

CHURCH NEWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA

NOTES FROM THE WOMAN'S CO-OPERATIVE MISSIONARY SOCIETY HELD WITH EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

The Sunday session was beautifully carried out with subject: Why Is Mission Important, opened by sister Emma Starks. The Famous Blind Singers were wonderful. Dr. P. P. Watson was with us and made a talk on Mission and gave an outline of schools for adults. The next session will be held with Bethlehem Baptist Church, fourth Friday and Sunday in February in the afternoon.

BROWN CHAPEL CHURCH

The A. C. E. League of Brown Chapel Church met at 6:30 with the president presiding. After the devotional exercise the literary program was called. Everyone on program responded. A large crowd was present and enjoyed the program very much. We are expecting to excel all of our past work. We were very glad to have our presiding elder Rev. and Mrs. G. K. Lyles, with us. Elder Lyles gave some very helpful remarks which enjoyed by all. We are always glad to have our presiding elder with us, because we believe that he is a man of God. They have a standing invitation at any time.

SPARTANBURG NEWS

Trinity A. M. E. Church

After a heavy blanket of snow the trees and grown up were seen fringing their way to S. S., which opened at 10 o'clock. Every scholar seemed to have been glad to meet their teacher who always makes it interesting for them. It's quite a rivalry each Sunday for the banner, but it seems as class No. 1, taught by the pastor has rabbit foot on it, for there it remains.

This being the first Sunday, deacons board, stewardess boards No. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, added much to the service when they in their white uniforms marched in, assisted by the choir singing "Holy, Holy, Holy." At 11:30 the man of God mounted the rostrum full of fire; we know that when a field is full of dry grass and fire begins it's hard to control. This morning our church was compared with a field, the fire started in the pulpit and the spirit fanned the flames until they were uncontrollable. Dr. McClellan made some beautiful parallels which will long be remembered by his hearers. We feel the need of thanking God more and more for sending us such a messenger and financier as Dr. McClellan. No one but a man sent from God could have brought us up to where we are. We were groping around in the dark knowing not what to do nor where to go. This man has been a light to our pathway and a lamp to our feet.

Trinity A. M. E. Church is a church of system with a band of christians who believe in system.

The choir rendered very appropriate music. The choristers, Misses Lillie Rogers and Rozella Higginbotham need to be praised for their excellent service.

At 6 o'clock the A. C. E. League led on by Miss Tillie and Mrs. Anderson was full of pep discussing the topic "How May Endeavors Crusade with Christ?"

7:30, the choir was in their places ready to do their bit. We were again favored with a gospel feast, and we dined because the spiritual food given to us by Dr. McClellan was wholesome. We were made to see that every non-christian's life is a discord in God's orchestra; it's up to us to try to put them in tune with the eternal. We are glad to have Miss Annie Edwards back after spending a while in New York.

Everybody works in Trinity, even the pastor, who is the hub and deaconess board, stewardess boards, Ladies Aid led by Mrs. Millie McDempsey, Willing Workers, Mrs. Nancy Edwards, Pulpit Aid, Mrs. Connie Chestnut, Missionary, Mrs. Maude McClellan, Busy Bee, Miss Hattie Lee Perlin, Hurry Hustlers, Mr. Melvin Chestnut and a number of church clubs revolve around the hub, making one strong wheel.

We regret very much that father J. D. Hamilton is still on the sick list. We are busying ourselves getting ready for Founders day next Sunday. The Junior choir directed by Miss Stacey Whitmire, will furnish music for the occasion. It will thrill your soul to hear these little diamonds in the rough who are being chisled out in song.

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DILTON NEWS

Bethel A. M. E. Church

Services opened at the usual hour with the pastor, Rev. O. A. Parker in the pulpit. He preached an inspiring sermon from the 12th chapter of Exodus, 15th verse. Subject: "The Sigh of Life." Quite a number of visitors and members of the Baptist Church worshipped with us. Sunday School was largely attended and the lesson discussed and enjoyed by all.

Rev. O. A. Parker is indisposed at present. Rev. I. J. Gamble preached to us Sunday night. Subject: "Christian's Perogatives."

The S. S. Board met with Rev. and Mrs. Parker Friday to devise plans for the year's work. Mrs. Minnie Hagan's who has been spending some months in New York and Maryland has returned. Rev. Bryant was a welcome visitor in the pulpit Sunday night. Mrs. Annie L. Wingate is home

again after spending some time in Wilson, N. C.

Mrs. Leretha Henderson and Miss Eugenia Moody were joint hostesses to the I. H. Sand Literary Club Monday night. After a short literary program whist was played. Mrs. Henderson assisted by Miss Lee McLeod served delicious sandwiches and hot coffee.

S. Matthews A. M. E. Church—Sunday was wet and cool, but that did not cut our crowd. At 10:30 the Sunday School convened. It was splendidly taught by each teacher.

Our pastor, Rev. Ira J. Gamble, A. B., who at all times can and does preach wonderful sermons. His subject Sunday was "The Traps of Sin." We are planning a program for Sunday, February 12th at which time we will celebrate Allen's Day.

Rev. Gamble was the dinner guest of Rev. Neil Roberts Sunday. Wednesday night Rev. Gamble will preach in Lumberton, N. C., for the Missionary Society of the Baptist Church. Mrs. Roxanna Roberts is still on the sick list.

ORANGEBURG

Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church

The B. Y. P. U. of Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, re-organized on Jan. 12, 1930. A successful meeting was the result. The following officers were elected: Mr. Eddie Griffney, Jr., president; Mr. Ernest O. Bovan, secretary; Miss Byrdia E. Bovan, recording secretary; Group captain No. 1, Miss Blossom Porter, Group captain No. 2, Miss Carrie Moody; organist, Miss Estelle Benbow; assistant organist, Miss Byrdia Bovan.

On Jan. 14, a very interesting meeting was held at 4 o'clock. Every officer was present and a large number was present also. The subject of the lesson was "Missionary Beginning at Home." It was beautifully discussed and the members seemed to have enjoyed every thought of the lesson. After the lesson a debate was had, which everybody enjoyed to the highest. The subject: "Resolved that Man should serve God for Love rather than Fear."

The affirmatives were: Messrs. Jas. Parler, Harley Quillins; the negatives were Messrs. Eddie Gaffney, Jr., Ernest O. Bovan.

The points were ten in favor of the affirmative. After the decision of the judges and the points were read to the Union, Messrs. Gaffney and Bovan shook hands with their worthy appointees.

Miss Byrdia Bovan is planning a grand program for Sunday, Last Sunday, Jan. 19, Miss Mae Lou Haynes read an interesting paper to the Union.

Young Men's Progressive Club—The Young Men's Progressive Club of Orangeburg met with Mrs. Marion Wilkinson of State College in her office Monday, February 3, 1930 at 7 o'clock p. m. She gave a short address which was inspiring to all. The main thought expressed in her address was the uplift of humanity.

Mrs. Wilkinson has consented to advise the club at any possible time. She was very much enthused over the future program of the club. Officers and members are as follows: C. F. Salley, Jr., president; J. C. Parler, vice-president; E. O. Bovan, secretary; J. W. Gardner, treasurer; P. Buchman, chaplin; J. Pearson, Sergeant at arms; G. E. Evans reporter.

Members are: Robert Burgess, David Bovan, Frank Buchman, Phillip Berry, Henry Burt, J. J. Bostic, Ernest O. Bovan, Harold Davis, George Evans, James Fost, John W. Gardner, Howard Holmes, Harry Hartzog, Mel Lester McLee, John Pearson, James C. Parler, K. T. Pennington, Euquen Funches, Wiley Hampton, George Holmon, Willie Hayes, Thaddeus Rowe Clifton, F. Saley, L. C. Rivers, J. C. Smith, John Walker, Raymond Sewell, Hubert Boneparte, Isaiah Gadsdon, Roscoe Smith, Julius Amaker.

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH.

The lesson of the Sunday School was enjoyed as it was so beautifully pictured out by the teachers to the various classes.

Our pastor, Rev. J. E. Dixon, preached a noble and inspiring sermon Sunday morning from St. John 12:32: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth will draw all men unto me. The subject was "Christ Our Magnet."

Immediately after the sermon, the Lord's Supper was administered. The president of the A. C. E. League is still working faithfully with her staff of workers, to make it a star League. Our pastor preached another masterly sermon at the evening services. The same was enjoyed by all.

We are still receiving members in the church. Last Sunday we had a good demonstration of it. Our pastor by the help of God, is carrying the work on with much success.

Sad indeed was the death of Mrs. Mattie Singleton of the past week. The funeral was held at the above named church. She was a christian and a good worker. I know I voice the sentiment of all when I say we will miss her. Our pastor preached a sermon for the occasion long to be remembered.

PENDLETON NEWS

Silver Spring Baptist Church—Messdames R. G. Reese, R. J. Clark, M. J. Crawford, and Miss Bessie Hopson motored to Anderson last Saturday to attend the Teachers Institute, which was very instructive.

Mrs. Susie Gantt was out Sunday to the delight of her many friends. Also her sister, Mrs. Emma Asbury of Timmonsville. Mrs. Asbury has been here for three weeks with her sister. She is a wonderful doctor and

nurse. We were delighted to have her worship with us Sunday and also enjoyed encouraging remarks.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hamburg worshipped with us Sunday morning. Deacon John Stephens is still on the sick list.

Little Goldie Hill, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hill is still on the sick list.

Miss Eldora Reese, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Reese is home after spending several months in New York.

Miss Carrie, a member of the A. M. E. Church, departed this life, Jan. 19th and was buried beneath a mound of flowers on Tuesday. She was a young girl, yet she was not afraid to meet death. She would talk of leaving as though she was going on a visit to return. She wanted to sleep away in Jesus and her request was granted. We loved her, but Jesus loved her best. We extend our heart felt sympathy to the family.

Mrs. Georgia Winston has been confined to her room for a few days.

CAYCE NEWS

St. Ann's Episcopal Church—Sunday was a high day in St. Ann's Church, New Brookland and many friends came for miles to hear the Rt. Rev. K. G. Lindsay, D. D., Bishop of the Upper Diocese, South Carolina, preach a sermon that will long be remembered in the hearts and minds of those who heard him. The Bishop was also present at Sunday School. After the Supt., Bro. David I. Booser had gone through with the lesson, he turned the Sunday School over to the bishop. After which we had baptism. We also had a class of 10 to be confirmed. The bishop said that was the largest class he had ever confirmed in any colored church in his diocese. Then Holy communion was given. Miss Ruth Weston always does her part at the organ. The music was grand.

WESLEY M. E. CHURCH

10:30—Sunday School. 11:30—Worship and sermon. 4:30—Young People's meeting.

Dr. J. B. Randolph of Claflin University will speak here Sunday morning; an educational treat, is in store for us.

Rev. J. F. Page, Pastor

BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH NEWS

The Sunday School lesson period at 10 to 11:15 was both interesting and profitable. The attendance was very good. The entire school witnessed quite a pleasant surprise by the visit of Mr. J. C. Artemus, Supt., of Second Calvary Sunday School, who in a very impressive manner brought greetings from his school and told of his mission which should be the slogan of all Sunday Schools and every individual in them: "United efforts to save the boys and girls outside." We're glad you came also Mrs. Lawson of Prosperity, whose remarks were full of good advice.

At the morning service Dr. J. W. Murph preached a very impressive sermon—one that caused meditation of heart, as found in St. Matthew 15:32; subject: "The Compassion of Jesus." Asserted Jesus Christ is full of compassion and he is resourceful, he is able to heal all our wounds.

At 7:30 Dr. Murph preached another strong sermon from St. Mathew 24:2, emphasizing the impossibility of impeding the work which Jesus Christ came to establish. The congregation service in the League was indulged in and enjoyed by all of the many boys and girls present. We were delighted to see so many new faces, visitors, who came by to worship with us, and apparently ggot a deal of pleasure out of the discussion. All of you have a standing invitation to come again. Many of our members are sick and shut in. Let us hope that they may be soon restored to their former condition.

Bethel has lost another faithful and loyal member in the person of sister Katie Allen of 1227 Harden St., who died at 4 p. m., Sunday, Feb. 2. Her funeral was held from Bethel Tues. 3:00 p. m. She was a very dutiful member of class No. 6 and was prompt always in her attendance and contribution until just a few months ago when she was stricken and could not respond to duty's call. She died triumphant in the cause of Christ.

CHAPPELLE STATION

Services were unusually good. On last Sunday, the pastor preached another one of his master pieces from text found in Isaiah 55; subject: "Free Salvation." The influence of the holy spirit could be felt as he delivered such masterly sermon.

Sunday School was unusually interesting. The lesson was very thoroughly discussed. After which it was reviewed by the Superintendent. For once the banner left its regular course and was held by class No. 2.

At 4:30 p. m. a Silver Tea was given at the home of Mrs. Ichelberger on House Street. A very interesting program was given in connection with the tea. Those present enjoyed themselves very much.

A very excellent program was rendered by the A. C. E. League. One of the teachers of the Waverley school delivered a wonderful address which was also well enjoyed by all who were present.

The evening services were equally as impressive as the morning service. The pastor again electrified his audience with another of his master pieces in pulpit oratory. The subject of the evening message was the "Superiority of Christianity."

Tuesday evening prayer services were held, after which Rev. H. Harper preached in behalf of stewardess board No. 1. Due to the unfavorable condition of the weather only a few were present but a small sum was realized by this board.

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MANNING, S. C.

Trinity A. M. E. Church News—The above named church is making wonderful progress under the leadership of their new pastor, Rev. W. J. Robinson. Already many new members have been added to the church and it seems that a great revival will break out among the people. Already he is preaching to a larger congregation than ever in Trinity. The leaders and membership have started out with a new determination under the leadership of their beloved pastor to bring the church back to its old religious standing and from a financial standpoint put over a well prepared program. If Rev. Robinson will continue to feed the people with strong gospel food the work is now accomplished.

The Sunday School, the choir and all of the auxiliary branches are lined up with pastor to put over a program for God. Be it said of Rev. Robinson that he is one among the best expounders of the word, it has been our privilege to hear.

1ST CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Last Sunday the attendance was good from the Sunday School through the evening service. For the morning service the pastor presented an inspiring sermon which captivated his audience.

At 1 o'clock the Missionary Society gave a splendid program with good results.

At 2 o'clock the funeral of a good member, Mr. William Taylor, was held, the pastor, Rev. S. S. Youngblood officiating, assisted by Revs. Elliott, Harrison and Butler.

The B. Y. P. U. program was good. Again in the evening the pastor, Rev. S. S. Youngblood preached a wonderful sermon.

Last, but not least, the choir is to be congratulated on the beautiful music furnished at each service every Sunday. The public is invited.

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