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"Ye are come unto Mount Sion . . . and to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly and Church of the first born . . . and to the spirits of just men made perfect and to Jesus the mediator of the New Testament"

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"Put off thy Shoes from off thy feet for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground"

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Prefatory Notes

The Twenty-eighth Annual Assembly begs description. The enlarged tabernacle with its added conveniences, the loud speaking system, the greatly enlarged attendance, all contribute to making such an increase in many ways that a full description cannot be given. The representation of races, nationalities, and languages assisted in increasing the interest because this is more proof of our fulfilling prophecy, and compares us with Jeremiah's "speckled bird." The broadcasting of our programs one hour each of four nights served to enlarge our borders and gave us increased prestige.

We commenced making history twenty-eight years ago, and now the history we are making by our programs and the increased interest of thousands are so far above what we ever expected at the first that it is almost unbelievable. And what has been done in the last ten years can scarcely be accounted for except in the statement of prophecy, "the set time to favor" the Church of God is come.

I felt very fortunate this year to have the five clerks for service upon whom I have been depending for years. Their service has been very greatly appreciated. I am indebted to them for the contents of this pamphlet. Many thanks to every one of them.

The attendance this year surpassed that of any previous year. The registration books show an attendance of 3,740 that came in from a distance, besides 1,365 of our home folks in the city. This makes a total of 5,105. And this number does not include other thousands that came and went that were not registered. This is 991 more than registered last year that came from a distance, and 1,619 more than the total that registered last year.

We now have the pleasure of sending out this small volume to its many readers and friends with hearts full of praises to God for giving us His mighty presence and power by which this General Assembly was graced from beginning to end. It is indeed gratifying and a source of much satisfaction to know that the Twenty-eighth Annual Assembly was a glorious success.

The time for the next great annual feast—the General Assembly of the Church of God over which A. J. Tomlinson is General Overseer, will be September 12-18, 1934.

A. J. TOMLINSON, General Overseer,

Cleveland, Tenn., U. S. A.

MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CHURCH OF GOD

A. J. Tomlinson, General Overseer
HELD AT CLEVELAND, TENN., SEPT. 13-19, 1933

Introductory Services

A number of people came in Monday. The first of our preliminary programs started at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, September 12. This was a formal installation of the Registrars, Reception and Entertainment committees and Camp Ground Attendants. This service consisted of prayers, songs, Scripture readings, short movements with flags in hand. Principally in charge of the General Overseer and Pastor F. F. Johnson.

Open air service in front of Tabernacle at three in the afternoon in charge of G. W. Durham, chairman of the Reception committee. The outside front of the Tabernacle, registering booths and stairs to galleries were beautifully decorated and attractive. The inside of Tabernacle was also nicely decorated.

At 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, a program was put on by the General Overseer's entire staff, consisting of secretaries, stenographers, clerks, treasurer, registrars, Publishing House force, Reception and Entertainment committees, ushers, Camp Ground attendants and others. The General Overseer was in charge. This service started in the open air in front of the Tabernacle and concluded on the inside after a registering campaign.

The program consisted of prayers, music, songs, instructions, etc. Clerk's note reads:

"All at attention in their respective groups. Prayer by General Overseer. Music by Minnesota String Band. Song led by M. A. Tomlinson. Prayer by A. J. Lawson. All the staff marched down on sidewalk and back, carried flags. Band played. All stopped in front of Tabernacle and waved flags. Prayer by Will H. Brown. Address by General Overseer. All marched inside and occupied front seats. Announcements and music by band. Drills and lessons directed by the General Overseer."

General Overseer gave instructions about how to handle large crowds. C. H. Randall, member of the Reception committee delivered a discourse on Loyalty in service and attending the Assembly. Closing prayer by C. L. Taylor, another member of the committee.

The people poured in all day Wednesday. The committees were all busy receiving and welcoming the crowds and arranging for their homes and entertainment. Busy as bees all day Wednesday. The people came in automobiles, trucks, buses, on trains and on foot. They came from distances both far and near. Many of the big truck loads came in singing and shouting. The Reception committee put on special programs at intervals all day—8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 4:00 p.m.

An open air mass meeting in front of the big Tabernacle preceeded the regular introductory service inside. The street was filled with an eager throng. At the proper time prayer was offered by C. H. Randall. Music by string bands from Minnesota and Georgia. Great rejoicing. As instructed by the General Overseer the great mass pressed down the street to the eastward about one hundred yards. At the sound of the trumpet by Harry Martin the great mass surged back again in front of the Tabernacle amidst great shouts and rejoicing. Big roaring concert prayer was offered

up to heaven with hands lifted high in the air. As the sound of the prayers died away and at the sound of the trumpet the great mass surged east again and then returned and entered into the Tabernacle with loud shouts and praises to God. This was one continued mass of happy people shouting and praising God. It was a repetition of David's songs of Entering into His Gates with thanksgiving and into His Courts with praise—making a joyful noise unto the Lord and singing aloud with great rejoicing.

The big Tabernacle, enlarged as it was, was filled the very first night with delegates and friends from many states and some foreign countries. The general organization was complete. Every member of the home organization to give comfort to the delegates were on hands and ready for business by the time the music started inside.

The Assembly and Home Organization personnel were as follows:

General Overseer—A. J. Tomlinson.

Clerks—L. A. Moxley, Cora L. Randall, Nora Augerson, J. M. Stratton, R. M. Stover.

Treasurer—A. J. Lawson.

Registrars—F. F. Johnson, Mildred Johnson, Homer Sample, Edna Mae Sample.

Bookstall and Postoffice—A. D. Evans, Iris M. Evans, C. W. Risner, G. W. Durham.

Reception—G. W. Durham, C. H. Randall, C. L. Taylor, Guy Marlow, Beatrice Marlow, Sarah E. Gonia, Mattie Whitlock, Onie Faulkner, Dora Allison, Daisy Durham, M. E. Wilson, L. A. Moxley.

Entertainment—C. A. Davis, Myrtle Davis, Homer Sample, Edna Mae Sample, Bill Parker, Ida Parker, Leonard Bohring, S. N. Elmore, Alvie Parker, Inez Kinser, W. D. Phillips, C. C. Lindner, Clifford Sample, Raymond Lawson, C. E. Powell.

Ushers—Will H. Brown, M. A. Tomlinson, H. L. Faulkner, Jim Odum, Everett Atnip, Charlie Odum, Henry Fairbanks, Leonard Bohring, Bill Parker, C. E. McGowan, D. R. Parker, S. N. Elmore, C. A. Knowles, J. R. Smith, Lem Banks, Eddie Griffith, C. C. Lindner, John Wilson, Holt Renslow, W. D. Phillips, Sam Officer, Boon Whitmire, Herbert Cates, Ralph Scotton, Vincent Johnson, Charlie Scoggins, Sam Forbes, Archie Melvin, Jesse Silvers.

Camp Ground—Bill Parker, H. L. Faulkner, Boon Whitmire, John H. Seigler.

The introductory service proper was opened inside the big Tabernacle on the evening of the thirteenth of September, 1933. At 6:45 p.m., the Georgia String Band gave a piece of music. This was followed by the Adams Gospel Crew Brass Band. All ministers called to platform.

7:00 p.m.—Song service started—led by J. M. Stratton, Edith Tarpley at piano. Song book used, "Church of God Revival No. 2."

7:05 p.m.—Prayer by J. R. Smith. Special song by Sister Smith quartet. Prayer by James Daniel.

7:20 p.m.—Welcome address and introductory message by Pastor F. F. Johnson.

7:40 p.m.—Selection by the Tabernacle Male Quartet. Music by String Band while the great mass of people clapped their hands and rejoiced. Offering for Assembly expense followed while the music continued. After the collection the congregation stood and sang—power of God fell during song—shouting, dancing, message in tongues.

8:00 p.m.—J. P. Sullivan of Ridgedale, Tenn., came on with message—subject, "Our Hope for Success Is In Obeying Prophecy In Due Season." This was truly a last days message.

8:30 p.m.—Broadcasting microphone was turned on which continued for an hour.

Song by big congregation while all stood. Much shouting and great rejoicing. Special selection by Tabernacle Male Quartet. Music and song by Adams Gospel Crew—two numbers. Song by Busy Workers of Texas—two numbers. Another song by Sister Smith quartet of Florida. Music and singing by Georgia String Band. Then came Leona Montgomery female quartet of Mississippi—"Keep On Stepping." Another program of music and singing by the Adams Gospel Crew. Big concert prayer that sounded like the falling of many waters.

9:40 p.m.—Message and exhortation to get the Holy Ghost by C. M. Muselman of Virginia. Altar call, music by String Band. Many hungry hearts came flocking to the altar and began crying out to God. The big altar service was continued till a late hour at night with good results.

Thursday, September 14:

5:30 a.m.—Sunrise prayer meeting led by M. G. Barfield. Big concert prayer for the Assembly. Scripture reading and talk by the leader. Music singing, talks and a general good time.

8:15 a.m.—Song service led by J. D. Kirkland, Edith Tarpley at piano. Prayer by J. T. Huddleston.

8:40 a.m.—Opening the Assembly by the General Overseer. Scripture reading, Rev. 22:12-21. Congregation stood while the General Overseer offered the opening prayer. Assembly now open for business.

8:40 a.m.—Committees appointed.

No. 1. Questions and Subjects—C. H. Randall, D. R. Holcomb, B. O. Funderburk, G. T. Stargel, J. R. Smith, W. T. Holland.

No. 2. Watchmen—W. R. Sexton, Tom Pentecost, George D. Wilson.

No. 3. Adjustment—C. L. Taylor, J. A. West, J. R. Moxley, F. J. Crowder, James Daniel.

No. 4. Ways and Means—S. O. Gillaspie, W. M. Lowman, E. C. Rider, M. E. Wilson, Randolph Williams.

No. 5. Missionary—Homer A. Tomlinson, E. T. Fowler, E. G. Murr, George K. Nickell, O. A. Dudding, Wm. Schneidmueller.

No. 6. Sunday School—W. J. Rawls, J. A. Hamil, M. C. Harvey, G. W. Gifford, Tom Brown.

No. 7. Assembly Expense—Guy Marlow, V. R. Sherrill, Foster Young, J. P. Sullivan, Stanley R. Ferguson, L. L. McFarland.

8:55 a.m.—Special prayer for the Overseers, their delegations and programs by W. T. Holland, while congregation stood with bowed heads and reverent hearts.

9:00 a.m.—Call of States and their response by music, songs, marches, display of banners, short talks by overseers. General Overseer requested the overseers to stand and hold up banners so their delegates could find them and get in their places. The immense crowd made this necessary and somewhat tedious.

9:15 a.m.—Call of states next. The piano gave a signal of all being ready.

1. Alabama—W. I. Campbell, Overseer. Song, music, seventy-five marched, carried twenty-two banners, talk by Overseer.

2. Arizona—J. W. Abbott, Overseer. No representative.

3. Arkansas—O. N. Lawrence, Overseer. Song, ten marched, carried six banners, talk by Overseer.

4. Bahamas—Stanley R. Ferguson, Overseer. Music, song, nine marched, carried four banners, talk by Overseer.
5. California—L. R. Abbott, Overseer. No representative.
6. China—Peter N. Johnson, Missionary. No representative.
7. Colorado—J. T. Huddleston, Overseer. Music, song, seven marched, carried one banner, talk by Overseer.
8. Costa Rica—J. M. Price, Missionary. No representative.
9. Cyprus—M. K. Kounnas, Missionary. No representative.
10. Delaware—C. H. Holley, Overseer. No representative. Overseer came later.
11. East Texas—J. N. Hurley, Overseer. Music, song, seventy-two marched, carried twenty-eight banners, special song by one family, talk by Overseer.
12. Florida—J. F. Curry, Overseer. Song, music, twenty-four marched, carried thirteen banners, talk by Overseer.
13. Georgia—M. E. Wilson, Overseer. Songs, music, one hundred and eighty-four marched, carried fifty-seven banners, talk by Overseer.
14. Illinois—S. O. Gillaspie, Overseer. Song, music, seventeen marched, carried four banners, talk by Overseer.
15. Indiana—L. L. McFarland, Overseer. Song, music, thirty marched, carried eleven banners, talk by Overseer.
16. Iowa—J. A. Hamil, Overseer. Song, music, twenty-five marched, carried nine banners, talk by Overseer.
- 12:35 p.m.—Adjourned for noon recess.
17. Jamaica, B. W. I.—J. L. Kinder representing. Song, nine marched, carried one banner, talk by Brother Kinder.
18. Kansas—C. W. Risner, Overseer. Music, eleven marched, carried eleven banners, talk by Overseer.
19. Kentucky—C. H. Randall, Overseer. Song, music, one hundred and twenty-two marched, carried twenty-four banners, talk by Overseer.
20. Louisiana—J. R. Moxley, Overseer. Song, music, twenty-three marched, carried three banners, talk by Overseer.
21. Maryland—W. R. Sexton, Overseer. Song, music, thirteen marched, carried three banners, talk by Overseer.
22. Michigan—Beulah M. Jacobs, represents. Song, music, nine marched, carried three banners, talk by Sister Jacobs.
23. Minnesota—J. W. Barker, Overseer—not present. Song, music, sixteen marched, carried five banners, talk by Goldia Lester.
24. Mississippi—E. C. Rider, Overseer. Song, music, forty-six marched, carried nine banners, talk by Overseer.
25. Missouri—D. R. Holcomb, Overseer. Song, music, twenty-seven marched, carried twenty-three banners, talk by Overseer.
26. Nebraska—E. C. Hilton, Overseer. No representative.
27. New Jersey—C. F. Reynolds, Overseer. Song in Russian language, music, two marched, carried one banner, talk by Overseer.
28. New Mexico—J. M. Abbott, Overseer—not present. Song, music, six marched, carried one banner, talk by V. L. Melton.
29. New York—Homer A. Tomlinson, Overseer. Song, music, twenty-three marched, carried five banners, talk by Overseer.
30. North Carolina—C. L. Taylor, Overseer. Song, music, one hundred and thirty-three marched, carried thirty-eight banners, talk by Overseer.
31. North Dakota—S. T. Linn, Overseer—not present. No representative.
32. Ohio—Geo. K. Nickell, Overseer. Song, music, eighteen marched, carried twelve banners, talk by Overseer.

33. Oklahoma—E. G. Murr, Overseer. Song, music, nineteen marched, carried five banners, talk by Overseer.

34. Pennsylvania—V. R. Sherrill, Overseer. Song, music, twenty marched, carried eight banners, talk by Overseer.

35. South Carolina—J. A. West, Overseer. Song, music, forty-six marched, carried sixteen banners, talk by Overseer.

6:10 p.m.—Adjourned for evening recess.

6:45 p.m.—Song service led by H. C. Smith, Frances Johnson at piano. Prayer by R. C. Nebbet of Kentucky.

36. South Dakota—Fred E. Van Deventer, Overseer. Song, music, seven marched, carried one banner, talk by Overseer.

7:20 p.m.—Announcements by General Overseer. Music by Adams Gospel Crew while congregation stood and waved handkerchiefs in praises and glory to God. Song by McMahan Quartet, Kansas City, Mo. Selection by Tabernacle Male Quartet. Song by Ridgedale Female Quartet. Selection by Silver-tone Quartet of North Carolina.

37. Tennessee—L. A. Moxley, Overseer. Song, music, two hundred and eighty-one marched, carried two hundred and forty-six banners, talk by Overseer.

38. Virginia—W. M. Lowman, Overseer. Song, music, one hundred and twenty-six marched, carried forty-three banners. Talk by Overseer.

39. Virgin Islands—C. A. Farnham, Missionary. No representative.

40. West Texas—J. M. Stratton, Overseer. Song, music, eight marched, carried one banner. Talk by Overseer.

41. West Virginia—F. J. Crowder, Overseer. Song, music, thirty-eight marched, carried twenty-one banners. Talk by Overseer.

42. Wisconsin—Guy Robinson, Overseer. Song, music, sixteen marched, carried three banners. Talk by Overseer.

43. Wyoming—G. W. Gifford, Overseer. Song, music, eighteen marched, carried seventeen banners. Talk by Overseer.

10:50 p.m.—Trumpet sounds the conclusion of marches and state programs. Congregation stood and sent up praises to God three times in succession.

NOTE—There was almost one continuous outburst of joy, happiness, dancing, shouting and glorious outpourings of God's blessings the whole day through and till almost eleven o'clock at night. The demonstrations of happiness and of the power of the Holy Ghost were indescribable. Indeed it was a wonderful and glorious day. No words can describe and explain the riches of God's glory and the happiness upon the people.

10:50 p.m.—Announcements by the General Overseer. Exhortation and altar call followed immediately by Laura Francis, of Oklahoma. The seekers flocked in and showed great interest. Big altar service with a large number of seekers and a good crew of workers.

Friday, September 15:

5:30 a.m.—Sunrise prayer meeting in charge of E. W. Anderson, of Kentucky. Songs, prayers, Scripture reading, talks. Great time of prayer for the Assembly. Big healing service.

9:15 a.m.—Song service led by J. P. Sullivan, Edith Tarpley at piano. Prayer by W. M. Lowman, Virginia. Song by the McMahan Quartet. Concert prayer for the sick. Congregation stood with bowed heads and holy reverence to God while prayer was offered by D. R. Holcomb, of Missouri.

Message in tongues and interpretation. Special selection by the Hickman Trio. Another selection by the McMahan Quartet. Another message and interpretation.

10:30 a.m.—General Overseer's Annual Address.

GENERAL OVERSEER'S ANNUAL ADDRESS BEFORE THE TWENTY-EGHTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY of THE CHURCH OF GOD

Introductory

Ever since I knew the story of Jephthah and his rash vow I have had a feeling of sorrow for his daughter and pity for him. He was willing to make any promise to God in order to secure His favor and co-operation in the battle that was soon to be fought. He had no word from the Lord assuring him of victory, so this was the only way he knew to court the Lord's favor. The fight drew on and the victory was won, but alas, as he neared his home his daughter and only child met him. His vow obligated him to offer her as a burnt offering to the Lord. Although this brought great distress to Jephthah, yet he remained firm and said he could not go back.

In thinking over the incident it would seem that if any one could be justified in breaking a vow it would have been Jephthah. But he regarded his word as of more value than the life of his only child. This always seemed so sad to me. The young life of an only daughter snuffed out so suddenly on account of a rash vow made by a father because of his zeal to court the favor of God that he might win the battle for his own people who had thrust him away from them in former years.

Keeping a vow at any cost or sacrifice in those days was regarded as very necessary because it was incorporated in the law. The law said a vow must not be broken. On this account, and the pride of sticking to his word, Jephthah said he had opened his mouth to the Lord and therefore he could not go back.

Although the story is a sad one, I certainly admire Jephthah for his firmness in keeping his vow. Many in these days do not seem to mind breaking vows and disregarding their covenants, but here was a man that would suffer anything rather than break his promise. While I admire the principle of Jephthah in sticking to his word, yet that does not keep the sadness and sting out of the story.

But this was one act in God's great drama and it had its place to fill. How do I know but this tragedy was forced into the scene for my benefit or yours? It is one part of the all Scriptures of which we are told "is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." Whatever else there may be in this tragedy for our benefit and help, I do know that the statement made by Jephthah, "I cannot go back," has been used in my defense quite often in times of temptations and the severe battles I have been forced to fight. Had it not been for that tragedy and that statement I might have failed. Many have been the times that I have remembered Jephthah and his darling daughter and said with him, "I cannot go back." No, "I cannot go back." And I can think of God being good enough, and possessing enough foreknowledge to have prepared that very tragedy as a shield or breastworks for my protection to keep me from failing in my part of the program in these last days. My thoughts

and reasonings would be, since Jephthah could say "I cannot go back" when it meant the sacrifice of his daughter and only child, I can say the same. And I did say it, and thereby stuck to the anointing that came upon me, of which some of the brethren know, when the conflicts were so severe that I otherwise would have backed down and surrendered. But now I can thank God for Jephthah whose words I often used as I repeated them over and over during the severest battles, "I cannot go back," no, "I cannot go back."

Jephthah's supremacy was of short duration—only six years. He was out in the limelight filling his place on God's great program just long enough to say "I cannot go back," but his words still live on and on, and they are being used here this day, 3,076 years later. The special vow I made on the thirteenth day of June, 1903, has been just as precious and sacred to me as the one Jephthah made was to him. During the more than thirty years I have lived since that time I have kept it hid in my heart, but have manifested the result outwardly. I may have been within a hairs breadth of breaking it, but I am happy today because it is fresh in my memory and still holds good. My vow was not to sacrifice an only child as a burnt offering, but it was to follow God's holy Word and walk in the light as it shines upon my path. On account of this we are all here this day still clinging to that sacred Book with the vast throng who have taken the same sacred vow. We are all under the same sacred covenant and all zealous toward God and His Holy Word which we promised to obey. And this is the cause of our being here this day in this sacred presence.

"I cannot go back!" There is only one way open for us—that is forward. We are in a one-way street with no "U" turns. The only thing for us is to go on and fill our place on the program in fulfilling prophecy. Certain things are called for at our hands. Jephthah was not sure, so he promised the Lord he would sacrifice whatever he met first when he went back home if He would give him the victory in the battle that day. We are sure, so we do not have to make God such promises as that to get Him to help us and give us the victory. The victory is already ours—God has long ago promised to give us His favor. He wants the work done. We do not have to merely try to find out if God is going to be with us. He is already with us because we are with Him and filling our place on the program. The victory IS ours. The gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness. The "all nations" will be baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." Those baptized will be taught to observe all things just as stated in the Scriptures. This is not a trial trip to see if the Lord will be with us. We simply have to teach the all things and He IS with us. We are working for Him and with Him. It is His work and we are His Soldiers in the fight—His ambassadors—His representatives—His victors. With all of this, nay, surely, "I cannot go back." The final triumph is too close in front to even think of looking back, much less going back.

I have not been misrepresented when accused of being bold and fearless. My fellow-workers and associates are bold and fearless also. We would not be like the early church without this boldness. It is said of them that they spake the Word of God with boldness. This is one of the main principles that belongs to the Church of God and its members are more or less saturated with that disposition. This is one of the characteristics of men of God. Real men of God cannot be weaklings. They must be strong because God is with them and He is our strength.

A year ago at the Twenty-seventh Annual Assembly I was bold and fearless because of the anointing that was upon me. I do not think I am any

less bold now. I acknowledge that I have ventured a little further into God's Word, and I think the Spirit has made the veil thinner, or rubbed some of the smoke off of the glass so I could get a better vision during the past year. I recall that I have made some startling statements at times, but nothing contrary to sound doctrine. I think I am becoming more zealous each year for the cause I represent. I do not believe I am alone in this. It stands us in hand to become more furious as we hasten on toward the goal—being ready for our Lord's return. And since the time is shortening up we do not have near as far to go as we have already come. But while this may be true, there is so much to do that we will all have to work almost like mad men to finish the work and be fully ready by the time the trumpet blast is sounded. I trust all of you can see that I am still in a rush and trying to get others to hurry a "little bit" faster all the time. There may be times that my body is not moving so fast, but my mind is kept busy and on the whirl all the time except when I am asleep.

I want this Assembly to be the means of firing up more workers and getting them ready for greater work than any one of the past. Men are in the church now who were never in our Assemblies. Many new ones are here this year. I want them to fall in and catch the spell so quickly that they will right away be like old hands at the job. I do not think this is impossible when they become yielded and pliable. The main thing for the new ones to do is to banish all doubts and fears and enter heartily into the work under the dominating power of the Holy Ghost.

I think we all know that it is our duty and glorious privilege to be in a hurry in getting ready to meet our Lord when He comes. And since there is much yet to be done before we are ready we surely want to learn how to increase our speed and how to make our service more effective. While the work has sailed along fine the past year we need to accomplish double the amount next year. We are here to pray, study and plan about these matters of business with a view to putting into practice some more rapid methods and installing more of the high-powered machinery.

I kindly ask all of you to give me your undivided attention, and to be patient with me, as I give you certain information about the work and its progress during the past year and discuss some of the problems with which we are confronted and must master. Everyone of you can be a help in some way in mastering every problem. And I want all of you to brace right up, side by side with me, and let us together look every problem squarely in the face and see it cower and crumble in our presence. I want this entire Assembly of men and women to feel themselves swelling and expanding every day for a week. It will do us good to absorb all of the benefits that are offered from day to day unto the close.

Retrospection

It has been my custom for years to give a brief review of the work and progress during the past year. I shall not deviate from that practice this year. I feel highly gratified with the progress made and delighted with the privilege of making brief mention of some of it before my friends and associates. For three consecutive years I have made one special statement in my address before the Assembly that I think is very fitting to add here as it applies now as well as any time in the past. The statement is this:

"I never saw such a year for the Church of God as has just closed."

Other years have been wonderfully progressive years, but I think I can truthfully say that this year is the best of all. Indeed, this has been a wonderful year. In spite of all the difficulties, handicaps, and oppositions of

whatever they have been, we have made steady advancements. I think I shall add here a paragraph that appeared in my address last year. I want to say something like it and I do not know that I can find more fitting words, so please bear with me as I repeat it:

"Yes, indeed, the past year has been wonderful. The Lord has worked with us and confirmed the Word with signs following. Many souls have been saved, many have been sanctified in the good old fashioned way. The doctrine of sanctification has been taught by our ministers, and people have prayed through and struck the fire. Large numbers have been baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire, and invariably they have spoken with other tongues as the Spirit gave the utterance as the evidence. The sick have been healed, devils have been cast out, serpents have been taken up and handled by the power of God. Quite a good number have been added to the church, and a fair number of new churches put on the map."

This paragraph gives the truth this year the same as last. The numbers this year, however, are larger than last. The figures will be given under another heading and in another section of this message.

Like last year, this has been a great convention year. I have had the pleasure of attending every State Convention the same as last year. But there were four more added to the list this year, making a total of thirty-eight. I left home for the first convention the ninth of February, and finished up and arrived home on the seventh of August. This makes a total of six months of convention work, almost every week and sometimes two and three a week.

It has been a pleasure to me to have the privilege of meeting with the overseers on their respective fields and counselling with them about the work. Each one has had some problems to master and I have done my best to assist them in every way I could. The new experiences they have had the past year have doubtless been valuable to them. I suppose I will never be able to fully express my appreciation of these noble warriors, and the work they have done and earnest efforts they have made to obtain real results. But I want them to know that I certainly feel greatly honored to have so many whole-soul co-laborers with me working in their respective fields. O, I am proud of them and I dearly love every one of them. I could not do the work without them. There was a time that we had no such overseers and I had to look after the state work and my work, too. But O, what a relief I felt when we discovered the order of overseers that are recognized as state or provincial overseers marked out and described in the Bible. And now I have a goodly number of real trained overseers to help me in the work and upon whom I can depend. But I need many more to man other states and provinces. O God, give me at least a dozen more during this Assembly.

In my address two years ago I stated that I had never before put over quite such a strenuous year, and last year I felt about the same way. But this year I feel the word strenuous needs to have some additions put to it to make it express what it should. Looking back I can scarcely understand how I was able to do it all. But I did, and ran in home with a bound, and now in closing up my years work today I think I can say with David that I feel like running through a troop and leaping over a wall, or probably I could make it two or three. I feel that the Lord gave me supernatural strength and preserved me well. The scales showed I lost twenty-one pounds in weight, but I am glad to have contributed that much real flesh to the Church of God and the good of mankind.

As stated above, I have been pressed more this year than any year in the past on account of having to cram more work into a shorter period of time. I did not get to spend as much time in the office as in previous years and almost no time at home during the convention season. Some times even when I did have a chance to run by home I would only get to spend a few minutes with my wife. On one occasion I was home only an hour and just barely had time to change my clothes, empty and repack my handbag, with not even a peep into the office. At other times I would run in on the early morning train, work in the office all day and then off in the evening without any time to take my shoes off unless it was to change my socks. I never stopped to rest at all. I slept and ate when I had opportunity. Some times I had to hurry off to the train without eating although my eats had been prepared by kind friends and were on the table waiting for me. But to eat would cause me to miss my train and I preferred to miss my food rather than miss my train. I never slept in a sleeping car nor ate in a dining car. I never felt that I could spend extra money for comfort for myself.

While I am briefly reviewing the past year's work I feel that I owe this Assembly some information as usual. During the year I traveled in thirty-six states, three more than last year, over a small part of the Atlantic Ocean and on New Providence Island, besides over a number of other islands. I traveled by train, bus, automobile, truck, airplane, and on foot. The miles traveled were less this year than last, due to the increased number of conventions attended on one trip. I was forced to cram more conventions into one trip in order to make the rounds and not miss any. I must finish the work by August 7, and I had to put more conventions into a week than usual to do this, so that kept me out of the office more. But we made it through and kept up the office work very well besides. This was made possible by the office force being able to attend to the work and by my doing office work on trains and other places which naturally meant more strain than if I had been in the office. Then I kept in close communication with the office and gave the necessary instructions so the work was taken care of well. The record shows I traveled 25,238 miles besides the distance I traveled as I paced back and forth and all around on the several platforms upon which I operated.

The record also shows that I delivered 374 messages since last Assembly, and most of these as should be noted were delivered in the thirty-eight conventions I attended during the six months convention period. Although there was a slight decrease in miles traveled, there is an increase in the number of messages and discourses. The record shows 374 this year against 319 last year—an increase of fifty-five. The record also shows more conventions in less time than last year and less miles traveled to reach the larger number of conventions, and also more discourses in a less period of time. This is intensifying our work. We are looking forward to this very thing, and one of the themes I have taken to the conventions this year has been as follows:

"Our constructive program may need to be somewhat intensified and strengthened so as to take on a larger force of workmen and at the same time arrange for more rapid progress, because the time to finish the preparation is so short and limited. And we must, WE MUST be ready by the time the first trumpet blast is sounded."

I have found myself practicing the very thing I have been recommending. This puts me in the lead and setting the example for others to follow. And indeed it will be very necessary for us to speed up our work because there is so much to be done in such a short period of time.

My cash receipts this year were a little better than last. The overseers, ministers, and members are to be highly commended for their efforts to gather in contributions to assist me with my traveling expenses. I thank all again for what they gave me. Then a few times I was given free transportation to the next place by those who were going to be in the next convention. This kind of a lift was greatly appreciated. My total receipts from all sources the past year amounted to \$2,456.83. My disbursements for expenses, gifts, etc., amounted to \$1,499.97. This leaves a balance of \$956.86. Out of this I have paid a considerable amount on the expense of enlarging and preparing the tabernacle for the Assembly.

It is a source of much satisfaction, consolation, and happiness to me to be able to finish up the years work with victory, and now meet the beloved overseers, ministers, workers, and members in this annual feast. Although much good work has been done during the past year, and most of the workers have been faithful and loyal, doubtless we all feel we have not been able to accomplish as much for the Master and His church as we desired. And especially I feel like saying for myself that my aspirations have demanded much more than I have been able to do.

I feel elated and happy because the year has closed out with victory and success. And I am still full of fire and zeal for the Lord and His church puffing and pawing because I want to rush into the battle for another year at break-neck speed to startle the world and let the people everywhere know that the Church of God of the last days as prophesied of is actually here and functioning as programmed by its Founder before the world was. This is wonderful knowledge, and I feel that we must hasten on to tell the residue of the people so enthusiastically that they will become excited with interest as soon as they hear of it and want to get into the church which is destined to be ready when the Lord drops down from the sky.

Interesting Information

For years, under the head of Interesting Information, I have been giving some figures and statistics showing the number of sermons, the number of converts, the number sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost, etc., during the past year. I have been honest and sincere in thinking it has been interesting to all lovers of the church, and I still believe it has been to many, and quite profitable besides. Now I feel that I should insert a chapter on the same subject this year and make a comparison as usual so all may know what we have been able to compile from the monthly reports sent in by the treasurers of the local churches and ministers, besides other information that we are able to give to show whether or not there has been any progress made during the year.

It is not my purpose to go into the full details and tell all that has been done in all of the different departments and activities of the church as a whole, but only a limited amount of information that I think may be the means of encouraging our workers and perhaps serve to stimulate every one and make them all feel like pressing on into the work for another year with more vigor, zeal and courage than ever before. I wish this also to be the means of impressing upon every one the importance of the monthly reports as required by the reporting system. If some of the treasurers or ministers have failed to report, then they have withheld valuable information that cannot be given in my annual report. If the local churches through their clerks and treasurers, and the ministers, do not give me the reports and required information, then my reports will be that much crippled, deficient and incorrect. And I have a deep desire that all may fully understand and know

of my embarrassment when any of these reports are not forthcoming. That is, by some failing to accurately prepare their reports and send them in, renders me unable to make my reports accurate and as full as they should be. And those who fail to report may need to read and study Heb. 13:16 a little more carefully.

The Treasurer and Publishing House Business Manager will give the reports of the finances and Publishing House interests, but my reports furnish information of growth or deterioration. Besides making reports to the General Assembly the government at Washington requires reports of this kind each year between the first and fifteenth of January. And if I do not receive reports of all the work done by our churches and ministers, then I am compelled to make my reports proportionally less than they should be, which cannot make the showing of our work that we deserve.

May I at this time make another loving and urgent appeal to all of our ministers and local churches to please make their monthly reports regularly, promptly and accurately? I have been insisting at the conventions the past four years that if any treasurer could not or would not make these reports, he should be replaced by one that could or would do the work faithfully. And now again before this Twenty-eighth Annual Assembly I want to kindly insist on this being done. And the ministers who do not report regularly as they should, I want to beseech, implore and even beg with much entreaty that they commence with September and continue regularly the whole year through.

I do not want to say too much about this reporting system and its importance, but I do want to say enough to get all the churches and ministers sufficiently interested and enthused about it so we can soon report that all the churches and ministers are reporting regularly and accurately so I will be able to make a better showing in my reports, thereby adding prestige to the church and the great and valuable work it is doing. But I am happy to state that there are many who are always prompt, and the system has been observed by a larger number the past year than in any previous year. And to help out in this business I wish to advise and instruct all the ministers who may organize new churches and set forth applicants for the ministry to please inform them of the reporting system and charge them to begin to observe it at the end of the very month after they are set in order or receive their license and report forms. I believe this will be a great incentive toward getting them started out right.

I will now give some information compiled from the reports:

The number of sermons reported the past year amount to 63,212, an increase over the previous year of 13,193. Number converted 10,621, an increase over the previous year of 480. Number sanctified, 5,924, an increase over the previous year of 384. Number baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire 3,910, an increase over the previous year of 145. Number baptized with water, 3,267, a decrease over the previous year of 9. Number of additions to the church, 5,573, an increase over the previous year of 1,012.

Seeing the large number of converts in this report and the much less number taken into the church I can scarcely refrain from emphasizing some of the instructions given a year ago about stringing the fish as fast as they are caught. I do not want to lose any of the fruits of our labor, but when a convert is not taken into the church as soon as saved, what assurance do we have of keeping him saved? I think if a soul is worth saving at all it is worth keeping saved by resorting to the Bible plan to do it. And Jesus has provided the church with all the equipment of overseers, evangelists, pastors, teachers, and other helps to take care of them so none will be lost. And this

is the standard or goal to which we must press. I hope this special theme will be given the proper attention and that the leaflet entitled ASSEMBLY BAND MOVEMENT will be studied and practiced so none of our members or converts will be lost.

There has been an increase of 240 in the ranks of our ministers since last Assembly. Besides these we have around forty-five or fifty that are now pending, and I suppose they are all preaching more or less. This runs the number of ministers now on our list up to 967—114 Bishops, 97 Deacons and 756 evangelists. With all of these that are still pending it will run the number up to more than a thousand. A thousand ministers—isn't that wonderful? If all of these could be constantly in the service and each one be the means of saving only one soul a week, that would mean a thousand souls saved a week, and for the whole year it would amount to 52,000 souls. O, this is what we need—a thousand ministers that can really work and produce real results.

It has been my custom for the past several years to give some information concerning the tithe receipts at headquarters. The amount last year fell a little under the previous year, but this year the amount received has climbed back above last year and the year before also, with a total amount of \$5,602.49. This, however, has not been enough to pay out the allotments made by the Assembly last year. But it is a source of much pleasure to know the money receipts by our people are rising in spite of the depression. I here wish to thank the Lord for His blessings and also thank the people for their loyalty in paying their tithes. I believe the most of our people have long ago learned that God blesses the tithe payers.

I will next make mention of the missionary collections. The plan adopted by the Assembly to make two drives from headquarters to collect money for foreign missions has been carried out according to instructions. One was made in October, 1932, and the other in March, 1933.

Another requirement of the Assembly was that there should be a missionary collection taken up at each State Convention. This also has been done as instructed. I shall give the amounts collected at each convention as well as the total. I herewith give the states and amounts in the order the conventions were held:

North Florida, \$4.96; Bahamas, \$3.50; South Florida, \$48.02; South Carolina, \$7.38; Louisiana, \$20.00; East Texas, \$20.08; West Texas, \$11.46; New Mexico, \$5.00; Arizona, \$4.44; Colorado, \$.50; Alabama, \$31.56; Georgia, \$42.00; Tennessee, \$108.00; Indiana, \$21.22; Michigan \$2.80; Ohio, \$27.22; West Virginia, \$13.50; Arkansas, \$17.38; Oklahoma, \$30.26; North Carolina, \$34.38; New York, \$250.00; Kentucky, \$120.80; Virginia, \$123.74; Illinois, \$16.96; Wisconsin, \$7.00; Minnesota, \$125.00; North Dakota, \$30.14; South Dakota, \$6.14; Wyoming, \$37.27; Nebraska, \$6.00; Iowa, \$10.50; Kansas, \$25.76; Missouri, \$65.10; Mississippi, \$128.58; Maryland, \$26.30; Delaware, \$2.00; New Jersey, \$3.00; Pennsylvania, \$30.76.

The total amount of these convention collections is \$1,468.71. This is \$337.99 more than last year. The largest convention collection was New York with \$250.00. The second largest was Mississippi, with \$128.58. The third was Minnesota with \$125.00. The fourth was Virginia with \$123.74. The fifth was Kentucky with \$120.80. The sixth was Tennessee with \$108.00. All of the other states fell below one hundred dollars. But the most of the states raised larger collections than the previous year.

Ever since 1925 I have been giving the amount of foreign mission receipts each year for a comparison to keep our people informed about the steady

increase in the amounts raised. Last year there was a falling off we thought due to the financial depression prevailing in our entire country. But we worked this year with a hope that another drop would be avoided. The total amount that will be shown by the treasurer's report is \$3,508.01, which is \$84.34 more than last year. And thanks be unto God and the people for this much.

At the Assembly in 1925 the treasurer's report showed for foreign missions the amount of \$200.65. In 1926 the receipts were \$324.42. In 1927 the receipts were \$426.52. In 1928 they were \$832.86. In 1929 the first year of service by the W. M. B's. the amount jumped up to \$2,137.42. In 1930 with the second year of work by the W. M. B's. the receipts mounted up to \$3,681.78. In 1931 with the third year of service by the W. M. B's. the receipts mounted up to \$4,093.12. And O how the missionary zeal and fire were burning. In 1932 the receipts were \$3,423.67, which shows a drop of \$669.45. But this drop was not caused by any waning of missionary interest but rather by the depression in business and money matters. And now this year the receipts have reached the sum of \$3,508.01.

This has been a great convention year. Our hopes of making these conventions great and attractive have been fully realized. It has taken years of hard work to do it, but I am happy to see the state conventions attracting the people by the thousands. The work and influence of these conventions are moulding lives and minds and will eventually draw the people to the Church of God by the multitudes. As the children grow up they will scarcely know of any religious doctrine but the Church of God doctrine. I will here give the number registered at each convention. Many attended that did not register, but this information will give some idea of the increasing interest the people are taking in the Church of God, and the glorious influence it is wielding.

I will give them in alphabetical order this year so they will be easier to find when placed in the minutes:

1. Alabama	652	21. Missouri	786
2. Arizona	75	22. Nebraska	637
3. Arkansas	1,208	23. New Jersey	15
4. Bahamas	1,365	24. New Mexico	89
5. Colorado	150	25. New York	781
6. Delaware	25	26. North Carolina	1,001
7. East Texas	519	27. North Dakota	150
8. Florida No. 1	1,166	28. Ohio	444
9. Florida No. 2	1,584	29. Oklahoma	3,500
10. Georgia	1,238	30. Pennsylvania	1,143
11. Illinois	517	31. South Carolina	429
12. Indiana	665	32. South Dakota	191
13. Iowa	808	33. Tennessee	2,020
14. Kansas	529	34. Virginia	1,180
15. Kentucky	1,066	35. West Texas	176
16. Louisiana	609	36. West Virginia	1,148
17. Maryland	318	37. Wisconsin	337
18. Michigan	114	38. Wyoming	291
19. Minnesota	300		
20. Mississippi	1,506	Total	28,732

The largest attendance was Oklahoma with 3,500. The second largest was Tennessee with 2,020. The third largest was Mississippi with 1,506.

I am greatly enthused and interested in our state conventions. Why

shouldn't I be when I have seen them start so small and scarcely anybody interested in them, and now see they have grown to such vast proportions? And why shouldn't Brother Spurling and myself be the two happiest men in the world when we have seen our General Assembly grow from an attendance of twenty-one to the vast throngs of thousands who attend now, and these state conventions which were attended by 28,732 this year. And I suppose that Brother Spurling and myself are the only ones present today that had the pleasure of attending that first one with only twenty-one present.

I will next call attention to the Women's Missionary Band. It is highly gratifying to know that our sisters have become so greatly interested in their work of gathering in money to increase our second Sunday missionary offering. They have instituted many valuable methods for raising money for the missionary work. My observation during the convention campaign indicates that this work is making steady progress. Their efficiency as missionary workers has increased with experience. I feel much depends upon this auxiliary organization for the spread of the last days message and the salvation of the lost. And judging by the programs and untiring efforts they are putting forth I believe they feel much of their responsibility in this respect.

I take pleasure in giving some information about this institution that hitherto has not been attempted. From the reports I find that the W.M.B. has a total membership of 3,109. This, however, is not the full strength of the institution. Some of the churches have not been supplied with the new report forms which call for the number of members of each local band, and thus we could not obtain the full information. But 3,109 is a number not to be despised. We hope by next year to have a full report from every local church. The record shows that organization has been effected in thirty states and the Bahama Islands. I here give the list and number reported in

Last Yr. This Yr.		Last Yr. This Yr.	
1. Alabama	6	17. Missouri	11
2. Arkansas	7	18. Nebraska	2
3. Bahamas	24	19. New Mexico	0
4. East Texas	6	20. New York	1
5. Florida	10	21. N. Carolina.....	10
6. Georgia	8	22. N. Dakota	2
7. Illinois	1	23. Ohio	4
8. Indiana	5	24. Oklahoma	10
9. Iowa	1	25. Pennsylvania ...	7
10. Kansas	5	26. S. Carolina	0
11. Kentucky	20	27. Tennessee	26
12. Louisiana	1	28. Virginia	22
13. Maryland	3	29. West Texas	0
14. Michigan	0	30. W. Virginia	7
15. Minnesota	2	31. Wisconsin	1
16. Mississippi	14	32. Wyoming	1

Clara T. Mabe, the general secretary has done much good service during the year, although she feels that her handicaps have prevented her swinging each state as shown by our records:

right out into the work as she desires. But I am sure her influence is extending far more than is realized by herself. It is my purpose to encourage her in doing what she can under the circumstances. She will give her own report at the proper time.

I shall add another bit of interesting information that I think is worthy of space here. This is in reference to the V. L. B. This auxiliary institution is proving to be a valuable asset to the church. The young people are keeping up the revival spirit in their meetings in many places. In their regular band meetings they often succeed in leading the young people and some times older ones into real experiences—get them saved, sanctified, and through to the Holy Ghost. The training and drilling they get are preparing them for greater work as the years go by. Many of them are catching the spirit of the last days message and pushing right out into service for the Master and the church.

This has been their first year with a general secretary. Mitti Lea Adams, who was appointed to fill the position until the Assembly, will make her first appearance before the V. L. B's. during this General Assembly, and she will be formally introduced at the proper time.

I wish to give some statistics to show the strength and growth of this movement. This information is not complete, however, for the same cause as explained in the W. M. B. report. But I am very much gratified with the V. L. B. movement and the work these young workers have done. I will give the report the best I can as compiled from the reports as follows:

	Bands	Mbrs.		Bands	Mbrs.
1. Alabama	8	83	18. Nebraska	2	24
2. Arkansas	6	159	19. New Mexico	1	12
3. Bahamas	23	297	20. New York	1	35
4. East Texas	7	140	21. N. Carolina	18	230
5. Florida	14	261	22. N. Dakota	1	18
6. Georgia	17	381	23. Ohio	7	25
7. Illinois	2	25	24. Oklahoma	13	201
8. Indiana	4	75	25. Pennsylvania	7	98
9. Iowa	2	0	26. S. Carolina	4	149
10. Kansas	5	43	27. Tennessee	27	392
11. Kentucky	25	581	28. Virginia	25	378
12. Louisiana	2	18	29. West Texas	2	28
13. Maryland	1	19	30. W. Virginia	5	50
14. Michigan	1	10	31. Wisconsin	1	46
15. Minnesota	1	25	32. Wyoming	4	36
16. Mississippi	19	218			
17. Missouri	11	173			
			Total	207	4,224

There is further information that is quite interesting to those who are interested in the growth of the Church, but the balance will be given under other headings.

The White Wing Messenger

I think that I should add a short chapter about the Church paper. It is still flying through the mails to many of its lovers and supporters. But our records show that quite a number of our own people do not enjoy its regular visits as they should simply because they do not give it the warm invitation that is required to get it to stop at their homes. It is my desire that this flier make regular visits to the homes of all of our members, or at least get into the hands of all so we can have it to say that every member is a reader of the White Wing Messenger. Our every member a reader campaign has not yet been called off. And I do not feel disposed to call off this campaign till we have the assurance that every member is a reader. Indeed, they all need to read it. How can they keep fully informed about the teaching, practices, and work of the Church without it?

All of the ministers in their examinations for the ministry state that they expect to be regular readers of the White Wing Messenger. All of the ministers here in my presence know that this is true, and none of them get through to the ministry without making this statement. Some applicants have been turned down because they would not make this statement. Isn't this action in keeping with the principles advocated by the General Assembly? It is considered very necessary for our ministers to read the paper regularly. They will not be able to keep informed about the work of the Church without it. They need the teachings and information contained therein. I can scarcely think a minister can be fully qualified for the ministry as a Church of God minister and not keep up with the notices, incidents, information, announcements and much other news and teachings that appear in the columns of every issue. To not read it surely disqualifies a person for the ministry to an extent at least.

The paper is the organ and servant of the Church and that is just what the minister is. They should be inseparable. The minister needs the paper, and the paper needs the minister. And the people everywhere need both. The paper is supposed to be a help and blessing to the minister and the minister is supposed to be a help and blessing to the paper.

I earnestly hope that we can get a staff of White Wing Workers at this Assembly that will undertake to redouble their efforts on the field the coming year, and not only set a goal "every member a reader," but also every family a subscriber and many of the friends who are not members besides. I appeal to all of our regular and faithful workers to continue to co-operate with us in all of our drives, or one constant and continuous drive for the next twelve months. I feel that all of this faithful crew who are here are already almost wild with enthusiasm, ready for further instructions and plans for our future work. I am sure you will all be ready when the White Wing hour arrives. We must make the most successful drive this coming year, commencing right here at this Assembly, that has ever been made. The problem of having every member a reader and every home a subscriber, and thousands more besides, must be mastered. I feel that all of our White Wing Workers are ready now to say with me, We will! We will!

Since we are getting so many foreigners who speak in other languages in our ranks, there are demands for the paper to be printed in other languages. How we need to enlarge our borders, lengthen our cords, and strengthen our stakes in the publishing business. And O, how we need a tremendous increase of our "free literature fund," for this purpose as well as the other purposes for which it is intended.

Let me make one more strong and powerful appeal for the paper you all love so well and feel you cannot get along without. Let me say it kindly, let me say it enthusiastically, let me say it excitedly—Let us put this Twenty-eighth Annual Assembly on record as a powerful force behind the workers as they go forth better organized than ever, and better equipped and qualified to master the problem mentioned above. Can I have a manifest token of this right now? Will you all stand to your feet and shout, "Hurrah for the White Wing!" as the bands blow a blast and the drums beat? Thank you. I feel like saying, this next year is going to mean more for the White Wing Messenger and its powerful message, than any year in its past history because this great Assembly has put itself on record in being behind it with all its force one hundred percent.

Emergency Fund

The 1931 Assembly authorized the General Overseer to create what is

named the emergency fund. The 1932 Assembly authorized its continuance. No special plan was recommended for the first year, but in counsel with twelve or fifteen of the brethren we decided to adopt the plan instituted by the children of Israel who were rebuilding Jerusalem and re-establishing the temple service and worship in the time of Ezra and Nehemiah. This plan is shown by the Scriptures thus:

"Also we made ordinances (an established rule, rite, or law) for us, to charge ourselves yearly with the third part of a shekel for the service of the house of our God." (Neh. 10:32).

Now the third part of a shekel is \$3.23. But we decided upon only one dollar from each member that first year. Then after the experiment was made the first year, the last General Assembly unanimously adopted the plan and required that the practice be continued. The section as adopted reads:

"We recommend that the emergency fund be continued, and that each member pay one dollar per year to this fund. And as the need of funds in this department is at the present very urgent, we recommend that the collection of the one dollar per member be arranged for by the General Overseer as early as possible. And further recommend that all give perfect co-operation to our faithful General Overseer in putting into practice all the rulings of the Assembly."

In obedience to the requirements of the Assembly this drive was launched. Thanks for the hearty response and co-operation of both ministers and members. It is left for the treasurer to give the report of receipts and contributions to this fund. But it may be in order for me to say here that with all the efforts put forth to collect the sum of one dollar from each member, and with the hearty co-operation of the pastors, band leaders, and workers, we have not been able to collect the full amount as instructed by the Assembly. The excuse of many has been that they just could not raise that amount. I think only eight churches paid up in full. These were Zimmerman and Saint Cloud, Minn., St. Petersburg, Fla., Ridgeway, Va., Hilight, Wyo., Drift, Ky., Bunn, N. C., and Spiveys Corner, N. C. Many other churches paid a part of what was charged to their membership, and some were still working to raise their balance the last I heard from them before the time came for this Assembly to start. What will be done with your General Overseer for his failure to collect all will be determined by this Assembly at the proper time. But I wish here and now to thank and commend all of my co-laborers in this drive for their efforts, loyalty and faithfulness. I also, in behalf of the General Assembly, wish to thank every member that responded, and the ministers who sent in their dollars first as examples. In order to attempt to express my appreciation in endearing terms I say, God bless you all, my dearly beloved, "my joy and crown."

Now since it always requires the continuation of any project or business to make it a success, I see no reason for even thinking of discontinuing the plan or even looking for another. The emergency fund must be continued, and surely no plan can be found that is any more in harmony with the Bible than this one. We could raise the amount for each member to pay \$3.23, the full amount charged by Israel, but I fully believe the one dollar plan will fill the bill, and make it on an easy basis and perfect equality. If no changes are made by the Assembly in session now the plan will be continued, and all members and pastors can go home and commence to raise the one dollar per member for another year. And the sooner you get it off your hands the better you will feel and the sooner you will be ready for something else.

In connection with the continuation of this emergency fund drive, by the method practiced, it should be remembered that in mastering this problem the same as any other, A WINNER NEVER QUIT, AND A QUITTER NEVER WINS. And we are not of that class that quits because we do not succeed at the first blow. It is by a continuation of blow after blow by the hammer that breaks the rock.

Sunday School

I think it important to add another chapter on the subject of Sunday school. This is one of the extremely important helps to the church. Our Sunday school work is progressing nicely as a whole. However, it is quite grievous to know that we still have a few local churches that do not have Sunday schools. There are always some reason for not having them whether they are good reasons or not. But I think about this as I do about every other constructive problem, there is some way to master it. I cannot be satisfied for any local church to go on year after year with no Sunday school, and I always think if I were there I would manage some way to have a Sunday school. I believe there is always some way to get these started. The Assembly and Publishing House have made provisions to furnish new schools with literature for the first quarter free, so that could not be an excuse.

I appeal to all overseers and pastors to make a desperate effort the coming year to have a Sunday school in every local church. If there is no other way I will recommend the starting of a Home Class Department in the community where there is no school. One quarter's work of this kind by some good home class visitors will surely master the problem.

I have been thinking for some time of recommending the adoption of the Home Class Department of the Sunday school. We used to carry on this department successfully while I had charge of the former Publishing House. We printed a full line of Home Class Quarterlies and other literature for that particular department. I would like to start it up again. We do not have to simply try it as an experiment, it is already a success, proven by years of experience. The only thing we have to do is to get the recommendation and co-operation of the Assembly and the co-operation of the local Sunday schools. I have uncovered some of our old literature, so all we have to do is to reprint it and circulate it among our people so they can become fully acquainted with the work and go at it. I wrote out the instructions myself years ago after having years of experience in operating it successfully. I think this is a matter for the Sunday school committee to consider immediately.

I have compiled some Sunday school information from the local church monthly reports that I am going to add here as a means to stimulate our Sunday school interests and to inform our people of the magnitude of our Sunday school work. Like every thing else, however, that I get from the reports, the full strength of our Sunday school work cannot be given because some of the churches do not report, and some that do report fail to make them full and accurate. O, how I long for the time when our pastors, clerks, and treasurers will all do their business in a manner that will prove they feel that the Church work is of more importance than anything else. When they get this way they will be more careful in keeping their records and in making out their reports.

I am going to give this Sunday school information by states and as a total. I believe you will all be interested in it.

	No.	Average		No.	Average
	Schools	Attendance		Schools	Attendance
1. Alabama	12	356	19. Nebraska	3	80
2. Arizona	1	18	20. New Jersey	0	0
3. Arkansas	15	427	21. New Mexico	2	50
4. Bahamas	36	1,256	22. New York	2	155
5. Colorado	0	0	23. N. Carolina	31	993
6. East Texas	9	254	24. N. Dakota	2	29
7. Florida	24	767	25. Ohio	8	264
8. Georgia	29	1,264	26. Oklahoma	16	874
9. Illinois	3	140	27. Pennsylvania	7	240
10. Indiana	6	155	28. S. Carolina	7	305
11. Iowa	2	81	29. Tennessee	34	1,569
12. Kansas	6	226	30. Virginia	31	1,195
13. Kentucky	27	1,310	31. West Texas	3	55
14. Maryland	1	40	32. W. Virginia	13	498
15. Michigan	1	30	33. Wisconsin	1	20
16. Minnesota	2	72	34. Wyoming	4	87
17. Mississippi	21	590			
18. Missouri	14	457	Total	373	13,857

Just look what a Sunday school army, and if all of the reports were accurate, and were all sent in from all of our 555 churches, how much better showing it would make. Can't we all work a little harder to get the reports sent in to headquarters and all of them filled out accurately and correctly? And let me add one more important point. The Assembly requires each Sunday school to send in to the Publishing House one-tenth of their collections for the purpose of paying for literature to be sent to new schools for the first quarter free. All officers including overseers, pastors, and superintendents should see that this is attended to promptly at the close of every quarter. Together with me let us all say, Hurrah for the Sunday school work and its great army.

Free Literature Fund

In addition to the Sunday schools sending ten percent. of their collections to the White Wing Publishing House each quarter for the purpose of creating a free literature fund, the Assembly last year provided another plan through the V. L. B. to increase this fund. I feel quite gratified over the way the young people have taken to the plan and worked at it. It is simple, easy, and inexpensive, and yet thousands of dollars can be raised in this way if every member of the V. L. B. will comply with the requirement promptly every week. The section adopted by the Assembly reads as follows:

"We recommend that the V. L. Bs. take an offering in their meetings each week, and that each member of the V. L. B. give in the offering one cent or more as outlined in the General Overseer's address. The treasurer of the V. L. B. shall send fifty percent. or more of their weekly offering to the White Wing Publishing House, Cleveland, Tenn., to be used by the Free Literature Department in distributing Tracts, White Wing Messengers, and Sunday school literature for the first quarter to new fields in the United States. Also to send Free Literature to the Foreign Lands. This fifty percent. to be sent on the first day of each month by the V. L. B. treasurer to the White Wing Publishing House. The remaining fifty percent. of the weekly offering is to remain in the V. L. B. treasury for the use of the band as they deem best."

Since this is such a large field for usefulness it is my desire to encourage the full operation of this system for collecting money, and also recommend giving even more than fifty percent., or all that is not specially needed for other special V. L. B. expenses and needs.

Only recently we have printed our leaflet of TEACHINGS in three different languages—Russian, Ukranian, and Polish—six thousand of each. This is for the purpose of filling a demand for the continuation of our all nations program. We need other thousands in other languages. This is a great opportunity for the V. L. B., and what can be accomplished by the medium of this free literature fund is inestimable. I only hope the V. L. B. will become so interested in this glorious work until they will decide to bring a dime every week instead of a penny. Three cheers for the V. L. B. and the free literature fund.

I hope the time is not far distant that we will be able to have a free literature booth operating in or near every local church, and in every city and many towns. I trust we will soon be able to work out a systematic plan to handle this business to make it count for the most effective work so real results may be obtained.

The Church of God Flag

For more than ten years I have been contemplating suggesting a flag specially designed and prepared for the Church of God. The idea has kept growing in my mind without saying much about it to anyone. In one of the conventions this year Brother O. S. Carter made mention of a flag for the Church in one of his discourses. As I learned that I was not alone in it I thought of calling on our people to submit samples of their ideas of designs so we could take up the matter at the Assembly and decide about it and if it was passed upon favorably at the Assembly, steps could be taken to decide upon the design.

While I was in the office one day a few months ago between conventions, Brother Evans made mention of the flag as mentioned by Brother Carter. I suggested that we prepare a design and submit it to the Assembly. He made a little suggestion and I added to it until I told him to try to get a drawing by the time I got back. On my arrival he showed me what the artist had developed. It suited me fine, but studying over the Scriptures as they came before me I finally decided it would need a scepter and crown to make it complete. Then we made a search for a picture of a scepter. This was finally produced and the drawing we already had was taken to an artist to have the scepter and crown added thereto. The next thing was to get a flag made as a sample to display at the Assembly. And here is the result of our efforts.

The Scriptures that pointed out this design and the importance of having a flag and showing its usefulness all point to our Christ, and His Church in His glorious service.

"The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be." (Gen. 49:10).

This is a prophecy of Jesus, to whom the people will gather in the last days. Naturally, then, His Church should have an ensign, banner, flag, to display everywhere the Church which is His body is located.

"I shall see him, but not now: I shall behold him, but not nigh: there shall come a star out of Jacob, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel." (Num. 24:17).

This is another prophecy of the coming of Jesus and refers to Him as a star.

"Thy throne, O God, is forever and ever: the scepter of thy kingdom is a right scepter." (Ps. 45:6).

This is a prophecy of the coming of Jesus to reign as king. This is represented on the flag by the scepter, the star and the crown.

"He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:

"And he shall reign over the house of Jacob forever; and of His Kingdom there shall be no end." (Luke 1:32, 33).

"Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and we are come to worship him.

"When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

"When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy." (Matt. 2:2, 9, 10).

"But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of thy kingdom." (Heb. 1:8).

"We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts." (2 Peter 1:19).

"I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star." (Rev. 22:16).

"And he will lift up an ensign (flag) to the nations from far, and will hiss unto them from the end of the earth: and, behold, they shall come with speed swiftly." (Isa. 5:26).

"Thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I will lift up mine hand to the Gentiles, and set up my standard (ensign or flag) to the people: and they shall bring thy sons in their arms, and thy daughters shall be carried upon their shoulders." (Isa. 49:22).

"Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of the people; cast up, cast up the highway; gather out the stones; lift up a standard (ensign or flag) for the people." (Isa. 62:10).

"In that day shall the Lord of hosts be for a crown of glory, and for a diadem of beauty, unto the residue of his people." (Isa. 28:5).

"We see Jesus crowned with glory and honor." (Heb. 2:9).

All of these verses together tell the story of the flag, and also tell how this last days movement is going to draw the people of all nations. The red of the flag represents the blood of our Saviour, the blue represents truth, and white, purity. The purple of the scepter, the star and crown, represents royalty or kingship. We are to go through any oppositions and set up our flag of victory on the territory we take for our King.

We could not include any letters or writing, because the flag is to represent the Church of God in all nations and languages. When we establish a church we will soon want to raise our flag over the place and nearby should be the flag of the nation in which we are establishing the Lord's Church.

I am herewith introducing this flag and its design for consideration by the Assembly. In order to get the subject before the Assembly properly the Questions and Subjects committee should consider it and bring this subject before the Assembly in proper order. If a better and more appropriate design can be found it will be satisfactory to me. But I really think the time has come for the Church to have a flag with a design of its own, and

which cannot be duplicated by any other institution or government. Hurrah for the flag! Three cheers for the red, white, blue and purple!

The Old Budget Debt

I am sure every member in the Church who knows anything about the old "budget debt" would be ready to take a spell of rejoicing just to know how this can be paid and the mountain cast into the sea. This is something in which we are all more or less interested.

We are not quitters, nor slackers. This is the reason we never give up till we have mastered every problem. This has been a hard one to manage, but surely we are on the verge of overpowering the monster. Different committees have worked on it. Assembly after Assembly has worked on it. Different methods have been recommended and tried. Everyone has had some degree of success. But when the interest keeps on accumulating it makes it difficult to reduce the principle as we would like to do. But now I want to introduce a plan that I believe will appeal to everybody. And when we get every member of the whole church behind it surely the last penny will be paid.

Yes, I feel confident that every one present will jump into the plan at break neck speed because it so simple and easy to handle. I believe every one will want a part in it. And the first thing to do about it is to get enthused so deeply that the enthusiasm will not rub off till the drive is finally finished up and the old "budget debt" down never to rise again.

We might name this a "combination drive" composed of pencils and minutes. Sell fifty thousand pencils and ten thousand copies of the Assembly minutes. And sell them to everybody that will buy whether in or outside the Church. And this drive represents such a good cause that I feel everybody with whom we come in contact will want a supply of pencils and a copy of the minutes of this wonderful Twenty-eighth Annual Assembly.

In order to get this subject properly before the Assembly it will be necessary for the Ways and Means committee to take it up and discuss and act upon it and then let the committee bring it before the Assembly.

I am already so enthused over the prospect of success that I can hardly wait to get the plan we are suggesting into operation. I am sure everybody at the Assembly will want a pencil for personal use, and to take home to show their friends and home folks. They are useful and yet they can be used as souvenirs. Right now will be a good time to sell pencils, and think of the advertising they will give us when used by fifty thousand people.

The minutes of the Twenty-eighth Annual Assembly will be a little different, but by enlisting the backing of the Assembly, and the co-operation of all the ministers and members, mighty work can be done. Then the information contained therein will be worth far more than the cost. I have been wanting to make a drive to sell more of the minutes, not only to our own folks but also to outside friends to let them know of the success the Lord is giving us and the great work we are doing for the purpose of getting more people interested. Selling the minutes will make them more effective for good than to give them away. You get a person to buy a copy and he will read it, but often when anything of that sort is given out freely people will look upon it as being some cheap stuff and they very seldom read it.

I think I have said enough at this time about the plan to cast the big mountain into the big sea and rid ourselves of the old "budget debt." The next thing to do is to await the action of the committee and get it before the Assembly.

Some Comparisons

Much interest has been manifested at the conventions this year in raising more missionary money than last year. I believe there is a demand for a report showing the comparisons. I take pleasure in giving this comparison as our records show it. It is quite interesting to note that thirty-three of the thirty-eight conventions held brought their collections above what they were last year. The extra stir, the missionary zeal and friendly rivalry were distinctly shown while the collections were on and the counts were being checked up. I will give the states in alphabetical order this year so they will be easier found than when placed in the order of the conventions. I will also put both conventions in Florida together in one since the state is not divided in two sections like the state of Texas is. This will make thirty-seven instead of thirty-eight.

State	Last Year	This Year	Increase or decrease
1. Alabama	\$ 20.84	\$ 31.56	\$ 10.72
2. Arizona	2.56	4.44	1.88
3. Arkansas	14.54	17.38	2.84
4. Bahamas	6.92	3.50	3.42
5. Colorado	0.00	.50	.50
6. Delaware	0.00	2.00	2.00
7. East Texas	10.04	20.08	10.04
8. Florida	41.04	52.98	11.94
9. Georgia	31.62	42.00	10.38
10. Illinois	15.06	16.96	1.90
11. Indiana	3.50	21.22	17.72
12. Iowa	4.70	10.50	5.80
13. Kansas	23.66	25.76	2.10
14. Kentucky	64.84	120.80	55.96
15. Louisiana	7.14	20.00	12.86
16. Maryland	23.00	26.30	3.30
17. Michigan	4.32	2.80	1.52
18. Minnesota	54.20	125.00	70.80
19. Mississippi	64.36	128.58	64.22
20. Missouri	23.14	65.10	41.96
21. Nebraska	5.20	6.00	0.80
22. New Jersey	0.00	3.00	3.00
23. New Mexico	2.00	5.00	3.00
24. New York	400.00	250.00	150.00
25. North Carolina	28.30	34.38	6.08
26. North Dakota	28.80	30.14	1.34
27. Ohio	27.00	27.22	.22
28. Oklahoma	26.84	30.26	3.42
29. Pennsylvania	16.46	30.76	14.30
30. South Carolina	6.00	7.38	1.38
31. South Dakota	0.00	6.14	6.14
32. Tennessee	74.26	108.00	33.74
33. Virginia	37.84	123.74	85.90
34. West Texas	11.36	11.46	0.10
35. West Virginia	13.06	13.50	0.44
36. Wisconsin	10.80	7.00	3.80
37. Wyoming	8.00	37.27	29.27

Conclusion

The great strides we have made this year in our work of preparation for the return of our Lord are very gratifying. Our people are learning that it takes organization to succeed in any thing of magnitude. One man-work is slow and plodding. Two can do more than twice as much as one if they pull together. "Many hands make light work" if they are organized in a way to work in perfect harmony and regulation. Nothing can prevent success in constructive work when the material is available and a sufficient number of skilled workmen are employed to handle the project.

It is a source of much pleasure to me to know of the rapid progress we are making in our loyalty to the Bible and the covenant we made when we came into the church. Many more now than in former years have fully learned that to join the Church of God is not like joining other churches. It seems to me that the Holy Spirit is busying Himself in teaching the members what it means to take the Bible as our only rule of faith and practice and remain loyal to the obligation taken. When every member fully realizes what it means to be a true and loyal member and obey the Bible as promise was made, there will be some moving forward on all lines sure enough. And this is an every member forward move.

Some are still inclined to that back-date idea of calling conferences and excluding disloyal members, or those they judge to be disloyal. They seem to think to get rid of the disloyal acts and wrong doings they have to put away the members themselves. But many are seeing now that the disloyal acts and wrong doings can be put away and still keep the person that has been disloyal and done wrong. We are making great efforts now to keep away from out-of-date practices and keep up with the practices according to the due season.

While we feel like congratulating ourselves for the progress we are making, we do not feel that we are spreading and growing fast enough yet. We are still in the hurrying time, and we must hurry. Souls just out of our reach are just as precious as those we are reaching. Jesus died for those over on the other side of the hill as well as those on this side. Many are still out of our reach, but we are trying to stretch out far enough to reach them. It is an awful waste of souls when people die in their sins. But all of our organizing, training, and drilling are for the purpose of reaching out a little further to rescue a soul.

The other day men were hastily constructing a bridge across a deep ravine or chasm in the Tennessee mountains, as I understood it, for the purpose of rescuing a couple of deer which had in some manner got marooned. While the bridge was under construction, and the men were working hard to get it finished, one of the deer slipped off the ledge and tumbled to the bottom of the deep gulch and thus lost its life. Our constructive work by our General Assembly, our state and district conventions, regular local church programs and all, in which we are engaged, is like constructing a bridge for the rescuing of precious souls. But how many, like the deer, tumble into the depths of somewhere while we are pushing our constructive programs as fast as we can to try to reach them.

Although we have about a thousand minsters we still have not been able to put one in every state of our own beloved country with its 122,775,046 souls for whom Christ died. And while we are plodding along with our constructive programs to put the other end of the bridge in the other states, souls are dying, souls are dying before we can reach them. Then just over the border line to the north is Canada with its 9,796,800 souls that Jesus loves. I have just recently learned that in Canada there are now 1,000,064

Russians. We do not need to go to Russia to find Russians. God is sending them to our door. But while the bridge that is to bring about their deliverance is being constructed look at the number that are sinking down, sinking down.

From the same source I learned also that in Canada are 53,403 Polish people; 196,721 Ukrainians, and 107,671 Austrians. O look at the work—real foreign mission work to be done so near and yet so far because our bridge that is under construction does not reach that far. And how many that are just out of reach are going to tumble down, down, while we are hastening our constructive work as fast as we can? We hope our bridge will nose its way into Canada this year in the person of J. A. Harris, who will be introduced to the Assembly at the proper time. Brother Harris is a Russian and can carry the Church of God message to his own people in their own language. O, how wonderful this is! And our constructive program still moves on.

Then just across the border line to the southwest is a vast territory toward which we are extending our bridge. The population of Mexico is 16,404,030. But how many of these may also tumble down, down, before we will be able to reach them with our bridge. When we get this view of conditions it is no wonder our pianist sometimes plays in a way that sounds like a funeral dirge. This terrible waste of souls, O, this terrible waste of souls!

Then there is Cuba to the southeast with its 3,579,507 souls to which our bridge has not yet been extended. Two or three of our sisters made some preliminary trips over there a few years ago, but nothing was established. This was probably because their going was premature and there was no real constructive power behind them. Running out independent with no regular high-powered machinery in operation is only a waste of time and money. It is almost useless for workers to go now without being sent. But our constructive program is still intact and gradually moving on to completion. And the encouraging feature in it is the fact that the Church of God is destined to succeed. We may not be reaching out into foreign countries as fast as some others, but God is sending the foreigners into our own country and by this means we can reach them with less expense. Then when we get them saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost and saturated with Church of God doctrine and principle, then they can go to their own people and carry the message effectively because they are equipped with the high-powered machinery that will win. M. K. Kounnas and wife are of this class. They were in this country. They got the experience and fell into the Church of God and are now among their own people in Cyprus publishing the glorious message advocated by the Church of God.

Yes indeed, the Church of God is the high-powered machine described in the Scriptures. This is it that is to be made a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth. (Isa. 41:15)) This is it that shall inherit the Gentiles. (Isa. 54:3) This is it that shall "clothe thee with them all." (Isa. 49:18) This is it to which shall be brought the wealth of the Gentiles and the silver and gold to be used for the spread of the gospel. (Isa. 60:3, 9). This is it to which the multitudes will soon be coming so rapidly that our church houses and tabernacles will have to be kept open continually, day and night with a double shift of pastors, treasurers and clerks so they can take them in as fast as they come. The gold they bring for the service of the Lord will have to be taken care of by the treasurers. (Isa. 60:11) This is it that will be glorified at the time appointed (Isa. 60:7 last clause) This is it that God is now favoring and will continue to do so while the airplanes are flying until it is raptured away. This is it that is destined to cover the earth with

the message and carry it to every nation and every creature in every nation. This is it that Jesus said should baptize all nations in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. This is it that shall teach them to observe all things whatsoever He commanded His disciples. Hurrah for the Church of God of the Bible!

Now while the band plays let the congregation stand with one hand raised as a pledge of diligent service to the Church of God in covering the earth with its message. As the music ceases each one in the congregation clasp their hands in front of them as a token of holy reverence to God and a pledge of loyalty and allegiance to the Church of God and those who are over them in the Lord. As the Louisville Band breaks in with a number let marching lines be formed as programmed and everybody rejoice in the God of our salvation.

NOTE—During the delivery of this address there were many downpourings of the Spirit, demonstrations, messages, interpretations and additional teachings, explanations and instructions given by the speaker. The speaker strongly insisted that the ministers take people into the Church as soon as they are saved to prevent their being poisoned. He illustrated by how little children would drink poison enough to kill them if it was set out where they could get it. And there is poison out everywhere for new converts to get hold of. They should be taken into the Church where they could have proper care given them. (Had all ministers stand and pray and weep over conditions and see that this don't happen any more.) Strongly urged that all reports by ministers and churches be made accurately and clear and sent in promptly.

In the section concerning the White Wing Messenger, the speaker made a strong appeal for the paper, and by a special move of standing, shouting for the paper, band playing, the Assembly put itself on record as being in favor of continuing the "Every Member a Reader" campaign until this is accomplished and every family a subscriber.

The speaker insisted that all local churches should have Sunday schools. At a given time he called the overseers sitting on front row to rise quickly and dash to a certain window a little distance away. As they returned to their seats he shouted, Every local church that don't have a Sunday school is in danger of that kind of a dash.

Boosting the free literature department he strongly insisted that all Sunday schools should be prompt in sending in their ten percent., and the V. L. B.'s should raise all they can for this department. It is about time for local churches to have free literature booths for the distribution of literature. The time will soon come when our church house doors should be kept open day and night to receive people that want to come into the church.

At the close of the address the congregation arose, and each with one hand raised pledged diligent service to the Church of God in covering the earth with its message. At a certain moment the people clasped their hands in front of their faces as a token of holy reverence to God and a pledge of loyalty and allegiance to the Church of God and those over them in the Lord. Many formed in lines and marched around and finally outside of the Tabernacle.

1:20 p.m.—Dismissed for the noon recess.

2:00 p.m.—Song service led by H. C. Smith, Frances Johnson at the piano. Prayer by J. O. Hamilton. Prayer for Brother F. M. Cook, one of our ministers who was in danger of losing his eye on account of an accident.

2:35 p.m.—“Ready For Business For Our Lord,” by the General Overseer. Among other things he said:

“The great outpouring of the Holy Ghost came on the early Church after they had a business meeting. The Book tells us to carry the gospel to every creature. We want to gain on this thing. Jesus Christ said, The gates of hell shall not prevail against the Church of God. I know it is not expected for the other folks to get the people converted, but it is only the Church of God He said the gates of hell shall not prevail against. That indicates it has got to be successful then. It may look like a big job when we think of the multitudes, but we think about our God, how big and how great He is. And then when the prophets have outlined what the Church of God is, and what it is going to do, and just exactly what it must do, and will do, then it is time for us to spread out and get a little more faith. I said in the conventions that faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the Word of God. Our faith is too small. We need to have faith for big things. We want to get our faith up. This is real business for our King. Rom. 12:11. Not slothful in business means diligent and all a stir all the time.”

2:45 p.m.—Partial report of Ways and Means Committee:

Partial Report of Ways and Means Committee

To the Assembly, Greetings:

We heartily endorse the part of the Annual Address in regard to liquidating the old budget debt.

We wish to urge upon the Assembly the remarkably attractive plan recommended in the Annual Address of paying our old Budget Debt by the sale of 50,000 Church of God pencils at 5c each, and 10,000 Minutes at 25c each.

Respectfully submitted

S. O. GILLASPIE, Chairman.
W. M. LOWMAN,
M. E. WILSON,
RANDOLPH WILLIAMS,
E. C. RIDER.

This report was unanimously accepted.

As soon as this report was accepted the General Overseer proceeded to explain the plan of disposing of the pencils. The business manager joined in and the two engaged in organizing forces for definite work. The overseers, pastors and others were drawn into the plan and arrangements were soon made to take thousands of pencils to the many fields of labor to be disposed of according to the plan—sell the pencils at 5 cents each and send all money to the General Overseer.

This big drive to cast the old “Budget Debt” into the sea was received with much enthusiasm and volunteer workers were eager to engage in the big drive. Many pencils were sold right in the face of the Assembly. Nearly everybody wanted a pencil it seemed.

Explanations were also made about disposing of the ten thousand 1933 Assembly Minutes. These are to be prepared, printed and put into the hands of the sellers as early as possible under an organized and systematic plan.

3:45 p.m.—The Treasurer, A. J. Lawson, was called to make his financial report for the year.

This report was read and unanimously accepted and ordered spread on the records.

Treasurer's Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPT. 1, 1933

Tithes brought forward Sept. 1, 1932	\$ 303.61	
Tithes received this year	5,602.49	
Total	\$5,906.10	
Tithes paid out this year	5,420.83	
Balance tithes on hand Sept. 1, 1933		\$485.27
Mission brought forward Sept. 1, 1932 ..	29.85	
Mission received this year	3,508.01	
Total	3,537.86	
Mission paid out this year	3,052.06	
Balance mission on hand Sept. 1, 1933		485.80
Assembly expense brought forward Sept. 1, 1932	81.85	
Assembly expense received this year	558.55	
Total	640.40	
Assembly expense paid out this year	538.96	
Balance Assembly expense on hand Sept. 1, 1933		101.44
Tabernacle deficit brought forward Sept. 1932	9.79	
Tabernacle received this year	83.88	
Total	74.09	
Tabernacle paid out this year	124.49	
Tabernacle deficit Sept. 1, 1933		50.40
Budget brought forward Sept. 1, 1932....	41.49	
Budget received this year	74.05	
Total	115.54	
Budget paid out this year	126.17	
Deficit Sept. 1, 1933		10.63
Emergency deficit bght. ford. Sept. 1, 1932	264.69	
Emergency received this year	1,524.29	
Total	1,259.60	
Emergency paid out this year	1,909.14	
Deficit Sept. 1, 1933		649.54
Balance on hand in bank Sept. 1, 1933....		361.94

ASSETS

Printed matter and office supplies	\$ 150.00	
Furniture and fixtures (depreciated value)	400.00	
Total assets	550.00	550.00

LIABILITIES

Budget payable	4,042.77	
Represented by:		
Bank notes	\$2,958.18	
Personal notes	1,084.59	
	4,042.77	
Accounts payable	1,849.26	
Total liabilities		5,892.03
Liabilities over assets		5,342.03

**INDEBTEDNESS OF ASSEMBLY TABERNACLE BUILDING
AND ADDITIONAL PROPERTIES**

Total balance	3,916.00
Represented by bank notes and other notes	3,916.00

TOTAL EXPENSES OF THE 1933 ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

Yet to be paid	\$1,005.89
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Respectfully submitted,
A. J. LAWSON.

3:55 p.m.—White Wing Publishing House financial report by the Business Manager, A. D. Evans.

Publishing Department

Many of you in attendance at this Twenty-eighth General Assembly will recall the desire of the Assembly in 1923, to publish our own church paper, Sunday School supplies, Tracts and other publications which would be doctrinally in line with the teachings of the Church of God. Time after time it was predicted that we could not finance the venture in preaching the Gospel by the printed page, but in the face of every difficulty and discouraging feature the White Wing Publishing House was established. It is true, however, that the life of the Publishing House has hung in the balance on more than one occasion during the past few years of depression and financial shortage.

But looking back over these years of struggle in the development of the Publishing Department, it is with great satisfaction that we disclose to you that the General Overseer and Business Manager have at no time lost faith, but have ever looked forward until today. Under the blessing of God the products of the White Wing Publishing House reach into nearly every state of the Union and into many foreign countries.

Beloved, this has been a hard strenuous year and if some of you have received requests for payment of your account a little more often than you thought you should, please remember these requests were made because of necessity to keep the work going. We were forced to resort to strict economy in every department. Many expired subscriptions were stopped because we were unable to continue the paper until the subscriber was able to renew. To do this was against our desire because we knew the people wanted the paper, but as stated before, we were forced to take every step possible to economize.

Merchandise Department

During the past year a number of books, thousands of booklets and tracts have been published by the House and are now available. Anything needed in the line of Church and Sunday School supplies can be secured through this department.

Sunday School Literature

Our Sunday School Literature is still growing in circulation by leaps and bounds. Besides being used almost universally in our schools, these supplies are being used by the thousands in schools not affiliated with the Church of God. Seven different supplies in the way of Quarterlies, Leaflets, Cards and Rolls are now furnished, and the Home Class Quarterly recently added brings our list of Sunday School Supplies to eight.

Free Literature Department

We now come to the department for which the demand seems to grow greater each year. Since the last General Assembly thousands on top of thousands of free tracts, White Wing Messengers, and Sunday School Supplies have been distributed into new and needy places. These free supplies have gone into approximately 300 different fields.

The cost of this department increases as the demand for Free Literature grows. The books showing the expense of this department reveal a deficit of \$240.25. Many of you wrote us for large quantities of Free Literature but as the demand was greater than the funds with which to meet the expenses we were forced to send you small amounts and sometimes not any. This was against our desire but as the demand for Free Literature was greater than the funds with which to supply it, we felt it unwise to venture further than the \$240.25 deficit about which we have told you.

The last General Assembly provided for the Sunday Schools to send 10% of their Sunday School offerings, the V. L. Bs. to send 50% of their offerings and the Sunday School District Conventions take an offering for the Free Literature Department, but, beloved, this is not sufficient to take care of the need of the demand unless the Sunday Schools, V. L. Bs. and District Conventions all fall in line and practice the rulings of the Assembly in reference to this matter. Until this is done the Free Literature Department will be hampered and cannot take advantage of the many opportunities of spreading our literature into new fields.

The White Wing Messenger

The campaign launched last year at the General Assembly to increase the subscription list with a reduction in price to \$1.00 through the White Wing Workers was enthusiastically received by a per cent. of the membership of the church. A good portion of the White Wing Workers and Pastors entered heartily into the campaign and the subscription list has shown a substantial increase.

The work of the Pastors and the White Wing Workers this year deserves much praise and commendation. Many of them have done far more than they ever thought they could for this great preacher.

For years we have received more copy in the way of Reports, Conventions, Praises, Testimonies and Articles than we had room to publish in the paper. We have enough material on hands now to publish a White Wing Messenger

for many months. If your testimony, report or article has not appeared in the paper, please do not think that it is because we did not think it worthy of publishing but because of the limited space we just could not get everything in. We are praying that the Lord will enable at least ten thousand of our people to subscribe for the paper so we may publish it every week. My promise of last year still holds good.

We feel that we must call upon the church to a loyal support of this organ. For in some respects we believe the White Wing Messenger to be the most important factor in establishing the Church of God in these last days. It has been very noticeable that the church whose membership subscribes to and reads the White Wing Messenger regularly is a church that is alive and on fire for God. No church, minister or member can keep up with the fast progress of the Church of God and keep informed of the Teachings and Practices of the General Assembly unless they are regular readers of the White Wing Messenger.

This General Assembly will stand out in time as one of the most important in our history. Let us now stand with our backs to the first twenty-eight years of our victorious past history and our faces looking forward with vision and courage for greater manifestations of Divine Presence and for greater achievements in the salvation of men. Let us earnestly thank God for all the victories won and then let us humbly ask Him for wisdom in dealing with the problems we now face, and let us intreat Him for courage to undertake larger things for Him and His Church. Let us hope to be able at last to say in the triumphant words of the first great commissioned world Evangelist, Paul the Apostle, "We have fought a good fight, we have finished our course, we have kept the faith." Then with joyful expectancy receive our crown of righteousness.

In submitting this report, we have endeavored to present as concisely as possible the condition and operation of the White Wing Publishing House for a period of one year. Nothing would please us more than to go into details in the remarkable history of the White Wing Publishing House through these many years. But in the interest of brevity we must forego with all this and be content with saying in the words of one of old: "So built we the wall; . . . for the people had a mind to work."

White Wing Publishing House

303 Bible Place
Cleveland, Tennessee

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements, Assets, Liabilities and Surplus Reconciliation

September 1, 1932 to August 31, 1933

Bank balance Sept. 1, 1932	\$ 8.37
Total cash receipts from merchandise sales, subscriptions and borrowed money	12,350.79
Total	\$12,359.16
Expended for merchandise and operating expenses.....	12,320.47
Bank balance Aug. 31, 1933	38.69

ASSETS**Current:**

Cash in bank\$ 38.69

Accounts receivable 4,938.16

Inventories:

Merchandise\$2,569.10

Supplies 302.98 2,872.08

Total current assets\$7,848.93

Fixed:Furniture and fixtures\$1,680.81
(Depreciated Value.)

Total assets\$9,529.74

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS**Current Liabilities:**

Accounts payable\$4,888.87

Credit balances in accounts receivable 114.68

A. D. Evans 95.00

Notes payable 3,025.00

Total liabilities\$8,123.55

Excess assets over liabilities\$1,406.19

Represented by Surplus:

Balance Sept. 1, 1932\$ 208.91

Add net income for the year ended Aug. 31, 1933..... 1,197.28

Surplus Aug. 31, 1933\$1,406.19

Respectfully submitted,
A. D. EVANS.

This report was unanimously accepted and ordered spread on the records.

State Missionary Treasurers Reports

4:20 p.m.—State Missionary Treasurer's reports read by treasurers or overseers as the states were called:

State	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance
Alabama	\$ 27.85	\$ 27.85	\$
Arkansas	34.90	33.90	1.00
Arizona	2.22	2.22	
Bahamas	15.00	15.00	
Colorado	.50	.50	
Delaware	2.00	1.00	1.00
East Texas	69.57	69.57	
Florida	64.60	64.00	.60
Georgia	251.85	192.06	59.79
Illinois	19.14	19.14	
Indiana	30.81	27.45	3.36
Iowa	21.17	20.92	.25
Kansas	50.76	45.78	4.98
Kentucky	156.35	156.35	

Louisiana	29.33	23.01	6.32
Maryland	18.75	18.75	
Michigan	1.50	1.50	
Minnesota	80.57	73.73	6.84
Mississippi	125.43	101.29	24.14
Missouri	63.21	55.84	7.37
Nebraska	14.80	7.63	7.17
New Jersey	3.00	3.00	
New Mexico	3.60	3.60	
New York	205.00	205.00	
North Carolina	84.13	63.96	27.10
North Dakota	46.75	46.75	
Ohio	48.24	48.24	
Oklahoma	22.52	22.52	
Pennsylvania	217.83	214.30	3.53
South Carolina	12.55	8.87	3.68
South Dakota	3.07	3.07	
Tennessee	402.78	374.20	28.58
Virginia	205.32	205.32	
West Texas	7.52	7.52	
West Virginia	23.59	23.63	
Wisconsin	15.04	12.27	2.77
Wyoming	79.58	78.37	1.21

These reports were accepted as a whole in regular order.

4:45 p.m.—Dismissed to get ready for V. L. B. big street parade. This parade and program was for the purpose of celebrating the fifth anniversary of the institution of this auxiliary organization. It was a happy throng that gathered in the street in front of the Big Tabernacle. The first thing was to get them together in a group for a big picture. The state overseers with their banners in hand, and the local bands with their banners and other paraphernalia made an attractive group.

After the picture was taken the General Overseer proceeded to call the states in alphabetical order to get the paraders organized ready for the parade. All of the members of the V. L. B. and friends formed in line two abreast behind their respective state overseers carrying their banners and taking the lead in the march. When all were formed in the order of march the brass bands began to play and the big parade started eastward down the street. The ushers were in charge and led the parade back and forth amidst shouts of praises to God, music and songs until all were finally assembled in front of the Publishing House. It is interesting to note here that the count by the clerks gave the number thus—477 marched and carried 97 beautiful banners. This was 140 more than marched the previous year, and ten more banners.

The program for this part in the celebration called for certain ones to form on the Publishing House lawn for music, prayers, singing and speaking. At the proper moment prayer was offered by Ruth Howerton of Dyersburg, Tenn. The General Overseer then introduced Mitti Lea Adams, V. L. B. Secretary, who addressed the assemblage of young people in her free and attractive manner. This was her first public appearance before the V. L. B. in mass since her appointment. Her theme was "Work for the Church of God." Her manner and words were enjoyed and appreciated by the great mass of listeners.

Following this address was a three minutes talk by Charles T. Davidson of

Virginia. He was superintendent of the band that contributed the largest amount of money to the "Free Literature Department" during the past year. Immediately came Willard H. Boyles of Alabama, with a three minutes talk.

This ended the short open air program on the Publishing House lawn. The large assemblage was dismissed to get ready for the night service in the Tabernacle.

6:45 p.m.—The song service was led by C. N. Autry with Edith Tarpley at the piano. Prayer by John L. Sullivan, a member of the V. L. B. of Virginia. The V. L. Bs. were on the platform and had charge of the song service. Mitti Lea Adams, the V. L. B. Secretary, was again introduced to the large audience and delivered an address to the listening multitudes. The clerks describe it as follows: "This was a timely message and many good things were said to encourage the young people. Told of being healed of infantile paralysis."

7:30 p.m.—Special song by the Pineville and Arjay V. L. B. Program by Assembly Expense Committee.

8:15 p.m.—The annual Friday night big healing service came on in charge of Homer A. Tomlinson, James Daniel, C. H. Randall, Stanley R. Ferguson, Pattie K. Scotton, Randolph Williams, J. B. Baney, E. G. Murr, M. C. Harvey. Congregation sang "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Saviour" with hands raised and eyes closed. James Daniel read Luke 9:1, 2. Homer A. Tomlinson made comments and gave directions. The sick people marched by these brethren who were formed in line on the platform. As the large number passed by they were anointed and hands were laid upon them. The number estimated at more than two hundred and fifty. The power fell in a wonderful way. Many leaped, danced and talked in tongues as the Lord touched their bodies. Cripples, deaf, blind—such a wonderful scene this was to look upon.

9:00 p.m.—At this juncture the broadcasting microphone was switched on. A program of songs, music, shouts, rejoicing, big concert prayers followed. One special song by the Cleveland, Tenn., V. L. B. was dedicated to Mitti Lea Adams entitled "Victory Leaders, Hurrah." All of the other songs and music were brim full of gospel truth and fiery zeal for the Church of God.

10:30 p.m.—Big concert prayer was followed by a short fiery message and powerful exhortation by L. L. McFarland, Indiana. A mighty altar service followed—many cried out to God and were blest. While the altar service was in progress at two or three places in the great tabernacle, the healing service was continued by Homer A. Tomlinson and others. O wonderful! No words can express and no pen describe. The good work continued in full force till midnight or later.

Saturday, September 16:

5:30 a.m.—At an early hour seekers were crying out to God for the Holy Ghost. The prayer meeting opened with songs and with many interested people present. Vernon H. Smith was in charge and urged the people to pray, pray, pray. The testimony service was wonderful as many told of their healing the night before in the big healing service. Among the ailments mentioned were weak eyes, deafness, heart trouble, catarrh, T. B., rheumatism, indigestion, nervousness, infection of feet, swollen ankles, etc.

9:10 a.m.—Song service led by J. R. Kinser, Frances Johnson at piano. Prayer by G. T. Stargel, of North Carolina. Many handkerchiefs prayed over the night before were delivered.

9:40 a.m.—Annual Minister's Special in charge of the General Overseer. This consisted of a message of instructions and teaching for the purpose of encouraging and assisting the ministers in their great work of the ministry. The message must be given to the world and the saints are to be perfected and made ready for the return of the Lord.

10:45 a.m.—Tithe envelope system for local churches explained by A. D. Evans. This system had been tried with good success in some local churches and now it is being offered to others if they desire to use it.

11:00 a.m.—A selection of music by the Louisville Church of God Brass Band. Then came the White Wing Messenger hour in charge of the Editor and Business Manager. After considerable enthusiasm got well on the way W. K. Gibson came forward introducing what might be called his friendly racing program. A number of volunteer racers in securing subscriptions were divided off two by two. Each two challenged each other as to which one could get the most subscriptions. These are named as given by the clerk—Mary J. Tomlinson and J. P. Sullivan; Arthur Dunn and Mrs. R. J. Hartless; C. N. Autry and Harry Martin; Canna Bell and C. E. Gellett; W. C. Chapman and D. M. Shults; Lela J. White and C. F. Stewart; Bill Thompson and J. T. Huddleston; David Sweeney and Agnes Powers; Guy Robinson and Guy Marlow; L. L. McFarland and J. R. Bowker; Bell New and M. R. Massengill; V. L. Melton and Ollie N. Lawrence; C. L. Taylor and W. A. Elks; C. A. Knowles and J. T. Stevens; C. W. Risner and B. M. Fouts; Kurtis Bancroft and M. B. England; E. W. Butler and H. M. Moxley; Lucy Hall and May Gossett; Randolph Williams and J. R. Smith; Marvin Cowan and E. C. Nixon; John L. Sullivan and H. B. Stump; J. H. King and Bill Mathis; Grace Miles and Beatrice Ellis; R. M. Stover and Hurley Phibbs; J. R. Kent and Maude Latham; Elsie Montgomery and Clemie McAnally; J. R. Jordon and D. R. Holcomb; C. E. Powell and Ida Best; Elsie Hayes and Adelaide Williams; T. R. Carver and Melvin Pittman.

J. T. Stevens offered a crate of oranges to the one that would get the most subscriptions by Christmas.

F. F. Johnson offered a new Bible to the one that would get the most subscriptions before the Assembly closed.

J. O. Hamilton offered five dollars in gold to the one that secures the most subscriptions by the next Assembly. This friendly rivalry is considered in harmony with 1 Cor. 14:12.

12:05 p.m.—Adjourned for the noon hour.

1:30 p.m.—Song service led by J. D. Kirkland, Beulah E. Miracle at the piano. Prayer by O. S. Carter. L. A. Moxley was introduced as the only overseer that took up an offering in all his district conventions for the Free Literature fund.

2:00 p.m.—Special by Hickman Quartet, "King Needs Workers." White Wing Drive for subscriptions continued. Envelopes given out to the workers and the Bands played while the workers worked.

2:40 p.m.—Report of Missionary Secretary—Clara T. Mabe. This was accepted and ordered spread on the records.

Missionary Secretary's Report From Sept. 1, 1932 to Sept. 1, 1933

CHURCHES VISITED

Virginia	03
Tennessee	12

40 MINUTES OF 28TH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY CHURCH OF GOD

Georgia	26
Total	41
Sermons preached	70
New Bands organized	14
Homes visited	61
Letters and cards written	505

Wrote every band leader in each state just before the convention, to be presnt with a good report, and to take a special offering for the convention Missionary offering.

Wrote 12 Missionary dialogues to be printed and given out free to help stimulate the Missionary spirit.

A message kept in office for the White Wing Messenger as often as needed.

Raised \$28.70 for missionary money on my tour in Georgia.

Boosted the S. O. P. A. in Georgia and collected \$20.00 pounding for the Overseer.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash donations received from W. M. B's:

Tennessee	\$21.03
Virginia	18.48
New York	3.00
Georgia	7.79
Texas	4.25
Minnesota	5.00
Ohio	3.50
Oklahoma	4.00
Florida	2.00
Mississippi	3.50
Kansas	2.00
Kentucky	3.30
Arkansas	.55
North Carolina	2.54
Pennsylvania	.30
North Dakota	3.00
Missouri	1.55
Alabama	1.57

Total	\$87.36
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Cash freewill offerings received from churches and friends	\$39.17
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Home mission money received:

Georgia	\$10.00
Tennessee	8.00
Virginia	2.04

Total	\$20.04
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Total cash receipts	\$146.57
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Clothing, groceries, etc.	8.96
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Total receipts from all sources	\$155.53
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EXPENSE

Postage, stationery, etc.	\$12.69
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Traveling	11.02
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Total	\$23.71
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Tithes sent to headquarters	\$13.27
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Reported to three State Overseers this year.

CLARA T. MABE.

The Flag and Its Dedication

2:50 p.m.—Report of Committee No. 1—Questions and Subjects. This was recommending the adoption of a flag for the Church. The report was read, considered and accepted in regular order.

To the Twenty-Eighth Annual Assembly of the Church of God—Greetings: We, your Questions and Subjects Committee, wish to present the following for your consideration:

After taking into consideration the section of the General Overseer's Address referring to a Church flag, we are in one accord with the views expressed by the General Overseer of the adoption of a flag for the Church of God that would be suitable in all nations.

1. We recommend that this flag (flag to be exhibited) be adopted and that different sizes of the flag be made by a reliable flag company and supplied to our churches, Sunday schools and members through the White Wing Publishing House.

2. We further recommend that this Annual Assembly prohibit any church, Sunday school, or individual outside or inside of the church, attempting to draw or have drawn the likeness of this flag. This is very necessary in order to keep this flag standardized so that every Church of God flag will be exactly alike in colors, design and form.

Respectfully submitted,
Questions and Subjects Committee

C. H. RANDALL, Chairman
D. R. HOLCOMB,
B. O. FUNDERBURK,

G. T. STARGEL,
J. R. SMITH,
W. T. HOLLAND.

After the acceptance of the report of the Committee and the adoption of the flag and its design, the General Overseer gave some further information about it and reread the statement contained in his annual address for the benefit of those who did not hear the address. He reread the Scriptures that led up to the design as it now appears.

Following the Overseer's talk and reading came several messages and interpretations one after another. Stanley R. Ferguson came to the General Overseer under the power of the Spirit and led him back and forth with the flag in his hand. He then led Brother Randall and Brother Sherrill and stood them on either side of the General Overseer. The three of them lifted him up on the pulpit—the power kept on falling—they lifted him down, and next Sister Taylor actuated by the Spirit came to the platform and performed her part in the ceremony standing two sisters and a brother by the General Overseer. Other manifestations followed until the whole place seemed to be filled with the power of the Holy Ghost.

General Overseer requested all to stand and pray that God would saturate every flag that is made like this one with the power of God.

This was a wonderful dedication ceremony by the Holy Ghost dedicating the flag to the Church of God. Several expressions concerning the flag were made by as many different brethren in quick succession. O. S. Carter told how the Lord put it on his heart about the flag. Brother Randall told how the power fell in the committee room when they were considering its recommendation. The General Overseer offered a prize to the one of the four clerks that would write the best story about the flag, its adoption and dedication—his

Secretary, Brother Lawson, and Brother Evans were selected as the judges to decide.

Dedication of Church of God Flag

Ever since our General Overseer asked me to write a history of this dedication service, I have been wondering how I would find words to express its greatness; and there has been a kind of sacred feeling at every thought of the attempt; nevertheless after much prayer I have decided to make the start and trust God for the inspiration.

First, I wish to mention a few things leading up to the dedication referred to above.

The General Overseer discussed the subject of a flag for The Church of God to be displayed in all nations of the world at some length in his Annual Address, and at the same time displayed the design, giving the Scriptures to explain the Scepter, Star, and Crown and the colors Red, White, Blue and Purple.

It was on Saturday, September the 16th, that the Questions and Subjects committee brought the subject before the Assembly in regular order in their report, after which the General Overseer was asked to give the Scriptures bearing upon the subject, to which he readily and gladly responded and the following passages were read: Gen. 49:10, Num. 24:17, Psa. 45:6, Matt. 2:2, 9, 10, Isa. 62:10, 1 Pet. 1:19, Rev. 22:16, Isa. 49:2, and Heb. 2:9.

Immediately following this the Holy Ghost fell upon S. R. Ferguson and he came to the platform speaking in tongues, took the General Overseer and led him back and forth across the platform two or three times, with the flag in his hand, holding up both of his hands.

C. H. Randall and V. R. Sherrill were then led to him under the power of the Spirit. Then came a message and the interpretation, a few words of which were as follows:

"Listen, my people O! Listen, I will teach this man how to control. Come to the place of obedience. Don't rebel." At this juncture all stood, raised their hands and cried out to God.

The next scene in this great dedication service was: The General Overseer with flag in hand was stood upon the speakers stand, with uplifted hands, while the congregation of approximately two thousand waved their handkerchiefs to the glory of God, and O! what a scene as the people leaped, screamed and shouted the praises of God.

Another message flashed down over God's wireless a few words of which were:

"I am inviting you to be of one mind. United we stand. Divided we fall. I am calling thee to oneness. I am calling now as never before. Children, hearken. O! O! O! The world will know that I am with thee. I have been guiding this man and will be with him, as long as he leans upon Me. Wilt thou hope in Me and go in wisdom? I am begging you to step out upon my Word. Again I will ask you to humble yourselves." All then kneeled and prayed in concert. The volume of prayer sounded as the falling of many waters. As the sound of this prayer died away at the request of the General Overseer all stood in prayer, and asked God to saturate every flag that is made like it with the power of God, after which he said: "I had intended to have a formal dedication of the flag, but since the Lord has so wonderfully taken control of this service we will just consider it dedicated by the Holy Ghost."

Thus closed the most wonderful dedication service that I have ever had

the pleasure of witnessing. Surely the Angels of Heaven were rejoicing, and many will remember it for years to come.

L. A. MOXLEY (Assembly Clerk)).

4:25 p.m.—Committee No. 5—Missionary, gave their report. This report was read, considered and accepted in regular order and ordered spread on the records.

Missionary Committee Report

Sept. 16, 1933.

To the Twenty-eighth Annual Assembly, Greeting:

We desire first of all to give thanks to God our Heavenly Father, for the many souls that have been saved both in homeland and in the foreign lands through our united efforts in missionary support, and through the labors of our missionaries both in the homeland and in the foreign land. We send greetings especially to those missionaries laboring in foreign lands, for lo these many years, and who cannot be with us today, but unto whom our hearts go out in fellowship and love.

We also note with gratification that the cash offerings have exceeded last year, and it is not unknown to all present that this sacrifice of our people during the past year represents far more than the same amounts represented in years before the present conditions prevailed.

1. In view of the blessing of God which seems to rest with ever-increasing measure upon the present operation of our plans for raising and distributing funds of both the home and foreign missionary funds, we recommend these be continued exactly as heretofore. We do urge, however, upon all the churches and ministers and bands, that they adhere to these plans with full heart in raising all the specified offerings, and that the money be used as recommended by the Assembly. We recommend the present Foreign Missionary Committee be retained, viz: A. J. Tomlinson, chairman; A. J. Lawson, E. T. Fowler, W. M. Schneidmueller, J. R. Kinser.

2. The work of our Women's Missionary Bands has so increased in interest and enthusiasm, that we desire to recommend that Sister Clara T. Mabe be continued as the General Secretary of the Women's Missionary Bands, and that each Women's Missionary Band contribute \$1.00 a year to her support and expenses, this \$1.00 to be sent immediately after the organization of any new band, and then \$1.00 yearly to be sent to her at the time of reorganization. This \$1.00 may be taken from the regular funds.

3. We desire to urge upon all our people the needs of the great fields—for consecrated workers, and hope that many people will desire to enter new lands, into new languages, that this gospel may be preached in all the world. We have missionaries now ready to go to many lands. We urge prayer that God will supply the needs for them all to go.

Respectfully submitted,
Missionary Committee.

HOMER A. TOMLINSON, Chairman
O. A. DUDDING,
GEO. K. NICKELL,
E. T. FOWLER,
E. G. MURR.

4:30 p.m.—Assembly Expense Committee takes up an offering for expenses of the Assembly.

4:55 p.m.—Adjourned to engage in the W. M. B. parade and program in celebration of the fifth anniversary of its institution.

The great congregation passed out in the street in front of the Tabernacle. Instructions were given the great throng to separate with half on the west and half on the east. A vacant space was made in the middle where a program was put on by the Cleveland, Tenn., W. M. B. sisters in which they marched around and formed themselves in the letters W. M. B. While in this position and the great throngs on either side with their banners raised a big picture was made of the entire mass. After the picture was taken they concluded their program and all then entered heartily into the parade. They formed by states as each state was called by the General Overseer in alphabetical order commencing with Alabama. The state overseers led their respective states carrying their state banners. The Louisville Brass Band and Adams Gospel Crew played while the parade was on. The ushers led the way and doubled them back and forth till all were drawn up in front of the Publishing House in preparation for the further open air program. The count by the clerks shows 396 marched and 121 beautiful banners, besides the caps and sashes and special dress they wore.

This program called for certain persons on the Publishing House lawn—Adams Gospel Crew, Hichman Quartet, Leona Montgomery Band, Clara T. Mabe, W. M. B. Secretary; Mamie Cannon, Emma Reed, Bessie Banks, Flora Foreman. This program was in charge of Sister Mabe. (a) Music and singing by the Adams Gospel Crew. (b) Prayer by Mamie Cannon (c) Song by the Hickman Quartet. (d) Talk by Clara T. Mabe. (e) Talk by Emma Reed. (f) Concert prayer by all. (g) Song and music by the Leona Montgomery String Band. (h) W. M. B. sisters repeat after Sister Mabe as follows: I am in this W. M. B. for service—I really mean I am in this Band for service—By the help and grace of God—I will do all I can by my prayers—by my service—by my means—by asking others to give—yes, by even pleading for others to give—and in every way I can to support and help the Missionary cause along.—Yes, God helping me—I will endeavor—to do my best the whole year through.—O help me, Lord, help me—and I'll do more than I ever have done.—Amen. (i) Talk by Sister Flora Foreman. (j) Closing prayer by Sister Bessie Banks, 6:15 p.m.

6:45 p.m.—Music by Adams Gospel Crew. Music by Louisville Brass Band. Music by Minnesota String Band. Music by Georgia String Band. Power fell, congregation stood, dancing in the Spirit, clapping hands. "As I look over the congregation it seems the fullest house I have ever seen—a sea of faces."—A clerk.

7:15 p.m.—Song service led by E. R. Pulliam, Frances Johnson at the piano. Prayer by Maude Foreman. Two selections by the McMahan Quartet.

7:30 p.m.—Annual Saturday evening testimony and praise service interspersed with songs, choruses, and music, conducted by S. P. Ford. Concert prayer for the sick.

8:00 p.m.—Assembly Expense Committee program. Announcements by General Overseer about the Sunday services.

8:25 p.m.—Big concert prayer. Special selection by the Ridgedale Female Quartet.

8:35 p.m.—Short program by New York delegation in charge of Homer A. Tomlinson.

8:45 p.m.—Message by Mary Kimmer of New York—Subject, "Shirker, Jerker and Worker." Special selection by the North Carolina Silvertone Quartet.

9:10 p.m.—"There was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour."

Big congregation stood each with one hand raised and engaged in one mighty silent prayer.

9:12 p.m.—Evangelistic message by James Daniel. Altar call by J. T. Priest. Eurice Bennett sang and Edith Tarpley at piano. The altar was filled with seekers in a few moments. The workers rushed in and the great altar work continued with great interest till a late hour at night.

Sunday, September 17:

5:30 a.m.—Sunrise prayer meeting conducted by W. J. Rawls. The service was started in the good old usual way. It was wonderful to hear the good testimonies, songs and prayers. The speakers made mention of the blessings derived from the Sunrise prayer meeting. Big concert prayer lasting about thirty minutes specially for the big Sunday missionary program and the missionary work.

9:08 a.m.—Piano played softly while congregation stood and worshiped the Lord quietly. Then began to laud and praise Him in a low tone. At a signal the great mass of people raised their hands and praised the Lord with loud voices. Brass bands played furiously in praises to God. As the sound of these bands ceased the string bands began to play and sing. Special number by the Hickman quartet. Following this the General Overseer began to speak while the piano played softly. Prayer offered by S. O. Gillaspie of Illinois.

9:30 a.m.—General Overseer spoke briefly and announced that this is Missionary Day. He then introduced John A. Harris of New Jersey, our Russian Missionary. After a few words he sang a song in the Russian, Ukranian, and Polish languages. He said he came from Russia to America to get money but he got salvation. He went to Poland as a Missionary at his own expense. He spoke of his work in Canada and how he got into the Church of God and expects soon to go back to Canada to represent the Church of God there.

10:03 a.m.—Solo by Mrs. Mae Schnell of New York.

10:05 a.m.—Information about our Italian work in New York by our Italian minister, John D. Lombardi of New York. Brother Lombardi said he felt at home and was going to act like it. He gave a piece of music on a harp. He was reared a Roman Catholic but was saved about five years ago. The Italian work is opening up in different sections of New York, he said. The Italians are coming on nicely and are being taught gradually. He requested prayer for the work among the Italians.

10:20 a.m.—Special selection by the Tabernacle Quartet and another by the Ridgedale Male Quartet.

10:30 a.m.—Message, Filling up the measure, by the General Overseer—the piano played softly as he spoke. Following is a portion of the message:

“What is it for a soul to be lost? Really, nobody knows, but somebody is going to find out what it is going to mean some time. At this hour I want our people to get dipped in sympathy with people that have never heard. We have been very fortunate in being born and raised in a country where there are Bibles. Other people are just as precious but they haven't had the privilege. We have the light, we have the blessing, we must take it to others. What is it for a soul to be lost? What if it should be your son or your daughter or you? Feel it! Feel it! We must go after them to the regions beyond. We will, we will, won't we? By our prayers, won't we? By our means today, won't we? Or in person any time He calls and makes the way.

“Here is a set of consecrated men and women that are expected to be minute men and minute women. The moment God says go we want to go. We

don't want to be like the man Jesus met who said, Lord, I will go, but let me first go back home and kiss my father and mother. But he didn't get to go. We want to be so we are ready to go momentarily. It will probably not be necessary for anybody to pick up themselves during this Assembly and go off, but we want to be ready.

"We must have the power. Some people think because Paul says there is going to be people that have a form of godliness but deny the power, we must do away with all forms. We must have the forms, but want the power, too. Look how God got the children of Israel ready and in form so that at the midnight hour there were six hundred thousand men besides the women and children in order—their shoes on their feet, their staffs in one hand and roasted lamb and bitter herbs in the other. That is some, isn't it? God had Moses training these people for this journey a long time. When he got them ready to go they went out and there wasn't a feeble one among them. And besides that, there wasn't a hoof left behind. Everybody was there. I hope the time will come in our training service, which is our General Assembly and our state conventions and in our local church services, that when the hour comes for service we will all be on hands. I admit we haven't got up to that point yet where we can be on hands, but we are in the training camp, and by the time we take our departure to meet the Lord in the air we will be on hands.

"We are reaching out and feeling our way to the regions beyond. (Tabernacle Quartet sang one verse and chorus of "Regions Beyond" at this juncture).

"Not boasting of things without our measure, that is, of other men's labours; but having hope, when your faith is increased, that we shall be enlarged by you according to our rule abundantly,

"To preach the gospel in the regions beyond you, and not to boast in another man's line of things made ready to our hand." (2 Cor. 10:15, 16).

"Not boasting of things without our measure that when your faith is increased we should be enlarged to preach in the regions beyond you.

"I told you yesterday about the deer that was marooned in the Tennessee mountains. A high ledge of rocks was at the back of the deer and a deep chasm in front. Some workmen decided they wanted to save the deer and started to construct a bridge across the chasm. While they were working on the bridge one of the deer stumbled off and went to the bottom of the chasm and, of course, was killed. Then I made the statement how we are trying to press our bridge into other countries and other places to rescue those that are in sin, but how many are falling off the precipice before we get our bridge finished?

"Our message as called for on the program is 'Filling up the Measure.' But we will not boast of things without our measure, but according to the measure of the rule which God has given to us, a measure to reach even unto you. Then Paul goes on and says, not only to you but to the regions beyond you. And my soul is almost bursting now with the real feeling of what this means. And Jesus Himself says 'All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.' Somebody says that looks like a big thing for us to do. But Paul, who left us an example to follow him as he followed Christ, got big things on his mind. He did not only have them in mind for himself, but he was leading the way to the Gentile world and giving instructions so in the last days this Gentile work would be finished up.

"I want us to see and feel some things around here. I want to get a feeling in us that we will never be the same folks after we leave this General Assembly that we used to be.

(Hickman Quartet sang "All Around You Souls Are Dying.")

"I want you to feel this thing because all around you souls are dying. They are dropping off just like the deer did before you can get to them.

(Hickman Quartet sang verse of "All Around You Souls Are Dying" and the State Overseers stood and held their Bibles up. Tabernacle Quartet sang a verse of "Regions Beyond" and the Womens Missionary Band stood up and held up their Bibles).

"Jesus says, 'All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth,' and He intends that His Church, which is His body, shall represent this power. He told the Church in the beginning, which corresponds with us now or was a kind of a starting point and is to continue right on, to tarry in the city of Jerusalem until ye are endued with power from on high. And that tells as much about power for the Church as it did about power for Him. 'All power is given unto me,' and He says, you tarry until you get it, too. I am afraid we haven't been as determined about this thing as we should. 'All power is given unto me,' and then He says, 'Go ye therefore.' He and His body are one, and His body is the Church, so the Church and Jesus Christ are one.

"'Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.' He didn't tell the Church then, and doesn't tell us now to wait until the people come after us to get us to do it, but He says to do it to all nations. How many nations have we got here?"

At this juncture the General Overseer called for the different nationalities to come to the platform. Several came forward. While these stood in silence the McMahan Quartet sang a selection, the chorus of which is as follows:

Heaven is a place for the holy,
Heaven is a place for the free,
Heaven is a place for the redeemed ones,
Don't you want to go to heaven with me?
List to the call, ye people,
And the nations far over the sea;
To the white, to the black, to the yellow and brown
There's a home in heaven for thee."

As the General Overseer concluded his message he made arrangements for the big missionary collection. The big collection barrel was set in place and the missionary committee stood by it. All who had special offerings sent from any churches or local W. M. B. sisters were requested to take the lead and cast into the big barrel. Then all of the W. M. B. Sisters followed quickly with their offerings. Then the committee assisted in getting the big congregation to march around by sections and drop their offerings in the barrel. After all had apparently finished up their giving the committee chairman suggested that all make a heave offering and thus the ushers waited on the congregation quickly and gathered in more money. When the collection had been finished all gathered outside in front of the Tabernacle for a big picture. The General Overseer and Missionary Committee held the barrel of money in the forefront so it would show well in the picture. The collection was \$234.85.

12:30 p.m.—Adjourned for the noon hour.

1:20 p.m.—The opening prayer for the afternoon service was offered by Bertha Holcomb as she stood by the pulpit. Two congregational songs led by Iris M. Evans, Gladys Mitchell at the piano. The Missionary Committee inserted a program at this point—a love offering for the General Overseer and his wife. As this closed the regular program proceeded.

All nations program, General Overseer in charge, who called for the different nationalities present to come to the platform. Twelve came forward as follows: American white, American colored, African, Bulgarian, Bohemian, Indian, Italian, German, French, Russian, Swede, Bahaman.

Homer A. Tomlinson came on for a message concerning the all nations work. He told of the difficulty in getting all nationalities together in fellowship. He explained that this difficulty is largely on account of the difference in customs. This was a timely message and was received enthusiastically.

Program by East Texas delegation representing the speckled bird. They formed on platform in two groups. One group sang "The Speckled Bird", the other group sang "The Church of God." The verses were sung alternately, while others were looking on with scorn. At the last the two groups of singers joined in one and went off shouting while the funmakers cried and screamed.

3:20 p.m.—Two missionary songs by the entire W. M. B. group led by Iris M. Evans, Edith Tarpley at piano. Prayer by Beulah M. Jacobs standing at pulpit.

3:30 p.m.—Message by Clara T. Mabe, W. M. B. Secretary. "Plant a row in your garden and give it to the missionary cause. We mean to turn everything into missionary money," she said. "If you don't know what to preach, preach a missionary sermon and you will strike a live wire." Her message was full of missionary fire and zeal.

Missionary song—The Ninety and Nine—and program by the Cleveland W. M. B. Sisters. While they were singing two or three of the verses Iris M. Evans went out in search of the lost sheep and soon returned with a girl ragged and appeared to be bleeding. All rejoiced and shouted praises to God to represent the Bible story of finding the lost sheep.

4:10 p.m.—Talk about our missionary work in Jamaica B. W. I. by J. L. Kinder, our flying missionary. He gave an interesting talk about conditions in that country and the need of our work being continued there.

4:35 p.m.—Trio sang, "Take This Message To The Heathen." Missionary fire and zeal still burns was the subject of a message by Goldia Lester of Minnesota.

Fiery short talks by W. M. B. leaders, presidents and other volunteers interspersed with missionary songs and choruses—Beulah E. Miracle in charge, Edith Tarpley at the piano. Leona Montgomery and others came on with their touching song, "For This I'm Called Away." This service continued right on into the night service without any intermission. The broadcasting microphone was switched on at 5:30 p.m. and we continued our programs with scarcely any notice of it. These consisted of songs, music, shouts, praises and a general jubilee of soul food and good things. The Adams Gospel Crew, McMahan Quartet, Hickman and Tabernacle Quartets and others.

6:35 p.m.—Congregational song, and prayer by Sister Lou Lamb of Miss. Special by Erwin N. C., Quartet. Solo by R. E. Howard. Song and music by Virginia String Band. Big song by colored people led by J. R. Smith.

General Overseer earnestly exhorted the ministers to get all of the members stirred up and filled with the Holy Ghost. Go back home with the fire all over you, he said.

7:25 p.m.—Special song and program by Leonard Bohring, Iris M. Evans and others. Leonard carried a red lantern and finally bowed down at a cross while Iris representing an angel, stood nearby. The picture was beautiful and impressive.

7:30 p.m.—Assembly Expense Committee program.

7:50 p.m.—Doing our work with cheerfulness and full assurance of victory was the subject of a message by Guy F. Klapp, of Kansas City, Mo.

8:20 p.m.—Special song and music by G. W. Gifford and others—The Church of God shall rise and shine. As the song ceased Glenn blew a blast on his cornet, and the Louisville Church of God Brass Band broke in with a joyful selection. State Overseers formed in an oblong ring marching across the front of the speakers platform. As the band continued its music the congregation stood and clapped hands and rejoiced. Wonderful outpouring of the power of the Spirit of God.

8:25 p.m.—Special by the McMahan Quartet, followed with music and song by Leona Montgomery and her band of workers.

8:50 p.m.—Add weight to being cheerful and happy in our work for the Master, and emphasize having full assurance of victory. The speaker was absent and the General Overseer took up the subject and mixed it in with the unwritten program and truth revealed by quaint methods. This included special demonstrations by the overseers and others. The song, "Put Your Shoulder to the Wheel", by the colored people, was injected into the program with great enthusiasm, and was profitable in revealing truth.

Late in the evening L. L. McFarland came on with his message about getting the Holy Ghost. When the altar call was made the altar filled with seekers and a big altar service followed in big old-fashioned style.

Monday, September 18:

5:30 a.m.—Sunrise prayer meeting in charge of Jones A. Quinn of South Carolina. Songs, prayers, big healing service and ended up in an altar service.

9:30 a.m.—Song service led by J. D. Kirkland, Mamie McMahan at piano. Prayer by L. N. McKoy, North Carolina.

10:05 a.m.—Questions and answers:

Q. Shall we take a person in the Church who has two living companions but not living with either and not divorced from the last one?

A. It is considered the safest for the party to be divorced before coming into the Church. There may be some circumstances, however, that would make it safe to receive them.

Q. If a pastor quits the Church, who does the tithes go to—the state overseer or district overseer when both have been preaching there and the district overseer doesn't try to get another pastor?

A. Under such circumstances the tithes may be given to the one who does the preaching, or the state and district overseers may have a friendly agreement about the matter.

Q. What steps should be taken with a minister who has been released from a church he has been pastoring and comes back and draws some of the members to private homes to have cottage prayer meetings when there is regular service, and receives their tithes?

A. I think that is quite serious. Some kindly advice by the overseer should be given such a minister, and try to get him to cease such operations.

Q. What steps should be taken when the pastor allows the members to pay their tithes into his pocket instead of the church treasury when he knows the teachings of the Church of God?

A. This should not be done. Special instructions about the proper way to pay tithes should be given both minister and members. A minister receiving tithes in that way should stop it at once.

Q. Is it right for Church of God members to participate in programs for the purpose of raising money for other churches?

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A. We have been trying to get our people to work for the Church of God. We have often said that every drop of blood in our bodies should be used for the Church of God. We do not want to build up something that would finally stab us in the back.

Q. What about members that will not practice feet-washing?

A. When they come into the Church they promise to do this, and if they will not what are they? I think Rev. 21:8 will get pretty close to them. Such members should be talked to and prayed with until they become willing.

10:30 a.m.—Song, "Put Your Shoulder to the Wheel" by J. R. Smith and other colored folks.

10:40 a.m.—Annual talk and report of the Bahama Islands work by Stanley R. Ferguson. A few messages and interpretations during this discourse. He told about the storm and of so many people in need. Arrangements were made to gather up clothing and food and send over to the Islands to relieve the storm sufferers. Parcel Post packages may be sent direct to Stanley R. Ferguson, Box 54, Grantstown, Nassau, N. P., Bahamas. Large packages and boxes may be sent to J. R. Smith, 1642 N. W. 5th Ave., Miami, Fla., by freight or express prepaid. He will act as agent to get it across to the Islands. This information was ordered put in the minutes. Annual handshake with Brother Stanley in token of their good-will and prayers for the Island work. Some gave him gifts of money which amounted to \$32.55.

12:25 p.m.—General Overseer made a few preliminary remarks and proceeded to read the Appointment of Overseers. He expressed a hope that all would try to be satisfied as he felt he had done the best he could and reached the final conclusion only after much prayer and careful consideration. There was profound silence as the long list of names was read.

NOTE—It has been requested that the addresses of the Overseers be given in the Minutes this year, but since only a very few have permanent addresses, and most of them are changing occasionally during the year, and even at the time we make out the list for the printer only a few of the addresses are known, we feel this would be impracticable. Any time the address of any one is wanted it can be supplied from the Headquarters Office. Letters can be addressed to them any time in care of the General Overseer, 303 Bible Place, Cleveland, Tenn.

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| 1. Alabama—W. T. Holland. | 16. Haiti—Thomas A. Daxon, Missionary. |
| 2. Arizona—J. W. Abbott. | 17. Idaho—G. W. Gifford. |
| 3. Arkansas—O. N. Lawrence. | 18. Illinois—S. O. Gillaspie. |
| 4. Bahamas—Stanley R. Ferguson. | 19. Indiana—L. L. McFarland. |
| 5. California—L. R. Abbott. | 20. Iowa—J. A. Hamil. |
| 6. China—Peter N. Johnson, Missionary. | 21. Jamaica — General Overseer in charge. |
| 7. Colorado—J. T. Huddleston. | 22. Kansas—C. W. Risner. |
| 8. Connecticut—Wm. A. Burnell. | 23. Kentucky—C. H. Randall. |
| 9. Costa Rica—J. M. Price, Missionary. | 24. Louisiana—J. R. Moxley. |
| 10. Cyprus—M. K. Kounnas, Missionary. | 25. Maine—James P. Cox. |
| 11. Delaware—W. R. Sexton. | 26. Manitoba—J. A. Harris. |
| 12. East Texas—J. N. Hurley. | 27. Maryland—Tom Pentecost. |
| 13. Florida—J. F. Curry. | 28. Massachusetts — Frederick Kimmer. |
| 14. Georgia—M. E. Wilson. | 29. Michigan—Guy F. Klapp. |
| 15. Greece—M. K. Kounnas, Missionary. | 30. Minnesota— |
| | 31. Mississippi—E. C. Rider. |

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| 32. Missouri—D. R. Holcomb. | 46. Pennsylvania—V. R. Sherrill. |
| 33. Montana—Robert E. Sears. | 47. Rhode Island—John D. Lombardi. |
| 34. Nebraska—E. C. Hilton. | 48. Saskatchewan—J. A. Harris. |
| 35. Nevada—J. M. Abbott. | 49. South Carolina—J. A. West. |
| 36. New Hampshire—James H. Hawkins. | 50. South Dakota—J. L. Kinder. |
| 37. New Jersey—W. I. Campbell. | 51. Tennessee—L. A. Moxley. |
| 38. New Mexico—V. L. Melton. | 52. Turks Islands—S. R. Ferguson. |
| 39. New York—Homer A. Tomlinson. | 53. Utah—A. W. Pool. |
| 40. North Carolina—C. L. Taylor. | 54. Vermont—Grady R. Kent. |
| 41. North Dakota—Fred E. Van Denter. | 55. Virgin Islands—C. A. Farnham, Missionary. |
| 42. Ohio—Geo. K. Nickell. | 56. Virginia—W. M. Lowman. |
| 43. Oklahoma—E. G. Murr. | 57. Washington—C. H. Holley. |
| 44. Ontario—J. O. Hamilton. | 58. West Texas—J. M. Stratton. |
| 45. Oregon—C. H. Holley. | 59. West Virginia—F. J. Crowder. |
| | 60. Wisconsin—Guy Robinson. |
| | 61. Wyoming—G. W. Gifford. |

12:31 p.m.—Prayer and adjourned for the noon hour.

1:30 p.m.—Song service led by Frederick Kimmer, Marie Tomlinson at piano. Prayer by E. R. Pulliam.

1:50 p.m.—Special song—Duet by Ruth Howerton and Lula Jacobs, representatives of the Orphanage.

2:00 p.m.—Mission Orphans Home Financial Report was given by the Treasurer, Sister Nell Thomas. Report was accepted in regular order.

Mission Orphans Home

FINANCIAL REPORT

September 1, 1932 to September 1, 1933.

RECEIPTS

Church donation, cash	\$ 156.87	
From other sources	6,503.34	
Total	\$ 6,660.21	
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1932	401.77	
Total	\$ 7,061.98	\$ 7,061.98

DISBURSEMENTS

Building and grounds	\$ 117.58	
Furniture and equipment	25.00	
Investment in farming and live stock	393.17	
Notes, insurance, returned checks and legal, musical, traveling, office and miscellaneous expense	691.57	
Buying and maintenance of cars and truck	1,202.11	
Clothing, groceries, feed for live stock, fuel, hardware, supplies for children and orphanage	2,632.91	
Salaries, soliciting services, all labor connected with orphanage and gardening	1,574.11	
Total	\$ 6,636.45	\$ 6,636.45
Balance		425.53

ASSETS

Cash on hand	\$ 425.53	
Building, furniture and equipment	51,000.00	
Grocery and merchandise store rooms supply	150.00	
Live stock	500.00	
Coal	215.00	
Cars	1,600.00	
Notes receivable	40.00	
Total	\$53,930.53	\$53,930.53

LIABILITIES

Insurance	\$ 60.00	
Notes payable	160.00	
Total	\$ 220.00	220.00
Total assets over liabilities	\$53,710.53	

Respectfully submitted,
NELL THOMAS, Treasurer.

Further information was given about the home by Sister Nell Thomas. Brother J. B. Baney, the Superintendent, gave a special invitation to the friends to visit the home. A chance was given for goodwill contributions to be made for the support of the home. Several contributed small amounts to this cause as a special showing of goodwill. The offering was made after Ruth and Lula sang a special song composed by Lavenia Ferguson, a member of the personnel of the Orphanage, which she dedicated to the Assembly. An expression of thanks in recognition of her gift was made by the Assembly. The amount of the offering was \$21.14.

Composed by Ann Lavenia Ferguson

DREAMS AND VISIONS

One day when Jacob left home, slept on a stone that night,
 He dreamed he saw a ladder, from the earth to the land of light.
 And angels were descending in his wonder dream so fair,
 It reached to the Father in heaven, he saw in his vision there.

Chorus:

Now don't forget your vision and your dreams, they're surely true,
 The father may be speaking, His Spirit guides you thru.
 Cast not away your vision, just go to the Lord in prayer
 For there may be a secret of wisdom hidden there.

A warning came to Joseph, in a dream sent by the Lord,
 For him to go to Egypt, 'tis written in His word.

He traveled in a hurry, to escape King Herod's rod,
 By thus obeying his vision, he saved the Son of God.

Little Joseph was a dreamer, to Egypt he was sent
 By other wicked brothers and they would not repent.

God sent the king a vision of the cattle and the corn
 And the famine soon was coming, as Joseph had forewarned.

The king of great old Babylon had a dream of an image great,
 He called the wise men to interpret, or meet an awful fate.

But there was Prophet Daniel went to God in daily prayer,
 God gave the interpretation of the image, O, so rare.

Saul went down to Damascus to slay the Church of God,
Was struck by the road side by a light sent from the Lord.
He saw the Heavenly vision, he heard the Saviour's voice,
So he stopped persecuting, and made the Lord his choice.

2:40 p.m.—A. J. Tomlinson was selected as Editor and Publisher to serve another year. A. D. Evans was selected as Assistant Publisher and Business Manager to serve another year. A. J. Lawson was selected as Treasurer. These selections were made in regular order.

2:45 p.m.—Report of Committee No. 6, Sunday School. This report was read, considered and accepted in regular order.

Sunday School Committee Report

To the Twenty-eighth Annual Assembly of the Church of God—Greetings:

We, your Sunday School Committee, after much consideration of the wonderful progress of the Sunday School work during the past year, are of one accord in thanks and praise to God for His wonderful blessings and approval upon the work of the Sunday Schools.

In view of the blessings of God upon the entire program of the Sunday School work, as adopted by the Twenty-sixth Annual Assembly, we feel that we must urge all churches and Sunday Schools to carry out this program, a copy of which we are attaching to this report.

In addition to the program adopted by the Twenty-sixth Annual Assembly, we wish to have the following added to the program:

We recommend that a Sunday school convention of at least one day be held in every district in conjunction with the district convention. At each of these Sunday School Conventions a big general offering be taken and mailed to the White Wing Publishing House to be applied to the Free Literature Fund in supplying Free Literature for new schools and new fields as outlined in the attached committee report of the Twenty-sixth Annual Assembly.

We feel that this General Assembly should urge upon all the Sunday Schools the importance of obedience to the instructions of the Assembly in mailing to the White Wing Publishing House ten percent. of their Sunday School offerings to the Free Literature Department.

W. J. RAWLS, Chairman,
M. C. HARVEY,
G. W. GIFFORD,
J. A. HAMIL.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE NO. 6, SUNDAY SCHOOL

To the Twenty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Church of God—Greeting:

After much prayer and consideration of the progress of our Sunday Schools, we feel that it would be profitable to state in this report that out of approximately 400 churches only fifty-nine do not have Sunday Schools. We surely congratulate the Pastors and Overseers on this great achievement. However, we wish to call these fifty-nine churches that do not have Sunday Schools to the attention of the respective Overseers, so that next Assembly we shall be in position to report that 100 percent. have Sunday Schools.

Judging from the Sunday School literature distributed by our Publishing House, it appears that not less than 20,000 are attending our Sunday Schools each Sunday. This is a remarkable accomplishment, and in this 20,000 Sunday School scholars are the pastors, evangelists, superintendents and teachers of the future Church and School.

Recommendations:

1. We recommend that the State Overseer give special attention to the supervision of Sunday Schools in his respective state, and that the duties of the District Superintendents heretofore authorized be the imperative duties of the State Overseers. The Overseers shall see that Sunday Schools are organized in all churches no matter how small.

2. For years we know that one of the outstanding needs of the Church of God has been a department from which to supply free literature to new Sunday Schools, the ministers, home mission workers, women missionary bands and to others desiring to propagate the eternal messages of the glorious doctrine of the Church of God. Every year the White Wing Publishing House has scores and scores of calls from anxious workers for free literature. We believe that this department would, without doubt, be one of the leading factors in this great movement of God's in extending and promoting the message of truth of the Church of God into the widened harvest fields of this world. Every year many new Sunday Schools may be started with free literature—thousands of pamphlets giving the teachings of the Church of God could be used by our ministry and workers to a great advantage. All of these outstanding needs demand a Church of God free literature department, which can realize its beginning in our Sunday Schools.

We, therefore, recommend that each Sunday School send 10 percent. of their offerings to the White Wing Publishing House, to supply free literature to new Sunday Schools for the first quarter, and to supply other free literature to ministers, home mission workers, women missionary bands and to other anxious workers who desire to distribute our literature in needy and new fields. This 10 percent. is to be sent quarterly by the Sunday School Treasurer to the White Wing Publishing House at the end of each quarter.

3. On one Sunday during each year we recommend that a "Go to Sunday School" campaign be held and particular attention be given to seeing that parents and visitors are present. On this day special emphasis to be placed on the importance of fathers and mothers attending Sunday School.

4. We urge that our Sunday Schools shall use our own Sunday School Literature published by the White Wing Publishing House exclusively, and we urge that each Sunday School be amply supplied with literature so that each person present, no matter how many, may have either a quarterly, leaflet or card of the lesson.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. RAWLS, Chairman.

A. D. EVANS,

J. A. HAMIL.

2:50 p.m.—Report of Assembly Expense Committee. This was read and accepted in regular order.

Assembly Expense Committee

To the Twenty-eighth Annual Assembly of the Church of God—Greetings:

After prayer and much consideration we beg leave to report as follows:

Since we see the need of a larger and more substantial building to accommodate our huge crowds that attend our Assembly, we feel our offerings must be increased for this purpose. We therefore recommend that an offering be taken by every local church to exceed \$2.00 between now and the third Sunday of August, 1934, and forward to the General Treasury for Assembly Expense.

We further recommend that the General Overseer use his own method in

notifying State Overseers and Pastors concerning this offering.

Respectfully submitted,

GUY MARLOW, Chairman.
V. R. SHERRILL,
STANLEY R. FERGUSON,
FOSTER YOUNG,
L. L. M'FARLAND,
J. P. SULLIVAN.

Assembly Expense Committee.

2:55 p.m.—Song by congregation, led by C. N. Autry, Beulah E. Miracle at the piano.

3:00 p.m.—Message by E. G. Murr, Oklahoma.

4:45 p.m.—Dismissed to get ready for the All States Parade.

4:55 p.m.—Delegations from all states assembled in the street in front of the Tabernacle. General Overseer read instructions for parade. Music by Adams Gospel Crew. Music by Louisville Church of God Brass Band. Prayer by Will H. Brown. General Overseer called the states in alphabetical order—each state with banners up formed in line ready for the parade. Ushers led the way and doubled the lines of two abreast back and forth while the bands played and the marchers shouted, sang and many of them made music on their string instruments. It was indeed a happy throng formed in order as they paraded up and down the street. The count by the clerks showed that 618 marched and carried 395 banners. When all were finally assembled in front of the Publishing House a picture was made of the great mass of paraders and the closing prayer was offered by Guy Marlow. Dismissed for the evening recess.

6:40 p.m.—Song service led by E. R. Pulliam, Edith Tarpley at the piano. Prayer by C. H. Randall. Big song by the colored people in charge of Randolph Williams and Stanley R. Ferguson. Specials by Tabernacle Quartet, two numbers. Solo by Mary Kimmer. Two songs by the "Texas Stars." Music and song by the Minnesota String Band.

7:55 p.m.—Program by the Assembly Expense Committee.

8:20 p.m.—Seven and a half minutes program of singing, talking and shouting by Ralph Scotton and others of North Carolina. Big prayer for the sick. Seven and a half minutes talk by D. M. Deadrick, Texas. Special by Hickman Quartet. Music by Virginia String Band. Music, three numbers, by the Tabernacle Brass Band. Big handkerchief wave while congregation stood and praised God.

9:00 p.m.—Big program by the Georgia delegation. General Overseer called all the Georgia ministers to the platform to occupy positions close around the speaker, Sister Eurice Bennett, that took the place of the Overseer, who had been suddenly called away. While the message was going forth the others were ready with their amens of approval. Several fiery talks by others called by the speaker. As a big Georgia song was called a lot of the delegates rushed down the aisles from different places in the Tabernacle and ran up on the platform shouting and praising God. They all joined in the song and O how the power of God fell and brought great rejoicing and loud hallelujahs. As this program and music ceased the Louisville Brass Band broke in with its music. Congregation arose and praised God with loud voices, shouts and a glorious jubilee.

9:30 p.m.—Announcements by the General Overseer.

9:35 p.m.—The zeal for the Church of God and its extensive work eating me up—Who? Co-operation and united effort puts any thing over to success and triumph. This was the subject of a message by J. D. Kirkland, of Georgia.

Music—violin and piano. Four numbers by the Halfmoon Quartet. Holy Ghost Special by Virginia String Band. Song by Durham, N. C., Quartet.

10:30 p.m.—Who is on fire for God—Testify right quick—led by Virdel Stafford, of Tennessee. "How the fire burns and such fiery testimonials," wrote a clerk.

10:45 p.m.—Altar call—General Overseer in charge. Many came flocking to the altar.

Tuesday, September 19:

5:30 a.m.—Sunrise prayer meeting in charge of Ruffus J. Aldridge, of Alabama. Leader talked and encouraged the people to pray and then read a Scripture lesson. Songs, prayers, testimonies. The prayer meeting clerk who kept the records of the Sunrise prayer meeting closes his task by thanking all for giving him a place in the Assembly and states that it has been a wonderful Assembly to him.

9:15 a.m.—Song service led by Frances Adams, Mitti Lea Adams at the piano. Prayer by George K. Nickell. This was followed by a big concert prayer for the sick.

General Overseer called E. G. Murr to the platform and introduced him as the State Overseer who registered the largest attendance at his state convention. He called the name of the Cleveland, Tenn., Sunday school which sent in the largest amount of the ten percent. of the Sunday school collections to apply on the Free Literature Fund. He called F. F. Johnson and introduced him as being the pastor of the Cleveland, Tenn., church which sent in the largest amount collected for the Assembly Expense. He called Charles T. Davidson and introduced him as the Superintendent of the V. L. B. at Poplar Camp, Va., which collected and sent in the largest amount of money to apply on the Free Literature Fund. He called Goldia Lester and introduced her as pastor of the Zimmerman, Minn., church which was the first to send in the full amount of the Emergency Fund allotment. These were given due honor in the presence of the Assembly.

10:05 a.m.—Prayer by J. F. Curry.

10:10 a.m.—The A. B. M. in perfect operation a mighty factor in keeping the sheep from wandering away. The sheep must be kept or searched for and found and brought back if lost. A thousand million lost now, go after them. This was the subject of a message by F. F. Johnson, pastor at Cleveland, Tenn. Following are a few statements made in the discourse:

"We are the ones to fulfill prophecy." "We are not to bother about the mark of the beast, we are to do the work and feed the flock." Band leaders reports handed to him and he read them to the congregation. A brother came on the platform with a broom and began sweeping and kept it up till he found a piece of money that had been lost. When he found it he and others began to rejoice. This was to represent the story as shown at Luke 15:8, 9, and was to assist the speaker in driving home his message. The speaker then read a report of his work as pastor for the past year. This report is worth copying as an example for other pastors to follow.

11:00 a.m.—Installation of Overseers. While Edith Tarpley played the piano softly, the General Overseer called the names of the overseers who answered if present and came to the platform if not there already. Special song, "Here Am I, O Lord, Send Me," by a female trio. In order to get all overseers in line and in front on platform the General Overseer led off in a march down into the audience room around and back on the platform where all took their seats in proper order. Piano music during the march. General

Overseer delivered the charge and address to the Overseers and referred to the following Scriptures: Rom. 10:14, 15; Acts 13:2-4; Mark 16:20; Psalm 126:5, 6; 2 Cor. 2:14. This done, the General Overseer led the way in the formal march while the Louisville Church of God Brass Band supplied the music. Sacredly and solemnly they marched along as they seemed to feel the weight of the responsibility and spirit of the position settling down upon them. When they came back upon the platform they clinched their fists, stepped one foot forward and leaned forward as if ready to GO. This was done as General Overseer was speaking appropriately. Then followed the prayer by the General Overseer—all said Amen. Thus ended the installation ceremonies which were so sacred that we felt God's approval was upon the entire program.

12:12 p.m.—Adjourned for the noon hour.

1:35 p.m.—Song service led by Edith Weidner, Beulah Miracle at the piano. Prayer by F. F. Johnson.

Sister Scotton, of North Carolina gave out a number of anointed handkerchiefs that had been prayed over for the people to take home with them for the healing of their friends. This in accordance with Acts 19:12.

2:20 p.m.—Report of Committee No. 4, Ways and Means. This was read, considered and accepted in regular order.

Ways and Means Committee Report

To the General Assembly, Greetings:

We, your Ways and Means Committee, desire to submit the following report:

1. After prayerful consideration we feel it best to leave the tithing system just as it is, and we recommend that all ministers and members teach and practice the same as advised by our Assembly.

2. We also recommend that all the states that have not yet paid their budget as was given to them by the General Overseer, continue working and paying until the debt is paid.

3. We further recommend that the system of paying the state overseers be continued as heretofore, and that all pastors see to it at once that the State Overseers Pay Association be perfectly organized if not already done, and that all band leaders be instructed to do their best to get an average offering of not less than fifteen cents per member each month. Band leaders should assist members who are not able to pay fifteen cents per month to raise at least that amount.

4. We recommend that the \$480.00 heretofore paid from the tithe fund for office rent, continue to be paid as practiced this year from the Emergency Fund.

5. We also recommend that the Editor and Publisher of the White Wing Messenger be allowed \$2000.00 for his service and \$2000.00 for incidental expenses. Assistant Editor and Business Manager be allowed \$1400.00 and \$100.00 for incidental expenses. And the General Overseer's stenographer be allowed \$1,000.00, and the Treasurer be allowed \$850.00 and \$50.00 for incidental expenses. The above allowances are to be paid provided the funds are available.

6. We recommend that the Emergency fund be continued and that each member pay \$1.00 per year to this fund, and as the need of funds in this department is at the present very urgent, we recommend that the collection of the \$1.00 per member be arranged for by the General Overseer as early as possible, and further recommend that all give perfect co-operation to our

faithful General Overseer in putting into practice all the rulings of the Assembly.

Respectfully submitted,
S. O. GILLASPIE, Chairman,
W. M. LOWMAN,
M. E. WILSON,
RANDOLPH WILLIAMS,
E. C. RIDER.

A question arose about the ministers reporting to the state overseers as last year, using the forms similar to those used last year. Some differences of opinions were expressed but it finally concluded in a loving agreement to continue the reporting with the forms placed in a special ministers edition of the Minutes so they can be torn out as needed.

3:15 p.m.—Get your faith up for big things—How? Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the Word of God. This was the subject of a message by W. K. Gibson which was full of good instructions to encourage faith. "People didn't question God and the Jerico walls fell down flat," he said.

3:55 p.m.—Report of Committee No. 2, Watchmen. This report was read considered and accepted in regular order.

Watchmen Committee Report

We, your Watchmen Committee, beg leave to report as follows:

We have found everything going good, with only a few instances where squads were gathering together to discuss points of doctrine, etc., that might have led to undesirable attraction. All these were disbursed, and a loving spirit of fellowship prevailed.

Respectfully submitted,
W. R. SEXTON,
TOM PENTECOST,
GEO. D. WILSON.

Report of Committee No. 3, Adjustment. This report was read, considered and accepted in regular order.

Adjustment Committee Report

We, your Adjustment Committee, beg to report as follows:

We met in regular session and all that has come before us has been settled in a good sweet spirit except that which required more time, and was turned over to the proper authorities for continuance.

Respectfully submitted,
CHAS. L. TAYLOR, Chairman,
J. A. WEST,
J. R. MOXLEY,
F. J. CROWDER,
JAMES DANIEL.

Report of Committee No. 7, Assembly Expense. This report was read, considered and accepted in regular order.

Assembly Expense Committee Report

We further recommend that all churches who failed to collect their \$2.00 last year be urged to collect this amount as early as possible and send to the General Treasurer to pay on the back Assembly Expense.

We therefore recommend that the General Overseer use his own methods for collection of this offering.

Assembly Expense Committee.
GUY MARLOW, Chairman,
V. R. SHERRILL,
L. L. McFARLAND,
FOSTER YOUNG,
J. P. SULLIVAN,
STANLEY R. FERGUSON,

4:00 p.m.—“Keep on the positive or affirmative side in our teaching and preaching more than on the doubtful or gloomy and negative side,” was the subject of a message by the General Overseer. He used several Scriptures to show that all things should be done unto edifying or building as expressed by Paul. 1 Cor. 14:26.

4:40 p.m.—Sunday School Committee adds another section to their report. This report was read, considered, (General Overseer spoke highly of the Home Class Sunday school work), and accepted in regular order.

Sunday School Committee Report

To the Twenty-Eighth Annual Assembly—Greetings:

We, your Sunday School Committee, have considered the Home Class Department mentioned in the General Overseer's Annual Address, and we heartily endorse this Department and recommend that same be added to our already thriving list of Sunday School Literature.

We recommend that all of our Sunday Schools arrange to start this Home Class Department immediately.

Home Class Department Quarterlies may be secured by addressing the White Wing Publishing House.

This Department will without a doubt be a great factor in increasing the attendance and finances of the Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted,
The Sunday School Committee.
W. J. RAWLS, Chairman,
J. A. HAMIL,
G. W. GIFFORD,

4:45 p.m.—“Preach Jesus and His Church and the triumph thereof more than the antichrist and what he will do,” was the subject of a message by Randolph Williams, Florida. “This was a wonderful message and in season,” commented one of the clerks.

5:20 p.m.—The Minutes of the Assembly were formally adopted, and instructions given to the local churches that they should consider, endorse and ratify the business acts of the Assembly.

All stood and sang, “Praise God from whom all blessings flow.” Closing prayer by the General Overseer. Thus closed the business part of the Twenty-eighth Annual Assembly of the Church of God at 5:25 p.m., Sept. 19, 1933.

6:45 p.m.—Song service led by Frances Adams, Edith Tarpley at the piano. Prayer by all in concert.

7:00 p.m.—“Feel your part of the responsibility of the Church and its work and service to humanity as you go from this Assembly,” was the subject of a message to be delivered by G. T. Stargel or North Carolina. The speaker was called to leave before the time for the message, so in his absence the General Overseer referred to the subject briefly and had the congregation to repeat it after him to make it impressive.

7:15 p.m.—The big finish-up program and collection by the Assembly Expense Committee.

7:35 p.m.—Service of testimonies, songs and music in charge of the General Overseer. Congregation sang, "I am determined to hold out to the end."

8:05 p.m.—Special selection by the Ridgedale Female Quartet. (The broadcasting microphone was switched in at 8:00 p.m.).

8:10 p.m.—Without any previous notice having been given a wedding ceremony was performed by the General Overseer in the presence of perhaps five thousand people packed in the Big Tabernacle besides the multitudes who were listening in over the radio—the couple united were Miss Frances Johnson of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Mr. Julian E. Harmon of Greenville, S. C.

8:15 p.m.—Following the wedding ceremony was a program of music and singing as follows: Adams Gospel Crew, Georgia String Band, Tabernacle Quartet, McMahan Quartet, East Texas delegation, Ruth Howerton and Lula Jacobs, Rainbow Quartet, Hickman Quartet.

9:10 p.m.—"Keep the zeal and fire eating and burning the whole year through. Jesus died to save them all and to gather together in one the children of God," was the subject of a message by Beulah E. Miracle of Kentucky. This message was delivered under the anointing of the Holy Ghost.

9:52 p.m.—Half Moon Quartet came on with two numbers.

10:00 p.m.—One more big concert prayer while the great congregation stood. This sounded like the falling of many waters similar to Rev. 1:15.

10:05 p.m.—A. D. Evans announced the number of subscriptions for the White Wing taken at the Assembly. He stated that J. P. Sullivan was the winner in securing the largest number of subscriptions and thus won the Bible. Brother Sullivan requested that the Bible be given to Sister Alice Moxley, the second in the race. All of this was done with appropriate ceremonies.

10:07 p.m.—Preachers Big Consecration Service. The program for this service was followed very carefully which included consecration prayers, songs, music, handshakes and some extra specials. A feeling of extreme sacredness seemed to envelop the entire assemblage on the platform. The closing prayer was offered by W. I. Campbell of Alabama.

10:58 p.m.—Our Annual Love feast—All stood, praised God, drums beat, horns blowed, congregation clapped hands, band played, ministers raced each other around about on platform, sisters marched, many danced, shouted and praised the Lord. Indeed this was a glorious love feast and time of rejoicing which lasted for several minutes.

11:10 p.m.—The General Overseer in a brief speech thanked all who had contributed any assistance in making the Assembly a success. He enumerated the different helpers and committees and finished up by saying that if any helped that he had not mentioned he thanked them, too.

11:20 p.m.—Music by the Adams Gospel Crew while preparations were made for the closing scenes.

11:30 p.m.—When all was ready the scene disclosed a tent on platform with one sitting by it to represent Abraham, and one inside to represent Sarah. The General Overseer in charge to disclose a glorious secret which had been previously announced. A big congregation waited at this midnight hour. Scriptures were read among which was the story of Abraham sitting at the tent door in the heat of the day. (Gen. 18:1-19). As the part referring to the three men visiting Abraham, three men came up to Abraham. He prepared food for them and they ate and drank milk. The message by the General Overseer disclosed the secrets of the blessings promised to Abraham transferred from the Jews to the Gentiles. Thus the Jews were left desolate

(Matt. 23:28) as they are to this day. He showed by the Scriptures that the fullness of the blessing promised to Abraham is now about to fall on the Gentiles as the Church of God is destined to nose its way into every nation and country of the world. The program continued until about 1:20 a.m. Wednesday morning when C. H. Randall and W. M. Lowman stood at the pulpit with hands clasped and offered the closing prayers. As soon as the prayers closed some one started the song "I Need Thee Every Hour." Such a sacred feeling crept over those on the platform as well as many on the audience floor, until they seemed riveted in their places. Presently the power fell upon Sister Beulah Miracle who sang and played the piano under the power for several minutes. The sweetness of the presence of the Holy Spirit was taken as evidence that God was pleased with the Big Twenty-eighth Annual Assembly and the revelation of truth as given at the late midnight hour.

It was nearly two o'clock in the early morning when the last good-byes were said and the fellowship of sacred handshakes were engaged in that marked the final close.

A. J. TOMLINSON, General Overseer,
LILLIE DUGGAR, Private Secretary,
L. A. MOXLEY, Chief Clerk,
CORA L. RANDALL, Assistant Clerk,
J. M. STRATTON, Assistant Clerk,
NORA AUGERSON, Assistant Clerk,
R. M. STOVER, Assistant Clerk.

World Must Be Evangelized

It will take good organization and systematic methods to accomplish this task.

God's power is demonstrated in proportion to the unity and oneness of His people.

The members of the early Church were all of one accord, steadfast in the apostle's doctrine and fellowship, and the multitude that believed were of one heart and one soul, and great grace was upon them all, and mighty results followed as a consequence of their perfect unity and careful organization.

We must banish from our minds the thought of individual or local independence and haphazard spasmodic efforts.

Pull together, pull at once, pull steadily all the time is the road to success.

All members should be ready to center their minds and prayers on the one thing as a unit when calls for special prayer are made. Each one should feel his or her part of the responsibility, remembering that when one member fails it cripples or dwarfs the body until the matter pending may fail.

Instructions—Local Church Officers

1. Pastor when possible. It is necessary always to have some one selected as leader of the flock. It is the duty of the overseer of the state or province to see that every local church in his territory has a pastor or leader.

2. Clerk for every local church. It is the duty of the clerk to keep a close and careful record of the business and work of the Church, make a record and give date of organization, record the name and date of every one that joins, the name and date of every one excluded and for what cause. Keep a record of deaths, giving date of same.

Clerks should be selected at the last business meeting before each Annual Assembly to serve one year. Same one may be continued from year to year if desired. A man or woman can serve in this capacity. Care should be taken to select one that can write and compose well.

The selection should be made by mutual agreement. Talk the matter over lovingly and carefully and finally all agree upon one who is able and willing to serve.

3. Treasurer for every local church. If the church has more than one deacon it is their duty to select one of their number to act as treasurer, and if there is only one deacon, he is treasurer by virtue of his office. If there are no deacons, a treasurer can be selected in like manner as the clerk.

Note—This is not meant for an ironclad rule. A man not a deacon, or a woman may serve as treasurer.

It is advised that one person serve as both clerk and treasurer when it is convenient and satisfactory to the local church.

Each pastor, with the assistance of the deacons, if the church has deacons, should divide his members into classes of ten or twelve in each class and a leader over each class selected. These classes might be called prayer bands and each leader should keep in close touch with every member of his band like a Sunday school teacher her pupils. If any should move, the class leader should keep careful note of the place removed to and if it is too far to keep in touch with them in person, then communication should be kept up by correspondence. All of this is for the mutual spiritual, temporal and social benefit of the members. The pastor should keep in close touch with the class leaders and all the work.

Meetings for business should be held regularly every three months, or four each year. In case of special demand for it a meeting may be called any time by the pastor, leader or overseer of the state. If necessary a short business session can be held at the beginning or close of a meeting for worship.

It is suggested that where practicable in a locality the first Monday night in January, April, July and October, be observed by all local churches for their regular quarterly meetings, so as to conserve uniformity and concerted action.

The pastor should act as moderator of all business meetings. In case there is no pastor the overseer of the state has authority to act or appoint some one to preside. The leader should never act as moderator except authorized specially by the overseer of the state. Where one pastor has the care of several churches he can arrange the time for his business meetings to suit his convenience.

Attendance

Every member, both men and women, should take an interest in and make it a point to attend every business session if possible.

Arrangement

Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer should occupy seats on the platform. Deacons and other ministers near by on either side or close in front of the platform.

Order of Business

(This order is only a suggestion and not meant for an ironclad rule).

Song service by all. Prayer by some one whom the moderator may call. Short Scripture lesson, and prayer by the moderator, asking for wisdom and

direction. Song.

Clerk read minutes of last regular meeting, also of call meetings, if there have been any held.

Correction of minutes if any.

Treasurer give his report of finances. He should always give an itemized statement of receipts and disbursements and remainder in treasury.

Leader of W. M. B. give her report of the work of the band, including finances—receipts and disbursements.

Superintendent of the V. L. B. give report of the work and progress of the band including finances—receipts and disbursements.

Pastor give report of the A. B. M. and S. O. P. A. work done, amount of money raised each month, number of strays found and brought back (Luke 15:4-6) and give account of every member of his flock. (Heb. 13:17).

Reception of transferred members.

Members to transfer if any.

Unfinished business left over from last meeting.

New business.

Miscellaneous business.

Adjournment by prayer.

In these meetings matters should be discussed with love, humility and meekness. No votes should be taken to decide questions. Everything should be done with one accord and questions settled by mutual agreement. If there is division on a matter hold it over until all can agree. If one should seem obstinate and contrary, don't run the matter over him, but take up his case and investigate the cause for his obstinacy and if he shows the good spirit so that he should be heard, then show him courtesy. But if he proves to be wrong then deal with him as the Bible directs. After this is all done take up the original subject and dispose of it in harmony and love.

In case of matters that the local church cannot settle satisfactorily they should call the assistance of the overseer; if they are still not able to reach a satisfactory conclusion, it should be referred to the General Overseer.

In these business meetings women are to take no open active part in discussing or deciding questions, but should always be there and silently pray God to give wisdom and direct the men and show forth God's glory in being the glory of the men.

No one should give a message in tongues to the Church unless there is an interpreter present and then only one at a time and not more than three in a whole session.

Advice to Members

As a member you count one and should attend every regular service as far as possible. Remember no one can fill your place and the service will be that much dwarfed and crippled without your presence.

Show your love and fellowship to every one without partiality. Don't wait for others to greet you, but you greet them.

Show special courtesy to strangers who may chance to fall in with you in your meetings.

As a rule take part in the singing.

Be ready for vocal prayer when called on or prompted by the Spirit.

Be ready for testimony when such is in order.

Stand by your pastor or appointed leader and assist him in every way you can.

Always pray silently for the preacher while he delivers the message.

Always live a good straight life at home and abroad so no one can justly

think or speak of you as a hypocrite.

Guard your conversation. Be careful what you say about a brother, sister or anyone.

Don't be a critic and try to find something in others to criticise.

Examine yourself occasionally and see if you are in the faith.

Don't yield to discouragement or despondency.

Be cheerful and happy and try to make others the same.

Spend as much time as you can in secret prayer. Give yourself all you can to intercessory prayer.

Your dress should be with moderation, neat and clean, but not for show. You should never wear gold for ornament or decoration. Finger rings, bracelets, ear-rings, necklaces, locketts and large showy pins are unbecoming for a saint of God.

Always tithe your income and put it in the church treasury. Make free-will offerings besides your tithes.

Younger members should not keep company or associate too intimately with worldly outsiders.

Members should never marry sinners. Great care should be taken, with much prayer and careful consideration, regarding matrimony.

A member who may have a living companion should not marry another under any circumstances even if divorced. Neither should a member marry anyone who has a living companion although such person may be divorced.

Remember

These are the last days and perilous times have come, so it will require much watchfulness and humble prayer on your part to so live and act that you will never bring reproach on the worthy name of Christ and His Church that you so much love.

Never form too close an intimacy with the opposite sex even if they are your brothers and sisters in the Lord. Give no place to the adversary. Abstain from the very appearance of evil.

These kindly instructions and advices are given by those who are watching for your soul as they that must give an account (Heb. 13:17) and it is hoped they will be received with the same meek gentle spirit in which they are given.

That every member and especially every minister, should be a "paid up" subscriber and an earnest worker for our church paper, The White Wing Messenger.

Duties of State Overseers

Each overseer is to have the oversight of his state or territory, and as much as possible conduct or order a general evangelistic campaign over his state during the year. To see that every church is supplied with a pastor as much as lies in his power.

To divide his state or territory into districts and place over each district an overseer as previously instructed and practiced. This is not an ironclad rule, but it is considered best when there are sufficient churches in a state to make it practicable.

To conduct district meetings at intervals during the year for the mutual benefit and help of all. Special instructions concerning the Church work should be given at these district meetings.

To hold one state convention when it is thought practicable each year in some part of the state most convenient for members from all the churches

to attend.

To secure the names and addresses of every Bishop, Deacon and Evangelist located in his state and keep a record of same, so he can report to the General Overseer at the close of the year.

To secure the location of every church in the state and keep a record of same, so as to report this also to the General Overseer at the close of the year.

To visit every district and church if possible and look after the interests in every way as a pastor over a large circuit.

When a new organization is effected anywhere in the state information should be sent to the Overseer of that state, who should make a record of the same, giving date of same, names of officers, etc.

Each Overseer should be able to know at any time the name and address of every minister located in his state. He should also know the number of members in his state, keeping a record of the increase as well as decrease, so information can be obtained each year as to the total membership. This can be done by keeping in touch with the clerks of the churches.

Every minister and every clerk should take an interest in imparting this information to the overseer of their state.

In co-operation with the General Overseer they will form the Presbytery in their respective states.

Teachings of The Church of God

Over which A. J. Tomlinson is General Overseer

Cleveland, Tenn., U. S. A.

The Church of God stands for the whole Bible rightly divided—The New Testament is the only rule for government and discipline. Below is given some of the teachings that are made prominent:

1. Repentance—Mark 1:15; Luke 13:3; Acts 3:19.
2. Justification—Rom. 5:1-9; Titus 3:7.
3. Regeneration—Matt. 19:28; Titus 3:5.
4. Born Again—John 3:3; 1 Peter 1:23; 1 John 3:9.
5. Sanctification Subsequent to Justification—Rom. 5:2; 1 Cor. 1:30; 1 Thes. 4:3; Heb. 13:12; 1 John 1:9.
6. Holiness—Luke 1:74, 75; 1 Thes. 4:7; Heb. 12:14.
7. Water Baptism—Matt. 28:19; Mark 1:8-10; John 3:22, 23; Acts 8:12, 36-38; 10:47, 48; 16:33; 19:3-5.
8. Baptism With the Holy Ghost Subsequent to Cleansing; the Endowment of Power for Service—Matt. 3:11; Luke 24:49-53; Acts 1:4-8.
9. The Speaking in Tongues as the Evidence of the Baptism With the Holy Ghost—John 15:26; Acts 2:4; 10:44-46; 19:6.
10. The Full Restoration of the Gifts to the Church—1 Cor. 12:1, 7-10, 28, 31; 1 Cor. 14:1.
11. Signs Following Believers—Mark 16:17-20; Rom. 15:18, 19; Heb. 2:4.
12. Fruit of the Spirit—Rom. 6:22; Gal. 5:22, 23; Eph. 5:9; Phil. 1:11.
13. Divine Healing Provided for All in the Atonement—Psa. 103:3; Isa. 53:4, 5; Matt. 8:17; Jas. 5:14-16; 1 Peter 2:24.
14. The Lord's Supper—Luke 22:17-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-33.
15. Washing the Saints' Feet—John 13:4-17; 1 Tim. 5:10.
16. Tithing and Giving—Gen. 14:18-20, 28:20-22; Mal. 3:10; Matt. 23:23; Luke 11:42; 1 Cor. 16:2; 2 Cor. 9:6-9; Heb. 7:1-21.
17. Restitution Where Possible—Matt. 3:8; Luke 19:8, 9; Rom. 13:8.
18. Pre-millennial Second Coming of Jesus.

First: To resurrect the dead saints and to catch away the living saints to meet Him in the air—Matt. 24:27, 28; 1 Cor. 15:51, 52; 1 Thes. 4:15-17.

Second: To reign on earth a thousand years—Zech. 14:4, 5; Luke 1:32; 1 Thes. 4:14; 2 Thes. 1:7-10; Jude 1:14, 15; Rev. 5:10; 19:11-21; 20:4-6.

19. Resurrection—Isa. 26:19; Dan. 12:2; John 5:28, 29; Acts 24:15; Rev. 20:5, 6.

20. Eternal Life for the Righteous—Matt. 25:46; Luke 18:30; John 10:28; Rom. 6:22; 1 John 5:11-13.

21. Eternal Punishment for the Wicked. No Liberation nor Annihilation—Matt. 25:41-46; Mark 3:29; 2 Thes. 1:8, 9; Rev. 20:10-15; 21:8.

22. Total Abstinence From All Liquor or Strong Drinks—Prov. 20:1; 23:29-32; Isa. 28:7; 1 Cor. 5:11; 6:10; Gal. 5:21.

23. Against the Use of Tobacco In Any Form, Opium, Morphine, etc.—Isa. 55:2; 1 Cor. 10:31, 32; 2 Cor. 7:1; Eph. 5:3-8; Jas. 1:21.

24. Meats and Drinks—Rom. 14:2, 3, 17; 1 Cor. 8:8; 1 Tim. 4:1-5.

25. The Sabbath—Hosea 2:11; Rom. 13:1, 2; Rom. 14:5, 6; Col. 2:16, 17.

26. Against members wearing gold for ornament or decoration such as finger rings, bracelets, ear rings, lockets, etc.—Isa. 55:2; 1 Pet. 3:3; 1 John 2:16.

27. Against members belonging to lodges—Matt. 5:34; John 18:20; 2 Cor. 6:14-17; Jas. 5:12.

28. Against members swearing—Matt. 5:34; Jas. 5:12.

29. Against the Divorce and Remarriage Evil—Matt. 5:32; Matt. 19:3-12; Mark 10:12; Luke 16:18; Rom. 7:2, 3; 1 Cor. 5:1-5, 13; 1 Cor. 6:9, 13, 16-18; 1 Cor. 7:2, 10, 11; Rev. 2:20-22; Acts 15:28, 29; Matt. 14:3, 4.

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| 370. Seigler, John H. | 425. Thompson, J. W. |
| 371. Self, John H. | 426. Thompson, Leroy |
| 372. Settle, R. C. | 427. Thompson, Ronald |
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| 374. Shaw, Charlie T. | 429. Thurman, Thomas H. |
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| 379. Shupe, Posey O. | 434. Turner, Robert L. |
| 380. Silvers, E. J. | 435. Underwood, Jesse S. |
| 381. Silvers, Leo E. | 436. Vandergrift, John |
| 382. Simpson, Elihue | 437. Vanness, Clayborn G. |
| 383. Siplin, Thomas | 438. Vaught, Arthur L. |
| 384. Skelton, Elbert M. | 439. Walker, Elmer G. |
| 385. Sluder, Charlie | 440. Walpole, Joseph R. |
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| 389. Smith, Horace C. | 444. Wersinger, Albert F. |
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| 391. Smith, James A. | 446. White, Walter F. |
| 392. Smith, Jay | 447. Whobury, Everett |
| 393. Smith, John H. | 448. Wilbur, D. T. |
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| 395. Smith, Sherrod | 450. Williams, Edward |
| 396. Smith, Vernon H. | 451. Williams, Johnnie |
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| 399. Snyder, Clarence S. | 454. Williams, Timothy |
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| 4. Allen, Gertrude B. | 55. Crabtree, Marie I. |
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| 7. Ames, Mattie B. | 58. Curry, Lois |
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| 9. Ashworth, Rotelia L. | 60. Davis, Laura J. |
| 10. Avant, Arrie | 61. Davis, Minnie |
| 11. Bailey, Thelma R. | 62. Davis, Minnie |
| 12. Baldwin, Alice | 63. Davis, Ruby R. |
| 13. Bales, Mrs. R. M. | 64. Deadrick, Dorothy |
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| 17. Bennett, Eurice | 68. Douglas, Hazel M. |
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| 22. Bohannon, Alga | 73. English, Ruby |
| 23. Bohrman, Flora M. | 74. Farmer, Lula |
| 24. Bornaman, Edna Mae | 75. Farnham, Eliza J. |
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| 26. Brackett, Damie M. | 77. Ferguson, Rosa D. |
| 27. Bradford, Elizabeth | 78. Fischer, Edith E. |
| 28. Brooks, Arminda | 79. Fitts, Dessie F. |
| 29. Brown, Mrs. Johnnie | 80. Fitts, Fannie B. |
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| 31. Brown, Ruby O. | 82. Fleming, Daisy B. |
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| 33. Burnell, Beatrice E. | 84. Foreman, Maude |
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| 42. Childers, Julia G. | 93. Futrell, Maude F. |
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| 48. Clipper, Florence E. | 99. Gonia, Sarah E. |
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