

# Church News Of Columbia

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## BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH

"We learn to do by doing" is a pretty good motto for us—for after all, like the child in school we learn best how to do the things we practice daily.

The work of the Sunday School was very interesting Sunday, which shows the results of regular attendance in Sunday School and Church on the part of both scholars and teachers.

As was announced at 11:15 to a full audience including the student body of Allen University and many of the teachers—Dr. E. A. Adams selected the 15th verse of the 2nd chapter of the song of Solomon, "Take us the foxes, the little foxes that spoil the vines." Subject: "Sugarcoated Sins." Asserted: "By name some of the little foxes or sugarcoated sins are:

1. Ill temper in the home.
  2. Light and frivolous sayings.
  3. Backbiting.
  4. Indulgence in hurtful amusements.
  5. Careless and impure conversations.
  6. Indifference.
- An able discourse practically applied to humanity.

"Little sins prove most powerful, practice them and the will develop and destroy you. Many beautiful stories were related throwing side lights on the danger of little foxes (sins).

You are cordially invited to attend the A. C. E. League Sunday. A good program is being arranged for you.

At night, Dr. Adams preached from the text: "Behold the man." (Jesus before Pilate). We should look upon Jesus and behold him in His many understandings for good. Always calm and possessed. It is the individuals duty to see to it that his life and demeanor measures up. Let your good acts constrain another to be good."

We are indeed thankful to the contributing membership and friends for the co-operation during the month of April which resulted in the laying on the altar of more than \$1,300.00 for the Church.

Sunday, May 9th is Mother's Day. A hearty welcome awaits you at Bethel.

## SIDNEY PARK CHURCH NEWS

At 10:30 Sunday School service was opened by the Superintendent. A short song service was held; after which the scholars assembled to the various classes to begin their lessons. A splendid lesson was carried out, as all the students were ready to explain his or her part. After the lesson, reports were made from the various classes.

At 11:30 the church was filled to its capacity, the balcony was even filled. A vast crowd gathered to hear Rev. Farmer preach his farewell sermon. Many a sad face was seen. The whole audience was held spell-bound and didn't leave feeling as happy as they did when service began. We all hate to see him leave, but wish him much success; and may happiness ever rest with him.

At 6 p. m., the Epworth League service began. A musical program was rendered. The music was furnished by the Choral Club of this church.

A large crowd gathered again Sunday night to hear Rev. Farmer speak perhaps for the last time. The occasion was sad, but it is God's work. May God bless us all, and keep us.

## ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Our Sunday School approaching the ideal in number and system. At our Teachers' meeting last Friday night, the resignation of Mr. James W. Hopkins, was reluctantly received, because of his faithfulness as the First Assistant Superintendent. Mr. Dargan, teacher of the Senior Class No. 1, was elected by the teachers to fill the place made vacant by Mr. Hopkins' resignation. Mr. Hopkins has been appointed deputy of the American Woodmen and therefore his duties will take him out of the city for greater part of his time. Mrs. Ella Bostic has been elected the 2nd Assistant Supt.

The lesson was reviewed by the pastor; a new feature will be inaugurated next Sunday: A special song service is to proceed the opening of the school by fifteen minutes.

### GREAT DAY IN ZION.

At 11:30, our big auditorium was packed to the doors. Mrs. Elise Pinckney King presided at the big pipe organ, while the vested choir marched to the chant of "Holy, Holy, Holy!"

Dr. J. C. White preached from Hebrews XI, 7th verse: "By faith Noah being warned of God, of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his

house." Rev. White was at his best, while the spirit strove with him as he flayed alive the Modernists, scientists-socalled, Gnostics and Agnostics. The Holy Ghost swept the Church, a leading white business man, who sat throughout the services; at the conclusion came forward and shook Dr. White's hand and said, "that was the greatest sermon he had ever listened to in all his life, he said he was coming again and bring along some others of his friends to hear one of the best preachers of this country."

At Athurtown 3:00 o'clock Pastor White motored down to Athurtown and took with him a car filled with his Sunday School boys. There the Church was filled with eager listeners. Dr. White preached on "How God makes strong spiritual men." He showed that man is a tri-personality and that each of these parts must be subjected to trials and hardships in order to be properly developed.

Zion Pilgrim is marching right along with Deacon W. M. Charley John Whaley, F. D. Davis and a host of loyal members young and old.

A collection of \$45.00 was taken up. Rev. J. H. Williams and Mrs. Elia Letfwich were with us and they both were given an after-collection.

At 8 p. m. Zion was crowded and a number of Benedict's student-preachers were with us. The pastor delivered another great sermon on "Gratitude to God." Five new joiners came forward and united with the Church.

We had a small rally in which we took up \$80.00. Of course Zion does not consider that to be a rally, just a few auxiliaries reported.

Dr. J. H. Goodwin and Capt. W. H. Coultry were elected delegates to represent Zion at the Baptist State Convention at Georgetown, this week. They left with the pastor Tuesday morning for Georgetown.

The Church voted unanimously to recommend Bro. C. H. Simons, a student-preacher of Benedict College to the Executive Board of the Gethsemane Baptist Association for ordination. Bro. Simons has been called to the pastorate of the St. Peter Baptist Church, near Irmo, S. C.

## ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

Sunday was a high day with us. Sunday School began at 10 o'clock sharp. The Supt., Bro. R. E. Russell, being a little late, the pastor presided, assisted by Bro. E. M. Carr. We are proud to say that under the administration of Rev. Washington, both the Sunday School and Church are alive, for Rev. Washington is a live wire.

Sunday at 11:30, Rev. Washington ascended the rostrum and selected as his text, I Tim. 6:6-7 "Godliness with contentment is great gain; for we brought nothing into this world and it is certain we carry nothing out." Sub: "Godliness contrasted with Worldliness."

The pastor labored hard to show where worldliness never gives satisfaction; the more of this one has of this world the more he wants. Alexander conquered the world and wept, because there was no more worlds to conquer, etc. He went further to show where Godliness or fellowship with Jesus-Christ will satisfy, using Job as an illustration. Rev. Washington is growing in power with God, and in the estimation of the people.

Sunday afternoon 6:30 a splendid session of the League was held, conducted by the writer, ably assisted by Miss Eloise Janerette and others.

Sunday evening at 8 o'clock a pleasing audience was in evidence. Rev. Washington continued his discourse. He selected as his text, I Tim. 6:10-12. "For the love of money is the root of all evil, etc." Sub: "The danger of carnal lust."

Monday night the entertainment, "The Twelve Tribes of Israel" was pulled off in the Church. This was quite a success in spite of the fact that things at one time seemed doubtful. The pastor was anticipating one hundred dollars in order to make himself safe for the

District Conference, and give the Missionary Sisters a dividend. Over one hundred dollars was raised, thus the pastor smiled all over his face.

Much credit is due to Miss Estelle Janerette, the promoter of the occasion. Every thing is looking bright at St. James, for Rev. Washington is a far-seeing shepherd. He knows how to meet the emergencies.

Sister Rosa Saxby has returned from her visit to Philadelphia where she went to visit her children. She brought back two of her grandchildren with her, viz: Lottie and Richard, Ferguson. She reports a splendid trip. Sister Saxby is a 100 per cent member of St. James.

The Church is moving forward. Sunday morning two more were added to the fold. Everybody is saying that Rev. Washington is the man for St. James and Wheeler Hill. He has the confidence of the people. This was evidenced when the officers left every penny raised Monday to his discretion and in his possession.

Jessie L. Lemon.

## Ministerial Union Notes

The Ministers' Union met in First Calvary Baptist church parsonage May the 4th, 1926, Rev. E. A. Adams, presiding.

On the account of the church being repaired, which impaired the room into which the Union met, Dr. Long and his good Madam were kind enough to permit the brethren to assemble in the front of their parsonage.

Devotion was conducted by Dr. G. T. Dillard. The minutes were read and adopted.

There being no unfinished business available, because of a lack of the committee's report; the order of the day was called for, which was a very splendid paper on the subject: "Justification," rendered by Dr. J. B. Elliott. The subject gave food for thought.

## MOTHER'S DAY TO BE OBSERVED AT BETHEL SUNDAY, MAY 9

In keeping with the highly deserving and worthy movement which all humanity delights in doing, a program has been arranged accordingly for special services at Bethel throughout the day. Sunday at the regular morning service Dr. E. A. Adams will preach a special sermon on "Mother." Everyone who possibly can should avail themselves of the opportunity to hear a sermon on this subject.

At the evening services the program will be carried out by the mothers and ladies of Bethel. Special and appropriate music will be rendered during the entire day's service.

You are invited and requested to witness this program. You owe it at least to "Dear Mother."

## MT. PISGAH A. M. E. CHURCH NOTES

Special to The Palmetto Leader:—Greenwood, May 7—The services were well attended in Mt.

Pisgah A. M. E. Church last Sunday. We are more than holding our own. The outlook is bright and we have nothing to fear.

Mother's Day will be observed at the Church next Sunday. A splendid program has been arranged, and those in control will put it over.

One of the hardest things to understand about some so-called preachers is the joy that comes to them when another preacher has failed. When such a fellow chances to visit a town in which another is pastoring, the first thing he wants to know when he chances to meet a member of the minister in charge's Church is: "Well, how is Rev. Tom or Rev. John getting along?" If the person asked answers: "He is doing fine. He is one of the best pastors we have had in some time." He is sad. But if the person thus addressed should say "The Church is dying He is a failure." He jumps up from his seat and claps his hand, saying: "I told them not to send that fellow to that place. That nigger is not anything. Instead of having sent me there as they were told to do, they have now killed that good Church fooling with a "nigger" that never did amount to much." Ignorant Negro preachers have lied on and knocked each other so much in order to make each other fail so as to take the advantage of each other, until it is a wonder that any of the people bother with any of us.

The curse of our cause is the "Ministerial Johnny," who does nothing but skip from place to place in the effort to create trouble in places where he is not wanted.

Bishop Hurst, the presiding Bishop of the Seventh Episcopal District was in Greenwood the 26th of last month. He spent the Sunday night of the 25th here and went to Abbeville, S. C., the next day. He was accompanied by Dr. Sims and Rev. A. Long. A pleasant time was spent in Abbeville. Abbeville is the home of his accomplished wife. While there he and those with him were royally entertained by Rev. P. M. and Mrs. Gary and Mrs. Emma Wilson. At both places the tables were groaning beneath the load of good things on them. While in Greenwood, he and Dr. Miles were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams. They royally entertained him in their beautiful home. Bro. Charlie Williams has a well appointed home on Maxwell Ave. Tom, Dick and Harry cannot roost there. But when Bro. Charlie looks you over and O. K's, you nothing will be left undone to make your stay pleasant with him and his splendid wife. Bishop Hurst is one among the most useful living men in the

A. M. E. Church. He is a man, every inch of him. No man carries his manhood in his pocket. He stands for the best that the A. M. E. Church has to offer. He is a man who the entire Church can justly feel proud of. No man in the A. M. E. Church in South Carolina need have any fear of Bishop Hurst if he does his work. He is one of those men who reflects glory on the Church in his course of action wherever he goes. He knows when to say yes and when to say no. He is quick to detect shams and humbugs and its an open secret that all such will find no goods in his store for sale. He is not afraid to be a man among men. The manly and affable Dr. Sims was with him. Abuse, slander and double dealing has not robbed Dr. Sims of the always contagious smile that constantly abides with him. The fellow who can smile as Dr. Sims can, can fight if concerned. Beware of the man who can fight you smiling. He never stays whipped.

When Rev. Albert Long took charge of the Mt. Pisgah A. M. E. Church in Greenwood, certain preachers and know-alls, informed both the white and the colored people of Greenwood that he is a West Indian, and a dangerous man. They told the people her that he believed in the mixing of the races and a good deal of other rot. Now that they have a man like Bishop Hurst as our Bishop, I wonder what those junkers and liars will do now? They have no proof that I am a West Indian, and if they had, what has that to do with my efficiency for service for God and suffering humanity? What will these gents do with Bishop Hurst when he holds his fall conferences, eat him up? No no. Laugh and grin in his face for an appointment.

## JONES CHAPEL A. M. E. Z. CHURCH NOTES

Sunday morning Sunrise Prayer Meeting was well attended and fired up with the Holy Spirit.

At 11 a. m. the pastor preached an interesting sermon from the text: "They that be with us are more than they that be with them."

The congregation was unusually large both during morning and evening.

The Sunday School was largely attended at 1:30 p. m. with Supt. George Williams and his teachers in their places handling the lesson subject as ones having authority.

5:30 p. m. the Womens' Missionary Society of which Mrs. F. C. Benson is President, met and finished some business pertaining to the work of the convocation just closed here.

6:30 p. m.—The V. C. E. Society of which Miss Florence Benson is president, were in evidence with results accruing from the subject: "Ten kinds of work"

8 p. m.—We witnessed another grand sermon preached by our pastor from the slogan: "If every member of my Church was just like me, what kind of a Church would my Church be?" extended to all who will come and worship with us.

## B. Y. P. U. Forces Called to Meet

Will be Greatest Session Ever Held—Meet us in Columbia Little Rock, Ark., May 5.—This will remind you of the 21st Annual Session of the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Congress that is to be held with the Churches of Columbia, S. C. The time is not as far off as it has been, so let each of us begin to prepare for this great meeting. This session promises to be one of the greatest of all previous sessions from every viewpoint. Let each local president try hard to attend this session, for more than one reason. First, this is a School of methods where one can at-

tend and prepare himself for life's tasks and help those about him. In most of our Unions, "service" is greatly in demand, so let the unions throughout the States realize the importance of a more affected service in our local unions.

What is it that cripples our great denominational movements, except a lack of knowledge on the part of our members of the things we are trying to do? Many a Christian life languishes, not because we do not know how to use the means of grace because:

The first word in spiritual growth is grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord.

The first word in Christian work is study to show thyself approved.

The first word in social service is a community survey.

The first word in mission is lift up your eyes and look on the fields.

Young people we who have taken a special pledge committing ourselves definitely to Christian service, let us go up to this session this year with plans to put over a greater program for the Master and not for ourselves. Arkansas will carry a large delegation this year. We are planning great things for Columbia.

Truly yours, G. W. Millsaps.

## Eastover News

On last Sunday afternoon, Prof. and Mrs. L. N. Scott entertained in honor of her pastor, Rev. J. A. Gamble. Those present were: Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Gamble, Rev. King of Columbia, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Webber and son, J. T. Mr. and Mrs. Scott Laker, Mrs. Lizzie Robinson, and daughter, Corrine; Mr. and Mrs. B. Lakin, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Woodward, Mr. Josh Labrew, Mr. L. C. Scott, Miss Jacqueline Scott, Miss Rhudine Parker and Mr. Ben Scott. The menu was baked chicken with dressing, potato salad, baked ham, macaroni, rice, corn pie, bread, pickles, vegetables, ice tea, lemon pie, jello with whipped cream, ice cream, layer and pound cake and after tea mints. Everyone expressed themselves as spending a very pleasant afternoon.

Mrs. Gertrude C. Woodward and little daughter, Juanita spent a few days with Mrs. A. J. Collins while Dr. Collins was attending the Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Association on which met in Chester.

Mrs. Katie Jones entertained the Missionary Society at her home. Inspiring remarks were made by Rev. Gamble, Mrs. Katie Scott and others. After business the members were invited to the dining room where tempting refreshments were served.

## Camden News

Editor Carr of the Asheville Enterprise, who is widely known throughout the State was a visitor in Camden last week.

Miss Ella Penny and Miss Wilhelmina Kelley left Wednesday for New York City.

Miss Josephine Anderson died at the Camden Hospital last Tuesday.

Miss Bessie Adams spent the weekend at Rock Hill.

Mr. Arthur Owens left Thursday for Asheville, N. C.

Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Brevard, Miss Julia Thomas, Miss Janie Dibble and Dr. Elmer Pickett, motored to Sumter Sunday.

Mr. Willie Champion was called to Columbia Saturday on account of the death of his father, Mr. Henry Champion.

Dr. and Mrs. I. H. Thomas, Mr. Jas. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hale, Mr. Abe Boykin attended the funeral of Mr. Henry Champion at Columbia Tuesday.

Mrs. Isabella Carlos died at her home Monday night.

Messrs. John Edward, Fred and James Carlos were called to Camden from Mass. Monday on account of the death of their mother, Mrs. Isabella Carlos.

Mrs. H. F. McGirt left Saturday for New York City.

Messrs. Russell Dubose, John Pickett and John Harris arrived from Tampa, Monday.

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