

TO THE MACON CHURCH MEMBERS

Dear Church Members: With no desire to precipitate an argument, I would like to say a few words about our Church and Sunday School work. I'm not meaning to take unnecessary liberties but merely using privileges that were established when folly abdicated and reason ascended the throne.

To begin with, I'm asking this question: Are we Christians doing our duty? Taking my church and Sunday School as an example, I make bold to say that we are not making the most of our church work. I'm afraid we spend too much time devising some scheme whereby we can restore a church and Sunday School from a dying condition rather than setting to work with a determined resolution to get that joy and returns that come from self-denying Christian toil.

Here in my community we have never been able to hold the attendance especially in the Sunday School.

It seems that out in the country we shouldn't be bothered with the problem of non-attendance as the boys and girls do not have so many things to keep them away from church as those who are reared under the environments of our modern cities, yet the country boys and girls do not come to Sunday School. There is no interest shown whatever. The parents make it a practice of remaining at home and the children naturally follow their example.

Surely we can make our Sunday Schools so interesting that the members can't stay away. We must do something that will make it more helpful to the members. We must have something each Sunday that will help Christians to live better lives, and will help those who are not Christians to consider the great matter of their soul salvation.

Of course, we can't expect one or two workers to build a Sunday School, nor can it be done in a day, but by all the members working a church can accomplish lots. Let's come to Sunday School resolved to do something that will help others. Don't expect your superintendent to build a Sunday School alone. I'm making this request, will not all the church members join in praying that each person that goes out to church may be used as an instrument in God's hands in bringing some lost soul to Christ and making God's children more useful Christians. I earnestly beseech every Sunday School teacher to make their lessons just as interesting as possible, persuade the parents to bring their children to Sunday School and then get them into your class. Let's give more religious instruction and have greater religious influence.

Jesus taught that "a pure heart will cleanse the mind." Let's purify our Sunday School by religious faith and moral principle. By doing this we will not be overcome by prejudice, antipathy and selfishness. These things as a rule find a church knowing what to do but lacking conscience to attempt it.

Now let's leave the Sunday School and turn to preaching and revivals. There are fifty-two weeks in a year and about two weeks of that time are given to revivals. There seems to be an idea formed in the average country church that there is no place nor opportunity for conversions except at a revival. I'm afraid if we only let the Devil retire from our vicinity two weeks out of fifty-two our ministers will not be very successful in converting our churches. We must evangelize all the year. Let me say that if we so plan, so preach and so pray as to create within our churches an atmosphere that will cause backsliders to come home and lost souls to be saved as a result our preacher who conducts the revival will find the church warm with a religious spirit and boys and girls easily led to a surrender of themselves.

We should so live that we wouldn't hesitate to speak to unsaved friends. Let's be personal workers for the Lord. Perhaps we can comfort some lost soul who otherwise might never find peace with Jesus. Real comforters have the spirit of Jesus in their hearts. Some of the most genuine comforters are those disciples who have worked where the shadows are heavy and can enter sympathetically into the griefs and suffering of those who are oppressed with sin. Friends, let's wake up to our duty. No doubt we will find some things strenuous and burdensome, but isn't it more joyous to see lost souls coming home than to be unable to sleep at night over the anxiety of a dying church that will certainly never be converted unless we are willing to labor for the Lord.

"Lift up your eyes and look on to the fields. They are white already unto harvest. Truly the harvest is great but the laborers are few. Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers unto his harvest."

AMY HENDERSON.

LIMES AND LEGUMES AID SOIL FERTILITY

Raleigh, N. C., April 14.—More than ordinary interest has been aroused over North Carolina by the plan endorsed by agricultural workers to have part of the farm limed each year. It is well known that lime makes clover or legumes and legumes make for soil fertility. Without these legumes it is difficult and costly to keep the soil well supplied with nitrogen and the Division of Agronomy recommends that some legumes be used in all crop rotations. In some cases part of the legumes should be plowed under for soil improving purposes and a part should be grazed by the livestock, especially dairy cattle, for better feeding and milk production.

An extension worker in another state writing about the value of lime and legumes says, "Clover and alfalfa are the cheapest and probably the best sources of protein for dairy cows. These legume hays, cut early and cured properly, supply absolutely essential vitamins for cows. Legumes also provide lime and phosphorus so necessary for milk production and for the normal development of a healthy calf. Abortion is less likely to be prevalent among cows fed plenty of alfalfa and good clover hay. Both of these crops need plenty of lime in the soil for fair growth."

While the growing of alfalfa will not be so necessary or practical in North Carolina, there still are many other legumes which may be used to excellent advantage. Clovers do well especially where the land has been limed in the fall and well prepared. Lespedeza in Union County has about completely changed the farming practices of the county and has proven the case for legumes as an aid to a fertile soil without any argument. Soybeans and cowpeas may be grown to advantage as summer legumes all over the State and should receive careful consideration.

Generally in North Carolina it is best to lime the land in the fall but it is felt by extension workers of the State College that all good farmers should adopt the practice of liming a part of the farm each year because, "lime makes legumes and legumes make for soil fertility."

News of Nantahala.

Sam H. Padgett made a business trip to Murphy Saturday.
Royall, Jack and J. M. Kilpatrick of Marble, motored to Nantahala last Sunday.
Frank Kilpatrick, of Hewitts, was a Nantahala visitor Sunday.
Prof. Harley W. Grant conducted a song service at Wesser Creek last Sunday.
Mrs. Grace Grant and children were visiting relatives at Hewitts Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. B. R. McMahan were visiting at Hewitts Sunday.
R. M. Grant, of Flats, was visiting here Saturday.
Lee Collins, of Wesser Creek, was visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harley W. Grant Thursday.
Rev. John Hogan, of Bear Branch, preached a very interesting sermon at Rowlands Creek Church, Sunday.
B. B. Morgan moved to Beechers last week.
E. M. Wood, of Hewitts, is working here repairing the steam shovel for the Cherokee Bank.
J. W. Chambers, of Hewitts, was a Nantahala visitor Wednesday.

Leatherman Locals.

Mrs. Sam Murray and little daughters are visiting Mrs. Murray's mother, Mrs. Higdon, at Higdonville.
Miss Grace Gibson, of Cartoogchaye, spent Saturday night and Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. J. B. Carden.
Sorry to report that Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gibson's children are on the sick list. Hope they will soon be out again.
Mrs. Kate Mason visited her daughter, Mrs. Solomon Leatherman, a few days ago.
Mr. Astor Plemons, of this place, is attending court this week.
Alice Rickman, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Rickman, has been on the sick list the past week.
Mrs. N. A. Carden entertained quite a few of her friends and relatives on her sixty-fourth birthday, last Tuesday, April 22nd.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gibson gave the young folks of this place a singing Sunday evening. Everybody reported a nice time.
Mr. and Mrs. Jud Hurst, of West's Mill, were visiting Mr. Hurst's father, Mr. J. C. Hurst, recently.
Mr. Theford Hurst made a business trip to Franklin Monday.
Miss Nobia Buchanan who has been spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Dock Leatherman, of this place, returned to her home on Green's Creek a few days ago.
Masters Don and Woodrow Dalton were visiting their grandfather, Mr. J. C. Hurst, recently.

BROWN EYES.

Press Want Ads bring Results.

Modern Parents Shun the Parlor

Dad and Mother Are as Much Out of Place in the Parlor as Kitchen Stove Would Be.

"To be or not to be," is the question facing most parents today. Parental authority in the average home is so weak that it is knock kneed. It is as popular among the young set as the old fashioned night shirt. Parents can go anywhere in their homes except the parlor, reception room and front porch. A ring at the front door means a backdoor call for father and mother.

One father was sitting in the lobby of a hotel reading a paper when the telephone rang—he ran clean back to the kitchen before he realized it was not Tessie's beau.

The girls claim that the only objection they have to mother in the parlor with their company is that she wants to tell the type of man a woman should choose as a husband, and this makes it necessary to hide father forever or let the horse-laugh be on pa. Fathers generally want to tell what they "used to do." One girl said her father always wanted to tell what an awful time he had at a party when he had the itch.

Realizing their absence is appreciated, some parents get angry. One father used to call out the hour to his wife in a foghorn voice. Another one bought an old-fashioned striking clock that was two strikes ahead of the correct time. This clock sounded so loud that the people of that neighborhood had prayer meeting five nights in succession before they learned it wasn't the church bell.

Some fathers develop a cough that carries a message. One of these coughed himself hoarse one night before his wife told him Tessie was spending the night with a friend. One mother got a cauliflower ear from listening at keyholes. Two others were knocked senseless when the door was suddenly opened. A young man got in an awful predicament one night when he was demonstrating to Tessie how Jack Dempsey hit Firpo—uppercut the portiers and knocked her mother out for the count of ten. Another young man couldn't drink hot chocolate, but wanted to please Tessie by drinking lots from the pot she made, and threw eight full cups behind the piano into father's face before he quit. The first thing parents ask when they start to buy or rent a house is: "What sort of a back room has it got?"—Exchange.

Holly Springs News.

Miss Martha Deal gave the Sunday School an egg hunt at her home Sunday afternoon. There were eighty present. All reported a nice time.
Rev. and Mrs. R. P. McCracken, of Mars Hill, N. C., have been spending a few days this week at Holly Springs.
Misses Laura and Flora Robinson, of Route 1, spent the week end with their sister, Mrs. A. G. Kinsland.
Mr. and Mrs. Herman Dean, of Lower Watauga, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Berry.
Mrs. Charlie Elliott has been very sick the past week with flu.
Miss Maude Bryson, of Franklin, spent Sunday with Mrs. Elmira Henry.
Messrs. Robt. and Jas. Williams, of Franklin, spent Sunday with their brother, Mr. J. W. Williams.

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Coweta Locals.

Rev. Stallcup preached an interesting sermon at Coweta Church last Sunday. There was a large crowd present.
Mr. Floyd Thomas, of this section, is working near Franklin.
Miss Fay Ledford was visiting Misses Mamie and Eva Glidwell last Sunday. Miss Mamie has been on the sick list for the past week. We wish her a speedy recovery.
Mrs. Inez Moffett and children visited Mrs. Anderson Sunday.
Mr. Glidwell made a business trip to Ball Creek one day last week.
Mr. Quince Norton has been on the sick list the past week.
Mrs. Nannie Curtis is very sick. We all hope she will be out again very soon.

BONNIE BLACK EYES.

Notice of Sale.

I will sell at public auction at the residence of Mrs. J. M. L. McCracken, in Ellijay township, Macon County, North Carolina, on Saturday, the 3rd day of May, 1924, two horses, some cattle, wagon, about 75 bushels of corn, plows, farming implements and other personal property. Sale will be for cash down or one-half cash, balance in six months, note with approved security to be given for unpaid balance.
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Wool Sale.

The wool sale for Macon County should be held about the last of May.

The plan for this sale will be a little different from the plan followed last year.

The experts on selling wool advise that the wool be brought to Franklin on a set date, when it will be graded, weighed and stored. The farmers that bring the wool will elect a committee to sell the wool when the price gets at its best.

Judging from the present quotations wool will bring a good price. Do not let a wool peddler get your wool for a song.

When shearing your sheep try to keep the fleece in one piece. Fold and roll the fleece in a neat and separate bundle. Then tie with a cotton or cloth string. Hemp and tow strings injure the grade of the wool.

DO NOT WASH YOUR WOOL.

We want to make this sale instructive as well as profitable. So bring your wool and see the grading done. The better care you give your wool, the better grade you will get. The better the grade the more money you should get. This year we should sell on grade. Last year we did not.

Let your county agent know how many pounds you expect to bring to the sale.

Poultry Week.

During the week of April 7th to 12th, Mr. F. G. Wardin, poultry specialist from Raleigh, visited several communities with County Agent Arrendale and gave talks and demonstrations on how to grow more and better poultry.

With the big incubator and several small incubators and brooders in the county, the farmers are planning to make greater efforts to have a few thousand pounds instead of a few hundred pounds of fryers ready for the next co-operative poultry sale. At the Poultry Sale held on April 25th last year fryers sold for forty-two cents per pound. On April 9th, this year, they sold for forty-five cents per pound. On the 24th of July last year fryers sold for twenty-two cents per pound. Which kind will you sell?

Harmony News.

Mrs. T. M. Rickman and children, from Canton, N. C., visited Mr. and Mrs. John E. Rickman Sunday.

Miss Connie Shepherd was the guest of Miss Gladys Allen Saturday night.

Mrs. John Allen and Marie visited Mrs. Dewitt Allen Sunday.

The little infant daughter of Mr. Dewitt Allen got very badly burned last Monday, but is improving.

Mr. Oscar Woodard was the guest of Mr. Tom Allen Sunday.

The young folks of Harmony enjoyed a candy feast at Mr. Garland Shepherd's Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Allen's little infant is very sick.

Mr. Cole Buchanan visited at Gay, and returned Sunday with two of his grandchildren, Thomas D. and Annie V. Buchanan.

Miss Leona Rickman went to town shopping the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Allen and little daughter Gracie visited Mrs. Allen's parents at Oak Grove the past week.

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