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Thanksgiving 1965

When you sit down for your Thanksgiving dinner, we here at The Perquimans Weekly, feel that this is an appropriate time to ask "Blessed forgiveness", and express our thanks for good health, happiness, prosperity and pleasure. Let's express our gratitude and dedicate ourselves to wholehearted new endeavors whereby we may fully use the advantages given unto us, to move forward to greater achievements. The Weekly sends to all of you sincere thanks for the privilege of serving you. We are happy to be a part of this community, and we extend our sincere wishes for a most joyful holiday.

We hope that all will ask blessed forgiveness. The English poet, Alexander Pope, said, "To err is human; to forgive, divine." If one has been treated unjustly and the injustice is intentional, forgiveness can be asked. When we rule out of thought all hatred and revenge and in their place entertain mercy, love, and a desire to help, this will awaken all of us.

Forgiveness brings to everyone light, peace, joy and freedom from pressure and tension. Often it takes moral courage to forgive, especially when friends and co-workers try to chide one into demanding satisfaction.

If you have been badly wronged, forgive and forget; never return evil for evil. When we are truly sincere about forgiving or desiring to be forgiven, we find that love and moral courage give us a brighter outlook on life, a new, fresh start. To forgive is to bless, and be blessed.

Is anybody in Edenton keeping up with the price of living?

Cloverleaf 3-H Meeting Is Held

The Cloverleaf 4-H Club held their meeting Monday November 15. The meeting was called to order by the president, Maureen Nixon. Victor Lamb led the pledges. Harrell Thach gave the devotions with Scripture and prayer. Barbara Elliott led in singing two songs, "Come Ye Thankful People, Come" and "My Country 'Tis of Thee".

For the old business it was reported that everyone had already turned in money for sales and cleaners.

For the new business, the Christmas Parade was discussed and "Dee" Boyce and Victor Lamb were appointed to carry the Emblems in the Parade. The committee appointed to plan the Christmas party were Charlotte Nixon, Nan Ambrose and Linda Harrell. Those appointed on the program committee were Brad Fields, Harrell Thach, and Victor Lamb. Those appointed on the decoration committee were Barbara Elliott, Sharon Swindell and "Dee" Boyce.

New officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Nan Ambrose; vice president, Charlotte Nixon; secretary, Barbara Elliott; reporter, Harrell Thach; song leader, Linda Harrell; recreation, Brad Fields; "Dee" Boyce, Sharon Swindell.

4-H project selection sheets were filled in after being discussed with the leader, Mrs. Ned Nixon. Brad Fields served refreshments.

MY MINUTE WITH GOD

By GEORGE MILLER, Pastor
 Chowan Methodist Charge

"In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."—I Thess. 5:18. The song writer and poet says, "Count your blessings, name them one by one." We know that that is beyond human possibilities. Our blessings are too numerous. I am afraid that many times God thinks that we continually forget our blessings, one by one. Would you continue to be a blessing to those who never express any thanks or appreciation? Since God gives to us our daily bread and many other innumerable blessings, it must surely break his loving heart when we fail to express to him any thanks or appreciation. When Jesus healed the 10 lepers there was only one who returned to give thanks. Remember, he asked, "where are the

MISSIONARY SOCIETY BEEBA CHURCH MEETS

The Missionary Society of Berea Church of Christ held its monthly meeting Friday night, November 19, at the home of Mta. Dewey Yeates. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. James Copeland, all joining in singing "Come Ye Thankful People, Come." For the devotion Mrs. Yeates read the 95th Psalm and offered prayer, then gave a reading on Thanksgiving.

The secretary, Mrs. Horace Miller, read the minutes of other nine? "I trust that you are not one of those nine. Let us try our best to remember how God has so marvelously blessed us all the days of our lives; then thank Him and tell him how much we love Him."

Dear Lord: Accept our humble thanks for thy many blessings; none of which we deserve. Amen.

the last meeting. There were 17 unwavering the roll call.

The group will be sending Thanksgiving fruit baskets to shut-ins. The Christmas program will be in the home of Mrs. Leroy Dail. Mrs. Watson Eure gave a very interesting Missionary Story about the Klamechis Clinic, then Mrs. Eure read a beautiful poem.

Mrs. Delvin Eure had charge of the lesson which was taken from the first chapter of James. The closing song was "Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus". Mrs. Freeman Umphlett gave the benediction. During the social hour Mrs. Yeates served delicious refreshments.

Patience

A husband waiting for his wife while listening to a radio remarked, "Well, the astronauts have been around the world once and here I am still waiting for her."
 —Daily Globe, Atchison, Kan.

Sunday School Lesson

AMOS: CHAMPION OF JUSTICE

International Sunday School Lesson for November 22

Memory Selection: "Let judgment run down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream."—Amos 5:24.

Lesson Text: Amos 1-9.

The Book of Amos is comparatively short, but very, very pungent. For Amos, although an uneducated man, was well versed in going to the heart of a situation; he spoke with force and conviction. He warned the people that God saw into their hearts, and they would be judged by what He saw there. The Day of Judgment could be light—but it could also be dark. It all depended on the individual.

Israel had strayed sadly from the path God had laid for them when he made Moses their leader. Their attention and devotion had been scattered, fanned by the superstitious practices of their times. Idolatry had once again reared its ugly head. Warned time and time again of the consequences of their sinning, the people had lost themselves in lip service and the pomp and circumstances that often surrounded the worship service, until they were lost in a maze—confused, and not truly seeing where they were going and what they were doing.

How often are we guilty of the same misdemeanors today? Our false gods are just a little different. Instead of the gods of fertility, of rich harvests, of wine, we have the false gods among us of money, of status, of self-seeking. Yet we, like the children of Israel—the chosen people—rationalize the same faults in ourselves that we are so quick to criticize in others.

Amos realized that his people were threatened from the weaknesses within themselves far more than they were threatened by the might of forces that were without. He urged them to seek the face of God, earnestly and devoutly; to never lose track of the central truths inherent in true worship.

God calls on all men to seek him; he may do it many times in each individual's life-time, either through sickness, or health, poverty or wealth, justice or injustice. And if we respond, we must do so wholeheartedly.

Amos preached that to seek God was not enough—the manner of one's life; as one sought, was also important. It would do no good, said Amos, for a man to seek God if he worshiped the Father consciously, yet unconsciously paid homage to something less than God; his worship would still be unacceptable. For a man to offer worship to God without being just to his fellowmen was to offer an insult to God, cried Amos.

If Amos were to come among us on this earth today, would he find that we are so very different from his contemporaries all those thousands of years ago? How many would he find among us worshipping without the essence of worship within us—the motivation to give our lives to the furthering of His will?

How can we become more pleasing to the Heavenly Father? The answer lies in many things. We please him by truly worshipping him, whether it be in the church of our choice, the home, the highways and byways of this wonderful world He has created for us. We please Him when we demonstrate justice in all the realms of our existence—when we become concerned in brotherly love for our neighbor.

(These comments are based on outlines of the International Sunday School Lessons, copyright by the International Council of Religious Education, and used by permission.)

Make Church Going A Habit



We dare not forget that when our forefathers celebrated the first Thanksgiving Day they weren't at all sure that their meager harvest would be adequate to sustain the little community through a long hard winter. About all they could give God was thanks!

Gratitude for our blessings in time of abundance discovers a new dimension. We can become partners with the Almighty in His mighty aims.

For the very reason in which Christians give thanks to their Lord is the season in which they plan their stewardship—their support of the Church's continuing work.

If you are a church member, demonstrate your thanksgiving in earnest commitment to your congregation's spiritual opportunity. If you are not a church member, express your thanksgiving by discovering your own spiritual opportunity.

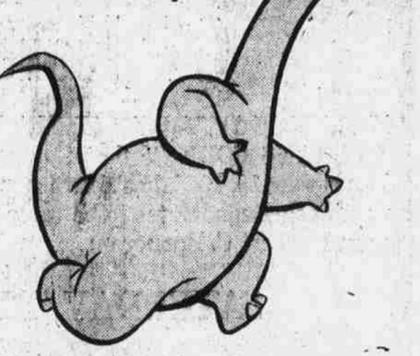
Spiritual dedication is about the only life resource if which we do not have more than we absolutely need!

Sunday Genesis 12:1-9	Monday Luke 1:1-17	Tuesday Psalms 24:1-10	Wednesday Mark 12:41-44	Thursday Luke 10:9-14	Friday Ephesians 1:3-10	Saturday Colossians 3:12-17
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