When Jesus washed my sins away." I am your obliged, ISHIDA.

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