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Xmas Program**

On Dec. 16, the B. F. Grady PTA met in the school auditorium. Mrs. Gus Ulrich conducted the devotional exercises.

A Christmas program was presented by the Home Ec Class. A chorus of seventeen voices sang a number of Christmas carols. The Home Ec girls also presented their Style Show.

Winners were: 9th grade; Sybil Davis 1st; Doris Williams, 2nd; and Jewell Ann Sheppard, 3rd.

Tenth Grade: Mary Ella Williams,

1st; Eva Edna Grady, 2nd; and Katie Pearl Wilkins, 3rd.

Eleventh Grade: Margaret Jean Harper, 1st; Gaynelle Stanley, 2nd; and Elsie Byrd, 3rd.

Mesdames Currie and Hazel Kornegay assisted in decorating the stage.

The following teachers won for parent attendance: Mesdames Currie, Glenna Maxwell and Warren Maxwell.

Mrs. Zollie Kornegay read an interesting article on "What to give my child for Christmas."

Following the program the lunch room was opened for inspection. The room was beautifully decorated and delicious refreshments were served. A large crowd attended.

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**Lesson for January 5**

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**THE WORD MADE FLESH**

LESSON TEXT—John 1:1-18.  
MEMORY SELECTION—No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.—John 1:18.

A new year always carries with it a deep sense of responsibility and at the same time a thrill of expectancy.

That is why we need to begin this new year—and continue it—in the study of God's Word, so that we may know his will. You will find it to be a joy and blessing to you, not only as you study it by yourself, but also in the fellowship of those in the Sunday school and church.

Our lessons for the next three months are of unusual interest, for they take up the Gospel of John which was "written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name" (John 20:31).

Jesus Christ is here presented as the Word (Logos), and he is indeed the living Word come to reveal God to us.

**I. The Living Word Is the Light of Men (vv. 1-5).**

Men ask questions about Christ. They want to know whether he is to be regarded as a good man and a great leader, or must we recognize him as being God?

The answer is here. He "was" in the beginning (Gen. 1:1), which means that he pre-existed from all eternity, and he "was God" even as he was "with God." This eternal, living, divine Word was the "express image" of God (Heb. 1:3), and so perfectly revealed the Father (v. 18).

He is the Creator (v. 3) and giver of life both natural and spiritual.

This eternal Word became (as he was) the light of men. He came to shine into the darkness of a sinful world with the only light of redemption. We say again, "This is the Lord!"

**II. The Living Word Is a Divider of Men (vv. 6-13).**

The darkness of sin was so deep, and still is so deep that the glorious light of God is not received with gladness, nor accepted at all. We see that in the close of verse 5.

Now the question comes, Does it make any difference how a man regards Jesus Christ?

The answer is clear. You must decide what you will do with him. You cannot avoid that decision or evade that light which shines. You must either accept or reject, and a failure to accept is a rejection.

God has witnesses to the Light. John was such a witness and he, like all true witnesses for Christ, directed attention to him. John's great testimony was just a lesser light to point men to the true Light. That true Light is shed abroad for all men (v. 9).

As they face Christ, men divide into two groups. His own people, and his own creation rejected him when he came (v. 11). How utterly tragic! And yet the same thing goes on today. Men hear the gospel, are made acquainted with Christ and his claims, yet fail to accept his proffered salvation, and are eternally lost (John 3:19; Eph. 2:1).

But, thank God, there are those who receive him (v. 12), and to them he gives the power, the right or authority, to be the sons of God.

This change is expressly declared to be (1) not by reason of family or heredity—"not of blood"; (2) not by natural instinct or development—"not of the will of the flesh"; and (3) not by human volition or by man's will power—"not of the will of man."

**III. The Living Word Is a Revealer of God (vv. 14-18).**

The eternal Word, the Lord Jesus Christ, laid aside his place of honor in heaven, came to earth and took upon himself our flesh that he might redeem us from sin. What infinite condescension, what unfathomable love!

He dwelt among men and showed forth the grace and truth of God, for he was full of these heavenly attributes. But it was in his giving of himself as Redeemer and Saviour of mankind that he fully revealed God in all his gracious love for us.

Notice the antithesis here. "Law" is set over against "grace"; "given" stands in contrast with "came," and "Moses" with "Jesus Christ."

The law was a schoolmaster to bring us to Christ (Gal. 3:24), but it could not save anyone; but grace—oh, it is by grace that we are saved (Eph. 2:9).

Moses was God's honored servant, but Jesus was the Son in the household (Heb. 3:5, 6). It was this Son of God who came to reveal the Father and to declare his grace in salvation.

The law was sent through a messenger, but no messenger, no matter how great or worthy, would do to bring the gospel of the grace of God. That message of "grace and truth came by Jesus Christ" (v. 17).

**Albertson Funeral Held At Hallsville**

Funeral services for Mrs. Garrison Albertson, 60, of 313 South Ave., in Kinston, who died in a local hospital there at 3 p. m. Tuesday Dec. 24 was held from the Hallsville Free Will Baptist Church at 2 p. m. Thursday of last week, with interment in the church cemetery. Surviving are a son, James Albertson, with whom she made her home; three brothers, Black Williams, "Boss" Williams, and Wesley Williams, all of this county.

**Cotton Ginning Report**

Census report shows that 956 bales of cotton were ginned in Duplin County from the crop of 1946 prior to December 13 as compared with 1282 bales for the crop of 1945.


**Three Negroes Held For Robberies In Faison**

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