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#### STATE MISSIONS.

It is impossible to tabulate all the work done by our corps of faithful colporters, missionaries and evangelists. They report 2,102 conversions, 1,600 baptisms, and 798 additions by letter. They collected \$9,624.12 for missions and church building. Truly the Lord has done great things for us whereof we are glad. We are glad to report a net increase of \$5,129.35 for missions.

We received for State Missions \$23,-471.88; we received for Sunday School and Colportage \$2,359.79; we received for church building \$2,715.30; total for our State work, \$28,546.97.

We lacked less than \$1,500 of raising the \$30,000 we planned for at the last General Association when times were prosperous.

We cannot place too high an estimate on State Mission work since it is basal and the sure way to the world's conquest to Christ. Pastors must preach much on systematic and proportionate giving and stand by State, Home and Foreign Missions. We would be unwise to starve either of these interests while we fatten the other. We must avoid favoritism.

We have built and dedicated houses of worship at Mt. Olivet, Paintsville, Inez, Marion, Bellevue, Dawson, Broadhead, Rineyville, Oakland, Onton, Bandana, Kevil, Olive, Panhandle, and have aided Calvary, Immanuel, Rochester and Grace churches. We are building a house of worship at Hyden, Leslie county. We have place a missionary in Rowan county, who will occupy Morehead and West Liberty, two important county seats. We are pushing the work in the mountain regions. Jackson, Barbourville and Pineville have strong men as pastors and report great progress. Catlettsburg is working as never before. Munfordsville and the regions about have a pastor located with them and hope soon to have a house of worship.

Some of our mission churches have become self-supporting, others should do so in the near future. Some few churches seem prone to receive aid as long as it is extended, whether they need it or not. All must be encouraged to become selfsustaining. We yet have a large field of destitution.

We must be more humble this year, more faithful, more prayerful, more zealous than ever before. We must possess a passion for leading souls to Chri<sup>•</sup>t and must instruct them ''in all thing<sup>•</sup>'' Christ has commanded.



#### HOME MISSIONS.

We gave the Home Board \$21,928.48, an increase of more than \$2,500 over last year. The Home Board reports a year of glorious achievements: Number of workers, 961; number of baptisms, 22,-402; total additions to the churches, 40,-417.

We receive valuable and needed aid from this Board and we urge our people to enlarge their giving. We must not give a cent less than \$25,000 this year for Home Missions. I wish that we could make it \$30,000.

#### CITY MISSIONS.

We have appropriated \$200 direct to City Missions.

#### THE YEAR'S WORK.

During the year 100 workers have been enployed or aided by the Board. One of these is a Sunday School Secretary, nine evangelists, one a General Missionary, seventy-seven are missionaries and twelve are colporteurs. The aggregate of all the reports show 14,840 days of labor; sermons preached, 8,961; religious visits, 28,727; conversions, 2,103; baptisms, 1,600; additions by letter and restoration, 978. Total additions, 2,578; churches and Sunday Schools organized, 99; received for missions, \$9,624.12; received for church building, lots and improvements, \$11,838.71; received in the field in salaries, \$12,133.66; number of Sunday Schools in Kentucky, 1,048; number of pupils in the same 80,431.

The Sunday School Secretary is organizing for aggressive work and is greatly encouraged with what has been accomplished in the six months he has been at work. He has been heartily received wherever he has gone.

Let us gird ourselves for the greatest year's work in our history.

#### MISSIONARY PASTORS.

The greater part of the State Board's work is done by the missionary pastors. They deserve highest honor and sincere esteem and sympathy. Many of them are on hard and discouraging fields, where they find little sympathy or inspiration. Often they serve discouraged and divided congregations. The small and insufficient salary necessitates the practice of the most rigid econemy. They enjoy few or no new books and but little literature. They and their wives, for His sake, practice the most rigid economy.

There is a constant grind by these unfavorable conditions and no great prospect of material betterment this side of the Heavenly home.

They neither expect nor receive much sympathy from the brotherhood at large.

They must lead in contributions to missions and benevolence. They must do much manual labor in building church houses. They make long journeys over the hills and mountains. They often serve from two to six churches. They spend but little time with their families. The children often are denied school privileges. It may be well to cite some specific cases. One of our self-denying missionaries, who receives only ten dollars per month from us, has preached 138 sermons, supplied four churches, visited 254 families, reports 48 conversions, 52 baptisms and 40 have been added by letter. He received from the field \$238.47 as salary. He has collected for missions \$109; for other beenvolence \$69.14. He has built and dedicated a neat house of worship. He is always neat in appearance and tidy in his dress. He is a college man and greatly beloved by the people he serves. He has built and dedicated a new house of worship each year for four years. Indeed, I am under the impression that he has built or repaired a house of worship for each year he has

been in the ministry. He entered the ministry late in life.

The people he serves are poor mountain people, but enthusiastic in the Lord's service.

Another, also laboring in the mountains, has made 2,145 religious visits during the year. Eight have been converted and seven baptized by him. He received from his field \$253 and raised \$137 for missions and \$94 for other objects.

Another worker reports 968 families visited, 213 conversions, 131 baptisms and 58 additions by letter and \$274 raised for missions.

God is honoring the faithful service of His laborers. We need more funds to increase the force and enlarge the work. Who will help us?

#### REVIVALS.

1. Why have them?

Because God commands it. The prophets and early Christians prayed and worked for them. A revival is associated with some of the grandest scenes of the Bible. They quicken the church and make us understand) our duty much better.

We would not contend for a revival to last only a month or so ,and yet that would beat being dead twelve months.

We need revivals; sure enough revivals.

2. How may we have revivals?

First of all, we must believe in them, both pulpit and pew. "Hearty belief is essential to mighty endeavor." Pray like the prophet, "O, Lord, revive thy work."

It takes faith and works to bring a revival, not for a selfish purpose, but for the glory of God. The church that will be conscious of three fundamental doctrines of God's word will have no trouble in maintaining a revival a'l the time.

First, that man by nature is a sinner; second, that the gospel is the only means of salvation; and, third, that the church is the divinely appointed institution to give the gospel to the world.

It is easy to have a revival all the time if God's people will be thoughtful, prayerful and stick to their bush and do as they know instead of as they feel.

3. Does it pay to have a revival?

A thousand times yes. It arouses the people from a state of spiritual stagnation. It invigorates and develops Christian Character. It keeps a church loving, praying and singing. It keeps a new atmosphere, a new influence and a new standard of activity in the community. It pays church debts, keeps up the pastor's salary and gives to missions.

We are commissioned by the Lord to do His work. "In me," says God, "is thine help." If it's possible to have God with us and the Holy Spirit to guide us ,then its possible to have a revival.

S. M. MCCARTER,

State Evangelist.

The enlargement of faith brings the endearment of faith, and to give the Saviour to others makes Him more thoroughly our own.



#### A PLEA FROM THE MOUNTAINS.

Dear Mission Monthly:

I write to make a plea for the mountain work--a plea from both personal and impersonal considerations—a plea based on my own opportunity (or lack of opportunity) for doing, on the needs of the work, including the need of the things wherewith to do.

First-What is now being done.

1. By others. (1) By the "Disciples." They have a church in Manchester, and held two series of meetings here last year ,and made every effort, seemingly, in their power to sweep everything into their church and into line with their idea of doctrine and work. They have churches in several localities, and are trying to build up at the expense of our own work ,and the work of others.

(2) By the Hardshells—anti-missionaries. These have churches about, and are putting into their efforts new life and energy. They have active workers in sevcral localities near, some of whom are doing a kind of house to house work, by religious argument, etc. They have just constituted a church six miles from Manchester.

(3) The Methodists. These show a good deal of energy in places, as at Burning Springs.

(4) The Presbyterians. These have a church and an academy in Manchester, and two other churches three miles from Manchester, in opposite directions.

They keep several workers in this field, three or four in Manchester, including the pastor of these three churches. They are making every effort in their power to enlist everything in the'r school, Sunday Schools, of which they have three, and in the three churches. They have strong citizens in Manchester, who are identified with them and are just behind them. Their pastor receives some \$700, I think, for his services, and he has only four in family.

Now, with all these forces, each doing what he can to forward the interests of his cause, the Baptists greatly need to take advantage of eevrything that the Lord makes possible to them to hold their ground, and build.

2. What is being done by ourselves. Here I refer more particularly to my own work and the work of my family, four of whom help me at every point here (1) We have in Manin Manchester. chester a church of some 50 members. preaching some twelve times a month, a regular Sunday School, superintended by myself and assistants, a regular midweek prayer meeting, conducted Wednesday nights, and B. Y. P. U. Society, conducted every Sunday night, just before preaching hour. In all of this, we are trying to use all the wisdom and energy we can. (2) At Athens, Owsley county, on the river, we have a most promising field. Here I preach about five times a month, Friday night to Sunday night, including third Saturday. We have a regular Sunday School here, and there is here a great interest in Christion education.

(3) We have organized the "Clay County and Booneville Baptist Sunday School Association," which has been at work two years, meeting from three to four times a year. It is doing a good work, and is trying to enlist every Baptist and every Baptist church in Baptist Sunday School work. I am the Moderator. Almost every church in its territory will do more or less Sunday School work th's year. (4) We are providing for three or four "Gospel Meetings"-Mission Rallies-this year, one in Jackson county, Irvine Association, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, fifth Sunday in August; one in Owsley county, Booneville Association, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, third Sunday in July; one in Clay, Goose Creek Association; one in Laurel county, Laurel River Association.

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The object of these is to lay and impress our mission work, to the best advantage. on our people. Hence, the name "Gospel Meeting," as our people have been prejudiced against the word "missions." These meetings will do much towards solving the mission problems among us.

(5) We have organized "The Kentucky Mountain Baptist Musical Convention." The object of the convention is to develop the mountain people musically. The reason for making it Bapitst is to give it a Baptist policy, including only Baptist hymn books, or the use of Baptist hymns. Our people are musically disposed, and this convention, with its quarterly meetings, one of which convenes next Saturday, with the Bethel church, and sings from Glorious Praise and Lasting Hymns.

(6) We are doing what we can in aiding the people to build up elementary Baptist schools, in important localities, for the better education of their children, feeling that this is one of the greatest and best services we can possibly render the people of the several communities.

In the midst of a largely uneducated ministry ,tenacious of old customs and peculiar ideas, these schools bring light and influence from a source and standpoint which they will respect, and coming from which, if patiently and properly presented, they will accept. Then the rising geenrations are trained properly from the first.

Second--The needs of the work.

1. The field needs to be cultivated with great wisdom and undivided energy. By this I mean that the worker ought not to have to divide his time in giving enerby to secular work, suppleemntary support, or making up lack in support.

2. The work needs the sanction, sympathy and co-operation of our official brethren out in the State. I mean especially the moral support of our Boards. I include also the financial support of the Boards to the fullest extent possible. H. R. McLENDON.

Manchester, Ky.

Dear Mission Monthly:

I have just closed a good meeting, which resulted in the organization of a new church of sixteen members. This point is about eight miles from Hyden, and is a good point, and great opportunity for doing good in the cause of the Master.

The Presbyterians have formerly had charge of the work at this point, but the people there are naturally Baptists, and all they need is Baptist training.

The work at this point is progressing nicely, with occasionally a conversion. The foundation of our church building is just completed, and we are making an effort to get the material for building on the yard. We hope to complete the building as early as possible.

We have not anything like enough money to complete the building, but the Lord will in some way provide for His work.

The harvest here is truly great. There is only one church house in the whole county.

J. M. OSBORNE, Pastor. Hyden, Ky.

We should build a Baptist house of worship in each of the eight unoccupied county-seats the present year.

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The 644 non-giving churches must be taught the way of the Lord more perfectly and induced to give as God has prospered them.

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In our Associations and gatherings let us place more emphasis on conversions rather than the gathering of money, as important as this is.

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We contemplate opening work in Ft. Thomas, Powell county, Elliott county, and other neglected points.

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May barmony, peace and brotherly love prevail during the meeting of the General Association.

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All messengers and visitors to the General Association are cordially invited to call at the Mission rooms.

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Give weekly, monthly, or quarterly to State, Home and Foreign Missions.

The Baptist Women of Kentucky are earnestly requested to undertake to aid us in building church houses at mission points.

--O--Treat the Colporteur kindly, he is on King's businesss. Buy his books.

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General Missionary Rose is in a great meeting with Pastor Jones at Drakesboro. Pray for the meeting.

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Send us a list of new Subscribers for the Kentucky Mission Monthly and receive a nice present.

Let us ask God for 3,000 conversions and baptisms the present Associational year by our misionaries.

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Rev. J. W. Rose, our Gene al Missionary, is now at Hopkinsville, and ready to hold meetings and aid in any way possible. Churches and pastors desiring his services will please correspond with him. What Sunday School, Church, Missionary, B. Y. P. U., Baraca Class or indidividual will support a missionary in the mountains? Some missionaries get \$60 a year, some \$100 ,others \$150, \$200, \$300 per annum. Do some definite work by taking one of these to support. Would it not be glorious to have a substitute in this great field of destition?

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We have had just 100 workers the past year. Let us plan to have 125 the present year. "Enlarge the place of thy tent."

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The influential citizens in churches and communities are today the most neglected classes. We must devise plans to reach the best quality of men. Others will be more susceptible to the Gospel of tacse stalwart, leading citizens are first reached. A large plan draws men and us a challenge to our faith in God, whose help we must have.

Christ came to seek and save the lost and not to collect money. That is a mere incidental. He says: "As the Father hath sent me even so send T you." Let us perform the task assigned and He will open the hearts and purses

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One of our most satisfactory benevolences is our Church Building Fund. We can never overestimate its importance. We have many churchless congregations. We should have \$10,000 this year for this all-important work.

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Now is the time for pastors, missionuries and others to push for subscribers to the Kentucky Mission Monthly.

--o--Send all funds for State, Home and Foreign Missions promptly to W. D. Powell, Box 504, Louisville ,Ky. Funds for any denominational work will be

promptly forwarded.

Read the article by Bro. McLendon, telling of the encouragements ,trials, difficulties and needs of our men on the firing line. Pray for these dear men, sympathize with them, help them and sen(1 needed reinforceemnts.

#### ---O---FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Foreign Mission Board made the best report in its history the present year. There are 229 churches and 467 out stations with a membership of 14,-170. There are 222 missionaries and 234 native helpers. These report 2,174 baptisms and \$34,825.13 raised on the field.

Kentucky Baptists are loyal to Foreign Missions and will largely increase their gifts to this great and growing work among earth's famishing millions. We reported \$34,089.02 for this work This is less than last year, but we would have reported an increase had it not been for large sums tied up in the bank failures. One large sum was placed in the bank the day before the bank closed. We must give \$40,000 the next year.

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Peter and James were Home Missionaries; Paul, Barnabas and Luke did Foreign Mission work in Asia Minor and Greece.

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## WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

### MARY E. TYLER MARY KNIGHT SHELEY

"Behold, I say unto you, lift up your eyes and look upon the fields; for they are white already to harvest.

"And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathered fruit unto life eternal; that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together." (John 4:35-36.)

"Yet if thou warn the wicked and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity, but thou has delivered thy soul." (Ezekiel 3:19.)

Solomon, gifted with divine wisdom, said: "The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise."

Serving God in carrying out the last command of our blessed Lord and Saviour, Jesus, by going, helping or sending the Gospel to dying mankind. It is a grand privilege for us, and, oh! what rewards offered in eternity.

On the threshold of eternal glory, within sight of myriads of angelic forces, listening to glad songs of welcome sung by scraphic voices, Jesus turns and says in a loving voice of entreaty and command: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be dammed."

Do you love Jesus? He said: "If ye love me keep my commandments."

To Peter once He said: "Simon Peter, lovest thou me more than these?" and when Peter had answered, "Lord, thou knowest that I love thee," Jesus said, "Feed my sheep." He was constantly instructing those close to his EDITORS \_\_\_\_\_

heart how to serve him in the mission fields, knowing that for such service great would be their reward.

Again he said to them: "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations," and he adds: "And, lo! I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

Mission service means the accompanying presence of Jesus. To have this fellowship with him, means obedience to that specific command, "Go ye." This command is for every Christian. God does not expect the impossible of us. We all are not expected to go to the mission fields bodily, but we are expected to send or help send our substitute if duties require our presence at home. There is no use shirking our responsibility in this line, else some day when reaching Heaven and entering as by fire, we find only a small cottage prepared for us out of the meagre material we have sent up, instead of that lofty mansion we might have had for the service of winning souls.

Satan's servitors are many and his reward is only a puff ball filled with emptiness. Jesus' followers are few and a glorious eternity is beyond, filled with joy and peace.

The first commencement of the Woman's Missionary Union Training School took place at the Walnut Street Baptist church, Third and St. Catherine streets, Louisville, Ky., May 20, 1908. The program was very pleasing. There were three sweet girl graduates. All received degrees.

They are as follows: Mrs. Tressie Walton Boggess, M. M. T.; Miss Beulah

Beatr co Bowden, M. M. T.; and Miss Jennie Agnes Allnutt, B. M. T. The whole school, about twenty-eight in numher, dressed in the robes of purity (white) marched down the aisles, singing the beautiful hymn, "Jerusalem, the Golden.'' The procession was led by Dr. E. Y. Mullins, president of the Theological Seminary, and Mrs. McClure, principal of the Training School. At the elose of the hymn, Dr. Mullins followed in an invocation. Then again the school in Kipling's voices their lifted At its close, Dr. Mul-" Recessional. lius introduced Dr. R. J. Willingham. the Secretary of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, who followed in a most delightful address on "Woman in the Kingdom of God."

At the close of the address, Dr. Carter Helm Jones followed in prayer. Then the Training School sang the hymn, "Fling out the Banner," after which the benediction was pronounced.

The diplomas were awarded later on in the afternoon at the Training School.

These young women have followed the Lord's command, "Go ye," and it now remains for us to do our part of the "Go ye," by helping them love and serve God in the mission fields, with our means and prayers.

#### JOY IN MISSIONS.

To whom do we count the joy? To the heathen groping in darkness, yet welcoming the light, or, to the half-starved soul in our own mountains, to whom knowledge is precious, though grudingly given, or is it the frontiersman in his rough life pausing to listen, and learning he is heir to a crown and a throne.

Is it to the poor missionary over the sea, surrounded by dark, unsympathetic faces, plodding wearily and prayerfully on, sometimes longing, even despite faith and hope, for the home places and loved ones, is the joy all to him and the brave wife following his lead, when some long felt want is relieved by a liberal giver, or his strained nerves soothed by a happy soul acknowledging Christ.

Surely it is to the envangelist too, when he hears the mountain sides echo and the valleys ring with hallelujahs to the God for redeeming grace.

The frontier or mountain preachas his patient wife cons er smiles over the box or barrel which repcomfort and good resents SO much cheer to their meager home and precious children, and they praise God that their work seems acceptable in His sight.

Is all told? Who gave the dollar? Who packed the box? Who put a gift in it? It is more blessed to give than to receive. Surely there is a joy beyond compute to the donor for the message sent of salvation and life everlasting. There is a star, perhaps two, three, for some one's crown. Upon whose blest and marvelously happy head will it rest in the great hercafter?

The evangelist is shouting in the mountains. Who sent him? Whose substitute is he? God bless the sender and grant he may realize the fullness of his joy.

Souls have been saved and the angels are rejoicing! Oh! will it not be a grand jubilee when we all meet? Trembling, surprised souls snatched like brands from the burning, shining as stars forevermore, and little by little we did it. Ah! then we will know the joy of giving though we cry, "'He has given us so much, and so freely, and we have given him so little, and so grudgingly."

ADDAH KARRICK MONTGOMERY.

We are sent to tell men of Christ in temptations, troubles and rejoicings.

If a man fastens upon the idea of a cause and lives for it he is a hero.

- O child of the Father, hard pressed in life's battle,
  - O servant of Jesus, surrounded by strife;
- Take courage afresh, and with happy assurance
  - Anticipate glory, for "Christ is our life."
- What matters then, friend, if thine earth-wells be empty?
  - What matters though years should be flying apace?
- Since Christ is thy life and abideth forever.
  - Soon, soon shalt thou gaze on His face.

-Charlotte Murray.

#### OUR MUSIC LESSON.

My soul, thou art receiving a music lesson from thy Father. Thou are being educated for the choir invisible. There are chords of the symphony that none can take but thee. There are chords too minor for the angels. There may be heights in the symphony which are beyond thy scale—heights which the angels alone can reach. But there are depths which belong to thee, and can only be touched by thee.

Thy Father is training thee for the part the angels cannot sing; and the school is sorrow. I have heard men say that He sends thy sorrow to prove thee; nay. He sends thy sorrow to educate thee, to train thee for the choir invisible. In the night He is preparing thy song. In the valley He is tuning thy voice. In the cloud He is deepening thy chords. In the storm He is enriching thy pathos. In the rain He is sweetening thy melody. In the cold He is moulding thine expression. In the transition from hope to fear He is perfecting thy lights and shades.

Despise not thy school of sorrow, oh,

my soul! It will give thee a unique part in the universal song.—Rev. George Matheson.

#### THE MOUNTAINS.

If our people only knew the exact State of things in the mountains a great impetus would be given to facilitate our work there. Much of our mountain region is remote from railroads, and their almost impassable roads, shuts them in from the outside world. It often takes a letter from out in the State nearly a week to get there, and it is not expected under three days at best. This exclusiveness alike retards our knowledge of them and their knowledge of us. Their school opportunities are about as poor as they could possionce they are headed in the right direction, they will be a great power for good.

The good effects of our school work are already being felt and bly be. Good authorities state that in one county, which I shall not name, there are only four school houses where school can be kept in the winter, consequently nearly all of their schools have to close with the approach of winter. In that same county no schools have been held in about a dozen school districts because competent teachers could not be procured. Methodists. Presbyterians and Baptists, in view of this appalling illiteracy, have established schools in many of their county towns, that will ultimately materially change the These problem of education. schools will qualify teachers for the more rural districts, and at no distant day we shall see great development along educational lines, and with this development we will

see marked development along The people are naturother lines. ally strong physically and mentally have dauntless courage, and seem in the mountains. Take, as an iliustration, Hazard Baptist Institute, under the very efficient management of President A. S. Petrev, beginning from nothing ten years ago, we now have a large modern brick school building, with a large brick dormitory for girls. and a fine attendance of bright boys and girls in the school, under tine, able instructors. But this school sorely needs and ought by all means to have at least \$2,000 during the next month to put it fully on its feet and secure its greatest usefulness. In addition to his school work, Bro. Petrey has built a strong church in Hazard and put up a neat frame church building, besides organizing and building up several other churches in the county and in adjoining It is marvelous how counties. much effective labor he performs, and that on a mere pittance of a salary, considering the labor and responsibilities.

1 only give these as samples of the state of things educationally in Most of all the the mountains. people need the Gospel, and our educational work is only a stepping stone to that end. Just think of seven whole counties without an active Baptist minister in them; without even a Baptist church organization in their county-seats. and but very few in either of said counties, and only about one in every five of the little organizations we have has a house of its own in which to worship, and their members too poor to build without

help. Hundreds of new churches ought to be planted in the mountains, and could be done speedily if only our State Board had the means to push the work. So the responsibility falls on our more prosperous members over the State,

Let me repeat what I said some weeks ago, we need at once not less than \$10,000 added to our church building fund, and our board could profitably invest more than double that amount.

We sorrely need to add fifty or hundred missionaries and one evangelists to our much overworked and under-paid mountain forces. Instead of the modest sum of \$30,000 recommended by our General Association to be given to State Missions this year, we sorely need to raise not less than \$100,-000, and even with that amount, our board could not meet all the demands upon it.

Beloved, the opportunities of a lifetime are upon us, the obligations we owe to our Lord and the destitute people of our State call loudly for large increase in thinking. praying, working and giving. Shall we not do our very best to meet these great opportunities and God has graciously obligations? given them to us, together with the means and men to meet them. Shall not every Baptist heart in this great State gladly respond. even making sacrifices, if need be, to accomplish that which our Lord has lovingly laid at our doors? Will you not dear reader. offer an earnest prayer to God to help you lovingly faithfully do your whole duty?

> W. H. Sмітн, State Evangelist.

#### REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 1908.

Visits made to hospitals, 21; visits made to the workhouse, 5; visits made to poor families, 82; visits made to houses of ill-fame, 5; visits to sick, 40; girls taken to All-Prayer Foundlings' Home, 2; girls taken to Union Gospel Mission. 2; girls taken to Florence Crittenden Mission, 3; girls sent home, 4; work secured for girls, 11; prayer services in homes, 26; religious services conducted in churches, 2, in workhouse, 2, in Almshouse, 2, in Union Gospel Mission, 5; Literature distributed, papers and magazines; garments given away, 94; Testaments given away, 13; letters written, 15: prescriptions filled. 7: funerals at tended. 2: professed conversion. 4: religious services attended, 27.

> Respectfully submitted, EMMA LEACHMAN.

#### RECEIPTS FOR MAY, 1908.

Bay's Fork Ass'n. Scottsville ch., per L. H. Garrison, 10; Logan County Ass'n, Lewisburg ch., per D| P. Browning, \$20; Bracken Ass'n, \$65, from the following: Mt. Sterling ch., per W. T. Tyler, \$60, Ewing ch., per E. H. Brookshire, \$5; Central Ass'n per J. A. Boulware. \$23.90, of this amount Springfield ch. gave \$19.90; Critten Ass'n, Williamstown ch., per Miss Edith Cram, \$2.40; Elkhorn Ass'n, \$49.73, from the following: Fifth Street ch., Lexington, per W. H. Cook, \$12.55, per Malcom Thompson \$37.18; Enterprise Ass'n, Paintsville ch., per Charles Martin \$5.42; Graves County Ass'n, Boydsville ch., per Mrs. Ida W. Paschall, \$1; Liberty Ass'n, Lonoke ch., per H. C. Joyner, \$46.63; Little River Ass'n, per R. W. Morehead, \$17.44; Long Run Ass'n, \$262.90, from the following churches: Walnut St., per W. D. Major, \$86.65, per Miss Fannie Moses, \$6, Eight Mile ch. and S. S., \$8.15, Broadway, per T. J. Humphreys \$162; Lynn Ass'n, Munfordsville ch., per H. C. Joyner, 50c; Mt. Zion Ass'n, Corbin ch., per G. W. Nicholson, \$35; Nel. son Ass'n, Vine Hill ch., per T. B. Davis. \$4.10; North Bend Ass'n, First ch., Cov. ington, per A. Logan Vickers, \$15; Ohio Valley Ass'n, Hebbardsville ch., per H. M. Ball, Jr., \$6.34; Warren Ass'n, \$47.01, from the following churches: Clear Fork, per Miss Clara McLemore. \$20, Providence, per D. H. Howerton. \$13.35, White Stone Quarry, per same, \$8.66; West Union Ass'n, \$45.67, from the following churches: Twelfth St., Paducah, per J. E. Clark, \$4, First ch., Paducah, per J. R. Puryear, \$41.67: White Run Ass'n, \$9.33, from the following churches: Cove Hill, per J. L. Barrett, \$6.40, Warsaw, per R. H. Bloom, \$2.97; Book Sales, \$54.44, from the following: J. R. Brunson, \$3.30, J. C. Given, \$1.75, M. L. Sosnin, \$3.20, J. M. Dickerson, \$12,95, Dr. Powell, \$7.25, per A. Tarkington, \$6.55, Andrew J. Lucas, \$10.94, per C. O. Booth, \$4.50; W. J. Mahonev, \$10, Bapt. Bldg. Band, \$15, from the following: W. M. Soc., Smith's Grove ch., per Mrs. G. C. Garman, \$2, per M. T., \$4, Miss Maggie Kuhnhein's S. S. Class of Newport, per Miss Leora Wood. \$1, Woodburn S. S., per A. M. Hitt, \$3, per R. R. Noel, etc., \$3, Baraca League of Newport ch., per Louis Woods, \$2, W. M. Soc., Lexington, per Miss Sallie E. Odams, \$5, Ladies of Louisville, \$20, from the following: Broadway, \$3, Walnut St., \$5, Twenty-second and Walnut St., \$7, Parkland, \$3.50, East, \$1.50, Highland, \$2, Immanuel, \$2, Fourth Ave., \$1. Total for May, \$777.85.

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