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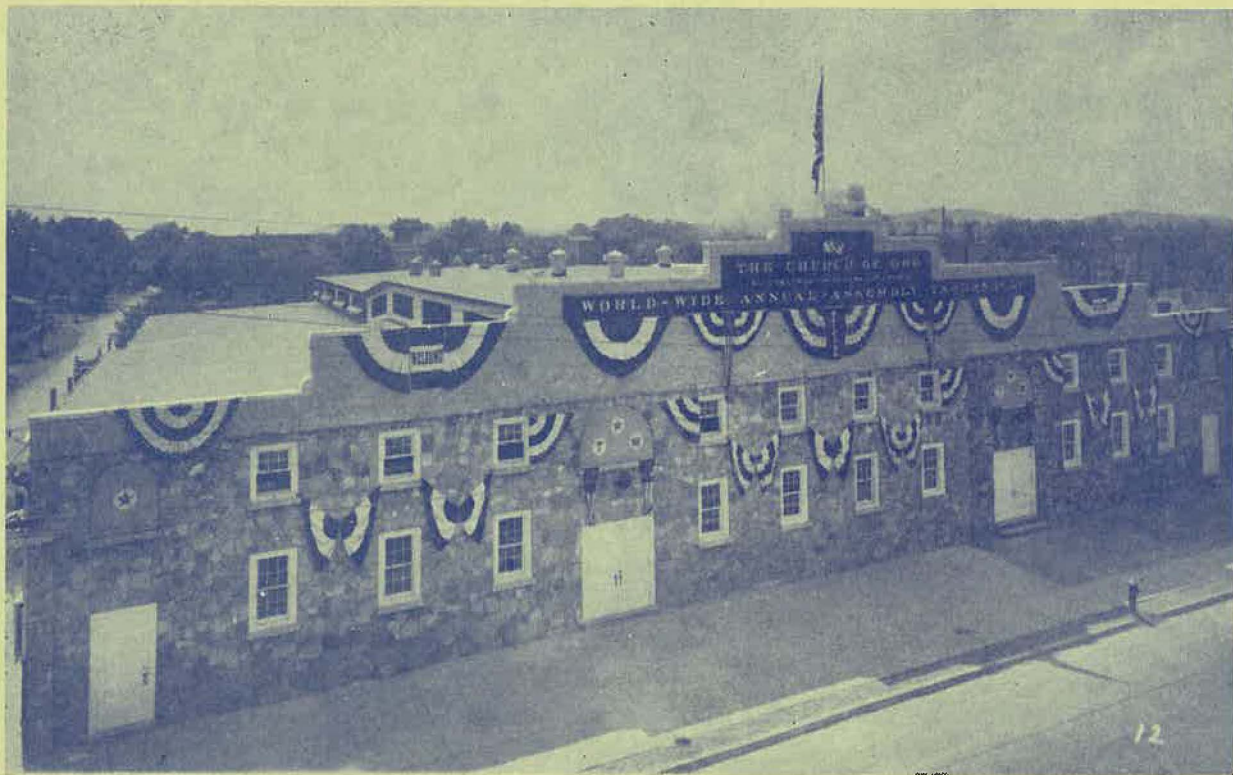


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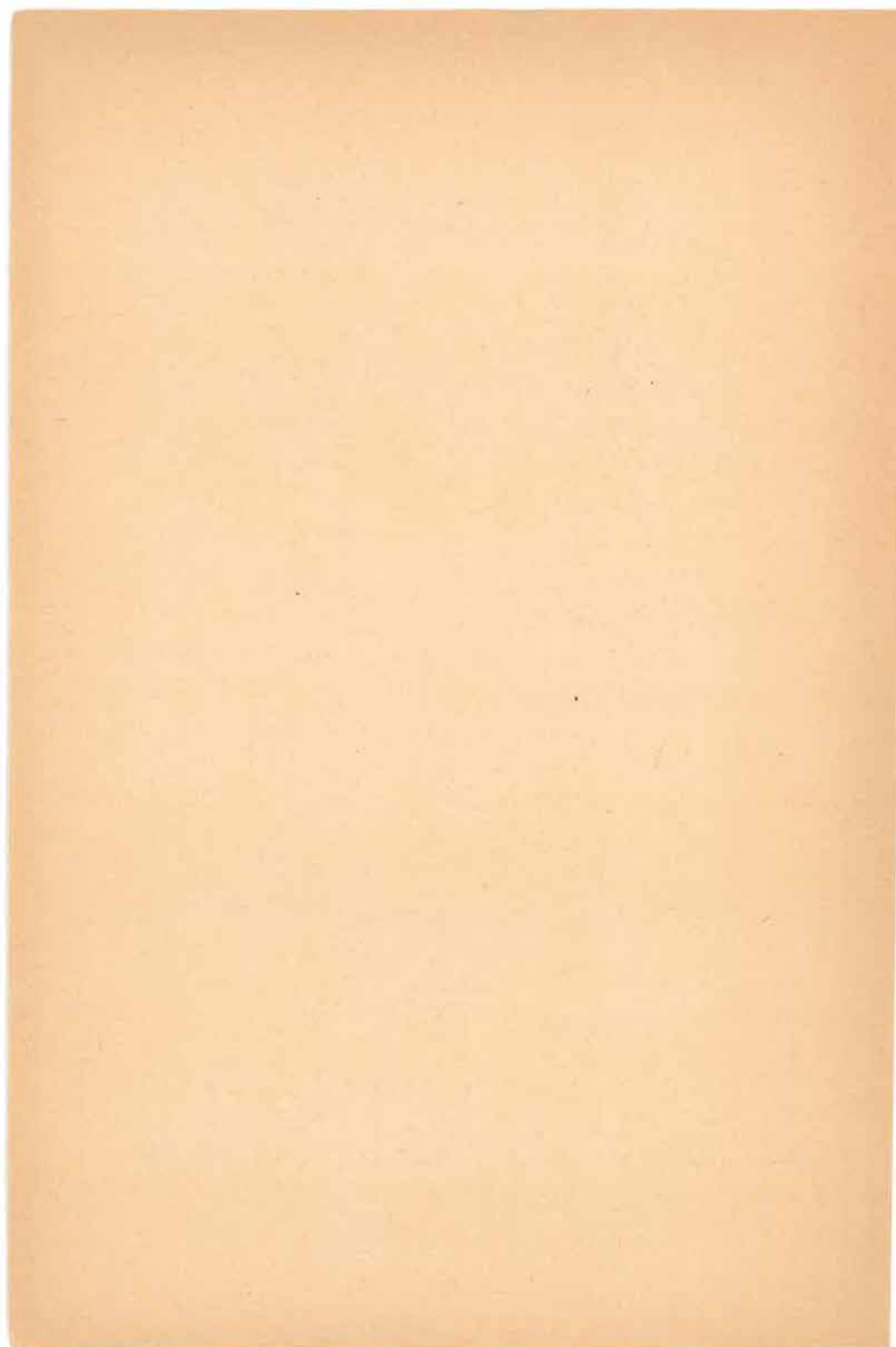
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"Put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground."

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Prefatory Notes

It is now the twelfth of November, 1941 that I start to prepare the prefatory notes for the Minutes of the Thirty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Church of God of which A. J. Tomlinson is General Overseer. On account of an epidemic of Infantile Paralysis our Assembly was postponed from September 10-16 to October 15-21 this year. This was very regrettable but it could not be prevented. Even if the time was delayed the Lord gave us a great Assembly. The Minutes are all written out ready for the printer. We are much later this year than usual but we have to bear the delay because under the circumstances it could not be otherwise.

The people came by the thousands. Not only did our own Church of God people come from nearly every state in the Union, but also many friends and enquirers after truth besides. Many are being convinced that we are the Church of Prophecy that is destined to rise and shine in the last days.

I am the only person living that has had the privilege of attending every Assembly from the first. We have not only kept the record of the first Assembly but also the date as well. The date was January 26 and 27, 1906. The number in attendance was twenty-one. The names of those in attendance were also carried down to the present time. Doubtless, it would be of interest to many to read the names of them yet. Here they are: R. G. Spurling, T. N. Elrod, W. F. Bryant, Nettie Bryant, Agnes Bryant, J. C. Murphy, Malissie M. Murphy, John Ellison, Johnnie Brown, Andrew Freeman, Alexander Hamby, R. R. Jones, Balford Crumby, Sallie Hamby, T. Ellis, N. S. Ellis, Ella Robinson, Lucy Coleman, W. M. Coleman, M. S. Lemons, A. J. Tomlinson.

Although the Assembly was five weeks later this year the weather was fine. The temperature was pleasant all the way through.

The business was carried on with good harmony and loving interest. A full description of all that happened during the mighty feast that lasted eight days cannot be given, but we are trying to tell it the best we can in this 1941 volume. Thanks to the splendid corps of clerks for their untiring efforts in making notes and in every way rendering faithful service which made it possible for the writer to make this volume both interesting and instructive.

This volume attempts to tell the story of the 1941 Annual Assembly. I trust all of our people, as well as others who may be friendly to our great last days work, will purchase copies and take good care of them, both for the information they contain, and for the history that will be of much interest and value to many who are to become enthusiastically interested in the mighty last days message.

It has been impossible for many years to pick up all the thousands in attendance and register them, but we feel the registrars did good work this year for which we thank them. This year the number has fallen off some due to the Assembly being postponed to a later date, we believe. The official count, however, has reached the good sum of 4,513 in town, 6,901 out of town, total 11,414.

The time for the next great Annual Feast—the General Assembly of the Church of God over which A. J. Tomlinson is General Overseer according to the rules governing the time, will be September 9-15, 1942.

A. J. TOMLINSON, GENERAL OVERSEER,
Cleveland, Tennessee, U. S. A.

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OF THE THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CHURCH OF GOD

A. J. Tomlinson, General Overseer

HELD IN CLEVELAND, TENN., U. S. A., OCT. 15-21, 1941

Management and Personnel of the Home and Local Organization

General Overseer, A. J. Tomlinson

Private Secretary, Lillie Duggar

SUPERINTENDENT OF COMMITTEES—Reception, Entertainment, Registrars, Ushers, Camp Ground, Order and Regulation Department—F. F. Johnson.

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POST OFFICE—J. F. Anderson.

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ENTERTAINMENT—Grady R. Kent, Edna Jones, Lessie Anderson, John McElrath, Raymond Lawson, Inez Kinser, Ressie Mae Griffith, Viola Cooper, R. C. Cannon, C. C. Lindner, Roscoe Cannon, Kathleen Pruitt, Fred Clark.

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Deadrick, Albert Wilson, Ralph Scotton, Albert Reed, Archie Melvin, Wesley H. Hill, Davis Rogers, J. W. Chapman, J. A. West, George D. Wilson, Jess Pruitt, Jack Decker, Homer Rye, Herbert Watts, James C. Palmer, Owen Ellenberg, H. C. Chapman, Paul Ion, Grady V. Horner, Zilvon Young, Estes Roberts, Earl Cowan, Walter L. Harvey, Samuel H. Lawson, Ira H. Hampton, George J. Barfield, Mack Caldwell, Roy Phipps, Paul Thompson, A. T. Griffin, H. B. Moore, Richard Talbott, Oscar Jones, H. A. Gardner, W. T. Scotton, Jerald Fox, William Clements, William Grant, Boyd Thornton, B. M. Fouts, Paul Benson, Earl Metcalf, A. D. Summerville, Fred Bocoling.

CAMP GROUND—Will H. Brown, Boon Whitmire, Bill Dooley, David R. Holcomb.

INTRODUCTORY SERVICE

Monday, October 13:

2:30 p.m.—Open air meeting in front of the Tabernacle, F. F. Johnson in charge. This service consisted of songs, prayers and a short talk by Brother Johnson.

7:00 p. m.—All committees met in groups for prayer in Tabernacle. After the prayers some songs were sung and each chairman talked briefly.

Tuesday, October 14:

9:15 a. m.—Workers consecration service in front of Tabernacle conducted by F. F. Johnson, Superintendent of Committees. Music and songs by Brother Burl Miller and wife. Prayer by Burl Miller and Freddie Reynolds. Short talk by Viridel Stafford on being ready to receive the great crowds coming to the Assembly. Scripture reading by F. F. Johnson. Closing prayer by Sister Flora Gillaspie.

2:45 p.m.—Open air song and prayer service in front of Tabernacle conducted by F. F. Johnson. There was music and singing, followed by a concert prayer. Talk by Brother Johnson. Another song, prayers by E. H. Griffith and Freddie Reynolds. These prayers were for the people on their way to the Assembly and all the Assembly work. Talk by Viridel Stafford on taking care of the delegations and registering all. Prayer by Brother W. R. Sexton, special songs, concert prayer, dismissed by S. O. Gillaspie.

6:20 p. m.—Open air program in front of Tabernacle in charge of F. F. Johnson, Viridel Stafford and J. D. Kirkland. The entire Assembly organization and others present took part in the program. Songs and prayer came first, then the committees took their places on the sidewalk carrying flags. They marched while a string band made music. Songs by all led by Milton Tomlinson. The committees, each following a chairman, marched into the Tabernacle, taking their places on balcony and speaker's platform. They formed a line around the balcony and platform. While standing in this position, flags in hand, they prayed in concert. Following the prayer the Jim Quartet sang, "Lead Me Along."

Reading—"Others" by Mamie Holcomb. She recited the poem first on west balcony. Next on the east balcony. While she was going to the

east balcony the Jim Quartet sang. They sang another song as she passed from the east balcony to the speaker's platform. At this time Mamie read some Scriptures in connection with the poem as follows:

"Them that sin rebuke before all, that OTHERS also may fear." (1 Tim. 5:20)

"And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach OTHERS also." (2 Tim. 2:2)

"For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? Is not he that sitteth at meat? But I am among you as he that serveth." (Luke 22:27)

He served others, He healed others, He counted His life as nothing and gave himself for others, and so I say,

Lord, help me live from day to day
In such a self-forgetful way,
That even when I kneel to pray,
My prayer shall be for—Others.

Help me in all the work I do
To ever be sincere and true,
And know that all I'd do for you
Must needs be done for—Others.

Let self be crucified and slain
And buried deep and all in vain
May efforts be to rise again
Unless to live for—Others.

And when my work on earth is done,
And my new work in heaven begun,
May I forget the crown I've won,
While thinking still of—Others.

Others, Lord, yes, Others,
Let this my motto be,
Help me to live for Others,
That I may live like Thee.

"The Lord God which gathered the outcasts of Israel saith, Yet will I gather OTHERS to him, besides those that are gathered unto him." (Isa. 56:8)

"And OTHER sheep I have, which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd." (John 10:16)

"And he went out about the third hour and saw OTHERS standing idle in the market place, and said unto them; Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way." (Matt. 20: 3, 4)

Jesus said, "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God." (Mark 10:14)

When this Scripture was read Mamie called for the Gleaners. The children ran from different parts of the Tabernacle, waving flags, and gathered around her. Ruth Duggar recited the following:

"We want to live for others too,
And thus our best for Jesus do.
He said to us, come unto me,
To others you shall a leader be.
Lord, make of us a living light
That others may see this pathway bright."

Mamie praised the Lord for the children and what they can do to help others. She told of their assistance in raising emergency dollars. They sang "To Be Like Jesus" in the following words:

To be like Jesus, to be like Jesus,
On earth I long to be like Him.
Myself forgetting, of others thinking,
I only ask to be like Him.

In this blessed highway that leadeth upward
Lord, help me dally to journey on.
Lifting the falling, unto Him calling,
On earth I long to be like Him.

He said the things that we do for others
We have done it unto Him,
The hungry feeding, the sick relieving,
On earth I long to be like Him.

Jesus left His home in heaven
To bring salvation full and free.
Lord help me leave myself behind me
That I may learn to be like Thee.

Short talks by a few brethren. Song by Jim Quartet.

Mighty Assembly zeal for eight days—Short message by James Daniel. At the close of his message he offered a mighty prayer. When the prayer was finished Sister Flora Gillaspie followed with a short message on the same subject. Then she prayed mightily to God.

W. M. B. in successful operation in how many states and countries—Ten minutes message by Willard H. Boyles.

A. B. M. in successful and zealous operation in how many states and countries—Short message by E. H. Griffith. He read a report from the A. B. M. Secretary of Jamaica, B. W. I.

Song by Jim Quartet.

V. L. B. in successful operation in how many states and countries—Willard H. Boyles. During her message she called for the V. L. Bs. to come to the platform. They came carrying tracts and dollars. They sang about V. L. B. Zeal.

Sunday School Zeal including Home Class and Cradle Roll—Short message by Guy Marlow.

Zeal and enthusiasm on the field—Message by S. O. Gillaspie.

Foreign Mission Work and how it is spreading—F. F. Johnson. He read letters from different foreign countries.

The need of getting the gospel to other nations in their own languages by the printed page and radio—Message by Homer A. Tomlinson. He

told of being hindered in getting plates made for tracts in foreign languages because of a shortage of metal. He made mention of our foreign groups in New York putting on radio programs in their languages and they are broadcast by short wave to other nations.

Emergency Zeal and mastering every emergency problem — L. S. Rhodes. He used a few Scriptures and displayed much zeal in mastering the problem of collecting a dollar from each member. Brother Albert Wilson followed with a short message on the same subject.

A fiery song by the Jim Quartet.

The service was closed inside the Tabernacle and continued a short while outside. The California delegates furnished music and singing. Autie E. Cleaver offered the closing prayer, 10:03 p. m.

Wednesday, October 15:

8:00 a. m.—Reception committee program in front of Tabernacle directed by Virdel B. Stafford. This program consisted of songs, individual prayers, concert prayers, prayer for sick, short talks by Brother Stafford and Brother Potts. Dismissed at 9:00 a. m.

6:05 p. m.—The Kentucky delegation formed in line near Dooley's ice cream parlor with a string band in front. The Florida delegation formed in line near the Cleveland Milling Company with the Bahama Band in front. When each band had played two numbers they started marching toward the Tabernacle playing independently of each other. The string band and the Kentucky delegates entered the Tabernacle on the east side, the Bahama Band and Florida delegates on the west side. The Trammell Band played as the bands made their way to their respective band boxes. When the music ceased the string band played and sang "Jesus Hold My Hand." Then the Bahamas Band played "Everybody Will Be Happy." The blessings of the Lord were upon the people during the singing and music. Shouts of praise and glory rang from various parts of the vast throng gathered in the large Tabernacle.

A few remarks by the General Overseer, followed by A. D. Evans.

6:40 p. m.—Song service led by A. D. Evans, Mildred Bennett at the piano. After singing a few verses Brother Evans introduced Prof. Richard Gunn of the John T. Benson Music Co., who helped compile the new song book "Songs of Amazing Grace." Brother Gunn led in singing a chorus and song. Prayer by Guy Marlow at pulpit while the congregation stood in silence.

7:00 p. m.—The program called for an offering and every one was asked to give something to obey the Scripture, "Bring an offering, and come into his courts." The bands furnished music while the offering was taken by the ushers. Brother Gillaspie prayed, consecrating the money to the service of the Master. The amount of the offering was \$79.04.

Announcements by A. D. Evans.

7:32 p. m.—Introductory and welcome address by Pastor Grady R. Kent. He used several Scriptures and spoke with much power and enthusiasm. He welcomed the delegates to the Assembly and gave a word picture of the Church of God with the ensign, its work and place in the last days. He expressed his assurance of the fact that the people who were gathered together couldn't help but feel welcome because they were at home in the Church of God. A message flashed down upon the people dur-



OPENING SERVICE found the big tabernacle packed with thousands from 40 or more states who sang the praises of God and rejoiced that they had been spared to again gather at the blessed 36th Assembly of the Church of God. This photo

ing the address. The interpretation was given which encouraged all to gather together in the Father's house.

8:03 p. m.—Song by Keeney Trio, Wilma Gonia at piano.

8:08 p. m.—The City of Cleveland welcomed the delegates through the honorable Mayor, J. Y. Elliott. He expressed a glad welcome to all the delegates. He remarked that this was the fifth time he had welcomed the delegates to the Assembly in Cleveland and he counted it a privilege. He made some mention of the infantile paralysis epidemic which caused the Assembly to be postponed in September but he believed it would be a good Assembly even if it was delayed.

8:15 p. m.—Song, "Time to Shout" by Thelma Vaught and Ethel Mae Mauzey.

8:20 p. m.—Arthur Trotter, Chief of Police, welcomed the delegates and gave some advice and instructions.

8:30 p. m.—Pattie K. Scotton came to the platform with her healing handkerchiefs. She spoke of her work in preparing aprons and handkerchiefs, and gave some instructions to those that wanted them. The Bands made music while she distributed them.

9:00 p. m.—The General Overseer walked out to front of platform, Alvin S. Moss joined him. The Bahama Band marched down from their band box to the platform behind the General Overseer, playing their instruments. A picture was made.

9:10 p. m.—Fiery short talks by Frank Cunningham and Amos Creel. The speakers displayed much zeal, power and enthusiasm.

9:20 p. m.—Song, "He Will Set Your Fields on Fire," by Joseph, Ethel and Lennie.

9:25 p. m.—Concert prayer. This was a mighty prayer for the Assembly, all men, our country, all countries, all in authority, our members and ministers.

9:30 p. m.—Message—World's Greatest Hunting Expedition, by Dorothy Deadrick. She used the following Scriptures Jer. 16:16; Isa. 52:10; Isa. 14:26. A few excerpts follow:

"We are hunting the souls of men so that we can take them this message of salvation.—The entire world is our hunting ground.—When this war has ceased this message will go like a flame of fire.—The Church of God is fully able to take this world for Jesus Christ.—We believe the work is going to be done.—I believe God is going to lay the burden of this upon a multitude of people to help carry this last days message."

9:58 p. m.—Announcements by the General Overseer. Congregation was dismissed to go to railroad crossing for special program—Receiving the streamline train Tennessean and crew. The Bahama Brass Band led the way making music.

When the multitude of people arrived at the crossing, the Bahama Band played a fiery selection and the people waved flags and handkerchiefs and praised the Lord. Brother Homer A. Tomlinson explained the purpose of the gathering, described the new streamline train that would soon arrive, and told of the worth of this program to the Church of God and getting this message to all the world. A public address system was used so all the people could hear, and flood lights were furnished by K. W. Bancroft of Idaho. Pictures were made of the large company of people.

The train with its great headlight waving back and forth came in and nosed its way right up to the edge of Central Avenue at 10:30 p. m., and

thrills of joy and glory ran through the packed throng. Tears were in the eyes of some and others praised the Lord in an undertone, while still others shouted aloud. As soon as the train stopped the train crew composed of the Conductor, Engineer, Fireman, Train Passenger Representative, Hostess and dining car Steward alighted from the train and came to the front of the engine where arrangements were made for the program. They were received by the General Overseer and others. A picture was made of the train crew, the General Overseer and others. A Church of God flag was placed on the huge engine.

After ten minutes of ceremonies the whistle blew, the bell rang and the beautiful train went on its way. The Bahama Band played and handkerchiefs and flags waved as the train left.

This program was broadcast by short-wave through WAPO, Chattanooga. It is the first Assembly at which was utilized a short-wave radio to broadcast ceremonies in connection with the streamline train stopping near the tabernacle.

The large congregation returned to the tabernacle and the service was continued there.

10:50 p. m.—Song by Mildred Bennett and Lecia Haynes—"Somebody Knows."

10:55 p. m.—Message—Get the Holy Ghost before it is forever too late, Kate Tabor. The speaker emphasized the necessity of being in possession of the Holy Ghost in these last days. A person is empty and unfit for service without the Holy Ghost.

11:13 p. m.—Altar call by Beulah E. Miracle. Brother Raymond Pruitt led the singing for the altar call with Mildred Bennett at the piano. The altars were quickly filled with seekers and many prayed through to the experience they sought.

Thursday, October 16:

5:30 a. m.—Sunrise prayer meeting in charge of D. M. Shults. The interest and enthusiasm was at a high pitch right in the beginning. The singing arose from full hearts with a desire to praise and magnify the Lord. The voices sounded out clear and strong in the big concert prayer. Brother Shults talked briefly and called on Brother George Englebert to lead the testimony service. Brother Englebert told how he received light on the Church of God and became a member, then gave opportunity for others to testify. The fiery testimonies were interspersed with songs, hand claps, shouts and praises. The service had to close for the next service before all had testified, so the congregation stood and praised the Lord together.

6:30 a. m.—Program by George Englebert and others. This consisted of music and singing.

6:47 a. m.—Song service led by George Englebert, Ruth Mays at the piano. Prayer by Autie E. Cleaver at pulpit.

7:00 a. m.—Opening of the Assembly by the General Overseer. He read Isaiah 60:1-9. He then prayed while the congregation stood in silence. At the close of the prayer he stated, "This is the opening of the thirty-sixth Annual Assembly."

7:10 a. m.—Appointment of committees.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

No. 1. Questions and Subjects—B. O. Funderburk, D. R. Holcomb, J.

R. Smith, C. L. Taylor, E. A. McDonald.

No. 2. Watchmen—Joe C. Crews, W. A. Newsom, Leo E. Silvers.

No. 3. Adjustment—W. M. Lowman, W. J. Vandergriff, Wynn Stockdale, Wesley H. Carter, George D. Wilson.

No. 4. Ways and Means—S. O. Gillaspie, L. A. Moxley, Alvin S. Moss, G. W. Durham, G. C. Decker.

No. 5. Assembly Expense—V. R. Sherrill, C. W. Risner, Vernon H. Smith, Wilton Musselwhite, Wm. G. Hardin, C. R. Payne, D. H. Queener.

No. 6. Auxiliary Boosters—J. P. Sullivan, M. E. Wilson, D. M. Deadrick, J. B. Wright, J. D. Kirkland, M. S. Curry, L. S. Rhodes.

7:18 a. m.—Special prayer for committees, Overseers, delegations and programs by W. A. Newsom at pulpit.

7:26 a. m.—The General Overseer read from the program and gave some instructions concerning the marches.

7:34 a. m.—Sharp trumpet blast by Hermis Ferguson.

Call of states and provinces and their response with music, songs, marches, display of banners and flags, short talks by the Overseers and others, shouts, dances, rejoicing. One wave of glory and blessing followed another all during the day and far into the night. In calling the states the work was organized so that when one delegation left the platform the next one would march on. This made two states marching at the same time usually. The marches were directed by the ushers. Clerks counted the delegates, banners, flags, musical instruments, etc.

1. Alabama—G. W. Durham, Overseer—Music, one hundred and four marched, carried seventeen banners, thirty-seven flags, six musical instruments. Songs, talks by Overseer and others.

2. Arkansas—D. M. Shults, Overseer—Music, fifty-two marched, carried eleven banners, eighteen flags, five musical instruments. Songs, talks by the Overseer and his state secretaries.

3. Bahamas—Alvin S. Moss, Overseer—Music, twenty-two marched, carried five banners, two flags, fifteen instruments. Songs, talk by Overseer.

4. California—E. J. Bias, representative—Music, four marched, three banners, three instruments. Songs, talk by Brother Bias.

5. Colorado—F. F. Johnson, representative—Music, eleven marched, one banner, seven flags, one instrument. Songs, talk by Brother Johnson and a state secretary.

6. Cuba—C. H. Holly, Missionary—Music, two marched, two banners, one flag. Talk by Brother Holley.

7. China—Peter N. Johnson, Missionary—Music, three marched, three flags, talk by Brother Johnson.

8. District of Columbia—John W. Woods, representative. Music, four marched, two banners, two flags. Talks by Brother Woods and one other.

9. Delaware—W. R. Sexton, Overseer. Music, eight marched, carried three banners. Songs, talk by Overseer.

10. East Texas — W. J. Vandergriff, Overseer. Music, seventy-five marched, thirty-six banners, seven flags, two instruments. Songs, talk by Overseer.

11. Florida—M. S. Curry, Overseer. Music, forty-six marched, carried twenty-two banners, fourteen flags, five instruments. Songs, talk by Overseer.

12. Georgia—M. E. Wilson, Overseer. Music, two hundred and three

marched, carried forty-eight banners, thirty-three flags, seven instruments. Songs, talk by Overseer.

13 Idaho—K. W. Bancroft, Overseer. Music, twelve marched, carried eleven banners, twelve flags, one instrument. Songs, talks by Overseer and others.

14. Illinois—George D. Wilson, Overseer. Music, twenty-two marched, carried twenty-one banners, three flags. Songs, talk by Overseer and one other.

15. Indiana—R. C. Neblett, Overseer. Music, thirty-four marched, fourteen flags, sixteen banners, five instruments. Songs, talk by Overseer.

16. Iowa—Wesley H. Carter, Overseer. Music, fifteen marched, carried ten banners, nine flags, three instruments. Songs, talk by Overseer and others.

17. Jamaica, B. W. I.—F. F. Johnson, representative. Music, one marched, carried banner and two flags. Brother Johnson read a report of the work in Jamaica from the Overseer. Also read a letter of greetings from Haiti.

18. Kansas—C. W. Risner, Overseer. Music, eighteen marched, carried nine banners, three flags, two instruments. Songs, talk by Overseer.

19. Kentucky—C. R. Payne, Overseer. Music, one hundred eighty-seven marched, carried fifteen banners, fifty-six flags, three instruments. Songs, talks by Overseer, state secretaries and others.

20. Manitoba, Canada—J. A. Harris, Overseer. Music, six marched, carried four banners, three flags, one instrument. Songs, talks by Overseer and others.

21. Maryland—Norman C. Taylor, Overseer. Music, thirteen marched, carried ten banners, seven flags. Song, talk by Overseer.

22. Michigan—Vernon H. Smith, Overseer. Music, twenty-two marched, sixteen banners, fifteen flags, three instruments. Song, talk by Overseer.

23. Minnesota—Paul M. Snodgrass, Overseer. Music, ten marched, carried seven banners, one flag, two instruments. Songs, talks by Overseer and others.

24. Mississippi—B. O. Funderburk, Overseer. Music, one hundred thirteen marched, eleven banners, twenty-two flags, four instruments. Songs, talks by Overseer and W. M. B. state secretary.

25. Connecticut—Otto Koelz, Overseer. Music, three marched, three banners, one flag. Songs, talks by Overseer and others.

26. Missouri—D. R. Holcomb, Overseer. Music, fifty-eight marched, twenty-one banners, thirty-one flags, seven instruments. Songs, talks by Overseer and others.

27. Montana—G. C. Decker, Overseer. Music, five marched, carried five flags. Song, talk by Overseer.

28. Nebraska—C. E. Manning, Overseer. Music, nine marched, carried three banners, three flags, three instruments. Songs, talk by Overseer and others.

29. New Jersey, New York—Samuel Gogoff, Homer A. Tomlinson, Overseers. Music, fourteen marched, carried four banners, eleven flags, one instrument. Songs, talks by Overseers and others.

30. New Mexico—Jess R. Rainwater, Overseer. Music, five marched, two banners, two flags, two instruments. Songs, talk by Overseer.

31. North Carolina—C. L. Taylor, Overseer. Music, one hundred and one marched, carried thirteen banners, forty flags, five instruments. Songs,

talks by overseer and others.

32. North Dakota—P. G. Shroyer, Overseer. Music, two marched, carried one banner, two flags, one instrument. Song, talk by Overseer.

33. Ohio—James B. Wright, Overseer. Music, forty-five marched, carried twenty-six banners, ten flags, four instruments. Songs, talk by Overseer.

34. Oklahoma—D. H. Queener, Overseer. Music, thirty-four marched, carried seven banners, fourteen flags, four instruments. Songs, talk by Overseer.

35. Ontario, Canada—Vernon H. Smith, Overseer. Music, six marched, one banner, six flags, one instrument. Song, talk by Overseer.

36. Oregon—R. L. Teague, Overseer. Music, eleven marched, five banners, eight flags, one instrument. Songs, talks by Overseer and others.

37. Pennsylvania—V. R. Sherrill, Overseer. Music, sixty-one marched, carried fifteen banners, seventeen flags, one instrument. Song, talks by Overseer and others.

38. South Carolina—E. A. McDonald, Overseer. Music, ninety-six marched, carried fourteen banners, twenty-seven flags, nine instruments. Songs, talks by Overseer and others.

39. South Dakota—F. E. Van Deventer, Overseer. Music, nine marched, five banners, seven flags, one instrument. Songs, talks by Overseer and state V. L. B. secretary.

40. Tennessee—L. A. Moxley, Overseer. Music, two hundred sixty-six marched, carried thirty-five banners, one hundred twenty-five flags. Song, talk by Overseer.

41. Turks Islands—Alvin S. Moss, Overseer. Music, three marched, one banner, four flags. Talk by Overseer.

42. Virginia—W. M. Lowman, Overseer. Music, one hundred fifty-seven marched, carried forty-two banners, thirty-eight flags, five instruments. Songs, talk by Overseer.

43. Washington—J. O. Calvin, Overseer. Music, six marched, three banners, five flags, three instruments. Song, talk by Overseer.

44. West Texas—Herbert Priest, representative. Music, eleven marched, three banners, four flags, four instruments. Songs, talk by Brother Priest.

45. West Virginia—D. J. Eller, Overseer. Music, forty-two marched, twenty-two banners, four instruments. Songs, talk by Overseer and others.

46. Wisconsin—E. S. Johns, Overseer. Music, twenty-two marched, seventeen banners, eight flags, one instrument. Songs, talks by Overseer and others.

47. Wyoming—G. C. Decker, Overseer. Music, thirty-four marched, eleven banners, twenty-two flags, five instruments. Songs, talk by Overseer.

48. Louisiana—Grady Mayhall, Overseer. Music, two marched. Song, talks by Overseer and Brother J. T. Priest.

11:11 p. m.—Congregation stood while Hermis Ferguson gave a short trumpet blast to show the closing of the call of states had come.

11:12 p. m.—Song service led by C. F. Reynolds, Elizabeth Hunter at the piano. Prayer by Wade F. Tugman at the pulpit as the congregation stood in silence.

11:17 p. m.—Evangelistic message and altar call by Owen Ellenburg. The speaker displayed much interest, enthusiasm and zeal in bringing the message.

When the altar call was given more than a hundred people rushed to the altar and it was near midnight. Twelve experiences were reported to the clerks. Some were still in the altar when the sunrise service was started Friday morning.

Friday, October 17:

6:00 a. m.—Early morning prayer meeting in charge of J. W. Miracle and T. B. Andrews. H. W. Price led the singing. After several songs were sung and a prayer, Brother Miracle gave a good talk then called on others to testify. A large number gave fiery testimonies and several testified to having received the Holy Ghost during the Assembly. Brother J. F. Curry sang a special and talked briefly. At the close of the service a mighty concert prayer ascended in behalf of the sick. This was a wonderful service. The blessings of the Lord were upon the people.

8:36 a. m.—Music by Bahama Brass Band in front of tabernacle—two numbers.

9:04 a. m.—Program by Arkansas String Band—music and singing.

9:18 a. m.—Song service led by George W. Englebert, Mildred Bennett at the piano. Prayer by Josie Paquinett.

9:30 a. m.—Announcements.

9:36 a. m.—Song by Sunshine Trio.

9:44 a. m.—Concert prayer for sick.

9:48 a. m.—The General Overseer spoke briefly and then read prefaces to his annual address. The first was in regard to our members in government service and defense work. The second was an invitation to those who were once with us but have jumped over the wall and left us to return and help us finish the work.

The General Overseer called for the congregation to stand and salute the Church of God flag, then repeat the flag pledge after him.

10:04 a. m.—The General Overseer's Annual Address.

GENERAL OVERSEER'S ANNUAL ADDRESS BEFORE THE THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

of THE CHURCH OF GOD

The Church of God Flag Pledge

I pledge allegiance to our Church Flag, and to the doctrine for which it stands—one God, one Faith, one Mind, and one Church for all. Amen!

INTRODUCTORY

This is the thirty-sixth annual Assembly of the Church of God. It is the Assembly to correspond with the one that was called at Jerusalem by the apostles and elders to discuss and settle the question of circumcision and the keeping of the law of Moses by the Gentiles. Our first Assembly was called for January twenty-six and twenty-seven, 1906. It was evidently one of God's providences that guided this first Assembly to the same vicinity where the Isaiah prophecy was fulfilled and the last days Church had its rise in what is now known as the Fields of the Wood. This name was found in the Bible the same as everything else has been found in that sacred Book.

The main reason January was selected for the date for the first Assembly for the last days Church was because we were very zealous for evangelistic work so we could spend as much time as possible in spreading the message we had found and get as many souls saved as we could. We chose winter instead of summer because we could not do our revival work as well in the winter as summer. At that particular time there came a heavy snow storm in those mountains, and we could shut ourselves up for the study of the Bible while it was cold and snowy and not feel we were losing time better than we could in the summer. We were very anxious to use all the time we could in favorable weather in revival work. As it is now, we were in a hurry all the time to drag souls out of sin.

The Murphy home was selected on account of its convenience. It was centrally located and it had a large room that could be used and a big stone fireplace. There was plenty of wood on the place and Brother Murphy had already prepared a good supply. It was in North Carolina but not far from Tennessee and Georgia, since Cherokee County is the southwestern county of the state. We had attendants from points in North Carolina, Tennessee and Georgia. I can better understand now why we chose that location, because it was so close to the Fields of the Wood, although we did not know it then.

Doubtless, very few Bible scholars, as well as others, have had the privilege of seeing how the rising of the last days Church could be shifted to the new world, and David's Fields of the Wood make its appearance as it has. It rather appears to me that the only way people will get it is by revelation, although the Bible is clear to us. But this is in harmony with the teaching of Jesus about the Holy Ghost. He said the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, will teach us all things and even bring all things to our remembrance, and would show us things to come. I believe He has carried out that very thing in my life. I cannot afford to think it is any other way. I feel it would be wrong for me to even entertain any doubts about His guiding me into truth and showing me things to come. I am bold about this, yet I do not boast too much about the Lord showing me everything.

Besides all of the leadings of the Holy Ghost and His showing me things to come, I am not without plenty of Scripture as proof when it is properly and rightly divided as it must be when the Holy Ghost has the preeminence.

SEARCHING FOR THE BIBLE CHURCH

I am a native of the state of Indiana. I had formed the acquaintance of J. B. Mitchell of Ohio, a very godly man who was serving the American Tract Society as Colporteur. Serving with him for several years we finally drifted into the mountains of North Carolina where we came in contact with a group of very godly people who were serving the Lord with gladness and in the beauty of holiness. Brother Mitchell returned to his home in Ohio and I continued the work in the mountains, visiting the homes and distributing Christian literature, preaching and praying as a colporteur is supposed to do.

In May, 1902 a group of deeply spiritual men and women met in the home of W. F. Bryant who lived in a community known as Camp Creek, Cherokee County, North Carolina. Under the direction of R. G. Spurling, who had formerly been a Baptist minister, they organized what they called "The Holiness Church at Camp Creek." The work did not make much progress but they worshipped the Lord and were faithful to their obligations and served the Lord.

After about a year of service they invited me to meet with them for counsel, the study of the Bible and prayers. The meeting was called for the thirteenth of June, 1903. I arrived at the home of W. F. Bryant the evening before where the church meetings had been held. I arose early the next morning and as soon as prayers and breakfast were over I journeyed to the top of the mountain just back of the house. I looked out a place to pray. I felt heavy responsibilities upon me and that I should pray through. I asked the Lord to give me special wisdom and guidance, and to keep me from making any mistakes. I had been a close student of the Bible for many years and I was careful to obey its teachings perfectly. I prayed until I was satisfied and committed myself to God for safe keeping. I then went down to the base of the mountain and entered into the meeting that had been called.

When I undersood fully that those saintly people meant to stand for the whole Bible rightly divided and take the New Testament as their only rule of faith and practice, it appealed to me and I became very much interested at once. I asked many questions and Bible answers were given which perfectly satisfied all of my inquiries. I then said, **THIS MEANS THAT IT IS THE CHURCH OF GOD.** To this they assented. Thus was found the Church of God of the Bible and prophecy that was destined to "Arise, shine; for thy light is come," in the last days. Then I ventured to ask if they would be willing to receive me in the Church with the understanding that it IS the Church of God of the Bible. They were willing and I took the covenant with sincerity and extreme sacredness never to be forgotten.

At that time I did not know that David, in his prophecy, was searching for the Church of the last days. But when he found it he plainly stated that "we found it in the fields of the wood." Neither did I know about the "springs of water." Neither did I know about the airplane that was being constructed at that very same time on the sand dunes at the other end of the state. Neither did I know then that the last days Church and the airplanes were foreordained, according to prophecy, to come up at the same time and in the same state in the new world. But it was true that the "Arise, shine" was fulfilled in western North Carolina, June 13, 1903, while the airplane made its first flight December 17, of the same year in the extreme northeastern part of the same state.

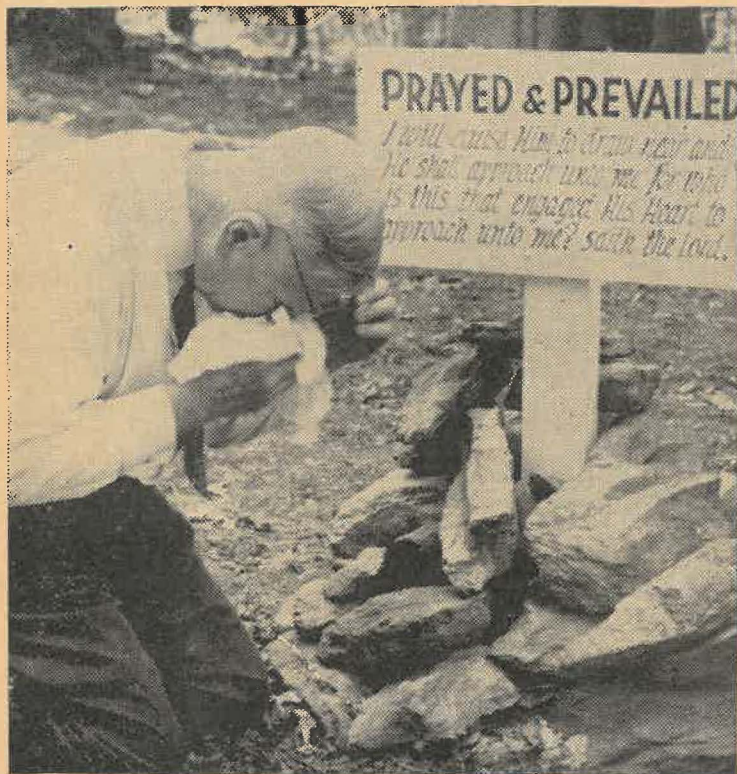
There are markers at the spot where the first airplane made its first flight. There are also markers at the place where the "Arise, shine" prophecy was fulfilled. There are the springs where the clear water flows right out of the mountain at the edge of the Fields of the Wood.

A striking coincidence is noticeable and worthy of mention. Mitchell and Tomlinson from Ohio and Indiana, and the Wright Brothers, one from Ohio and the other from Indiana, all journeyed to the same state near the same time. As a result of this group of men going to this wonderful state as they did, the last days Church was found in the Fields of the Wood, and the airplane was invented and made its first flight on the sand dunes, all in the same year, 1903.

All of these happenings are surely convincing that God was in it and by His mighty hand was directing the fulfilment of prophecy the same as He directed the shepherds and wise men to find Jesus just after He was born of the Virgin Mary. The shepherds located the baby by the clothes he wore and manger experience. The wise men were guided by the star. God's mighty hand did it all, and He is our God and we are His people.

THE CHURCH OF PROPHECY MARKER ASSOCIATION

It has been almost a year since some kind of a spell came over me and caused me to speak out plainly to a friend and say that I had been doing rather odd things many times in my life, but I guess I have struck one now sure enough. I am going to form a company and call it "The Church of God Marker Association." That was about all that was said at that time. I



Amid prayers and loud praises the spot where Brother Tomlinson knelt 36 years ago was consecrated for the erection of a permanent huge monument, marking forever the spot on Burger Mountain where in 1903 he prayed and prevailed and found the Church of God. Again Brother Tomlinson is seen kneeling at the same spot where he knelt in 1903 and wept before God while hundreds gathered about to witness the ceremonies preceding this scene. (Sept. 7, 1941)

spent much time in studying over the matter. Once in a while my mouth would say the Church of Prophecy instead of the Church of God. I repeated those words occasionally—some times I would say The Church of God

and some times The Church of Prophecy. It was a long time before I wrote the words. At last the words got to viing one with the other in my mind until after a while it became Church of Prophecy almost all the time. Finally, I wrote the line—"The Church of Prophecy." Then I thought, after all the Church is here according to prophecy, even if it is the Church of God as Paul named it and used the name in many instances. But the prophets had told of it coming back in the last days, and truly it became the Church of Prophecy. And to call it the Church of Prophecy would prevent our getting mixed up with others that call themselves the Church of God.

It was weeks and even months before I said anything to any one about it that I concluded to adopt that name for the association. The Church of Prophecy Marker Association. Then it was another long time before I decided to put anything about it in print. But I finally did to see how it looked. Then I read it over many times to see how it would appeal to me. The more I read it the better it seemed to me. I thought of it occasionally, and some times I would mention something about it to some one. I studied and studied. I finally got in possession of what is now the Fields of the Wood and then I thought still more about the Church of Prophecy Marker Association.

A few years ago I was very deeply impressed that I should place a marker of some kind at the place where we held the first Assembly January twenty-six and twenty-seven, 1906. The visit to the place seemed to put more inspiration in me about the matter. I tried to get in possession of a small piece of the yard. But I did not seem to make much headway about it. So time passed on for a year or two and still nothing done more than lots of thought on my part, and occasionally a little talk. I secured the plot of land that has become known as the Fields of the Wood. A number of places were marked, pictures were taken, the long ago places I had not put my feet on for so many years became familiar to me again. These were the old spring, the mountain where I prayed on the morning of June 13, 1903. I almost lived some of my life over again. Then came the time for the owner of the place where we held the first Assembly to get ready to dispose of a small part of the place. The time was set and the deed was made and recorded. The title was made to the trustees to have and to hold it the same way our entire headquarters title is held.

I am sure that almost, if not all of you, who are before me this day will never be satisfied until you set your feet upon those four sacred spots. The first one, no doubt, will be the place where the "Arise, shine" prophecy was fulfilled and the first Church of the last days became a reality. The next will be the place of mighty prevailing prayer on the top of the mountain. Then the third will be the springs of water. The fourth will be the sacred place where the twenty-one members held that first Assembly during those two days of snow storm. And all of this in North Carolina, the state where the wings became a reality when the Wright Brothers flew their first airplane. And this is the thing that clinches the truth that the Church and the airplane both came up in the same year and in the same state and both are in the same chapter of Isaiah. And Isaiah is a part of the Bible that all of us Church of God folks have taken in sacred covenant as our only rule of faith and practice.

I want to show you another peculiar thing that might be taken as an exploit before I pass on to other heights and peculiar occurrences. As soon as the deed was made, and the title to the property where the Assembly

had been held in 1906 was in the Church, we motored over to Murphy, the county seat of Cherokee County, N. C. I was having the deed put on record. I had to go out of the register's office for something a few minutes. When I went back in the Mr. Register asked me if I knew I had some property in Cherokee County that was waiting for me. I replied that I did not. He took up one of his big books and began to read. I was surprised as he read down the page and gave the names of the parties of the first part of the deed. He gave the date 1900, then came to have and to hold to God Almighty and A. J. Tomlinson His agent, parties of the second part. Well, I was surprised, but he assured me that the property was there and he stated also that it was exempt of all taxation and nobody could touch it without me. And it was in Cherokee County, about fourteen miles from the Fields of the Wood. And the deed shows that I am in partnership with the Almighty God. I had entirely forgotten it. It makes me wonder if it had been waiting forty-one years for this time. I went to see it that day. I found it there.

Indeed, I wonder what more is going to happen yet in Cherokee County, N. C. And what is happening now in 1941, this wonderful year. It is surely time to put this Church of Prophecy Marker Association into operation. And put up more markers to make these places hallowed and show to the multitudes that pass that way, the fulfilment of prophecy and the fellowship of the mystery. And little as you may think about it, what about me being in partnership with Almighty God? And what about all the other things that have fallen upon my pathway and what else may be falling all around me any day. Look out next for the flag or banner on the mountain that has become a reality on the Burger Mountain.

"Lift up a banner upon the high mountain, exalt the voice unto them, shake the hand, that they may go into the gates of the nobles.

"I have commanded my sanctified ones, I have also called my mighty ones for mine anger, even them that rejoice in my highness.

"The noise of a multitude in the mountains, like as of a great people; a tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations gathered together: the Lord of hosts mustereth the hosts of the battle.

"They come from a far country, from the end of heaven, even the Lord, and the weapons of his indignation, to destroy the whole land." (Isaiah 13:2-5)

Now we are in a hurry to get thousands of men and women in the mighty Church of Prophecy Marker Association to gather in thousands of dollars to start the work of the Association in swift order. We not only want to gather in a sufficient amount of money to mark all the important places where the last days Church had its rise in the new world, but we want to fly back over the 5,000 miles to the Mountain of Hattin where Jesus set His Church in order at the first. Doubtless, it was on that mountain where Jesus prayed all night and next morning called to Him whom He would and set the Church in order and ordained twelve. That He then established or built His Church is clear because the names of the members are given, and a treasurer was selected because it was afterward stated that Judas carried the bag. There was also a clerk selected because the records were kept and the names of the members written.

We need to place a marker there to offset that erroneous idea that the Church was first started on the day of Pentecost. It had to have been set in order at some previous time in order for the words to be written in the second chapter of Acts, "And the Lord added to the church daily such

as should be saved." (Were being saved. R. V.) The markers are also important as a means of aiding us in our obedience to the Apostle Paul who commanded us "to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery." Markers will draw the attention of people who are passing by as sight-seers. The multitudes today are sight-seers and already 427 have registered at the registering booth in the Fields of the Wood and 65 at the place where the first Assembly was held, and while they are seeing sights we expect these sights to read something to them in every language on earth. All people can read in their own language. Imagine two places in the world where all languages may be seen and read—The Mountain of Hattin where Jesus built His Church, with other appropriate reading; and the Fields of the Wood, here Isaiah 60:1 was fulfilled in that the Church came up and began to function again as the Church of God of the Bible. This is the Burger Mountain where Isaiah 13:2 was literally fulfilled—"Lift ye up a banner upon THE high mountain, exalt the voice unto them." Right up there where the marker shows the prayer was prayed, and the banner (flag) was lifted up, exalt the voice was made real by the loud speaker which served to amplify or exalt the voice.

It is of no little significance that the exalted highway runs right along one side of our possession that David named the Fields of the Wood long before we ever lived, but nobody knew anything about it. Here is such a wonderful place, beautiful for situation, and of such mighty importance that extensive markers must be placed here, and who in the Church of God now or any time in the future will not want to have a part in keeping up a mighty memorial of it and thus lend their assistance in making all men see this mighty mystery? And God by His providences or direct movements saw fit to have us located near the Smoky Mountains National Park and several National Forests. And Isaiah comes along again and points out that multitudes will come by to see and they will see, yea, by this work we are doing will be one way of making "all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ."

Now here are Isaiah's multitudes. Why is it not shown by the prophet? Read a few verses here and see what they say.

"And I will make all my mountains a way, and my highways shall be exalted.

"Behold, these shall come from far: And lo, these from the north and from the west and these from the land of Sinim."

And when they come and see all the writings on the large tables pointed out by Habakkuk in so many languages, there will surely be some running. Read what Habakkuk says:

"And the Lord answered, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.

"For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry." (Hab. 2:2, 3)

I am so enthused about the mighty vision I have of the work that will be done by The Church of Prophecy Marker Association that I feel like taking this opportunity of giving further information about this wonderful 1941 project. I earnestly hope the Questions and Subjects Committee will be interested to give this subject their attention and not only consider it themselves but bring it to the Assembly in regular order to give

a chance for the multitudes to give it careful consideration, since it has often been said that "in the multitude of counsellors there is safety." Now here it is:

To become a council member of this association will require the payment of ten dollars at any time, which will count for the balance of that calendar year and the next full year. After that it will require the payment of ten dollars between the first and tenth of January of every calendar year thereafter. To fail to pay the ten dollars as required will be cause for the forfeiture of the position as council member.

To become a council member for six months will require the payment of five dollars at any time which will count for the balance of that six months and the one immediately following. The six months always counts from January to July or from July to January. After that it will require the payment of five dollars from the first to the tenth of January and July. To fail to pay the five dollars as required any one will forfeit the position as council member.

A person may become a member one month at a time by paying one dollar. Any one paying one dollar each for ten consecutive months will be entitled to two more months free. If the first payment is made between the first and tenth of any month it shall count only for that present month. If the first payment is made after the tenth it will count for the balance of that month and the one immediately following, then after that the dollar must be paid between the first and tenth of each month thereafter. A failure to pay at any time forfeits membership.

Membership in this association is not limited to the members of the Church of God over which A. J. Tomlinson is General Overseer. Men, women and even children with the permission of parents or guardians of any race and country may become members by meeting the requirements and subjecting themselves to the rules of the association.

In case a member leaves the association, or for any cause is excluded from membership, no money can be returned. Money is always used to maintain the work of the association and is not to be returned after it is put into the treasury.

This association is formed as another auxiliary of the Church of God of prophecy with A. J. Tomlinson, General Overseer. Its purpose is for the locating, marking, beautifying and maintaining prominent places in the world in connection with the Church of God of the Bible of which A. J. Tomlinson is General Overseer. Places and markings to be approved by the Chief Executive or a committee selected for the purpose.

Examples: Where the Church of the Bible made its first appearance in these last days in the Fields of the Wood. Where Jesus established the first Church in fulfillment of "upon this rock I will build my church." Where the first General Assembly of the last days Church of God was held January 26, 27, 1906. Various other places to mark among which may be local churches that have reached a standard of spirituality, organization and work to render them worthy of advertising, to be decided by the committee.

The work will be prosecuted only as a sufficient amount of money comes in through the regular channel or otherwise. Secretaries, treasurer, bookkeepers and other clerical assistants may be supplied by the Chief Executive as the work increases. The work of this association may be considered one way of assisting in meeting the requirements of Ephesians 3:9, "To make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery."

Since this association is an auxiliary of the Church of God of the Bible over which A. J. Tomlinson is General Overseer, its head offices will be located in, or in connection with the Church of God World Capitol in Cleveland, Tennessee, U. S. A.

Additional instructions and information regarding this association may be given any time it is thought necessary by the General Overseer or any of his associates.

Scriptures favoring the placing of markers:

"For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope." (Romans 15:4)

"Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come." (1 Cor. 10:11)

"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and 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." (2 Tim. 3:16,17)

Scriptures showing the placing of markers:

"And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put for his pillows, and set it up for a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it." (Gen. 28:18)

"And Joshua set up twelve stones in the midst of Jordan, in the place where the feet of the priests which bear the ark of the covenant stood: and they are there to this day." (Joshua 4:9)

"And those twelve stones, which they took out of Jordan, did Joshua pitch in Gilgal.

"And he spake unto the children of Israel, saying, When your children shall ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean these stones?

"Then ye shall let your children know, saying, Israel came over this Jordan on dry land." (Joshua 4:20-22)

"Walk about Zion, and go round about her: tell the towers thereof.

"Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces; that ye may tell it to the generation following." (Psalm 48:12, 13)

"Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour.

"And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple." (Acts 3:1, 2)

"And God went up from him in the place where he talked with him.

"And Jacob set up a pillar in the place where he talked with him, even a pillar of stone: and he poured a drink offering thereon, and he poured oil thereon.

"And Jacob called the name of the place where God spake with him, Bethel." (Genesis 35:13-15)

"And Jacob took a stone, and set it up for a pillar.

"And Jacob said unto his brethren, Gather stones; and they took stones, and made an heap: and they did eat there upon the heap.

"And Laban called it Jegar-sahadutha: but Jacob called it Galeed.

"And Laban said, This heap is a witness between me and thee this day. Therefore was the name of it called Galeed." (Genesis 31:45-48)

WE MUST GUARD THE DOCTRINE

Since Polycarp, a close follower of John the beloved disciple, was so

troubled because of the rank heresy that crept into the early Church in his day, we feel that we must guard the doctrine in our day to keep it pure, clean and holy. It is acknowledged that prophecy shows the good way would go out, and heresy would take the rule of the early Church, which it did, but the last days Church will be ruled by pure and holy doctrine. But this will be brought about by men that will stand out boldly for the right with such force that heresy will be stamped out. It is evident that the power of Satan will work just as hard in the last days to inject his poison into the beautiful and powerful Church of God as he did in the early days, but he shall not prevail. This is evidenced by the Apostle Paul when he said Jesus will "present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish." There are other Scriptures which show that heresy shall not prevail at the last. The only way this will be kept out, however, will be by the might and power of God as it will play havoc with the poisonous influence and heretical movements through His last days mighty men and women.

The world is even now quite well filled up with poison—heresy as we call it, but it shall not prevail as it did in the early days. And just think that it came so soon after John the last disciple was gone. Polycarp was so much grieved over conditions that he often called out, "Good God, what has come to me that I have lived to see such a time as this?"

True, the prophets had long before prophesied of the going out of the Church that had been established by the blessed Christ probably on Mount Hattin, the very place where Jesus met the eleven and gave them the message recorded at Matthew twenty-eight, the last three verses.

It is not so much our purpose to fight against the heresies that are flooding the world today, but rather put forth a greater and more mighty flood of the true holiness and the unadulterated doctrine and make it strong and powerful. We will do this by our free literature printed in every language and by our mighty sonorous voices and loud speakers. We must have such a multitude to publish it and make it so attractive by our ways and methods that the world will have no interest in the spurious doctrine that is already filling it. This statement is verified by the Scriptures we are already using quite extensively.

"The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it." (Psalm 68:14)

We must get our feet set in a similar manner to that of General Jackson of whom it was said, "There stands General Jackson like a stone wall." And from that time he was called Stonewall Jackson.

We must protect and guard the doctrine and when it is detected that there is the least deviation from the correct way of putting the truth, or rightly dividing the word of truth, careful attention must be called to it by the proper authority in a manner that will set the offender right again. It will not do to become carelers and let such important matters drift too long. In making corrections care should be taken to do this in the right spirit so that no offence will be given or taken. Teachers should also be careful about knowing the meaning of words in whatever language they are teaching. It is a common saying among us, "stick to the doctrine and win." The doctrine we are to stick to is the Church of God doctrine. And this is not to be mixed up with any kind of false doctrine. Always steadfast for the right, and never surrender or weaken under any circumstances. We must rather be bold and powerful. Heresies shall

be kept out of the Church of God and shall not mar the appearance of its beautiful face. I appeal to every lover of truth to become a mighty stalwart against heresy and a mighty guard for protection against the wrong.

It is true that Paul shows there will be perilous times in the last days and people are going to be trucebreakers, fierce, unholy, false accusers, traitors, have a form of godliness and deny the power of God and resist the truth, but Paul also says they shall proceed no further. This shows that all those perilous times and bad things of the last days will have to stop. What will do it? It must be that our doctrine that is to drop like the rain over the world will cause such a flood of truth that Paul's assertion will be verified. Now read from Paul, believe it and act upon it.

"Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these (bad men of the last days—even those that have a form of godliness and deny the power) also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith.

"But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all men, as theirs also was."

Now Jannes and Jambres that withstood Moses, did that by doing some of the same things Moses did. When Pharaoh had asked Moses for a miracle he cast down his rod and it became a serpent. Then Pharaoh called Jannes and Jambres, his sorcerers, and they cast down their rods and they became serpents. But the serpent of Moses swallowed up the serpents of Pharaoh's men. Then Moses with his rod smote the waters and they were turned into blood. The magicians did so too. Then came the frogs, also the lice. But Jannes and Jambres could not bring up lice and they were forced to acknowledge it was the finger of God. And thus their folly was made known to the Egyptians. They could go no further.

Now look at the people that do some of the things we do and thus show a form of godliness, but what are they? Paul says that those people that are in the last days who are marked as such bad men, although they have a form of godliness and are causing Paul to say in the last days perilous times shall come, shall proceed no further. Some teach this chapter as though people are going to get worse and worse and usually look over the other part where he declares they shall proceed no further and all their folly will be manifest to all men while we stand there as Moses and Aaron did, more than conquerors.

Thus we must put down all false doctrine by flooding all countries with rivers and oceans of truth and the power of God. O, I feel bold about this because Paul declares that all these things that caused him to say "in the last days perilous times shall come" are going to be stopped. "They shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all men as their's also was." This is just as true as anything else Paul said. But what is folly? Want of understanding, foolishness. Unbecoming conduct. Criminal weakness, sin, silliness. This shows what people are that cause Paul to say in the last days perilous times shall come. But they have to stop and we do not have to worry about those silly, sinful people because they must stop and the Church with its mighty work will overpower and drown all such silliness with the floods of truth and power. If you preachers preach that in the last days perilous times shall come, do not stop till you tell the rest of it, that all such will be put to shame and those kind of foolish people shall proceed no further, but the Church will still grow and spread and yet be presented to Jesus and nobody can

prevent it. Ephesians 5:27 will be fulfilled and nobody can stop it. The true doctrine shall be preserved and heresy shall not take the day as it did in the early times that thrust the Church into darkness. We have it up now, and it shall never go down again, but rather it will go up with Jesus to some good place, and Paul declares again that we will be forever with the Lord. Put down heresy. It must go down and truth and good doctrine shall rise and shine above the wrong.

I feel so happy that we are on the side of truth and right, and that theory that the world shall get worse and worse does not apply to the Church. If it does, then what does Paul mean when he declares that those he compares with Jannes and Jambres shall proceed no further and the mouths of false teachers and preachers shall be stopped? Does Paul mean it? Is God able with His mighty power to put down heresy, and stop the mouths of people who teach things they ought not? Is God a weakling? Is He going to play weakness and just let the devil have everybody? Are we going to agree with the false teachers and not lift up our heads boldly and declare ourselves determined to stick to the Bible rightly divided? No, we have promised God and ourselves also, that we are taking and have taken the whole Bible rightly divided as our only rule of faith and practice.

I think I am becoming more bold than ever. Heresy must be put down. We will not do it by argument, or by declaring certain teachings are heresy, but we drown out heresy and wrong teaching by pouring in the great sluices of truth that we know we have from the Bible rightly divided. We often sing that old song which says, "Satan, your kingdom must come down." We mean what we say about this, and we sing it like we mean it and the next thing we hear is about the world getting worse and worse and the next you hear is that some of the very singers that declared in their song that Satan's kingdom must come down are dead and still Satan is working right on. When is his kingdom going to come down? I do not see any likelihood of it as long as we preach that part of the Scripture that makes the world worse and worse and never dwell upon that part that tells of heresy ceasing because mouths have been stopped and these form of godliness people shall proceed no further. I wonder some times why some people want to live out in the dense forest all the time with the hoot owls.

I feel now like standing upright and clinching my sword (the Bible) a little tighter and gathering a million men and a million women in battle array, not in carnal warfare, but with that kind of spiritual warfare that will put to silence the ignorance of foolish men. This expression and statement indicates that we are to behave ourselves in such a righteous manner that the type of men mentioned in that chapter that tells of perilous times to come in the last days will be put to silence. I do not think we should give up to ignorant and foolish men to make our world worse when we can make it better until the day we are taken up. And especially so when Paul and Peter keep on giving encouraging words such as mouths must be stopped, others put to silence, but all the while this mighty work is to be done by overpowering the evil with the good. In other words, we must finish up the work we have to do.

I admit that Paul says that evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived, but right in that same chapter Paul declares that those kind of people shall proceed no further, or that could refer to the time the early church was going out and not to our day. And since our people are going more rapidly toward perfection we are

bound to have an effect on those that are not going with us. But as we cover them over with truth until their mouths are stopped, and they cannot proceed any further in their mock religion, the mighty power of God will surely move them Godward. Now since heresy and evil will never overcome or cover over the mighty Church of God any more, we are on the safe side in declaring that we will protect and guard the doctrine so it shall not again be beaten down as it was in the time of the early Church.

I have a kind of a giant feeling that we can keep out of the Church all poison and heresy that will work against the right. We are fighting for the right. We have had many kinds of wrong teaching introduced, and may have more yet, but if any makes its appearance it should be exposed and put out of the way as soon as it is discovered. However, it always takes the very best wisdom and love to dig out the poison or wrong and save the person that has caught the venom. It would be a mistake to speak or preach harshly and thus often drive the one away that is affected. We must be kind and gentle, longsuffering and patient. And be sure that no one goes on extremes in any manner, and thus fail in winning those you are anxious to save from error. We must guard the doctrine but always be sure to do it in an effective manner as well as to save the person that has fallen into some of Satan's traps. Always cling to that good doctrine that is the Bible rightly divided.

MISTAKES

When mistakes have been made by the Assembly or in local churches, and they are discovered, it has been our custom to give the subject sufficient attention to either make the necessary correction, or take enough time for consideration to prove that what has been considered a mistake by some was not a mistake.

The next year after the Assembly made a ruling to select state overseers, some came to the Assembly believing a mistake had been made and requested that the subject be opened for reconsideration. This request was granted and after some time of searching the Scriptures and careful consideration it was unanimously agreed that the decision the year before was correct, and it was in harmony with the Scriptures to have state overseers. It was made perfectly satisfactory when it was clearly shown that even the group of twelve disciples were every one an overseer of a certain territory. It was also shown that James, the General Overseer, was not one of the twelve as had been believed by some, but he was the Lord's brother. And Paul was never the General Overseer as some believed, but he occupied a position similar to our state overseers. All of this truth was made so clear and conclusive that the subject has never been questioned since. More than once questions have been raised and subjects have been reconsidered and changes made to more fully satisfy the Scriptures which we take as our only rule of faith and practice when rightly divided.

This rule has been followed so closely back in the early years that it was finally agreed that no person should think he had discovered some new doctrine and go to teaching it until it had been taken to the Assembly or those in authority to let them tell him whether or not his new doctrine would stand the test. In this way, or by this method, we have been kept off the rocks more than once. And this is a rule to this day. Do not teach any new doctrine until it has been brought before those who are entrusted with such things.

In the time of the early Church some carried false doctrine to other local churches and caused much grief and trouble. When this subject was brought before the General Assembly at Jerusalem the General Overseer James, in closing out the discussion, made the statement that they did wrong in trying to teach those things. And here he added, "to whom we gave no such commandment." This shows that they went before they were sent, which was contrary to the very first teaching. "For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem." The Assembly has given certain fundamental and special teachings that must not be ignored or other things added until those in authority have considered them safe and sound. It is wrong to ignore the Assembly or headquarters and go out and teach contrary. I am sure no one wants to hear the General Overseer say what James said in the Assembly spoken of in the fifteenth chapter of the Acts of the Apostles—"to whom we gave no such commandment."

I would rather our ministers would stick to the doctrine as outlined by the Assembly so we can soon be so well informed that we will see eye to eye and speak the same thing. Let us learn to spell words correctly and learn their proper meaning. Take Paul's advice and "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." It is always expected that certain questions be answered properly by the applicants for the ministry, then when they answer these questions they are expected to stick to their answers ever afterward and abide by them. Call attention to two or three of these questions:

No. 37. Do you agree with the teachings as outlined by the Assembly? They must all answer this in the affirmative before they are accepted in the ministry.

No. 68. Do you trust the Lord for your healing when sick? Yes is the proper answer. Then they are supposed to live up to their word.

No. 88. Are you willing to submit to the wise counsel of those who are over you in the Lord? This has to be yes also.

No. 90. Will you endeavor to be a good example of the believers? And this is always answered with yes. And being an example is paying tithes and the emergency fund and everything else required.

No. 91. Are you willing to accept and practice the tithing system as recommended by the Assembly? And this is always answered in the affirmative as the others. And this should not be neglected or changed in any way from the Assembly teaching to some other plan. And this plan is shown on page 34 in the 1928 minutes.

It is believed a mistake was made by the 1938 Assembly that has never been corrected nor the subject reconsidered. I think this should be done this year.

This subject appears on page 57 of the 1938 Assembly minutes under the head of the Questions and Subjects Committee report. I wish to call attention to two or three points which it seems to me were passed over rather lightly by the Assembly at that time and should be reconsidered by this Assembly.

It is evident that the committee must have had some good things in mind when they suggested that the General Overseer, his staff and the state overseers would be saved a lot of trouble and embarrassment if the local churches would exercise better judgment in the recommending of new ministers, as well as ministers coming from denominational churches

for the ministry. But instead of giving the local churches time to exercise the better judgment, the committee recommended that before any person is recommended for the ministry by the local church he or she should be endorsed by the state overseer. This calls for the overseer to examine and recommend the candidate before the local church recommends and sets him forth for examination by the presbytery. Then one member of the presbytery having already examined him, only the other member of the presbytery is left to act on the examining board. It seems to me this is working the wrong way around.

And since this plan requires the endorsement of the state overseer before any one can be set forth and recommended by the local church it places the General Overseer in an awkward position when he is to handle cases where there are no state overseers. Years ago the Assembly placed the responsibility of handling business in territory where there is no state overseer upon the General Overseer. In that case there is no state overseer to endorse before the local church can call a conference and recommend a candidate for the ministry. Then, as it has been many times, the General Overseer has found it necessary to take in scores, and perhaps hundreds of members in countries where there were no state overseers, and it was necessary for him, acting by the authority of the Assembly, to organize the church, hold the conference, assist the Church in setting forth and recommending them for examining for the ministry, examine them, make their licenses and then go off and leave them to themselves for a while. There was no time to try them six months either. We got along good in those days and I am not much in favor of having such authority taken away from me. Not that I crave authority, only I want to be so I can do a lot of work on short order as I used to do when I organized churches by the scores, ordained ministers on short order and did not have time to wait six months. I think we got along then just as well as we do now. If the Assembly does think it best to continue the six months rule I think arrangements should be made for some exceptions to be made so in certain cases the General Overseer or the presbytery may have the privilege of performing differently.

Referring to the second section of the report as shown on page 57 in the 1938 minutes, I wish to suggest that the whole be repealed and made of none effect. If not that, then worked over and put in different language.

In fact, it would be my preference to abrogate the whole report and return to our former practice that has been carrying us safely over from its inception until the new order was made in 1938.

THE COLORED RACE AGAIN

The reason I say the Colored Race Again is because I have referred to this subject at other times in my Annual Addresses before the Assembly. I wish to refer to it briefly again. It is an undisputed fact that we have been given the every creature message by our Lord's commission. This includes all the great races that are in the world which are divided as follows: Caucasian or white race, the Ethiopian or black race, the Mongolian or yellow race, Malayan or brown, and the Red race or Indians of the western hemisphere. We all know there is to be no difference as far as their souls and salvation are concerned. The middle wall of partition has been broken down by the blood of the cross and all have access

to God through Jesus Christ alike. All are to be members of His body, the Church, and thus all under the same government represented by the same ensign or flag.

While I am interested in all races alike I wish to refer to one particular race in this chapter that is scattered over the states quite extensively. This is the colored race. We are thankful for those who are one with us in the mighty Church of God, and I want all to feel that there is no respecter of persons among us. There are some reasons for the races not being too intimate in their associations together, we all understand that, but we want all to enjoy Christian and Church fellowship together just as the the Bible requires. To this end we are laboring and wish this particular race to increase in number in the Church as well as others.

There are millions of them all around us, but how few are members of the Church of God of the Bible. As a race they are religiously inclined and much easier to bring to Christ than many of the other races. We need more of them in the Church with us to help us win the millions of others both to Christ and His government.

We have groups in New York, North Carolina, Florida, Texas, Georgia, and a few scattered here and there in some other states. And this is the extent of their membership in the states. Truly, I am much concerned about the low progress we are making in this country among this race. I am looking for a plan to cause the work of the Church to spread among them more rapidly.

After counseling with interested parties, much prayer and deep thinking, I have decided to suggest the adding of a secretary, to serve as secretary to the General Overseer similar to one of our other secretaries. This will enable the General Overseer to keep in closer contact with the race. Doing this will not interfere with the work of the state overseers or district overseers, but it will be considered as some more of Isaiah's increase of government and peace.

I would like for the Questions and Subjects Committee to take the subject in consideration and if they think well of the plan they can prepare a recommendation and bring it before the Assembly for their consideration also. We always like to carry out the wise man's statement when he said, "In the multitude of counsellors there is safety."

INTERESTING INFORMATION

Under the head of interesting information are several tables that show increase or decrease to compare with the same departments last year. The decrease referred to does not mean an actual decrease in the department but only that there was not as much accomplished as last year. The increase means there was more done than last year.

DATA GATHERED FROM MINISTER'S REPORTS

	Last Year	This Year		
Sermons	99,709	100,977	Increase	1,268
Converted	13,863	13,433	Decrease	430
Sanctified	6,854	6,248	Decrease	606
Holy Ghost	4,213	3,651	Decrease	562
Water Baptism	4,207	3,732	Decrease	475
Added to Church	5,123	4,958	Decrease	165

It is to be noted that the number of sermons made another good increase this year and climbed to more than one hundred thousand. But it

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is not so pleasant to note the decrease in the number converted, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost, water baptism and the number added to the Church. But it is my earnest desire that all of our ministers buckle to it this year and make all of this table show up a good increase next year. I feel we must do this.

The next table shows the number of ministers who did not report a single time the whole year and the number that reported only part time.

Number of ministers that did not report a single time last year.....	258
Number of ministers that did not report a single time this year.....	264

This is six more than last year.

Number of ministers that reported only part time last year	585
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Number of ministers that reported only part time this year.....	593
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This is eight more than last year. What shall we do about this?

I feel this condition as shown by this table is quite serious. It would certainly be a comfort to me if these reports could come in from every minister just one year. I have been hoping for improvement for a long time, but all in vain. How can they have the heart to try to preach when they do not comply with the requirements of the Assembly? But thank God for those who are always faithful and never fail. Surely God will reward them, but how the others will get any rewards I do not know. Some of this class ask me to forgive them many times over. This I do and they promise to do better, but what happens the next year? How long should we bear with them? How long will God bear with them? How long? How long? This question is put to those who do not report, year after year. What will we do? What will you do?

The next is to call attention to the churches and see if they have reported as much as they should. I am always grieved when they fail to report and thus keep certain information from me that I should have and really need.

Number of churches that did not report a single time last year	138
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Number of churches that did not report a single time this year	135
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This is three less than last year.

Number of churches reported part time last year	307
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Number of churches reported part time this year	325
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This is thirteen more than last year. What will we do?

MINISTERS

Below is a table showing the number of ministers as compared with last year:

Rank	Last Year	This Year	Increase	
Bishops	206	234	Increase	28
Deacons	164	174	Increase	10
Evangelists	1,247	1,240	Decrease	7
Total	1,617	1,648	Increase	31

TITHES RECEIVED AT HEADQUARTERS

For years I have been giving the amount of tithes received by the head-quarter's treasurer the past year. This has been for the purpose of showing the growth in tithe paying by our people. We have felt that our people are blest above all people because they pay tithes to the Church of God. It has been exceedingly interesting to watch the figures climb from year to year. The increase may be due to the increase of tithe payers, or to the prosperity of the members, or both. The amount received this year has

reached the sum of \$24,735.12. This in an increase of \$4,456.54 over last year. I wish to place emphasis upon the fact that those who pay tithes into the Church will prosper as a rule. I wish to insist that all of our ministers and members pay their tithes regularly and orderly as required by the tithe system as shown on page 34 of the 1928 Minutes. It is also repeated and more fully explained on pages 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 of 1939 Minutes. Ministers cannot preach tithe paying consistently without setting the example by practicing it themselves.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY DRIVES

It was in 1928 that "Our Big Business Program" was instituted that we refer to so much. Then it was the next year in 1929 that the Assembly set apart October and March for drives to be made from headquarters to collect money for foreign missionary work. Those to participate in these drives as pointed out by the Assembly are all the ministers, missionary bands, the White Wing Messenger, and other ways that will insure large offerings for the foreign fields. This would include the local churches, Sunday schools and Victory Leaders Bands. That is, all should help in these two drives any way they can.

These drives have been made from headquarters every year since they were ordered by the Assembly, and this last year it was practiced in both months as usual. And this is giving the report that both drives were observed. Many thanks to all who contributed to this wonderful cause.

STATE CONVENTION MISSIONARY OFFERINGS

Another requirement of the Assembly is the taking up of a missionary collection at each state and province convention. Below is given a table showing the amount collected last year and the amount collected this year, with the amount of increase or decrease over or under last year. This table will be of great interest to study and keep in mind the coming year. It will be placed in the minutes and every member should purchase a copy and keep handy where it can be picked up and read any time it is wanted.

Below is given the amounts by states and provinces, and the one with the largest collection at the top and the next largest second and so on down with the one at the last that raised the smallest amount.

State	Amount Last Year	Amount This Year		
Virginia	\$4,775.52	\$6,827.53	Increase	\$2,052.01
Georgia	2,562.68	4,867.72	Increase	2,305.04
Wyoming	2,931.00	3,355.00	Increase	424.00
Tennessee	2,002.91	2,900.00	Increase	897.09
Pennsylvania	1,120.13	2,594.77	Increase	1,474.64
Kentucky	2,016.16	2,286.82	Increase	270.66
Ohio	1,224.00	1,903.00	Increase	679.00
South Carolina	1,000.00	1,741.71	Increase	741.71
Mississippi	1,527.40	1,718.75	Increase	191.35
Florida	822.77	1,622.94	Increase	800.17
Missouri	552.00	1,505.29	Increase	953.29
North Carolina	1,202.03	1,461.80	Increase	259.77
Michigan	858.27	1,327.00	Increase	468.73
Arkansas	501.00	1,017.28	Increase	516.28
Bahamas	856.80	1,005.50	Increase	148.70
East Texas	559.84	1,000.01	Increase	440.17

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West Virginia	348.08	903.00	Increase	554.92
Alabama	637.55	866.21	Increase	228.66
Illinois	291.28	703.72	Increase	412.44
Iowa	389.00	601.96	Increase	212.96
Oklahoma	286.80	588.12	Increase	301.32
Idaho	128.65	500.00	Increase	371.35
Maryland	393.50	401.05	Increase	7.55
Wisconsin	237.00	400.00	Increase	163.00
Kansas	363.07	363.80	Increase	.73
Louisiana	178.00	303.85	Increase	125.85
South Dakota	225.70	300.10	Increase	74.40
Minnesota	609.42	300.05	Decrease	309.37
Indiana	206.00	219.96	Increase	13.96
New York	127.00	200.00	Increase	73.00
West Texas	123.10	160.56	Increase	37.46
California	136.90	150.00	Increase	14.10
Nebraska	85.00	147.45	Increase	62.45
Jamaica, B. W. I	120.00	140.00	Increase	20.00
Washington	45.00	121.00	Increase	76.00
Oregon	50.00	112.00	Increase	62.00
Ontario, Canada	5.00	56.16	Increase	51.16
Arizona	51.89	53.75	Increase	1.86
Turks Islands	23.77	45.26	Increase	21.48
Delaware	40.00	43.00	Increase	3.00
Cuba	23.40	30.04	Increase	6.64
Colorado	10.06	28.01	Increase	17.95
North Dakota	15.20	25.10	Increase	9.90
New Jersey	65.00	21.35	Decrease	43.65
Haiti	10.08	21.13	Increase	11.05
Dominican Republic	2.00	16.70	Increase	14.70
New Mexico	31.08	11.00	Decrease	20.08
Connecticut	13.00	7.51	Decrease	5.49
Porto Rico	7.00	5.00	Decrease	2.00
British Columbia, Can.	0.00	4.00		
Alberta, Canada	5.00	4.00	Decrease	1.00
Manitoba, Canada	0.00	4.00		
Costa Rica	1.00	2.00	Increase	1.00
Saskatchewan, Can.	0.00	2.00		
Total	29,829.49	44,997.96	Increase	15,168.47

MISSIONARY MONEY EACH YEAR

In order to show the increase and amount of missionary money sent to headquarters for years, and keep this information before our people, we have prepared the following table. Notice the special increase the first year after the institution of the Womens Missionary Bands in 1929.

Year	Amount	Year	Amount	Year	Amount
1925.....	\$ 200.65	1931.....	\$4,093.12	1937.....	\$10,791.18
1926.....	324.42	1932.....	3,423.67	1938.....	10,355.98
1927.....	426.52	1933.....	3,508.01	1939.....	11,185.04
1928.....	832.86	1934.....	5,114.60	1940.....	17,417.30
1929.....	2,177.42	1935.....	9,129.90	1941.....	26,442.48
1930.....	3,681.78	1936.....	8,512.29		

ATTENDANCE AT STATE CONVENTIONS

Below is a table given to show the growth or deterioration of the State Convention work and the way they are serving to advertise the Church of God and be a benefit and help in many ways. We have been working for years to make these conventions worth something to the Church and the good of souls. We feel this work has been very successful. Now the states feel they have become a part of their necessary work and they must not try to do without them. We do not think the figures given in the table show the total attendance because it is scarcely ever possible to register every one. But they will serve to show something of the amount of interest manifested in these annual state feasts. It is a source of satisfaction that the table shows a good increase of attendance over last year. It is to be hoped that all will give the table sufficient attention so all concerned will undertake to get a still greater attendance next year.

	Last Year	This Year		
Jamaica, B. W. I.	4,032	9,452	Increase	5,420
Bahamas	7,301	6,144	Decrease	1,157
Mississippi	3,616	3,251	Decrease	365
Florida	2,923	2,759	Decrease	164
Georgia	3,000	2,500	Decrease	500
Haiti	1,972	2,136	Increase	164
Alabama	1,417	2,000	Increase	583
Kentucky	1,993	1,907	Decrease	86
Tennessee	2,200	1,768	Decrease	432
North Carolina	1,441	1,554	Increase	113
Oklahoma	1,800	1,392	Decrease	408
Pennsylvania	1,855	1,377	Decrease	478
Virginia	1,190	1,222	Increase	32
Arkansas	1,004	1,114	Increase	110
Cuba	760	1,045	Increase	285
South Carolina	1,000	1,000		
Iowa	650	907	Increase	257
East Texas	543	848	Increase	305
Dominican Republic	350	805	Increase	455
Delaware	500	724	Increase	224
West Virginia	1,073	567	Decrease	506
Wyoming	432	545	Increase	113
Michigan	269	520	Increase	251
Ohio	459	504	Increase	45
Kansas	421	444	Increase	23
Turks Islands	376	439	Increase	63
Missouri	568	424	Decrease	144
West Texas	500	400	Decrease	100
Indiana	216	300	Increase	84
Maryland	398	305	Decrease	93
Wisconsin	249	246	Decrease	3
Illinois	700	245	Decrease	455
Louisiana	295	238	Decrease	57
California	438	236	Decrease	202
New Mexico	110	231	Increase	121
New York	600	200	Decrease	400
Ontario, Canada	34	197	Increase	163
South Dakota	341	190	Decrease	151

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Arizona	289	170	Decrease	119
Idaho	148	168	Increase	20
Nebraska	190	130	Decrease	60
Minnesota	296	100	Decrease	196
Oregon	106	100	Decrease	6
Washington	130	96	Decrease	34
Porto Rico	500	94	Decrease	406
Connecticut	88	85	Decrease	3
Manitoba, Canada	00	80		
New Jersey	53	78	Increase	25
Colorado	50	77	Increase	27
British Columbia, Can.	60	65	Increase	5
North Dakota	97	55	Decrease	42
Costa Rica	86	50	Decrease	36
Saskatchewan, Canada	00	40		
Alberta, Canada	25	25		
Total	49,678	51,549	Increase	1,871

WOMENS MISSIONARY BANDS

It is a wonderful source of pleasure to give such good information concerning the work and growth of the W. M. B. which is taken from the monthly reports sent to headquarters by the local churches. It is quite gratifying to know of the increased interest manifested by the sisters and the whole Church in the wonderful institution. They have done wonderfully good work the past year. The missionary zeal is still running high among them. It is largely due to their efforts that the large sum of missionary money was collected at the state conventions this year. I feel these faithful sisters are worthy of high commendation for their mighty work this year.

The following table will show the growth or deterioration of the strength of the institution by states as reported. I am certainly happy about the good increase of members as well as the good work done. Thank the Lord and the workers for the good increase in the number of bands and membership this year as a whole. But I am sorry that some of the states have dropped off both in membership and number of bands. This should have the attention of the overseers and the secretaries. I feel we must not rest satisfied with a decrease in any of our work in any state.

State	Bands Last Year	Bands This Year	Total No. Members
Alabama	18	15	680
Arizona	2	3	22
Arkansas	18	15	183
Bahamas	38	31	678
California	4	5	45
Costa Rica	1	1	5
Cuba	1	2	20
Dominican Republic	2	5	71
District of Columbia	1	1	9
East Texas	23	27	330
Florida	23	24	361
Georgia	44	49	657
Idaho	1	2	22

Illinois	7	7	73
Indiana	7	4	49
Iowa	5	5	60
Jamaica, B. W. I.	43	55	1,452
Kansas	6	7	81
Kentucky	36	41	588
Louisiana	5	4	27
Maryland	5	5	65
Michigan	5	6	66
Minnesota	2	1	21
Mississippi	35	39	405
Missouri	16	22	244
Nebraska	3	2	15
New Mexico	1	1	6
New York	3	2	18
North Carolina	33	32	301
North Dakota	1	1	4
Ohio	8	8	130
Oklahoma	13	14	169
Oregon	1	2	16
Pennsylvania	13	14	223
South Carolina	15	17	187
South Dakota	3	4	22
Tennessee	45	47	727
Turks Islands	3	1	16
Virginia	43	48	649
Virgin Islands	1	1	11
Washington	1	1	9
West Texas	5	5	50
West Virginia	10	18	153
Wisconsin	2	2	31
Wyoming	13	14	160
TOTAL	566	610	9,111
Total last year		566	7,422
Increase		44	1,689

VICTORY LEADERS BANDS

This is indeed a wonderful institution and is constantly increasing in number and usefulness by their gathering in money for free literature and otherwise. The table is given by states which shows the number of bands last year, the number this year, and the number of members this year. Then the totals, both of bands and members now, as compiled from the monthly reports sent in by the local churches, also the increase over last year.

It is a source of satisfaction to find from the figures this year the good increase both of bands and membership, which has reached the good sum of 585 bands and 14,256 members. This makes an increase of 49 bands and 1,164 members. Although there is an increase of totals yet it is shown by the figures that some of the states have fallen off which is not so gratifying. This should have the special attention of the state overseers and

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the secretaries. We do not want to be satisfied with decreases in any state or country. The decreases may be due to a failure on the part of the local churches to keep up their reporting properly. This also should be given attention by some in authority.

State	Bands Last Year	Bands This Year	Total No. Members
Alabama	18	16	444
Arizona	2	2	43
Arkansas	18	17	413
Bahamas	27	26	922
California	6	8	151
Colorado	0	1	14
Connecticut	0	1	5
Costa Rica	1	1	12
Cuba	1	2	35
Dominican Republic	3	5	89
District of Columbia	1	1	7
East Texas	21	27	525
Florida	20	24	541
Georgia	39	44	845
Idaho	2	2	28
Illinois	6	7	154
Indiana	6	4	79
Iowa	5	6	98
Jamaica, B. W. I.	46	59	2,145
Kansas	4	6	127
Kentucky	34	36	1,082
Louisiana	5	4	44
Maryland	4	5	73
Michigan	5	6	100
Minnesota	2	1	24
Mississippi	30	33	747
Missouri	20	23	456
Nebraska	3	2	32
New Jersey	0	1	6
New Mexico	0	1	20
New York	3	2	33
North Carolina	36	34	526
North Dakota	1	1	14
Ohio	8	8	216
Oklahoma	15	15	401
Ontario, Canada	0	1	10
Oregon	2	2	24
Pennsylvania	13	13	343
Porto Rico	0	1	14
South Carolina	17	18	331
South Dakota	4	4	47
Tennessee	37	44	1,450
Turks Islands	3	1	23
Virginia	35	42	959
Washington	1	1	10
West Texas	6	6	111
West Virginia	10	17	282

Wisconsin	3	1	30
Wyoming	13	13	171
TOTAL	536	585	14,256
Total last year		536	13,092
Increase		49	1,164

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Sunday school interests are still increasing. This is fine, however, some of the states do not hold up as we think they should. The following table shows the number of schools by states and territories and the strength of our Sunday school army. This is compiled from the reports received. It shows the number of schools in each state last year and this year and the total number of scholars in each state this year, and the total number of schools and scholars. I feel very much disappointed that any of the states have fallen off, but I trust the overseers and secretaries will give this matter attention and give every state special attention and keep them growing and do not let a single one go below what it was last year. Our Sunday school work must grow and never deteriorate, not even in one state or any territory where we have already started.

	Schools Last Year	Schools This Year	Average Attendance
Alabama	20	18	680
Arizona	2	3	80
Arkansas	21	21	612
Bahamas	30	33	1,208
California	6	9	282
Canal Zone	1	1	5
Colorado	0	1	21
Connecticut	0	1	5
Costa Rica	1	1	12
Cuba	1	2	85
Dominican Republic	3	5	183
East Texas	25	28	1,018
Florida	29	34	920
Georgia	44	52	1,861
Idaho	3	2	66
Illinois	6	7	221
Indiana	8	4	117
Iowa	6	6	219
Jamaica, B. W. I.	52	62	2,587
Kansas	6	7	271
Kentucky	41	37	1,625
Louisiana	5	4	83
Maryland	4	6	143
Michigan	5	6	201
Minnesota	2	1	45
Mississippi	36	37	968
Missouri	24	24	818
Nebraska	4	3	62
New Mexico	1	1	26

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New York	5	3	88
North Carolina	40	35	1,218
North Dakota	1	2	37
Ohio	9	10	426
Oklahoma	18	17	677
Ontario, Canada	0	1	20
Oregon	2	2	50
Pennsylvania	13	15	567
Porto Rico	0	1	40
South Carolina	19	20	787
South Dakota	3	4	79
Tennessee	48	50	2,563
Turks Islands	2	1	27
Virginia	36	44	1,580
Virgin Islands	1	1	20
Washington	2	1	22
West Texas	7	6	154
West Virginia	10	15	433
Wisconsin	4	2	50
Wyoming	13	15	352
TOTAL	621	661	23,614
Total last year		621	22,750
Increase		40	864

THERE SHALL BE WINGS

**God Held Back The Wings Until He Raised Up The Man
To Whom He Would Look**

LEFT TO BE ACCOMPLISHED IN THE NEW WORLD

A story is told of a man by the name of Leonardo da Vinci who lived in the days of our Christopher Columbus that declared "there shall be wings." Searching through my encyclopedia I find this man was born in Italy in 1452, just one year later than our Columbus. This is quite an interesting discovery and I find he was a great genius. It is said of him that on account of his speculative as well as his practical powers, he seems certainly the man whose genius has the best right to be called universal of any that had ever lived. Taking all of this into consideration it is not such a great wonder that it was he that made that mighty declaration that there shall be wings. A clipping from some where providentially fell into my hands recently which is of much interest to me and surely will be to others who consider it in the way I do. The clipping reads:

"When Leonardo da Vinci, standing at the edge of the precipice on Mount Albano, saw the flying machine of his designing crash in the valley below, he cried to the winds, so one of his biographers states:

"There shall be wings. If the accomplishment be not for me, 'tis for some other. It shall be done. The spirit cannot lie; and man who shall know all and who shall have wings, shall indeed be as a god."

"Three years before Columbus' discovery of America Leonardo da Vinci wrote in his notebook: 'If the eagle can sustain himself in the rarest at-

mosphere, if great ships can float across the waves, why cannot likewise man, by means of powerful wings, make himself lord of the winds and rise conqueror of space?"

The question was answered, the prophecy was fulfilled in the New World to which the ships of Columbus led the way.

It is evident that in Leonardo was the genius and full ability to invent and fly the airplane back in the days of Columbus just as well as to guide the course of the ships to America was in Columbus, but there was some hitch in the way. The proper time had not come as directed by the providences of God. There was something behind at that time. And since prophecies always link together there was a certain link of prophecy that must catch up and be on hands.

The statement made by the living genius and the note written in the note book of Leonardo were sufficient proof that the airplane was hid away in the mind of that mighty man in a similar manner to the way the great oak is couched within the shell of the tiny acorn. But it did not develop, yea, it could not develop because conditions were not right. The time had not come. Those were not born that God had foreordained before the foundation of the world to take part in the drama or mighty program. But for four hundred years that statement lay dormant awaiting the time for all of the plans to be developed and the place to be reached where they could be developed and the prophecy be fulfilled. Nobody knew, and very few know yet what held back so all the other crashes came as well as the one mentioned in our sketch. But all this while the words had been spoken, the die had been cast—"There shall be wings." Along with these wonderful words came even more startling words than the first: "The spirit cannot lie." Is it not true that invention and prophecy go hand in hand? I have found no explanation given for his making that mysterious statement. But I conclude it may have been a spirit of prophecy to correspond with the Scripture prophecy.

And it is a fact that the building of the first flying machine was left to the New World. And this is more wonderful proof that the mighty last days Church was left to rise and shine in the New World instead of in the same country of Gallilee where Jesus built it at first. Trace the airplane and you trace the final last days Church. Many attempted air flights were made both in the old country and the new, but not until the Wright Brothers made the first successful flight in the northeast county of North Carolina in the new world was Leonardo's vision and prophecy fulfilled. And by this time everything was ready for the last days Church—ready for the "Arise, shine." And from all appearances it was destined to arise, shine in the extreme southwest county of North Carolina. Both came up in the New World, in the same North Carolina, in the same year, 1903. The Church arose from its crouching position on the thirteenth day of June, 1903, while the Wright Brothers were working faithfully on their flying machine and finally staged their first flight on the seventeenth of December of the same year. The Church came up in the North Carolina mountains, "the land of the sky," while the airplane came up on the North Carolina sand dunes in the opposite corner of the state. The Church came up where there were springs of water in harmony with Isaiah's prophecy. The name of the place was given by David, "The Fields of the Wood." There is where David declared he found the Church. Following is the way the "Arise, shine" took form. Read here from a record made years ago.

"These friends had been definitely organized about thirteen months when I visited them at the time mentioned above, when we met for prayer and the study of God's Word. I learned more about the organization at this time, and when I understood fully that they meant to stand for the whole Bible rightly divided and take the New Testament as their only rule of faith and practice, it appealed to me, and I became very much interested at once. I poured in the questions and Bible answers were given which perfectly satisfied all of my inquiries. I then said, this means that it IS the Church of God. To this they assented. Then I ventured to ask if they would be willing to receive me into the Church with the understanding that it IS the Church of God of the Bible. They were willing and soon proceeded in regular order. I took the covenant with deep sincerity and extreme sacredness never to be forgotten. (Jer. 50:5)"

The above ceremony gives a description of what took place that so well corresponds with the prophecy, "Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord IS risen upon thee." (Isa. 60:1) And please notice that the statement was not made to indicate that it is going to be the Church of God, but it IS the Church of God. In other words, when it came up from its crouched position it already IS the Church of God. This corresponds perfectly with prophecy. And while this was going on in the "land of the sky," and where the springs of water flowed, as well as in the "Fields of the Wood," so named by David around a thousand years before Christ, the mighty Wright Brothers were laboring hard on the sand dunes in the opposite corner of the state. "There shall be wings," in the New World, was fast becoming a reality. But not until the seventeenth of December, six months later, did the wings really fly.

Now this corresponds with our Scripture because the first of the chapter commanded the Church to "Arise, shine," while the wings and flying are not mentioned till the eighth verse. There are many Scriptures that show the light of the Church went out and would return again. One or two verses are helpful here.

"Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing: for they shall see eye to eye, when the Lord shall bring again Zion." (Isa. 52:8)

"For a small movement have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee.

"In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a movement; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the Lord thy Redeemer.

"For this is as the waters of Noah unto me: for as I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth; so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee." (Isa. 54:7-9)

And now in the time of the coming forth of the wings in the New World is the time for the coming forth from its hiding place of the mighty Church that had been hidden so long. I did not name the place where the "Arise, shine" prophecy was enacted, which was "The Fields of the Wood," I only found it already named by David nearly three thousand years before I ever saw it. There it lies at the base of the Burger Mountain on the top of which I prayed on that memorable morning. The springs of water are also there. There are tops of mountains on three sides. There is also the exalted highway touching on one side of the "wood." Singular as it may seem all of this "Arise, shine" on the thirteenth



With our General Overseer, Brother A. J. Tomlinson, leading the way, carrying two huge tablets on which were written the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount, hundreds of the people who were present at the dedication of the "Fields of the Wood" program, Sunday, September 7, ascended the steep part of Burger Mountain to dedicate for a monument, the place where Brother Tomlinson in 1903 knelt as he prayed and prevailed and received the revelation of the Church of God.

day of June, 1903, occurred without any of those who participated in it having any knowledge of what was happening. It was a wonder hidden from all eyes, but later revealed to many. It is very evident that the last days Church and the last days wings were destined to come up just as they did in North Carolina of the New World because they did without anybody making any effort to have it so. It certainly is true also that the place for the Church to "Arise, shine," in the last days is to be a long distance from the place where it was destroyed. See if a verse of Scripture does not agree with this version.

"For thy waste and thy desolate places, and the land of thy destruction, shall even now be too narrow by reason of the inhabitants, and they that swallow thee up shall be far away." (Isa. 49:19)

There is another thing that belongs with our "There shall be wings" and the "Arise, shine" of the Church in the last days and in connection with the New World that should be given attention, and that is the Gentiles. The promises that were made to Abraham have been transferred to the Gentiles and now here they come to the New World along with the "Arise, shine," and the "There shall be wings" of the New World. Now read a few mighty verses that cannot be changed.

"Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

"For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people; but the Lord shall arise upon thee.

"And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

"Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side.

"Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thy heart shall fear and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea (people) shall be converted unto thee, the forces (wealth) of the Gentiles shall come unto thee." (Isa. 60:1-5)

This with many other Scriptures shows that the last days Church will be composed of Gentiles with only a remnant of Jews. And now while Isaiah was enumerating the blessings that were to come upon the Gentiles, he caught sight of the wings in the New World and did not know what it was. This was in his vision, so he cried out with astonishment to see if he could get some one to tell him, but no answer was given.

"Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows?" (Isa. 60:8)

While the first flying machine flew in the New World the very same year that the last days Church obeyed the voice that called for it to "Arise, shine," also in the New World, now the airplanes can be numbered by the tens of thousands all over the world. And they are being used by our workers to scatter our free literature; and how do we know but what this is some of the ways the doctrine shall be dropped as the rain, and as the shower upon the tender grass? The statement, "There shall be wings," has not been a failure even in helping us publish the last days message. And this comes in connection with the dropping of the doctrine as the rain. Read it,

"Give ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak; and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth.

"My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew,

as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as showers upon the grass:

"Because I will publish the name of the Lord: ascribe ye greatness unto our God." (Deut. 32:1-3)

See how much this reads like Mark 13:10, "And the gospel must first be published among all nations." And isn't it a fact that the last days Church and the airplane are to work together? This brings more thoughts of how Leonardo's Flying Machine could not succeed in his time because it was not time for the last days Church to "Arise, shine," and both of them had to come up together, over in the New World around 5,000 miles west from the place where the early Church had its start a few miles north of the Sea of Galilee.

O what mighty wonders are showing themselves in these last days! It is no wonder that Paul wrote about seeing through a glass darkly in his day, but in a later day somebody can see face to face. Somebody no more has the glass smoked, but it is clear as a crystal. And what is still better, no glass at all.

I have thought how wonderful it would have been if a marker or marble shaft or statue could have been placed out there on the mountain where Jesus organized His Church. It would have saved our modern day people of misinterpreting the Scripture to make it appear that the Church was first started on the day of Pentecost. To me it is inconsistent to think of that multitude of people in the second chapter of Acts being added to nothing. And if the Church had not been established before the day of Pentecost, how could they have been added to it? And wouldn't it have been wonderful to have had a marker placed on the Damascus road where Jesus slapped Paul down and forced him to become a Christian? They do have markers to show where some things took place about Bethlehem and Jerusalem. But it seems nobody was interested in the Church enough to mark the place where it was organized, or at least I have never heard of a marker at that place. But I wonder who wants to unite with me in placing a marker at the place—the very spot—where the last days Church came up to fulfill the prophecy of "Arise, shine," so it can be known without any guessing. Indeed, it had been crouched down and hidden away ever since the year 325 when it was lost to view and hid under a covering of creeds and anything else that was wrong.

When Martin Luther, George Fox, John Wesley and many others started churches they only borrowed the doctrine of born again, water baptism, sanctification, the Lord's supper, feet washing, because they all belonged to the Church of God. And when the Church of God returned they began to bring home what they had borrowed, and when they finally bring home all, others will have nothing left. The Church of God will then have all of the true doctrine. You see the Church of God stands for the whole Bible rightly divided, and the true doctrine must be guarded so there can be no chance of falling into heresy and finally into apostasy as happened only a few centuries after the death of the Apostles. In early years of the Church it is written the multitudes "continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers." To me it is a source of consolation to know the very place where the statement was made, "This means that it is the Church of God." And up heaved the Church of God with the whole Bible rightly divided, continuing steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine, and in breaking of bread and in prayers.

Many mighty and miraculous things have taken place since that time,

and multitudes have joined the Church or been added to the Church since the time it took the "Arise, shine" leap to heights yet unknown to millions, but it must be made known to all. Yes, the multitudes must know the Church of prophecy as well as the airplanes. How much is this like the Apostle Paul when he shouted out with mighty power,

"That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body (the same Church), and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel.

"Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.

"Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;

"And to make all men see (the Church) what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ.

"To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the Church the manifold wisdom of God." (Eph. 3:6-10)

Yes, "There shall be wings." Multitudes must know the mighty Church.

Now let us once more sing our battle hymn that we have been singing for many years at this juncture in the Assembly. Let us sing it from our hearts as usual, and really mean it a little stronger than ever before. Let the bands all play it that can, and put their whole soul into the music as well as the words. Everybody stand and sing and be happy and full of rejoicing because we mean it, and know who we are and what we are going to do. And we praise the Lord with all of our hearts. Amen!

AT THE BATTLE'S FRONT

I've enlisted for life in the army of the Lord,
Though the fight may be long and the struggle fierce and hard,
With the armor of God and the Spirit's trusty sword
At the front of the battle you will find me.

CHORUS:

Hear the tramp! tramp! tramping of the army
The triumph shouting, the foe we're routing;
Hear the tramp! tramp! tramping of the army
Marching on to victory.

I'm in this army, this glorious army,
And the God of the battles will defend me,
I'm in this army, this glorious army,
At the front of the battle you will find me.

With the banner of love and of holiness unfurled,
Full salvation proclaim to a sinful, dying world;
Tho' the darts thick and fast from the enemy be hurled,
At the front of the battle you will find me.

Is your name, friend, enrolled with the loyal ones and true?
Will you dare now to stand with the Saviour's faithful few?
Will you join with me now and the covenant renew?
At the front of the battle you will find me.

Note—At intervals the General Overseer would lay aside his manuscript

and emphasize points he had read. He repeated a sentence from his address last year—"I may sound like a fool but you stick to me a few more years in what may seem like foolishness to many and I will show you a thing or two." Demonstrations, messages and interpretations followed.

At a given time during the delivery of part of the address under the head of "Guard the Doctrine" Lura Vee and Stella Young sang "Hold Fast to the Right." The General Overseer stood near them and when the song was ended he said, "I never heard the song before but I was reminded of something that was told to me. It was told me by my mother. I was so little and no account and was such a care to mother that she slipped out one day to pray, and this was the thought of her prayer. "If this child is never going to amount to anything let him die. He is such a care. If Thou hast something special for him to do, heal him up and let him live." I didn't know that verse was in the song but I am living some of my life over again."

Another song, "He Will Set Your Fields on Fire" by Lura Vee and Stella Young. After this song the General Overseer said: "The story is told of Eleazar going after Rebecca. He told the Lord if this thing is right I am about to do You have the young lady I am after to do the very things I am thinking about. Have her do this, that and the other. She didn't know it but she did those very things. We don't always know what we are going to get into but we got ourselves into it by doing the things that God had planned for us a good while ago. We got possession of the Fields of the Wood by doing the things God marked out for us. We didn't know it was to be the Fields of the Wood but it turned out that way. One thing that makes it specially impressive is that the Wright brothers were making the airplane while we were finding the Church. There is no way to get out of it. If you tell me I am wrong you are just telling me the wrong thing. To me things have happened already according to Scripture and I didn't know it. I didn't know what I was getting into but God made me what I am. Paul didn't aim to be the apostle to the Gentiles. He didn't aim to get into what he did. I couldn't doubt the Lord didn't let me die when mother prayed for me to die if I wasn't going to amount to anything. We have got to guard the doctrine. They didn't do it back there but we have to do it. We didn't build this Church, it was made and fixed and we found it. This is different. It isn't the same kind of a movement other movements are."

1:03 p. m.—The General Overseer concluded his address by having the congregation to stand and sing "At the Battle's Front." J. R. Kinser led the song with Mildred Bennett at the piano. The bands joined in and the congregation waved flags and handkerchiefs.

1:08 p. m.—Dismissed with prayer by L. A. Moxley.

2:05 p. m.—Music by Bahama Band, followed by a song "Jesus Will Never Fail" by the Band. As the song was sung marchers formed in line on platform and marched two and two. The platform was crowded and shouts and praises arose from all over the tabernacle. A wonderful demonstration of the power and presence of God.

2:21 p. m.—Concert prayer for the sick.

2:23 p. m.—Song service led by Joe Crews, Lovie Nunis at the piano. Prayer at pulpit by S. O. Gillaspie.

2:31 p. m.—General Treasurer's Annual Report—A. J. Lawson.

General Treasurer's Financial Report For the Year Ending August 31, 1941

Tithes brought forward Sept. 1, 1940	\$ 3,911.16	
Received this year	24,735.12	
Total		\$28,646.28
Paid out this year		20,107.00
Balance August 31, 1941		\$ 8,539.28
Mission brought forward Sept. 1, 1940	\$ 8,326.15	
Received this year	21,636.06	
Total		\$29,962.21
Paid out this year		14,321.72
Balance August 31, 1941		\$15,640.49
Mission Tithes brought forward Sept. 1, 1940	\$ 146.14	
Received this year	4,806.42	
Total		\$ 4,952.56
Paid out this year		2,899.00
Balance August 31, 1941		\$ 2,053.56
Assembly expense deficit Sept. 1, 1940	\$ 789.52	
Paid out this year	1,757.19	
Total		\$ 2,546.71
Received this year		1,448.60
Deficit August 31, 1941		\$ 1,098.11
Emergency deficit Sept. 1, 1940	\$ 5,003.70	
Paid out this year	10,062.44	
Total		\$15,066.14
Received this year		8,949.79
Deficit August 31, 1941		\$ 6,116.35
Sunday School Tithes received this year	\$ 714.44	
Paid out this year	714.44	
No balance		
V. L. B. Tithes received this year	\$ 1,956.07	
Paid out this year	1,541.15	
Balance August 31, 1941		\$ 414.92

Total funds		
brought forward Sept. 1, 1940	\$12,883.45	
Received this year	65,246.50	
Total		\$76,629.95
Deficit brought		
forward Sept. 1, 1940	\$ 5,793.22	
Paid out this year	51,402.94	
Total		57,196.16
Balance August 31, 1941		\$19,433.79

STATEMENT OF VALUE AND INDEBTEDNESS OF OUR HEADQUARTER'S PROPERTIES

Total cost value of World-Wide Assembly Tabernacle, Bible Place, Short Street lots, and Berger Mountain.

Properties	\$80,377.38	
The amount paid on properties	56,162.00	
Balance owed on properties		\$24,215.38

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. LAWSON, Treasurer.

This report was accepted by the Assembly in regular order.

2:45 p. m.—Music by the Bahama Band. The General Overseer asked all to step about a little to get the blood stirred up. Soon lines of people were marching on platforms. As they marched the power fell upon many and they danced and shouted. They marched through the aisles and many joined in from different parts of the building. Many clapped their hands or waved flags and handkerchiefs. The General Overseer stood at the pulpit, waved a handkerchief and looked about him at the scene being enacted, a beautiful scene. One clerk described it thus:

"Congregation stands clapping their hands. A horde of folks are marching across the platform while the power of God is falling about through the congregation. Just a good happy time in the Lord and reveling in His mighty Spirit. A thousand or more handkerchiefs are waving above the jubilant throng. Shouts of praises and glory are everywhere. And O! O! O! look at this great host—God's host, manifesting their zeal for the Master. There they go like a mighty troop of unfaltering veterans marching, weaving in and out through the aisles. One can scarcely be told from another because of the evidence of God's great Spirit. Wonderful! They go everywhere. The colored folks join in the jubilee. The platform seems alive beneath the happy throng. And right here two of our clerks are dancing under the mighty power of God. And we are so nearly overcome by the Spirit until we can hardly write. Glory! O, the power! God's power! Surely this is the last days spirit of the Church of prophecy that is to take the world for God. And look at our Bahama boys. They are in full force after nearly a half hour of continuous playing. They feel the Spirit. It is here in God's Tabernacle."

When the music ceased and the people were seated the General Overseer had the congregation by sections to stand and say "Praise the Lord" as they raised their hands. Another beautiful scene.

3:18 p. m.—White Wing Publishing House Financial Report—A. D. Evans, Assistant Publisher and Business Manager.

Report of Publishing Department

Today we are delighted to bring you the report of this department. In all of the many years that we have reported to the Annual General Assembly, the White Wing Publishing House has never, during its life-time, had any more prosperous, glorious and encouraging period than it has had during the past fiscal year. This statement was made in a previous report, some years ago, but that year falls considerably short of the success of this year.

With our World Capitol Building completed we are just getting ready to do greater and mightier things for God and His church. Truly it has been the hand of God that has directed the work, and today we are making this annual report of the achievements of the Publishing Department, its accomplishments, progress and improvements with a gladder heart than we have ever felt in previous years.

To give you some idea of the steady growth in this department for the past few years, I will refer to a few figures. In 1937 the total receipts in all departments of the publishing work were \$24,829.96. In 1939 the total receipts were \$29,817.16, while this year's figures are \$47,025.89, the highest of any previous year.

The White Wing Publishing House is an extremely important auxiliary of the Church of God and we are all convinced of its necessity to keep the varied activities of the Church of God running at full tide, and we are glad to tell you that we have now reached the point where we are really just beginning to get started toward a much greater achievement in publishing the Gospel Message to the ends of the earth.

Occasionally, because of difficulties of one kind or another, we are rendered unable to do as we would like to, but we are encouraged because we really are advancing month by month and year by year. It is a great job and the Publishing Department needs the help and interest, physically, morally and financially of every member of the Church of God.

Eighteen years ago, September 15, 1923, the first issue of the White Wing Messenger was printed and mailed to only a few hundred subscribers. Many of you who attended the 18th General Assembly back in 1923 may recall the move started at that time to publish the White Wing Messenger—a powerful minister with a message of sunshine, gladness and cheer to promote the teachings of the Church of God and all the activities of the auxiliaries. Many predicted during those distressful times that we could not finance the venture of publishing the White Wing and Sunday School Literature and meet other publishing needs required by the churches, but in the face of many obstacles and much discouragement, that fifty dollars (\$50.00) I personally borrowed from the Merchants Bank of this city to start this business was the beginning of the White Wing Publishing House, the influence of which today is felt around the world.

While the circulation of the first issue of the White Wing Messenger was numbered by hundreds, the circulation today reaches into the thousands. We are pleased to place on exhibit in the show windows of the Publishing House across the street, that first issue of the White Wing Messenger printed September 15, 1923.

Joyful News, our sixteen-page, illustrated magazine, is filled with spiritual blessings and helps, designed specially to make your V. L. B. grow, build your W. M. B. and assist in the work of the A. B. M. and the doubling of the attendance of the Sunday School. The past year has been a flourishing one for Joyful News and we take this opportunity to thank all the auxiliaries for their support in making Joyful News what it is. To those auxiliaries that are missing the spiritual blessings to be had by reading Joyful News and practicing the advice and instructions given in carrying on their auxiliary work, we wish to recommend that you call at Book Land and obtain a sample copy so that you may get started at once to supplying your officers and members with this wonderful magazine monthly. Most auxiliaries order the magazine in lots of five, ten, fifteen or twenty copies to be sent them regularly each issue.

The remarkable circulation of both White Wing Messenger and Joyful News is due in part to the splendid efforts and work of the Church of God Literature Representatives and White Wing Messenger Workers. To all of you, including Overseers, Pastors, and Evangelists, who have boosted the White Wing Messenger and Joyful News, we wish to express a word of thanks and a big GOD BLESS YOU. The work you have been doing will doubtless reap a harvest throughout eternity—keep up the good work for the glory of God and the extending of the Last Days Message. Praise the Lord!

The Sunday School supplies published by the White Wing Publishing House still has a wide circulation among Church of God Sunday schools and Sunday schools of a number of other protestant churches. At present we publish Little Lesson Picture Cards, Beginners Quarterlies, Junior Quarterlies, Intermediate and Adult Quarterlies, Junior, Intermediate and Adult Leaflets, as well as large size Picture Rolls, Class Record Books and numerous other things used in the promotion work of the Sunday School. All of these supplies continue to go through the mails to our Sunday Schools for the one purpose of getting the message to the young as well as the old, and spreading the Last Days Church of God Message. Many Sunday Schools among the Holiness Baptist Church, Church of God in Christ and folk of other denominations write us complimenting our literature. One group of holiness people were so delighted with our literature that they recently inquired if we would imprint for them quantities of our literature each quarter. All this goes to show our Sunday School supplies are received favorably by thousands of men, women and children that are not today members of the Church of God. If you would like to see sample copies of our literature, you may secure them free at Book Land in the lobby of the Tabernacle.

Referring to our Free Literature Department which is really one of our most important fields of work in distributing literature in new and needy fields throughout the world, it is amazing at the good this literature is doing in getting the gospel to those who probably might never be reached in any other way.

At present this department is distributing eighty three different English tracts consisting of two to eight pages each. Also the White Wing Messenger, Joyful News, pamphlets, Testaments and Bibles are proving a remarkable blessing to the thousands who receive them through this department.

We have just completed the printing of one-half million Gospel Seeds consisting of eight small cards illustrating a brief message to the lost. These cards are printed in colors and are very attractive.

Already plans are under way for the establishing of a co-worker to the Church of God Literature Representative to be known as the Victory Leader Tract Band. Plans call for the appointment of one young person in each V. L. B. whose duty it will be to distribute Gospel Flakes and Gospel Seeds along with other tracts to the young people in the city, town, community and nearby places. The purpose of this V. L. B. Tract Worker is to reach more young people with the Gospel.

We are glad to report at this time that the Free Literature Department has already placed steel tract boxes in bus terminals, railroad stations, and other public buildings for the purpose of distributing our literature. Each of these boxes is cared for by a Church of God Literature Representative. Fresh tracts are placed in the box every few days. It is the intention of this department to increase the number of boxes throughout the country so that by another year these boxes will be in most of our large cities and towns.

It will probably be of interest to you to know that through the Free Literature Department twenty-seven different tracts in Foreign languages have been distributed and that plans are now under way to translate many of our other tracts into different languages. As these tracts are translated into Foreign languages and placed into type for printing, we are having electrotypes made of them which will make it possible to print quantities from time to time, as needed, thus saving the cost of repeated composition on the linotype with each reprinting. This same method is being adopted in the printing of our English tracts.

At present we have on hand millions of tracts in the English language. The presses on which these tracts are printed have been kept almost constantly busy at this work during the year. We never print less than 50,000 of one tract at a time and most of the time more.

One outstanding effort by this department during the past year is that of providing a number of tracts in the Chinese language for distribution among the Chinese in San Francisco, Los Angeles and other thickly populated fields of Chinese people in the United States. This work was under the supervision of Brother Peter Johnson, returned Missionary from China. Brother Johnson's excellent work in this field is outstanding and we are proud of the efficient work he has done in going from house to house leaving with them tracts and a prayer in their own language. Also a supply of 50,000 tracts in the Chinese language has recently been sent to China for distribution by our ministers and workers there.

In order to better acquaint yourself with the many different tracts on various subjects in English and Foreign languages that are now being distributed through this department, we invite you to visit the four tract holders stationed on the inside wall of the front part of the Tabernacle, where you will see copies of many of these tracts.

Through the loyal support of the Victory Leaders Bands throughout the world, there has been an encouraging increase in the amounts contributed to the Free Literature Fund this past year.

We are grateful to the V. L. Bs. and to all who have had any part in the support of this important work. Thank you, and again we thank you and may the richest of God's blessings be upon you.

As usual, I shall give here, in the order received, the list of states and Foreign countries with the amounts contributed by each of them at their Conventions after the 20% had been deducted for the General and State Secretaries:

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Canada	\$ 3.30	Georgia	1,283.77
East Texas	802.16	Missouri	801.26
Arizona	23.88	Maryland	260.22
California	144.76	South Dakota	115.20
Oregon	56.00	Pennsylvania	480.00
Washington	80.00	Oklahoma	368.22
Louisiana	87.43	Mississippi	381.60
Indiana	101.40	Wyoming	679.16
Georgia, (Colored)	2.44	Arkansas	315.44
Porto Rica	1.25	Florida	324.00
Cuba	1.00	North Carolina	1,217.80
West Virginia	167.27	Virginia	1,784.66
Nebraska	40.93	Delaware	21.12
North Dakota	10.00	Wisconsin	131.35
Idaho	145.78	Total amount received	
Illinois	187.25	from Conventions	\$13,861.83
Kentucky	827.61	From V. L. Bs. and the	
Ohio	649.60	Assembly offering last	
Iowa	170.33	year	2,626.20
New Mexico	1.60		
Colorado	32.40	Total amount from all	
Kansas	258.76	sources	16,487.03
Alabama	264.01	Balance on hand Septem-	
West Texas	80.05	ber 1st in the Free Litera-	
South Carolina	518.68	ture Department	6,306.04
Tennessee	1,030.14		

In conclusion I want to speak a few words of appreciation from the depth of my heart to every State Convention, V. L. B., Church and to each and every member for the moral, religious and financial support given so willingly to the growth, advancement and success of all the departments of the Publishing work which are designed to save souls by carrying the Gospel to all parts of the world.

To our motto we must be true, for we shall provide "The printed message to all nations" as our motto reads.

May God bless you and not only you but also those who have helped and do not have the opportunity to be here today.

White Wing Publishing House

303 Bible Place

Cleveland, Tennessee

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

September 1, 1940 to August 31, 1941

Book Balance September 1, 1940	\$ 2,324.54
Total Cash Receipts from Sales, Subscriptions, etc.	47,025.89
Total	\$49,350.43
Expended for Merchandise, Operating Expenses, etc.	45,792.87
Book balance August 31, 1941	3,557.56
Assets, Liabilities and Surplus August 31, 1941	

ASSETS**Current Assets:**

Cash in Bank	\$ 3,557.56	
Amounts Receivable	\$ 7,272.20	
LESS—Reserve for past Due Accounts	1,200.00	6,072.20
Inventories:		
Merchandise	13,645.83	
Supplies	834.39	14,480.22
Debit Balances in Accounts Payable		150.00
Total Current Assets		24,259.98

Fixed Assets:

Furniture and Fixtures	6,938.09	
LESS—Reserve for Depreciation	2,073.60	
Net Fixed Assets		4,864.49
Total Assets		29,124.47

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS**Current liabilities:**

Accounts Payable	916.24	
Credit Balance in Accounts Receivable	6,340.99	
Notes Payable	1,800.00	
Total Liabilities		9,057.23

EXCESS OF ASSETS OVER LIABILITIES

Represented by Surplus, August 31, 1941	\$20,067.24
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Respectfully submitted,

A. D. EVANS, Business Manager.

This report was accepted by the Assembly in regular order.

4:11 p. m.—Selection by Marvin Cowan Family.

4:17 p.m.—Message on headquarters for the Lord's people — Claude Kimbler. The speaker used for a text Micah 4:1, 2. A few excerpts: "There is no church without a government, and no government without a headquarters.—Washington is the capitol for the United States, but our capitol is for the whole world.—We are a holy nation.—We have to have a headquarters since we are a nation.—We don't gather together to make rules and regulations at our headquarters but to interpret and reveal what is already in the Bible.—In a multitude of counsellors there is safety, and there is a multitude here."

4:45 p. m.—Song and message by Ralph Scotton. He sang "Living

Waters," then his message followed.—All races in one mighty Church with Christ the head for all. The speaker delivered a good message filled with interest and power. A few excerpts are: "If you get into the Church of God the Lord can use you. If you are not in the Church He cannot use you.—Where the Church of God was once looked down on we are soon to be looked up to as the most blessed people. We have what it takes to make men see the fellowship of the mystery.—Some folks who once had the power in their preaching don't have it now because they are not in the Church of God.—Some people think we are going too slow; but I think God is running His work right on time.—God's program is on time."

5:12 p. m.—Sunday School Program introduced and directed by Guy Marlow. The first was a program by the West Palacios, Texas Sunday school, Dorothy Deadrick in charge. The theme of this demonstration was getting new pupils in the regular school, Home Class and Cradle Roll departments. Six workers visited homes, a fishing place, where people were working, the office of the Justice of Peace, and other places to get people interested in Sunday school. When they succeeded they would be happy and praise the Lord. Six girls marched on and off the stage at intervals singing Sunday school songs and saying Sunday school yells. At the last all the workers, singers and new pupils marched across platform singing "Come to Sunday School." All during the program a sister dressed in a white robe stood at the back of the platform. She held a flag in one hand and a banner in the other with these words on it—Spirit of Sunday School—Nothing Shall Escape Them. Joel 2:3. Song—"Ninety and Nine Won't Do."

Song by Roy Carter and Others.

Brother Marlow called the State Sunday School secretaries to the platform. When all were together they gave a Sunday school yell. Then a yell by the Texas folks.

While the Bahama Band played Brother Marlow followed by the state Secretaries marched off the platform and down into the aisles. At intervals they stopped and gave Sunday school yells. The Band marched down and out the door, followed by Brother Marlow and the secretaries and the large congregation. A Sunday school parade was soon formed with approximately 720 marching, the Bahama Band leading the way. One clerk writes: "Here comes the mighty Sunday school army with Band leading the way. What a multitude of zealous workers. They stride forward with the swing of a great army to the rap, trap, trap of the drums. The wide street is filled with enthusiastic listeners."

The Sunday School Secretary spoke briefly. The great mass of people shouted praises to God. Then followed a mighty concert prayer.

6:25 p. m.—The Bahama Band played as they marched back into Tabernacle, the people following.

6:35 p. m.—Song service led by Marion Price, Eunice West at the piano. Prayer by Cicero Mudd at pulpit while the congregation stood in holy reverence to God.

6:49 p. m.—Instructions about parking by Chief of Police.

6:51 p. m.—Some time was given to registering those who had not registered.

7:03 p. m.—Silent prayer. Then a message on Healing by Howard T. Gardner. The speaker delivered a good message on healing. He declared

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that Jesus is just as able to heal now as He was when He walked the shores of Galilee.

7:26 p. m.—Selection by Bahama Brass Band.

7:29 p. m.—Special songs by Adams Gospel Crew.

7:40 p. m.—Big and powerful concert prayer.

7:47 p. m.—Selections by K and M. Quartet.

7:58 p. m.—Our annual healing message—Nannie Lou Johnson. This was a good message and filled with encouragement to those who needed healing. Sister Johnson told of her experience in being healed of ulcers in her throat.

8:08 p. m.—The General Overseer gave some instructions and called out the names of those to form the lines across the platform and to pray and anoint with oil and lay on their hands. Also those to anoint and pray over handkerchiefs.

When the lines were formed Sister Pattie K. Scotton spoke briefly, then sang "Jesus Can Heal You." Then she led in singing "I Need Thee."

The sick and afflicted went through the lines. Some moved slowly, others seemed to get a touch of fire and shouted and danced along. A few cripples and a child on a stretcher who had been severely burned were among the number. (This child has been reported by her mother as being healed). 732 passed through the lines and 207 handkerchiefs were anointed and prayed over. The record showed 53 different ailments. 356 testified to being healed.

The General Overseer called all who had been healed to come to the platform. A large number responded and the power of God was upon them as they praised the Lord for His blessings. Closing prayer by Pattie K. Scotton.

9:58 p. m.—Evangelistic Message by N. F. Cannon. This was a fiery message to get people saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost.

10:24 p. m.—Exhortation and altar call by C. W. Risner. H. G. Nix led the song with Mrs. Paul Carpenter at the piano. The altars filled up quickly and while the altar work was in full swing it was reported by those keeping the count that six were saved, thirteen sanctified and nine filled with the Holy Ghost.

Saturday October 18:

5:30 a. m.—The Sunrise Prayer Meeting was conducted by H. Pierce Burns and George Flippo. Brother Burns talked briefly and then Brother Flippo had charge of the song service. A few specials were sung by different ones present. A big concert prayer, followed by special music and songs. Brother Flippo led in singing a song and then took charge of the testimony service. He gave a wonderful testimony and others followed quickly. Many testified to being healed the night before by the power of God. The clerk reported this to be a good service, full of interest, power and glory.

9:02 a. m.—Program by North Carolina V. L. Bs., in charge of Edna Rhodes. The first was a solo, "Happy V. L. Bs." by Cicero Mudd. Then some songs by a group of colored V. L. Bs.

9:16 a. m.—Song service led by Milton A. Tomlinson, Ellen Lee Bailey at the piano. Prayer by Jim Willie Deadrick.

9:28 a. m.—Concert prayer for sick.

9:35 a. m.—Music by Bahama Brass Band.



THE GREAT STONE as it started on its journey down the mountain side crushing through the large sign representing Babylon. This was in the Sunday night program of the Fields of the Wood on a miniature mountain. This special feature of that program drew praise and comments of the great audience.

9:43 a. m.—The General Overseer spoke briefly of the White Wing Messenger and Joyful News and the need of printing them in different languages. The program called for a drive to put these papers into at least ten languages in five years, and a combination of emergency, V. L. B. and missionary zeal to extend the circulation.

9:50 a. m.—White Wing Messenger and Joyful News drive—A. D. Evans in charge. He spoke briefly and called on Charles T. Davidson and

J. R. Kinser to tell why Overseers should read the White Wing Messenger. Then Guy Marlow and F. F. Johnson gave short talks boosting the papers. Brother Evans called the Auxiliary Boosters, C. of G. L. Rs., White Wing workers and those who would like to be White Wing workers to the platform. Envelopes were given them to secure subscriptions. Three prizes were offered to those getting the most cash subscriptions in twenty minutes. The Bands furnished music as the workers worked. The trumpet blew when the twenty minutes expired and the prizes presented.

First. A Bible was presented to Fred Russell Martin, Bassett, Va., by J. R. Kinser. He secured thirty-one subscriptions.

Second. Two dollars was presented to F. F. Johnson, Cleveland, Tenn., by Charles T. Davidson. He secured sixteen subscriptions.

Third. An Ensign Testament was presented to Charles Batson, Charlotte, Tenn., by S. O. Gillaspie. He secured fifteen subscriptions.

Brother Evans offered the following awards to the workers:

First. To the person sending the largest number of new or renewal subscriptions to the White Wing Messenger and Joyful News between October 21, 1941 and September 1, 1942, over and above one hundred, will be presented with traveling expenses to and from the 37th Annual Assembly, and room and board.

Second. To the person sending the largest number of new or renewal subscriptions to the White Wing Messenger and Joyful News between October 21, 1941 and September 1, 1942, over and above fifty, will receive a special Minister's Bible valued at \$11.00.

Third. To the person sending the largest number of new and renewal subscriptions to the White Wing Messenger and Joyful News between October 21, 1941 and September 1, 1942, over and above twenty-five, will receive a Church of God subscription banner.

11:01 a. m.—Music and song by Ensign Band.

11:08 a. m.—Message by E. H. Griffith—How to keep the members of our local churches more interested through the A. B. M. so they will not get lost, cold and careless, but keep the fire always. The speaker told how to keep our members through the Assembly Band Movement and we can't slow down and accomplish the work. He showed how it was our duty to consider one another to provoke unto love and good works and not tear down and destroy. He stated that it took the power of God to get the work done.

Unwritten program followed in which the A. B. M. State Secretaries took part.

The first scene is a local church service. After singing and prayer the pastor introduced a visiting evangelist who had come for a revival. The evangelist brought a message and the service was dismissed.

The second scene was a band leaders meeting at the same church. A message by the pastor showed results. The band leaders were so aroused they started working at once. They went after the lost sheep and brought them in. When all had been found there was great rejoicing. A testimony service followed and the meeting was closed out by singing "Feeling So Much Better."

Brother Griffith said, "This is an example of a successful A. B. M. when we get the power working in us."

12:10 p. m.—Dismissed.

1:15 p. m.—Program of short talks by three A. B. M. Secretaries.

1:24 p. m.—Song service led by Raymond M. Pruitt, Mary Smith at the piano. Prayer by A. T. Griffin at pulpit.

1:35 p. m.—Report of committee to dispense missionary money—A. J. Lawson, Chairman. The report was read and accepted by the Assembly in regular order. The committee was retained to serve another year.

Report of the Foreign Missionary Committee to Dispense Foreign Mission Funds

To the 36th Annual Assembly of the Church of God—Greetings:

Today, as forcibly as ever, the tremendous responsibility is still upon the Church of God to “go ye” with this last days message “into all the world.” To assist in accomplishing this command your Foreign Missionary Committee has sought to disburse Foreign Mission Funds in a manner that would spread the Gospel further and more effectively throughout the Foreign Fields.

Although some of our missionaries have been hindered in their work by the horrible war, yet we have sought to keep in close contact with each of them and to assist them in the preservation of their lives as well as the maintenance of the work of the Church of God.

In all of the monthly and special call meetings by the chairman of the committee, each member worked harmoniously with the chairman to the meeting of every emergency and the keeping of our missionaries on the field. Your committee has sought diligently the guidance of God in meeting the needs of the different Foreign fields and to disburse the proper amount of funds to each missionary.

It is with praise and thanksgiving to God that we report here that although we could have done more if funds had been greater, every emergency has been met and the last days message of the Church of God has gone to at least 18 countries as a direct result of the Foreign Missionary funds.

As it is the duty of this committee to report on the receipts and disbursements of Foreign Missionary Funds, we would like to give here the total amount of money disbursed by the committee during the past fiscal year in the various Foreign Fields where the Church of God has churches and missions, and where efforts are being made to establish new work. Here are the figures:

China	\$2,546.99	Dominican Republic	\$ 455.07
Cyprus	887.89	Greece	705.84
Cuba	2,078.99	Haiti	768.73
Canada (Harris)	817.14	Jamaica	1,391.80
Canada (Smith)	783.89	Montserrat	382.89
Canal Zone	257.89	Polish Work, Chicago	467.89
Bahamas	1,140.04	Porto Rica	150.00
Barbados	457.89	Turks Islands	329.89
British West Africa	668.89	Virgin Islands	30.00

Respectfully submitted,

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1:51 p. m.—V. L. B. program, Miss Willard H. Boyles in charge.

Sister Willard offered a prayer as the congregation stood. She talked briefly and called on the congregation to stand and praise the Lord.

Song, "Some Day" by Richard and Violet Talbott and Boyd Thornton. Prayer by W. E. Musselwhite.

2:01 p. m.—How to be a good soldier in the V. L. B.—Message by Edna Rhodes. She stated, "We are in the greatest army because we are fighting for the Church of God and lost souls. A good soldier obeys orders. To be able to be a good soldier we must be strong spiritually."

2:06 p. m.—"I'm a private in the army of the Lord, song by Mansfield, Mo. Trio.

2:11 p. m.—Message by Raymond Pruitt—V. L. Bs. fulfilling prophecy. In connection with Deut 32:2 Brother Raymond mentioned his distributing Church of God literature from an airplane. Then Brother Asa Grubbs told of his experience in distributing literature by airplane and how the power of God filled the plane. Brother David Cook gave his experience of coming to the Assembly in an airplane from Miami, Fla.

2:30 p. m.—Message of encouragement to the young people, by D. H. Queener. This was a message of good food and encouragement for the V. L. Bs. He stated the V. L. Bs are on time and there is only one V. L. B. It is in the Church of God.

2:55 p. m.—As a wedding march was played Paul C. Buckles and Alene Price and their attendants walked down the aisles and up on the platform where they were met by the General Overseer who performed the ceremony that made them man and wife.

3:04 p. m.—Message by Willard H. Boyles—Ambassadors Extraordinary. "We are not ordinary folks. We are on a special mission and we want God's glory to shine upon us, for we are to lead the world to Christ," she said.

3:15 p. m.—Songs by Oregon and Idaho V. L. Bs., California V. L. Bs., Wyoming V. L. Bs.

3:24 p. m.—Message, How to have good success in the V. L. B. work—Emma Cox. A good message. She emphasized the points of cooperation and having God with us.

3:35 p. m.—Message by Ruth Elliott—We must have the White Wing Messenger, Joyful News and our Sunday school literature published in foreign languages for our foreign churches. Before the message Sister Willard was presented with a beautiful banner from the Cookville, Texas V. L. Bs.

3:45 p. m.—Short message by Margaret Henry. Her subject was, Growing and Expanding the V. L. B. Work. She stated that it took the zeal of the Lord in order to expand.

3:51 p. m.—Duet by Carl and Gladys Westburg. Following this was a selection by McClelland, Arkansas Trio.

3:56 p. m.—Special program by the State V. L. B. Secretaries. The secretaries filed across the platform carrying quilts. There were twenty-three. They had made the quilts to raise Free Literature money by selling names. They marched through the aisles with the quilts so all could see them. The Bahama Band played as they marched. Sister Willard Boyles presented the quilts to the State Secretaries.

4:07 p. m.—Poem composed and read by Kentucky V. L. B. girl.

4:10 p. m.—All nations contest program. People in costume, represent-

ing different nationalities of people were seated on the platform. V. L. B. workers handed them Church of God literature printed in their own languages. They read and understood and were won for Christ. They could not talk to each other very well but by motions and signs they found out they had all read the same message. There was shouting and rejoicing among them.

Sister Mary Ann Yoak came running to the platform and read a poem about the Church of God she had composed several years ago. She gave a short talk after reading the poem.

Never a prince so grand as He,
That trod the shores of Galilee,
But still He gave His life so free
For the Church He loved.
Can we? Can we?

Come, children, one and all,
And at His precious feet we'll fall;
Until His precious blood sweeps o'er
And makes us fit to enter the door.
The door of the Church so grand and free
That He gave his life for.
Can we? Can we?

Now we must walk in the path He trod,
In order to be in the Church of God.
The Church of God so free and grand,
We're marching on to that bright land.

Come, loved ones, one and all,
Oh, can't you hear His loving call?
Go deeper, children, in my love
And let your prayers ascend above.

Until your hearts are filled with grace
That you may come to this grand place.
That you can give your life, said He,
Just like I did on Calvary.

Mount Calvary! O blessed place
Where Jesus showed His saving grace.
'Twas there He shed His precious blood
That His Church might go through the cleansing flood.

The Church of God so good and true,
I want to be so loyal too.
Now let us each search our own heart,
That from her doctrine we'll not part.

For can't you see the test is nigh,
The waves so dark are rolling high?
Ah! let us look to Christ through all,
And on His precious name we'll call.



JUBILEE TIME in the great 36th Annual Assembly of the Church of God.
God upon this wonderful occasion. General Overseer, A. J.
main stage. It was one of our



ongs shouted aloud throughout the building in praise and thanksgiving to
nlinson, smiles as he stands behind the speaker's desk on the
ding services of the Assembly.

The Church of God can't fail, you know,
Because our Saviour loved her so.
Though persecutions great may rise,
Our Lord will lift her to the skies.

The Church of God so grand and true,
Oh, how I love her, now don't you?
Come to the front, Oh loyal band
We're marching to the glory land.

Lift up her banner, oh so high.
We must exalt her to the sky,
Until the nations they can see
The Church of God so grand and free.

And then the people they will come
Into the house of God's own Son.
Now can't you see the harvest white?
Oh, we must work with all our might.

Oh, we must work while it is day,
Because the mist must flee away,
And precious souls who are in the dark,
They must be brought into the ark.

Oh, can't you see the ark so grand?
The one that Christ said she will stand.
The gates of Hell cannot prevail,
Because I know Christ's words can't fail.

4:25 p. m.—Bringing in the Free Literature Money and presenting banners. Sister Willard read the report of offerings brought to the Assembly by states and compared the figures with last year. The money was brought in bags and laid on the pulpit. \$4,000.00 was the goal. The offering had not reached this amount and Sister Willard said we would have to have it. She called on Brother Mackey from the Bahama Islands to talk. Then Willard had the V. L. Bs. to stand and repeat, "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Then the congregation stood and repeated it with her. She then asked Brother Moss to lead in repeating the Scripture. When the Scripture had been repeated over and over, Brother Evans started a five dollar march. Brother Gunn made a brief talk and then joined in the march. Several joined in the march. Then a dollar march was started and many joined in. Hundreds marched through the aisles carrying their money. The offering was deposited on a large drum, the amount being \$495.15.

Below is given a full report of the Assembly Free Literature offering.

Assembly Free Literature Offering Record

Alabama	_____	\$ 157.20	California	_____	51.50
Arizona	_____	17.50	Connecticut	_____	3.25
Arkansas	_____	72.58	East Texas	_____	576.60
Bahamas	_____	10.00	Florida	_____	113.03

Georgia	246.97	Oklahoma	39.47
Idaho	39.50	Oregon	12.30
Illinois	68.56	Pennsylvania	88.20
Indiana	187.20	South Carolina	44.59
Iowa	58.00	South Dakota	59.42
Kansas	68.05	Tennessee	331.05
Kentucky	172.79	Virginia	157.27
Louisiana	31.20	Washington	14.70
Maryland	29.00	Washington, D. C.	2.00
Michigan	42.00	West Texas	40.80
Minnesota	31.55	West Virginia	58.40
Mississippi	82.05	Wisconsin	88.30
Missouri	142.20	Wyoming	118.60
Nebraska	11.70		
New Mexico	1.20	Total States Offering	\$3,541.05
New York	15.00	General Collection	495.15
North Carolina	171.23	Other Offerings	64.80
North Dakota	5.75		
Ohio	80.34	Grand Total	\$4,100.00

Banners were presented as follows:

Champion Local Band Banner, given for bringing the largest offering to the Assembly, was awarded to the band at Gas City, Indiana. Amount raised—\$167.00. Banner presented to Leader, Orpha Meyers.

Champion State Banner, given to the State that brought the largest offering to the Assembly, was awarded to East Texas. Amount raised \$576.60. Banner presented to State Secretary, Ruth Elliott.

Champion State Convention Banner, given to the state that had the largest State Convention Offering, was awarded to Virginia. Amount raised, \$2,230.82. Banner presented to State Secretary Elma Miller.

Dismissed inside the tabernacle for open air meeting outside.

V. L. B. OPEN AIR MASS MEETING AND PARADE

6:11 p. m.—The Bands were in their places, the sidewalks and street in front of the Publishing House filled with people. Prayer by John A. Stubbs. Some instructions were given and the General Overseer called the states in alphabetical order and the line of march was formed with the State Overseers leading the way. The Louisville, Bahama and Trammell Bands made music as the V. L. Bs. marched. They marched east to Gaut Street and returned. It was a beautiful sight to see them marching, one line going one way and another line going the other. Some wore regalia and many carried banners and flags. Some of the marchers sang songs and many praised the Lord. In due time the ushers led them to the front of the Publishing House and Capitol Building for the further program—

Prayer by Ruby King. Song by Charles Mackey and the Bahama folks—“Ezekiel saw the wheel way down in the V. L. B.” Short talk and song by Arnold Demeritte. Three minutes message by Opal Matheny. Her subject was, Reaching all nations with the published message. Three minutes message by Easter Martinez. Her subject was, I will work to fulfill the words of Jesus. Another three minute message by Buford Johnson on the subject—Cooperating with my state secretary. Sister Willard Boyles followed with a message on doing the work marked out for us in 1942. She an-

nounced the goal for next year is \$10,000.00.

6:34 p. m.—Dismissed with prayer by Clemie P. McAnally.

The count of the clerks showed 713 in the parade, carried 98 banners, 86 flags, 50 instruments.

6:47 p. m.—When all were back in the tabernacle the V. L. B. program was continued. A banner was presented to the local V. L. B. in each state which took the largest free literature offering to the state convention. The bands receiving the banners are as follows:

Allen, Oklahoma; Kansas City, Kansas; Fredericktown, Missouri; Greybull, Wyoming; Beloit, Wisconsin; West Palacios, Texas; Gibbon, Nebraska; Chapmanville, W. Va.; Rock Creek, Maryland; Charleston, S. C.; Hereford, S. Dak.; Indianapolis, Indiana; Walnut Grove, Miss.; Gate City, Alabama; Fort Myers, Florida; Los Angeles, Calif.; Nectarine, Pa.; Council Bluffs, Iowa; Lawrenceville, Illinois; Bethune St., Detroit, Michigan; Laboratory, N. C.; Rossville, Georgia; Augusta, Arkansas; Akron, Ohio; Ridgedale, Tennessee; Schoolfield, Virginia; Clear Creek, Kentucky.

The V. L. B. program closed with a song by Palacios, Texas Quartet.

7:10 p. m.—Program of music and songs by the Arkansas Travelers.

7:25 p. m.—Song service led by Milton A. Tomlinson, Mildred Bennett at the piano. This was a great song service with the blessings of the Lord upon the people as they clapped hands and sang. Prayer at the pulpit by H. G. Nix as congregation stood in holy reverence to God.

7:40 p. m.—Our annual Saturday Evening Testimony and Praise Service, in charge of E. A. McDonald with the South Carolina String Band. This was a wonderful testimony service. People all over the building testified to the many blessings of the Lord. The String Band played and sang at intervals. The presence of the Lord was in the midst. At the last the people praised the Lord by sections as directed by Brother McDonald. The power fell and some shouted and praised the Lord.

8:00 p. m.—Program by Assembly Expense Committee, V. R. Sherrill in charge. Solo by Paul Carpenter, Mrs. Paul Carpenter at the piano. Music by Louisville Brass Band. Music by Bahama Brass Band as they marched through the aisles and back to the platform. A member of the committee walked out on the platform with a card suspended from his neck with the word Unconcerned on it. He skipped about and was very happy since he had nothing to do but shout. He could not see any need of taking care of the expense or business. All he had to do was to eat, sleep and shout. Another member of the Committee came on the platform with a huge burden on his back which represented the Assembly Expense Deficit. He was all bent over with the great burden upon him. The Unconcerned brother was finally convinced of the need of paying the Assembly Expense. He tore off his card and said he would help. He pulled some money from his pocket and as the call for help was made state overseers from different parts of the building rushed in with dollars to help lift the burden. A large drum was placed at the front of platform and people began to bring their offerings. The burden bearer continued his plea for help. Others assisted him in begging for help. \$284.63 was brought in to help lift the burden.

8:55 p. m.—Arthur G. Webb and Myrtle Davis were joined together in marriage by A. D. Evans.

9:03 p. m.—Testimony of some who received the Holy Ghost in the earliest part of the latter rain—Homer A. Tomlinson. He spoke briefly and

introduced Brother Samuel Gogoff, a Russian, and Otto Koelz, a German. He said he wanted to show how Russia and Germany would some time love each other when they received the Holy Ghost. He brought the two brethren together and they kissed and embraced each other. Sister Haycraft was introduced and she stated she received the Holy Ghost in May, 1902. Brother Homer called for all in the building to stand who had received the Holy Ghost. It looked like the majority of the large congregation arose.

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9:19 p. m.—Powerful concert prayer for the Sunday Missionary Program.

9:25 p. m.—Bahama Band music. As the Band played the congregation stood and waved handkerchiefs. The General Overseer walked back and forth on the platform waving his handkerchief. He had John Miracle to walk with him and soon others joined them and a march was started. Lines formed on the main floor. Soon people were shouting and dancing in almost every part of the building. A mighty shower that lasted for eighteen minutes. One clerk wrote: "Who couldn't be happy? Where is there another church that has great times like this. Surely our people are among the happiest in the world and they have reason to be." The Bahama Band marched up on top platform and played a piece of music, then sang "Take this Whole World and Give Me Jesus." The Louisville Band played as the Bahama Band marched down to main floor and formed in front of lower platform. As the Louisville Band ceased the Bahama Band started their music. They marched around the aisles playing. They stopped at intervals and played. The manifestations of the power of God continued. The Louisville Band played as the Bahama Band ascended to the band box.

10:22 p. m.—The Church of God on display—Message by K. W. Bancroft. This was an interesting message. The speaker used several Scriptures and pointed out different ways to display the Church of God. He said that displaying headquarters will exalt the Church of God. He believed in the near future the Church will have great prosperity. "Many good things are on the shelves but the Church must be on display," he said. He emphasized the importance of the Church of Prophecy Marker Association in displaying the Church.

11:16 p. m.—Song by Joseph and Ethel Dougherty.

11:19 p. m.—Evangelistic message by Edna M. Rhodes. This was a stirring message.

11:27 p. m.—Exhortation and altar call by Dewey S. Watkins. Marvin Cowan led the singing for the altar call, Ernie White at the piano. Powerful altar service with a good number praying through to God.

Sunday, October 19:

5:30 a. m.—Sunrise prayer meeting in charge of David F. Garr. Brother Garr spoke briefly and called for a concert prayer. The song service was in charge of a string band. Brother Garr read a Scripture. In his message he emphasized the point, "Sanctify them through thy truth." He called attention to the fact that this was the day set apart to raise missionary money to save lost souls, and if we are sanctified God's way we will give our money. Brother Ernest Garr led the testimony service. Many fiery testimonies were given interspersed with songs. Some special songs were sung, then Brother Garr called for a prayer for our missionaries and for the mission-



DANIEL SAW THE STONE rolling through Babylon and here you see a great white stone crushing through a flimsy paper sign which represented Babylon. That great stone had been hewn out of the top of the mountain by the General Overseer and with a mighty heave they lifted it on to the balustrade and to the roll of a drum and voices of a colored choir singing that great spiritual, they pushed it off and it rolled down and came to rest on the rock.

ary service. Following this was a special prayer for the sick and the service was dismissed. Another wonderful Sunday morning sunrise service filled with the mighty power and presence of God.

8:48 a. m.—Sacred worship before the Lord started with music by the Bahama Brass Band. Then music by the Louisville Brass Band. While the piano was played softly the congregation with hands uplifted praised the Lord in low tones.

9:09 a. m.—Song service led by J. R. Kinser, Wilma Gonia at the piano. Prayer by Mrs. Ruth Slay at the pulpit while the congregation stood in holy reverence to God.

9:20 a. m.—Song by Sunshine Trio—"My Sheep Know My Voice."

The General Overseer spoke briefly concerning the missionary service and the thousand dollars missionary offering today. He called for the W. M. B. sisters to repeat this and emphasized TODAY.

9:45 a. m.—W. M. B. Zeal to Raise Missionary Money to Save Souls—Message by Mrs. Jessie M. Elder. This was a message full of zeal to raise missionary money and save lost souls. The speaker mentioned she was looking forward to the time when we will have a million dollars in the offering instead of a thousand.

10:00 a. m.—"To the Regions Beyond," sung by Jim Quartet.

10:05 a. m.—Concert prayer for sick as congregation stood.

10:10 a. m.—"All Around You Souls are Dying," sung by Marvin Cowan family.

10:19 a. m.—At the request of the General Overseer Jim Odum placed a tub on the platform and while standing near it sang the verses of "To the Regions Beyond" with the congregation joining in on the chorus. Elihue Brown was drafted to help Jim carry the tub to the Overseers. As they passed around the overseers dropped the money in the tub, calling out the amounts. The clerks made the following record:

Alabama	\$107.00	Mississippi	100.00
Arkansas	64.26	Missouri	114.20
Bahamas	20.00	Montana	1.00
California	16.20	Nebraska	5.00
Connecticut	6.00	New Jersey	5.00
Cuba	2.00	New Mexico	1.28
Delaware	1.00	New York	25.00
District of Columbia	5.00	North Carolina	157.14
East Texas	535.78	Ohio	80.45
Florida	62.51	North Dakota	10.00
Georgia	315.41	Oklahoma	13.41
Idaho	80.25	Oregon	15.00
Illinois	41.47	Pennsylvania	100.00
Indiana	50.25	South Carolina	31.25
Iowa	62.50	South Dakota	16.00
Kansas	50.00	Tennessee	380.19
Kentucky	380.00	Virginia	349.41
Louisiana	17.44	Washington	5.00
Manitoba, Canada	50.00	West Texas	11.00
Maryland	20.15	West Virginia	111.92
Michigan	55.00	Wisconsin	66.52
Minnesota	17.17	Wyoming	91.50

Song by Marvin Cowan Family—"I've Got Heaven in My View."

10:54 a. m.—Help Win the World for Jesus— Missionary message by Willard H. Boyles. One special thought of the message was that Jesus tasted death for every one. And since God sent His Son to save the world we must work to win the world. The speaker read a poem entitled "Five Minutes After I Die." At the close of her message she stated she wanted one hundred ten dollar bills. One volunteer. Brother Ralph Scotton sang "He Paid a Great Price for My Soul," and others came forward with ten dollars. As the people came they stood in rows of ten each. The Bahama Band sang "If Jesus Goes With Me." Then the Louisville Band sang "Rescue the Perishing." As the singing continued others joined the lines until there were one hundred and four. These marched through the aisles carrying their money with the General Overseer in the lead. The Bands furnished music while they marched. Others joined the march at the last with smaller amounts.

The W. M. B. Sisters gathered around the pulpit near the money and in concert prayer consecrated it to God and His service.

The total amount was \$4,905.31.

Dismissed for lunch.

2:00 p. m.—Program of music and songs by Buford Johnson and others.

2:20 p. m.—Song service led by Richard Gunn, Charles Batson at the piano. Prayer by Bessie Wilson at pulpit.

2:35 p. m.—Talk by Prof. Richard Gunn, Executive Vice President of John T. Benson Music Co. He stated that he had enjoyed the Assembly and he thought the Bahama Band was the best band he had ever heard. He praised the loyalty and enthusiasm of our people. A very interesting talk.

3:00 p. m.—Awarding premiums. These were presented to the four Overseers who brought the largest amounts to the Assembly for the missionary offering.

First, W. J. Vandergriff, East Texas	\$535.78
Second, C. R. Payne, Kentucky	380.00
Third, L. A. Moxley, Tennessee	372.19
Fourth, W. M. Lowman, Virginia	349.41

3:08 p. m.—Banners were presented to the overseers of states having the largest missionary offerings at state conventions.

First, W. M. Lowman, Virginia	\$6,827.53
Second, M. E. Wilson, Georgia	4,867.72

A banner was presented to G. C. Decker, Overseer of Wyoming, for raising the largest amount of missionary money according to the number of churches. The amount raised in the convention was \$3,355.00.

The overseers of states that doubled their missionary offerings over last year at the state conventions were awarded badges of honor. They are as follows:

V. R. Sherrill, Pennsylvania	\$2,594.77
D. R. Holcomb, Missouri	1,505.29
D. M. Shults, Arkansas	1,017.28
D. J. Eller, West Virginia	903.00
George D. Wilson, Illinois	703.72
D. H. Queener, Oklahoma	588.12
K. W. Bancroft, Idaho	500.00
J. O. Calvin, Washington	121.00
R. L. Teague, Oregon	112.00
V. H. Smith, Ontario, Canada	56.16

J. H. Horn, Colorado	28.01
J. Vital Herne, Haiti	21.13
Trajan L. Adrian, Dominican Republic	16.70

Willard H. Boyles presented banners to fifteen W. M. B. leaders bringing the largest missionary offering to the Assembly.

F. F. Johnson presented a pretty quilt to the General Overseer and wife from the Church at California, Mo.

Missionary music and song by the Bahama Brass Band. When they were ready to sing they came down to the platform. The song was "Jesus, I'll Follow Thee Through." They were called back for another song.

3:35 p. m.—Missionary address and instructions—Willard H. Boyles. The theme of her message was following Jesus. She called attention to several women in the Bible who followed Jesus and ministered to Him in different ways. She displayed the plan to raise missionary money for the state conventions, "The Harvest Field," and explained how it is to be used.

4:15 p. m.—Song, "Laboring for Heathen Lands," by L. S. Rhodes and others. The General Overseer stood near them holding a Church of God flag as they sang.

4:25 p. m.—Missionary address by Clara T. Mabe, former W. M. B. Secretary. Her subject was—Attracting Attention. She stated we would attract attention if we are doers of the Word. She mentioned about Job attracting the attention of the world; Dorcas attracting the attention of the city; the poor widow who gave all she had attracting the attention of the Son of God.

4:45 p. m.—Selection by McMahan Quartet—"I'm Gonna Rise." They were called back to sing it again. Richard Gunn composed the song and dedicated it to the General Overseer.

4:55 p. m.—Missionary address by Mrs. Laura Francis, of Oklahoma. This was a fiery missionary message filled with zeal to accomplish the work. She stated it was the work of the W. M. Bs. to furnish money to get the gospel to all the world.

5:05 p. m.—Selection by Maurice Curry Quartet.

5:14 p. m.—General Overseer dedicated Howard Wayne Guthrie, infant son of Henry Howard Guthrie, Jr.

5:15 p. m.—Dismissed inside for W. M. B. parade and open air service.

W. M. B. PARADE AND OPEN AIR MASS MEETING

5:25 p. m.—Music by Bahama Brass Band. Trumpet sound by Hermis. Prayer by Sylvia Vincent.

The General Overseer called the states in alphabetical order and the lines were formed for the parade. The Overseers led the states carrying their banners. The sisters marched east to Dooley street and returned. The bands played while they marched.

At a given time the ushers lined them up in front of Bible Place for the program as follows: Song by Clemie McAnally and others—"Hurrah for the Church of God." Prayer by Mrs. Bertha Holcomb. Short talks by Buna Lowman and Carrie Taylor. Concert prayer for our missionaries and our missionary work. Short message by Willard Boyles. Closing prayer by Mrs. D. H. Rowe.

6:07 p. m.—Music by Trammell String Band.

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6:24 p. m.—Song service led by B. M. Fouts, Grace Kinser at the piano.

Prayer by H. M. Moxley at pulpit while the congregation stood.

6:35 p. m.—Program by Assembly Expense Committee. Brother Vernon Smith spoke briefly and called for the ushers to take an offering. While the offering was being collected Paul Carpenter and wife and Sister Cole sang "When the Home Gates Swing Open for Me." They sang another song and Sister Cole played the guitar with it across her back. The offering amounted to \$61.31.

6:50 p. m.—Two selections by the Keeney Sisters.

7:00 p. m.—Two selections by the Curry Sisters.

7:10 p. m.—Two selections by Beverly Kinser.

7:20 p. m.—The General Overseer read a copy of a telegram he sent to the President of the United States.

7:25 p. m.—Concert prayer for all people and all of our work. This was a mighty prayer. One clerk said, "Surely the great God of Heaven, God of the universe, OUR GOD, will listen to the supplications that are falling from the lips of the thousands who stand with uplifted hands and heads lifted toward the heavens, hearts open wide to emit their integrity and humility in the behalf of the souls of man."

7:35 p. m.—Two selections by the McMahan Quartet—"I Was Once a Sinner," and "I'm Gonna Rise." The Bahama Band joined in with their music on the last song. The power fell, people shouted, danced, marched and rejoiced in the Lord. A refreshing shower.

7:50 p. m.—Tearing down and destroying the Idols of Cuba by prayer and physical strength and might—C. H. Holley, Missionary to Cuba. Brother Holley told of his experiences in Cuba in dealing with idolatry, witchcraft, etc. He stated that idolatry was the greatest sin in Cuba. The Church of God was started in a house of idolatry there, the woman now being a member.

8:17 p. m.—Sequel by F. F. Johnson, Missionary Secretary. He told more about conditions in Cuba and spoke highly of Brother Holley.

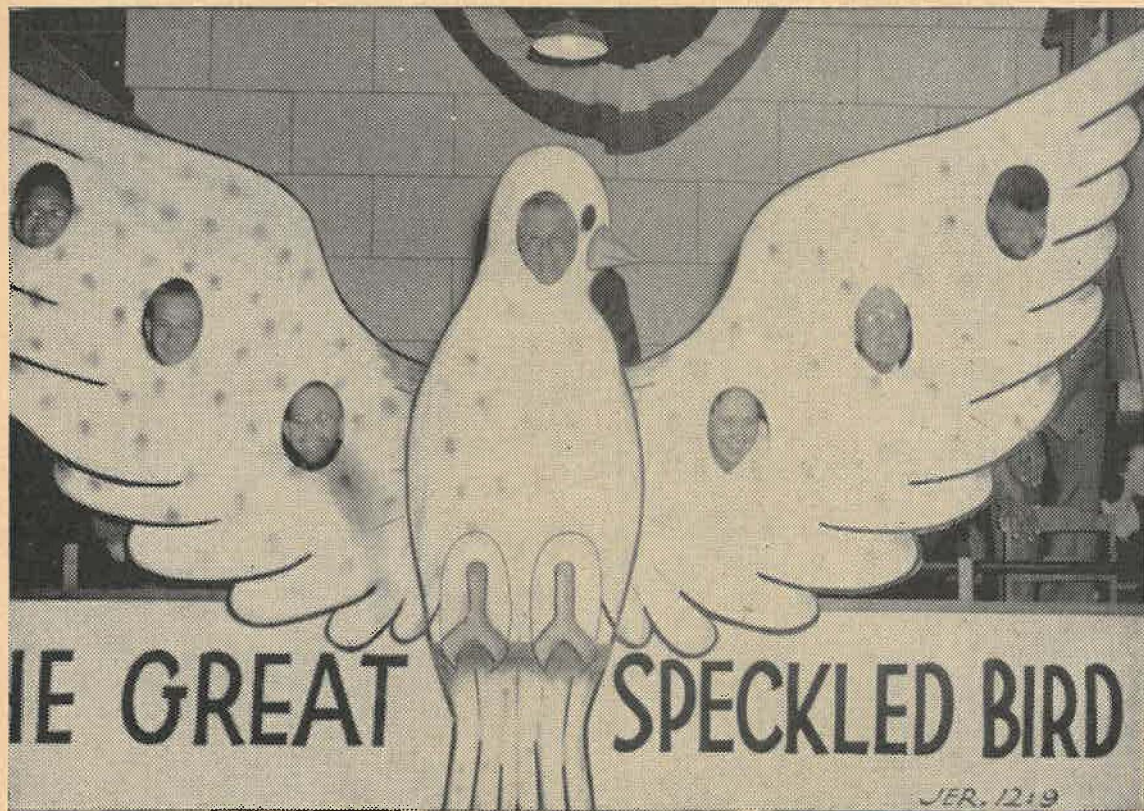
8:30 p. m.—Selection by the Dalton Quartet.

8:34 p. m.—The Last Days Church of God Was Found in the Fields of the Wood.—Message by Grady R. Kent. This was a fiery message in regard to the Church of God fulfilling prophecy.

8:45 p. m.—The Mighty Scene at the Fields of the Wood and its Miniature adaptation, Homer A. Tomlinson in charge. Homer gave a brief description of the scene to be enacted. He also gave explanations throughout the program.

Song, "I'm Traveling on the Mountain Road to Heaven" was sung.

Song, "The Great Speckled Bird" was sung by Paul Lawson. While the song was being sung the General Overseer, led the way up the mountain with others following. He and S. O. Gillaspie carried tablets on which was inscribed the Ten Commandments and a portion of the Sermon on the Mount. On the way up the mountain they found the Great Speckled Bird. This was a large bird with holes in her wings. The General Overseer, Brother Moss and the secretaries put their heads through the holes, representing different races of people. The Scripture was quoted, "Mine heritage is unto me as a speckle bird." They continued on to the top of the mountain where a flag was raised. This in fulfillment of the Scripture, "Lift ye up a banner on a high mountain." The song, "I'm to the Highlands Bound" was sung. Homer Tomlinson called for the Mountain Builder, Grady R. Kent to read Jer. 30:21. "And I will cause him to draw near, for



THE GREAT SPECKLED BIRD in the Bible, representing the great Church of God, is spreading her wings for a journey, at the Sunday night program re-enacting the dedication of Burger Mountain, September 7, 1941. The face of the General Overseer is peering through the head and from left to right, F. F. Johnson, Foreign Mission Secretary; E. H. Griffith, A. B. M. Secretary; Miss Willard Boyles, V. L. B. Secretary; S. O. Gillaspie, Field Secretary; Alvin S. Moss, Overseer of Bahama Islands in the wings, representing the speckles in the bird.

who is this that engaged his heart to approach unto me? saith the Lord." Then he called for Milton Tomlinson to read Psalm 24:3. "Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place?" The mountain Builder with banner and sword in hand hunted men to build a mountain. They started climbing, many fell, they were helped up. They finally reached their destination. Some sisters went up the mountain. They encountered wild animals. A group sang The Speckled Bird while some were climbing the mountain. At one place on the mountain a group of persons tried to climb up carrying burdens of different kinds, one sister had too many husbands, another a beautiful hat. When they dropped everything that was hindering they were able to go on. This was a scene to show the things of the world were a handicap to those on the mountain road to heaven. Groups of people continued to take their places on the mountain. The Jim Quartet sang "Near the Cross." Then the colored people came last and took their places which formed a cross on the mountain. Thus the mountain was built of people. It began with a line of people on the main floor in front of the lower platform. Then the lower platform and speaker's platform were filled with people and a group on the high platform. Most of the sisters were dressed in white.

"Break forth into singing, ye Mountains," was the command, and the mountain sang "Oh Beulah Land."

Large signs with the words Babylon, Assyria, Grecia and Rome appeared on the mountain. They covered the cross and hid it from view, but a stone representing the Church of God, was hewn out of the mountain. It started rolling down the mountain and destroyed these signs representing the nations. The East Texas group sang "Jesus Is the Stone that Was Hewn Out of the Mountain." The General Overseer placed the stone representing the Church of God on a rock in the Fields of the Wood.

This program was broadcast over WAPO, Chattanooga, Tennessee, also part of the program following.

9:54 p. m.—Flag song by H. D. Worley and daughter.

9:59 p. m.—Flag Message—Marion Price. He stated we must display the flag because we have the truth in the Church of God.

10:09 p. m.—Music by Bahama Brass Band.

10:12 p. m.—A Flag Message by W. G. Hardin. After he had prayed he read a Scripture and a group of W. M. Bs. came out on the platform carrying money. A group of V. L. Bs. came on the other side of the platform carrying tracts. All carried Church of God flags. They were illustrating the importance of the use of the flag. At the close of his message they marched around the platform and then off.

10:29 p. m.—Evangelistic message by Miss Nell Whitaker of Kentucky. She read Luke 15:18 and used for her subject, "I have sinned." An impressive message.

10:49 p. m.—Exhortation and altar call by Carl C. Campbell. A song was sung as seekers after God came to the altar. Many came forward and some received the blessings they sought.

Monday, October 20:

5:30 a. m.—Sunrise prayer meeting in charge of Allen Potts and I. H. Hampton. Brother Potts opened the service with a concert prayer for sick and other requests. Brother Hampton led in singing several good songs.

Another concert prayer to pray one for the other. Following the prayer, Brother B. M. Fouts sang some special songs. Brother Potts read a Scripture and delivered a good message. Brother Hampton was in charge of the testimony service. Many good testimonies interspersed with songs. The people were so full of the love and power of God the shouts and praises overflowed. Dismissed with prayer by Brother A. W. Stover.

8:30 a. m.—Music by Trammell String Band.

8:53 a. m.—Program by Ralph Scotton and others. This consisted of songs and drills.

9:07 a. m.—Sister Pattie K. Scotton came on with her anointed handkerchiefs for the sick. She talked briefly and handed out the handkerchiefs while a song was sung.

9:24 a. m.—Song service led by Hermis Ferguson, Kelly C. Ferguson at the piano. Prayer by Frank Cunningham at the pulpit while the congregation stood in quietness.

9:38 a. m.—Concert prayer for child who had been burned and others.

9:45 a. m.—Message by Alvin S. Moss, Bahamas. The speaker read 1 Tim. 3:15 for a text. He called attention to the importance of examining the news we hear. "Is it good or bad? Is it true? When news is not true, then all the power is gone. The truth is the power of it. The Church of God is the pillar and ground of the truth. Jesus said, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life.' Jesus is the truth. It is all Jesus. 'The law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.' That is what we have in the Church of God—grace and truth. And this is the power of the truth, and this is the power of the Church, because it is truth. Jesus said, 'Sanctify them through thy truth.' We are sanctified by the truth, because we have truth and we are the Church of God which is the pillar and ground of the truth.

"The pillar and ground of the truth is the foundation. That is the reason we are glad to be in the Church of God, because we have the truth. And we want to use the truth and we must use it in the Church of God. We are to rejoice in the truth, and to rejoice in the truth we have to come into the Church of God. Other people can't rejoice in the truth, and if they do they will rejoice without any foundation. They are shouting but don't know what they are shouting about. But we know what we are shouting about because we are the Church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

"We are glad to be in this Assembly because it is the Assembly of the Church of God. This is where we have headquarters; this is where we have our capital; we want to come to the Assembly in Cleveland, Tennessee. Not in Jacksonville, not in New York City, not in Washington, but we want to come to Cleveland, Tennessee. Here we have our headquarters, here we have our foundation, the pillar and ground of the truth.

"When a man wants gas he drives up to a filling station. If we want groceries we go to a grocery store. You will not go to a lumber yard and ask for groceries. You will not go to a post office and ask about a suit of clothes. People can safely say we don't go any where else to look for the truth but the Church of God. This thing is all over me. It is the truth. This is the Church of God. A. J. Tomlinson is our General Overseer. We have our auxiliaries and it is the truth. All the doctrine is truth. Jesus said, 'I am the way, the truth.' We are following Jesus. We can't miss it. We have the truth. We are on the right line—the Church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth."

74 MINUTES OF 36TH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY CHURCH OF GOD

Brother Moss read a report of the work in the Bahamas and Turks Islands as follows:

"To our esteemed General Overseer, officers and members of the Thirty-sixth Annual Assembly of The Church of God and all present to whom these may come, greetings:

"I am elated over the fact of having the pleasure to speak and give report concerning the church work in the Bahama Islands. I beg leave to say that the said work is moving forward with victory and power. The past year has been one of very splendid success. Although our country is at war, and there are much hinderances and obstacles, nevertheless, the Master has given us grace and grit to move on with the great work. Truly the Lord is favouring Zion, and while this is being done we are very happy because the Church of God in the Bahamas is a part of the said Zion. And we too are getting our share. During the past year the Lord has helped us to hold our Annual Colonial Convention which indeed has been a great blessing to the whole Colony. We also had the happy privilege of conducting eight district Conventions and these were like the Colonial Convention, very successful, but in a miniature form.

"During the year all of our ministers preached 2,989 sermons, 347 souls were saved, 107 were sanctified, 57 were baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire, and 76 were added to the Church of God. We set one new church in order on the island of Inagua. We also builded a church house at Abraham's Bay, Mayagauna. The work has been strengthened up and revived greatly at many points. In Nassau City, New Providence, the Lord has helped us to erect a permanent church building near the central part of the city. We are having greater prestige and influence among the people. For this we are very, very grateful. I take this means to sound a note of praise to the Lord for our General Overseer, Brother Tomlinson, Brother Lawson, our General Treasurer and all of our Headquarters Officials for their kind attention, cooperation and faithful assistance. Otherwise we could not have done as well.

"I will like to speak a number of good words in the behalf of the corps of real faithful and loyal workers we have on these islands. Hardness and difficulties do not move us at all. We are determined to fill Bahamas with the Church of God. Thank God for such gallant soldiers of the cross. We now have Colonial Evangelists on four new islands, and we are proud to say that the work on these islands is progressing very good. If you notice our banner you will see words like these: 'Bahamas for the Church Of God.' We must have it because prophecy said so. 'We Must Win Is Our War Cry' because we believe and know that 'We can do all things through CHRIST which strengtheneth us.' Thank God for the Zeal of the HOUSE of the Lord.

"We are always glad to receive all our American Brothers and Sisters that may visit us at any time. And we appreciate above measure the marvelous assistance and inspiration these dear ones brought us, especially during our Colonial Convention. Of course the officials from Headquarters stands out special. Glory be to God!

"Now a word about Turks Islands as I have been appointed as Overseer. The work there is also moving along nicely. A lovely Colonial Convention was held in which we had greater success than any of the past. The workers are busy, full of zeal and determined by the grace of the Lord. Souls are getting saved and the Lord is blessing.

"Please pray for us that next time we will have a much greater report to the honour and glory of the Lord. May God richly bless everyone is my prayer. Amen."

10:12 a. m.—The Bahama Band came to the platform and sang a song. Then they played a special number and marched back to their places.

10:25 a. m.—Report of Bible Training Camp Committee. A. D. Evans explained the object of the Training Camp, and called for the students present to take seats near the pulpit. Lists of qualified workers were distributed to State Overseers.

The report was read and after some discussion was accepted by the Assembly.

Report of Bible Training Camp Committee

To The 36th Annual Assembly—Greetings:

Last year your committee on Bible Training Camp reported that the camp would open during the summer season of 1941. This committee is glad to report that the school did open with 42 students present from 15 different states.

To say the school was a success is not, in the opinion of your committee, all that can be said of it. The staff of teachers and students were kept constantly busy six hours a day in actual class work.

The student body represented one of the finest groups ever to assemble in any Bible school. Among them were experienced ministers, college students, beginners in the work, and those from many other walks of life.

At the completion of the month's study, 38 received the certificate of award for having satisfactorily completed the course of studies in the camp for the period, many of whom are ready for active service in the work of the Lord, and your committee is proud to supply the names and addresses of these students to the Overseers so they may contact them for active Christian work in their respective states.

Your committee is pleased to furnish here a picture of the staff of teachers and students of this first term of Bible Training Camp, August 4-30.

In order that you may know what the student body thought of the first term of Bible Training Camp, we are quoting here brief statements of a few of them:

"The Bible Training Camp is wonderful. The teachers are inspiring."—Johnny Wilson, Mt. Pleasant, Texas; "The Training Camp means everything to me. It is glorious."—Gladys Stewart, Old Hickory, Tennessee; "The Bible Training Camp unfolds God's mysteries to me. Glory!"—Grady R. Kent, Cleveland, Tennessee; "Bible School is helping me to train for better service."—C. F. Reynolds, Rolling Fork, Mississippi; "Wonderful, spiritual, marvelous instructors anointed by God! It's almost unspeakable."—Paul Thompson, Elk River, Minnesota; "This is the most beneficial school I have ever attended."—Raymond Pruitt, Fredericktown, Missouri; "The Bible Camp is wonderful—beyond expression to me!"—Amos Creel, Hamilton, Mississippi; "This is enabling me to work in a larger capacity."—Norman E. Grenz, Golden Valley, North Dakota; "This is the best thing I've ever been in."—Margaret Stratton, Danville, Virginia; "Bible Training Camp is training me for a greater future."—Willie R. Thompson, Pomona, N.

C.; "I'm broadening my vision of the necessity of speeding our work."—Ruby Brown, Mansfield, Missouri.

With the experience of this first term of Bible Training Camp, your committee wishes to recommend that the camp be held during the month of April next year as we feel that April will be more appropriate since that month does not come so near the Assembly time. Students attending the Camp in August are not financially able, many of them, to pay their expenses through the Assembly opening the first of September, thus they are compelled to miss the Assembly which is not satisfactory. By having the camp in April the students can go right from the school into evangelistic work thus putting into practice the training they received in the camp. It is the desire of the committee that every student attending the camp become full time workers for God therefore, we are endeavoring to place in active service on the field, every student that qualifies.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. EVANS, Chairman,
A. J. LAWSON,
R. C. CANNON.

S. O. Gillaspie, director of the Training Camp, and a number of students spoke briefly.

The same committee for the Bible Training Camp was retained.

11:16 a. m.—Report of Committee on Ministerial Aid. The report was read and accepted in regular order by the Assembly.

Report of Ministerial Aid Committee

To the 36th Annual Assembly—Greetings:

We, your Ministerial Aid Committee, having been retained by the Assembly last year to give further consideration of providing aid for the ministry in case of disability caused by sickness, old age, accident or otherwise, have given much prayer and consideration to the study of this matter and have sought to bring to this Assembly a report of what, in our judgment, would be the wisest act of this Assembly in meeting this need. Therefore, we have the following to offer for your consideration:

WHO ARE ELIGIBLE:

- (1) That the purpose of this Ministerial Benefit be to aid the ministry in case of permanent disability caused by sickness, old age, accident or otherwise.
- (2) That this Ministerial Aid be limited only to licensed ministers in the Church of God, in good standing, including Bishops, deacons, evangelists, male or female.
- (3) That before any minister, male or female, is entitled to the benefits of the Ministerial Aid Fund, he or she are required to have devoted their full time to the ministry for a period of not less than two years prior to their application for disability benefits.
- (4) For a minister to become entitled to the benefits of the Ministerial Aid Fund, he or she must have a record of faithfulness in paying their Emergency Dollars for a period of two years.
- (5) No minister will be entitled to the benefits of the Ministerial Aid Funds, who has not proven faithful in paying tithes regularly for two years of all their income, according to the rulings of the Assembly.

BENEFITS:

- (6) That the amount of aid given any one minister who is permanently disabled by sickness, old age, accident or otherwise, not to exceed forty dollars (\$40.00) a month, the exact amount to be determined by the Ministerial Aid Committee who will weigh the faithful services and dependants of each minister.

OPERATION:

- (7) That a committee of three brethren residing at Cleveland, Tennessee, Capital of the world for the Church of God, be appointed by this Assembly, to serve for one year, and be known as the Ministerial Aid Committee, said committee to have full control of the Ministerial Aid Funds and to work out the details connected with the proper disbursements of said funds, (as funds are available), classification of physically disabled and worn-out ministers, etc.
- (8) That in order to supply the Ministerial Aid Fund with means for operation, it will be necessary to take a little time to accumulate these funds, therefore, it shall be understood that no aid will be given the ministry, from this fund, until after the first day of April 1942, except in case of extreme emergency subject to the judgment of the Committee.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

- (9) That 10% of all tithes from the churches and ministry coming into the general treasury at Headquarters (starting at the close of this 36th Assembly), be placed in the Ministerial Aid Fund.
- (10) That the amount of 10% of all emergency monies received by the general treasury (starting at the close of this 36th Assembly), be placed in the Ministerial Aid Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. LAWSON, Chairman,
A. D. EVANS,
GRADY R. KENT,
MILTON A. TOMLINSON,
J. R. KINSER.

The same committee was retained. The committee called for in the report and appointed in the Assembly are as follows: S. O. Gillaspie, A. J. Lawson, A. D. Evans.

11:47 a. m.—Music by Bahama Brass Band.

11:50 a. m.—Report of Committee No. 1, Questions and Subjects.

The report was read and accepted in regular order.

Report of Questions and Subjects Committee

To the Thirty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Church of God—Greetings:

We, your Questions and Subjects Committee, after prayer and consideration have agreed and offer the following to this General Assembly for your consideration.

First. We heartily agree with a section of the General Overseer's Annual Address concerning the Marker Association as an auxiliary. We recommend that this Assembly consider and adopt it as an auxiliary. Further development to be worked out by the Association.

Second. After prayerfully considering the portion of the General Overseer's annual address concerning the Secretary to the General Overseer for

the colored race, we, your Questions and Subjects Committee, recommend to this Assembly that there be a Secretary to the General Overseer for the colored race. This secretary to be appointed by the General Overseer.

Respectfully submitted,

B. O. FUNDERBURK, Chairman,
D. R. HOLCOMB,
J. R. SMITH,
CHAS. L. TAYLOR,
E. A. McDONALD.

11:53 a. m.—Report of A. B. M. and S. O. P. A. Secretary, Eddie H. Griffith.

A. B. M. and S. O. P. A. Secretary's Report From Sept. 1, 1940 to Sept. 1, 1941

Churches visited	43
Ministers conventions attended	1
District conventions attended	8
A. B. M. conventions attended	2
State conventions attended	7
Sermons preached	107
Homes visited	659
Homes prayed in	64
Miles traveled	18,259
Tracts distributed	2,098

Boosted the emergency fund, White Wing Messenger and Joyful News.

Wrote messages for Joyful News and White Wing Messenger. Assisted in Bible Training Camp.

Mailed approximately seven hundred emergency Fund Honor Rolls to the local churches.

Assisted the other General Secretaries in taking a religious census of Bradley county.

Wrote many letters and cards, also assisted in the Missionary and Free Literature offerings in the State Conventions.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Received from General Treasurer	\$1,500.00
Offerings received	207.12

Total cash received	\$1,707.12
Traveling expenses	352.30

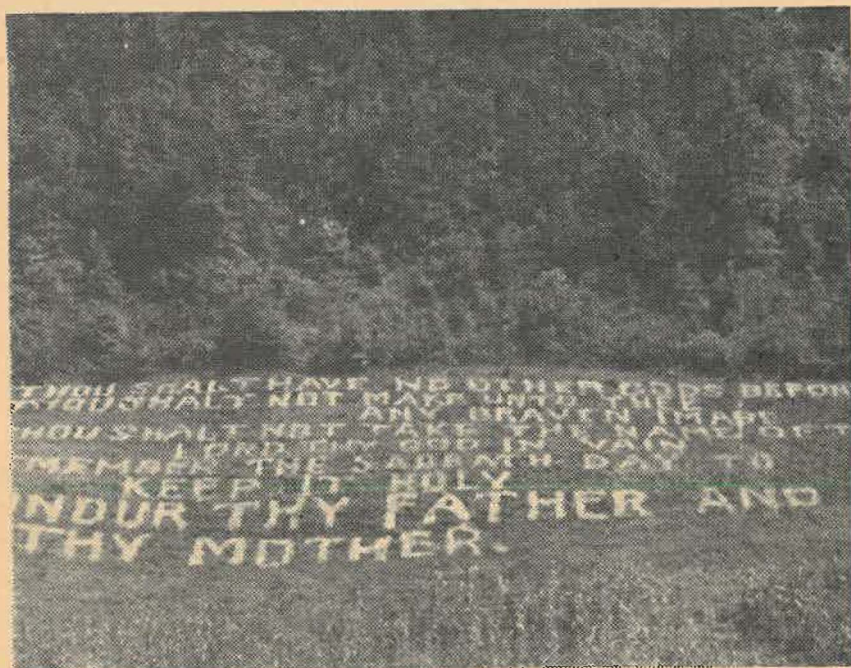
Expenses subtracted from total cash receipts leaves a balance of	\$1,264.77
Tithes sent to headquarters	142.46

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. GRIFFITH, Secretary.

The report was accepted in regular order by the Assembly.

11:57 a. m.—Report of Sunday School Secretary—Guy Marlow.



The Ten Commandments—from 3,500 feet airplane pilots and photographers read letters from the Ten Commandments which had been made with lime in a clearing on Burger Mountain last Sunday, September 7. Part of the Commandments are readable in this picture.

Sunday School Secretary's Report From Sept 1, 1940 to Sept. 1, 1941

Sermons and Exhortations	838
Number saved	34
Number sanctified	15
Number received the Holy Ghost	7
Number of homes visited	772
Number Baptized in water	6
Number added to the Church	21
Number of churches set in order	1
Number of Sunday schools organized	2
Number of V. L. Bs. organized	1
Number of W. M. Bs. organized	1
Number of A. B. Ms. organized	1
District Conventions attended	6
State Conventions attended	4

Ministers Conventions attended	2
Number of Sunday school conventions attended	2
Sunday School Campaigns conducted	9

CHURCHES, SUNDAY SCHOOLS, AND NEW FIELDS VISITED

Tennessee	11
Kentucky	5
Illinois	5
Indiana	2
Wyoming	2
South Dakota	1
Kansas	7
Missouri	6
Oklahoma	2
East Texas	38
Arkansas	2
Georgia	1

Total 82

States visited—Tennessee, Georgia, North Carolina, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas, East Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota, Wyoming. Total 15.

Number of Tracts distributed	4,387
Number of miles traveled	26,000
Babies dedicated to the Lord	64
Emergency Dollars collected	70
Letters written	1,000
Bible Training Camp lessons taught	43
Expense for gas, grease, repairs for car, board, mailing, payments on car, tithes sent to headquarters, missionary, V. L. B. and general offerings total \$734.29.	

FINANCIAL REPORT

Received from General Treasurer this year	\$1,500
Offerings received	366.13
Total tithes and offerings	\$1,866.13
Expense in the work	734.29
Balance	\$1,131.84

Respectfully submitted,

GUY MARLOW, Secretary.

The report was accepted in regular order by the Assesmbly.

12:02 p. m.—Report of V. L. B. Secretary, Miss Willard H. Boyles.

V. L. B. Secretary's Report From Sept. 1, 1940 To Sept. 1, 1941

FIELD WORK

Worked in Bradley County "house to house" campaign. Visited 246 homes, prayed in each, distributed 878 tracts, and took the religious census of 327 families.

Total sermons preached	200
Total homes visited	328
Local churches visited	40
(Ga. 4, Fla 15, E. Tex. 3, Okla. 2, Kan. 2, Mo. 4, Ore. 1, Wash. 1, Ida. 2, Wyo. 5, Minn. 1.)	
V. L. B. Campaigns held	2
District V. L. B. conventions attended	6
(Ga. 1; Wyo. 4; Colo. 1.)	
State V. L. B. Conventions attended	4
(La., Okla., Kans., W. Tex.)	
Preached 30 Messages in these V. L. B. conventions, and raised \$172.52 cash and \$131.98 pledges for free literature offerings.	
W. M. B. conventions attended	1
(Kan.) Preached 1 message and assisted with finishing the missionary drive.	

STATE CONVENTION WORK

State Conventions attended	Bahamas, and 12 states (E. Tex., Ariz., Calif., Ore., Wash., Ida., N. Dak., Minn., Mo., Ark., Miss., Va.)
V. L. B. Messages	17
(Raised \$819.35 Free Literature money.)	
Missionary Messages	11
(Raised \$488.85 Missionary money. (This does not include 2 state drives in which I assisted. The amount raised \$399.00.)	
A. B. M. Messages	4
Raised \$29.99 for State Overseers	
Funds raised in these 3 departments	\$1,337.31
Sunday School Messages	2
Other Messages	28
(This included Evangelistic Messages, Instructions, or messages on whatever subject I was given.)	
Total State Convention Messages	62

WRITTEN WORK

Prepared Programs, Messages, Sermon outlines and Bible Questions for Joyful News, and Messages for White Wing Messenger.

Wrote many letters and cards to V. L. Bs., and have written to the State Secretaries often, boosting the work. At four different times during the year I have prepared a letter to go to each band.

There has been a great increase in the written work this year, and I have worked constantly to try to encourage the V. L. Bs. in the work of raising free literature money. Thanks be to God for His blessings upon us, and for all that has been accomplished. I wish also to thank the V. L. Bs. for their efforts and loyalty.

Directed the raising of the 1940 Assembly free literature offering which amount was \$2,057.25, and gave prizes to all V. L. Bs. who filled "foot of dimes" collectors which was our plan.

Taught in the Bible Training Camp.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Received from General Treasurer this year	\$1,500.00
Offerings on the field	277.51

Gifts	28.75
Total receipts	\$1,806.26
Expenses	432.94
Tithes sent to headquarters this year	180.53
Offerings given in the work	795.53

Respectfully submitted,

WILLARD BOYLES, Secretary.

The report was accepted by the Assembly in regular order.

12:12 p. m.—Dismissed with prayer by D. R. Holcomb.

1:18 p. m.—Program of songs by Norfolk, Virginia Quartet.

1:34 p. m.—Song service led by Ralph G. Cantrell, Ernie White at the piano. Prayer by Carl C. Campbell at the pulpit while the congregation stood in holy reverence before God. A concert prayer for sick followed.

1:48 p. m.—Some of what emergency zeal has done in Wyoming in the past year—Message by G. C. Decker. This was a good emergency message. Brother Decker stated his people caught the emergency zeal at Headquarters last year. They went home and started to work and collected the emergency fund in full for every member. He called attention to the woman who made an emergency cake of the last meal and oil for Elijah.

When the message was finished workers collected emergency dollars and gave receipts for same.

2:44 p. m.—Message by M. E. Wilson—Why continue the Emergency Fund, and why pull for one hundred per cent next year in the states, and give all members everywhere a chance to do the same? Brother Wilson used a few Scriptures and gave good reasons why the emergency fund should be continued, and showed the importance of it in the Church.

3:03 p. m.—Another Emergency Message by Vernon H. Smith. The speaker was full of emergency zeal. He had proven this by boosting the emergency fund in his state—Michigan, until all the dollars were collected for 1941.

Music by Bahama Band while workers wrote receipts for emergency dollars as they collected them.

3:37 p. m.—A. J. Tomlinson was selected as Editor and Publisher. A. D. Evans was selected Assistant Publisher and Business Manager. A. J. Lawson was selected Church Treasurer.

3:46 p. m.—Report of Assembly Expense Committee.

Assembly Expense Committee Report

To the Thirty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Church of God—Greetings:

We, your Assembly Expense Committee, after prayerful consideration beg permission to submit the following report:

After we have prayed and carefully considered the matter of our Assembly Expense and feel that the present plan of raising this expense is the best that we have ever adopted, we therefore wish to recommend to this Assembly that this plan be continued for another year with a slight change. The plan with the change is as follows:

(a) We recommend that each minister pay \$1.00 per year to the expense of the Assembly.

(b) We further recommend that each Victory Leader Band and each

Womens Missionary Band contribute \$1.00 to the expense of the Assembly.

- (c) We recommend that all Sunday Schools with average attendance of 50 or less contribute \$1.00 per year; and all Sunday Schools with average attendance over 50 and less than 100 contribute \$1.50 per year; and all Sunday Schools with average attendance of over 100 contribute \$2.00 per year to the expense of the Assembly.

We recommend that these funds be collected by State Overseers with the help of the State Secretaries.

All monies to be sent to A. J. Lawson by the State Overseer immediately upon collection. Collection of these funds to begin immediately after the Assembly and to be completed not later than their respective State Conventions.

Humbly submitted,

V. R. SHERRILL, Chairman,
VERNON SMITH,
C. W. RISNER,
W. E. MUSSELWHITE,
W. G. HARDIN,
D. H. QUEENER,
C. R. PAYNE.

The report was read and accepted in regular order by the Assembly.

3:50 p. m.—Report of Foreign Missionary Secretary, F. F. Johnson.

Foreign Missionary Secretary's Report From Sept. 1, 1940 to Sept. 1, 1941

"Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth. Selah." Ps. 60:4.

"All ye inhabitants of the world, and dwellers on the earth, see ye, when he lifeth up an ensign on the mountain; and when he bloweth a trumpet, hear ye." Isa. 18:3.

"And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." St. John 8:32.

To the Thirty-sixth annual Assembly of the Church of God—Greetings:

The mighty last days Church of God, the one that was to appear on God's great program at the set time, has made her appearance in fulfilment of prophecy. She slipped out of darkness without notice by the other organizations. No broadcast of her coming or newspaper announcements were made to let the world know that she had appeared again, but like the Babe of Bethelhem when He was born, only a few were ready to receive Him.

But six months later the newspapers proclaimed with much enthusiasm the advent of the aeroplane that had made its appearance in the same state and prophesied of in the Bible, in the same chapter and six verses from the command, "Arise, shine, for thy light is come." Isa. 60:1. What a thrilling drama! The Church and the aeroplane, both prophesied of in the Bible in the same chapter and only six verses between them. The Church and the aeroplane, both literal and are here to fulfill prophecy.

The Church came up the 13th day of June, 1903, and the aeroplane six months later, December 17, 1903. The Church in the extreme western part and the plane in the extreme eastern part of the same state—North

Carolina.

The first plane flew only a few yards, but it accomplished its purpose and proved to the world that men could do the seemingly impossible—fly. The American Government was slow to accept this new invention, so its inventors went to England with their invention, and there sold their plane and patent, and thus they developed the aeroplane. And while the planes have had many crashes and terrible accidents, they continue to make aeroplanes and today after thirty-seven years and nine months they have almost reached mechanical perfection.

So it is with the Church of God. It came up six months before the aeroplane, and all other organizations refused to have anything to do with this that had sprung up in the Fields of the Wood, at the foot of Burger Mountain, in Cherokee County, North Carolina, as was prophesied of by David in the 132nd Psalm. Just a few humble followers accepted this that had sprung up in the Fields of the Wood. Its doctrine was too pure; man made creeds and carnal institutions scoffed at its teachings; persecutions were terrible; Church houses were burned, and yet the work spread. Its followers claimed to be part and parcel of that early Church that had reached such glorious heights and beauty, and then crashed and lay dormant for twelve hundred and sixty years, its headquarters destroyed. And so it had to go far away as told by the prophet Isaiah and come up in the new world at the foot of Burger Mountain in the Fields of the Wood, as told by the Psalmist. Two and one half years elapsed before there was an Assembly for the last days Church of God, and in that Assembly it was urged that evangelism must be encouraged to spread into every open door, and surely that meant all the world by that Assembly. Because surely the Isles shall wait for me, and they are waiting for the Arise, shine to come to them.

I am a member of that very Church, the one that Jesus said that upon this rock I will build my Church. In fact the Apostle Paul said, "Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God." Eph. 2:19. This makes us a continuation of that early Church that has the world wide commission of go ye into all of the world.

The aeroplanes are going into all of the world. Their traveling facilities are wonderful. They have a regular schedule into all parts of the world, and the Church of God is commissioned to "Go ye therefore into all of the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15.

I have traveled quite extensively this past Assembly year, having gone to Cuba, Manitoba, Toronto, London, Ontario, Canada. I have attended three foreign conventions, six state conventions, two district and one Ministers convention. I also assisted the other General Secretaries in taking a religious census of our own Bradley County.

MINISTERIAL REPORT

Number of Sermons	330	Number of tracts and White	
Number converted	20	Wing Messengers dis-	
Number sanctified	14	tributed	2,743
Number baptized with the		Number Sunday Schools	
Holy Ghost	11	organized	1
Number added to the Church ..	6	Number W. M. Bs. organized	3
Number homes visited	973	Number V. L. Bs. organized ..	1
Number prayer meetings	21	Also assisted in organizing	

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ten home class Sunday Schools.		Ministers Conventions attended	1
Miles traveled	18,000	Wrote many letters and cards,	
Foreign Conventions attended	3	wrote some for the White	
State Conventions attended	6	Wing Messenger and Joyful	
District Conventions attended	2	News.	

FINANCIAL REPORT

Received from General Treasurer this year	\$1,500.00
Offerings on the field	73.32

Total receipts	\$1,573.32
Expense—Traveling, Writing and Campaign work	241.32
Tithes sent to Headquarters this year	150.00

Respectfully submitted,

F. F. JOHNSON, Secretary.

STATISICAL REPORT OF FOREIGN WORK

Countries	Churches	Members	Minis- ters	Sunday Schools	W.M.Bs.	V.L.Bs.	A.B.Ms.
Bahamas	56	1,961	63	40	39	27	38
Barbados	2	9	1	2	2	2	
Cuba	2	183	2	2	2	2	2
China	8	800	8	4			
Cyprus	4	47	2	1			
Canal Zone	2	61	4	2	2	2	2
Costa Rica	1	10	1	1	1	1	1
Dominican Republic	16	229	20	11	10	5	16
Greece	2		2	2			
Haiti	24	2,004	24	26	21	21	9
Jamaica	76	2,471	64	74	60	63	59
Manitoba	8	115	15	5	2	5	2
Montserrat	2	52	2	2			
Ontario	1		3	2	1	1	2
Porto Rico	1	29	1	1	1	1	1
Sierra Leone	3		2	2		2	
Turks Islands	5	107	8	3	3	3	3
Virgin Islands	1	11	2	1	1	1	1
Total	198	4,992	224	181	145	136	136

The report was accepted in regular order.

4:05 p. m.—Ordination service. Those to be ordained were lined up on platform facing General Overseer. State Overseers stood near pulpit. A clerk read 2 Timothy 2:1-10, 15. S. O. Gillaspie offered a prayer, followed by the General Overseer. The candidates knelt and the General Overseer, assisted by S. O. Gillaspie and W. M. Lowman, ordained them by the laying on of hands. The presence of the Lord was manifested. Those ordained are as follows:

Robert Duty, Fred Bowling, C. D. Hooker, C. R. Payne, C. T. Voss, F. R. Swain, Owen Ellenburg, H. G. Nix, E. L. Jones, W. F. Strey, F. F. Fuller, C. E. Manning, Cicero Mudd, Raymond Williamson, A. W. Stover, D.

M. Cobb, J. T. Thompson, J. A. Jones, T. J. Ray, Wiley Johnson.

4:49 p. m.—Report of Field Secretary, S. O. Gillaspie.

The report was read and accepted in regular order by the Assembly.

Field Secretary's Report From Sept. 1, 1940 To Sept. 1, 1941

To the Thirty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Church of God—Greetings:

This has been a wonderful year in the service of the Master for me, and I truly praise God for the privilege of being a member of the great Church of God, the one that is now functioning in fulfillment of prophecy. Every year brings greater blessings and new revelations. It is truly wonderful how God has blessed this year.

I have been busy the past year, having attended conventions in the following states:

East Texas, Michigan, Louisiana, North Florida, South Florida, Kentucky, Georgia, Pennsylvania.

Did field work in the following states:

West Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Illinois, Indiana. Also attended one district convention, and taught in the Bible Training Camp.

Sermons preached	170
Homes visited	475
Miles traveled	21,586

FINANCIAL REPORT

Received from General Treasurer	\$1,500.00
Offerings on the field	40.00
Tithes sent to headquarters	116.00

Respectfully submitted,
S. O. GILLASPIE

4:52 p. m.—Report of Tabernacle Committee.

The report was read and accepted in regular order by the Assembly.

Report of Tabernacle Committee

To The 36th Annual Assembly—Greetings:

Your Tabernacle Committee is very much pleased to report that while we have not been as busy this year completing our Assembly Tabernacle as we were last year enlarging it, we are, nevertheless, eager to go ahead with the finishing of the two inside walls and ceiling with acoustically treated celotex board like that of the front and back walls. This will add greatly to the sounding effect in the building making the speaker's voice easier to travel to the audience throughout the building instead of the present echoing effect.

We are also pleased to announce, while we haven't had sufficient funds to complete the building, the bills on supplies purchased last year to enlarge the building and also the previous debt have been reduced. It is the hope of your committee that sufficient funds will be received during the coming year to finish the building, greatly reduce the material bills, and that we will be able to install the much needed heating plant so the

building will be suitable for use during the winter season.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. TOMLINSON, Chairman
A. D. EVANS
F. F. JOHNSON
A. J. LAWSON
L. A. MOXLEY

The same committee was retained to serve another year.

4:58 p. m.—Questions brought in by the Questions and Subjects Committee and answered by the General Overseer are as follows:

Q. What is the difference in the kingdom of God and the Church of God?

A. The kingdom of God can be in a person but I don't see how the Church can.

Q. When a man dies, does his soul go to heaven right away, or does it wait for the resurrection?

A. Just as quickly as he can get there after he dies he is there.

Q. Is the spirit of man his breath? The Bible says, God breathed into his nostrils the breath of life and man became a living soul.

A. If he thinks that is right, maybe it is right.

Q. Is it right to say, my mother is up in heaven if she has already gone to heaven?

A. If a person knows his mother has gone to heaven it is all right to say it.

Q. Where does the Holy Ghost minister from? Some of our ministers preach He is here on earth in person as Jesus was when He was with the disciples and does not minister from heaven.

A. If He is everywhere how could He help from being both places.

5:10 p. m.—Adjournment.

6:00 p. m.—Program by Arkansas Group. The State Overseer read a Scripture. At the sound of a trumpet a crowd of folks rushed to the platform. There was shouting and rejoicing. Several spoke a few words. A special song by a trio and a song by all was sung.

6:16 p. m.—Song service led by W. Cobb Dennard, Ernie White at the piano. Prayer by Brother Dennard at the pulpit while the congregation stood in silence.

6:26 p. m.—Two selections by the Jim Quartet.

6:32 p. m.—Appointment of Overseers by the General Overseer. He explained that he could not do what everybody wanted him to do, and that he was doing the best he could, taking everything into consideration.

State Overseers, Missionaries and Secretaries

Alabama—G. W. Durham

Alberta—John A. Harris

Arizona—C. C. Wilson

Arkansas—D. M. Shults

Bahamas—Alvin S. Moss

Barbados—Eliza V. Martin, Missionary

British Columbia—John A. Harris

California—L. W. Pollard

Canal Zone—E. E. DaCosta

China—Peter N. Johnson

Colorado—J. H. Horn

Connecticut—Otto Koelz

Costa Rica—Wm. Brumley

Cuba—C. H. Holley

Cyprus—M. K. Kounnas

Delaware—W. R. Sexton

Dominican Republic—Trajan L. Adrian

East Texas—W. J. Vandergriff

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Florida—M. S. Curry	Ontario—Vernon H. Smith
Georgia—M. E. Wilson	Oregon—R. L. Teague
Greece—Paul P. Costas	Pennsylvania—V. R. Sherrill
Haiti—J. Vital Herne	Porto Rico—Pablo R. Garcia
Idaho—Kurtis W. Bancroft	Rhode Island—J. F. Aites
Illinois—George D. Wilson	Saskatchewan—John A. Harris
Indiana—N. F. Cannon	Sierra Leone—David E. Longstreth
Iowa—Wesley H. Carter	South Carolina—E. A. McDonald
Jamaica, B. W. I.—R. C. Smith	South Dakota—F. E. VanDeventer
Kansas—C. W. Risner	Tennessee—L. A. Moxley
Kentucky—C. R. Payne	Turks Island—Alvin S. Moss
Louisiana—Grady Mayhall	Virginia—W. M. Lowman
Manitoba—John A. Harris	Washington—J. O. Calvin
Maryland—Norman C. Taylor	West Texas—Leo E. Silvers
Massachusetts—J. F. Aites	West Virginia—D. J. Eller
Michigan—Vernon H. Smith	Wisconsin—Emery S. Johns
Minnesota—Paul H. Thompson	Wyoming—G. C. Decker
Mississippi—B. O. Funderburk	W. M. B. Secretary—Mrs. Sylvia
Missouri—D. R. Holcomb	Vincent
Montana—O. E. Shroyer	V. L. B. Secretary—Willard H.
Montserrat—Mary H. Ryan, Mission-	Boyles
ary	S. S. Secretary—Guy Marlow
Nebraska—Paul M. Snodgrass	A. B. M. and S. O. P. A. Secretary—
Nevada—J. H. McSpadden	Eddie H. Girffith
New Jersey—Samuel Gogoff	F. M. Secretary—F. F. Johnson
New Mexico—Jess R. Rainwater	Field Secretary—S. O. Gillaspie
New York—Homer A. Tomlinson	Foreign Languages Secretary—
North Carolina—C. L. Taylor	Homer A. Tomlinson
North Dakota—P. G. Shroyer	Field Secretary No. 2—Ralph Scot-
Ohio—J. B. Wright	ton
Oklahoma—D. H. Queener	

As the names of the overseers, missionaries and secretaries that were present were read they came to the platform for the installation ceremony. They repeated words after the General Overseer charging themselves to be loyal and true to the Church of God and to cooperate with the General Overseer. The General Overseer offered a prayer for them and then they prayed in concert.

Music by Bahama Band. Music by Trammell Band as an opportunity was given for emergency dollars to be paid.

7:00 p. m.—Concert prayer for the sick.

7:04 p. m.—Program by Assembly Expense Committee. The offering amounted to \$37.69.

Announcements by the General Overseer.

7:21 p. m.—Further Over into the Church of the Bible and the A. B. M.—Message by Eddie H. Griffith, A. B. M. Secretary. The speaker showed some of the wonderful things ahead of us in the Church, and that we would learn how to operate the A. B. M. perfectly some time. A few thoughts of his message are as follows:

“The Apostle Paul in his letter to the saints at Philippi indicated that the work would be finished by us. That means we have not gone far over

into the Church of the Bible yet, however, things are being revealed every year and we are going further all the time.

"There are many things we have not discovered yet, but we will know them in due time. Isaiah gave plenty of room for us to go further into the Church of the Bible when he uttered these words:

" 'Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.'

"We have the different auxiliaries in the Church that were revealed at the proper time and they will function perfectly in every local church in due time, but there is more for us. We might be like the children of Israel on one occasion when they were trapped at the Red Sea. They had gone as far as they could but God opened up the way for them to go farther.

"The Apostle Paul said we were 'to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ.' The Church has not accomplished this yet. We must go further over into the Church of the Bible.

"The A. B. M. comes under the head of keeping the fruit, and we have not succeeded in that yet. The Apostle Paul said for us to restore those that were overtaken in faults. We have not completed or fulfilled that verse of Scripture. All these things show that we are to go further over into the Church of the Bible."

8:00 p. m.—The congregation stood and praised the Lord, directed by the General Overseer. Following this, the Bahama Band rendered music. While the music was played the people shouted, danced, talked in tongues, marched and praised the Lord. This was a wonderful demonstration of the power of God. The old took part the same as the young. The music seemed charged with the power of God, as it filled every part of the building. How blessed to have God's presence so wonderfully manifested.

8:20 p. m.—Pattie K. Scotton told some of her experiences in praying for the sick. Then she gave out more handkerchiefs that had been prayed over and anointed.

8:47 p. m.—Short talk by F. E. Van Deventer about the Indians in South Dakota. He said the Indian language is the purest on earth. Not a slang or curse word in it. More than 22,000 Indians in the state. The government recognizes our work among them. Brother Van Deventer called on Brother Peter Johnson to speak concerning the work among the Indians.

9:01 p. m.—Big concert prayer as the congregation stood.

9:05 p. m.—Florida Program—"We, can, will and must do the work marked out by the 1928 Big Business Program—Every county in my state, 54—Every state in the Union—Every country in the world and every island of the Sea—M. S. Curry.

Brother Curry called his children to sing first. Then he talked about needing help to get the work done. Workers rushed to platform, raised Brother Curry up and carried him around on their shoulders. When this demonstration was over he delivered a short message on the subject, and called on several others to speak, among them Jay Edward Voss, four years old. These were fiery, short talks. Brother Curry called for more help and others rushed to the platform. They all joined in singing a good song.

They marched around and then left the platform and marched through the aisles. As they marched the Bahama Band played. Others soon joined in the march and the power began falling. The most mighty scene thus far in the Assembly was enacted before the eyes of those that looked on. No words could describe it. Hundreds and hundreds of people were marching, shouting as they marched on the platform and through the aisles. Some were going in one direction and some in another but they never interfered with each other. Then there were hundreds of others dancing, shouting, running, leaping, talking in tongues and clapping hands. During a calm there were messages and interpretations, and another burst of fire and glory fell upon the people and the demonstrations continued. The fire blazed among the Band boys and they would have to shout. In fact, the power of God filled the entire tabernacle. More messages and interpretations, more shouts and praises. This mighty demonstration of the presence and power of God lasted for forty minutes.

10:32 p. m.—Ten minutes with the truth and the flag—Message by Grady R. Kent. Brother Griffith stood on one side of the pulpit holding a large Church of God flag. Brother Vernon Smith stood on the other holding a large United States flag. They moved about and displayed the flags at intervals during the message. The speaker stated the Church of God upholds the truth and we are going to display it. "That is what is wrong with a lot of people today. They couldn't do anything with us while we were little, so now we are gone. Some folks remind me of the little dog that barked at the moon. It died, but the moon shines on. So does the Church."

10:48 p. m.—Music by Bahama Band. With the music came more rejoicing. The people seemed to be so full of fire, zeal and the love of God that just a little extra touched them off. One clerk wrote, "A great line is weaving through the congregation. Folks are joining in throughout the congregation and a majority of the seats are empty. The music is fine. The boys know how to beat a charge that will defeat Satan's mustered forces. Father, we thank Thee for Thy divine presence. You are here. The people are marching two abreast in places. Such an army of soldiers for God! Power falling, folks shouting and talking in tongues."

11:06 p. m.—Testimony and praise service in charge of Clara Reese with Beulah Miracle at the piano to play and sing choruses. They sang "To Be Like Jesus," with guitar accompaniment by Maurice Curry. Beulah testified and sang "Bubble, Bubble." Clara testified and then gave opportunity for others to testify. Many testimonies were given interspersed with singing. Sister Beulah played the piano and sang under the power. The sacred presence of the Lord was very real.

11:37 p.m.—Announcements by the General Overseer.

11:40 p. m.—The Mighty Secretaries—Five minutes messages by each one.

S. O. Gillaspie, Field Secretary—The theme of his message was making the people to know we are the Church of God. He asked the question, "How many of us feel that the zeal of the house of the Lord has eaten us up?" Then said, "Let God move in our lives so that we can make the people believe this is the Church of God."

Willard H. Boyles, V. L. B. Secretary—She was full of V. L. B. zeal, and expressed a determination to have more of God in her life. She said, "Above everything else, V. L. Bs., I want us to hunger and thirst after God.

We want faith in God."

Eddie H. Griffith, A. B. M. and S. O. P. A. Secretary—A fiery message in which he declared the time is here for us to have more zeal because there is more work to do, and we should not let any power in us remain inactive but put all into use for the A. B. M. and S. O. P. A.

Guy Marlow, Sunday School Secretary—It was nearly midnight when it came his time to speak. He called out, "Wake up folks, it's just about Tuesday morning." He boosted all departments of the Sunday school work and stated, "I believe we are going to have our Sunday school literature in French and Spanish. We are getting ready to do something for our God."

F. F. Johnson, Foreign Missionary Secretary—He called out, "Good morning Church of God delegates," and delivered a short, fiery message.

Homer A. Tomlinson, Foreign Languages Secretary—He stated, "God can help us reach the people in other languages just as easy as He could help us build the Tabernacle. Let it be a goal for us to work to that we may broadcast on short wave to the many nations at our Assembly next year." He expressed his appreciation of the perfect fellowship that had existed during the Assembly.

12:31 p. m.—Closing prayers by Ressie Mae Griffith and Lois A. Curry. The Bahama Band played good-night music.

Tuesday, October 21:

5:30 a. m.—Sunrise prayer meeting conducted by C. E. Manning and D. H. Queener. D. M. Cobb and B. M. Fouts had charge of the music and singing. The service consisted of songs, concert prayers, special songs, testimonies and short messages by Brother Manning and Brother Queener. Brother Manning asked the folks to tell how they had enjoyed the Assembly. It was not difficult to get people to speak. They were overflowing with joy on account of the blessings they had received. A number made mention this was their first Assembly to attend. They told of having received new zeal for the different phases of the work. The emergency zeal had gotten hold of some. Still others were rejoicing over the Fields of the Wood. This was really a wonderful early morning service, the last of the 36th Annual Assembly. The power and presense of God was in the midst. The people rejoiced in their God. The clerk expressed a wish that he could write out all the good things in this service but that would be impossible.

8:50 a. m.—Program of music and singing by M. S. Curry and others.

9:07 a. m.—Song service led by C. F. Reynolds, Loraine McMahan at the piano. Prayer by Joe C. Crews at pulpit while the congregation stood in silence.

9:25 a. m.—Selection by Sunshine Trio.

9:30 a. m.—Address by J. A. Harris. This was in regard to his work among Poles, Ugrarians, Russians and other foreigners in Canada. He stated that he was looking for people to get them saved, sanctified, baptized with the Holy Ghost and added to the Church. He told of some of his experiences in working with people with peculiar beliefs. But many people in Canada are looking for something better than the Pentecostal movements. People are healed in Canada through Brother Harris' prayers. Some are brought to the Lord on account of the healings. At the close of his

message he called Mary Doroshuk to sing a song. This sister is an evangelist in the Church and can play fourteen different kinds of musical instruments.

10:31 a. m.—Song by Lura Vee and Stella Young.

10:37 a. m.—Address by Peter N. Johnson, our China Missionary. Brother Johnson had the congregation to stand and sing, "Where He Leads Me I Will Follow." He offered a short prayer. In his address he told of conditions in Shantung Province, China, where some of our work is. He has promised the Lord if He will let him go back to China he will work twice as hard. His ambition is to give his life for the Lord. He stated that he loved the Chinese as we love our fathers and mothers. He gave an account of his work among the Chinese in San Francisco. He visited 2,986 families and exhibited the records he made during the canvass.

11:25 a. m.—The General Overseer called attention to the canvass of Bradley County and expressed a wish for facilities to put on a canvass in every county in the United States. He said, "It is our business to go and find them where they are."

11:43 a. m.—The General Overseer gave some information concerning the Marker Association.

11:59 a. m.—Bass Solo by George Englebert—"Anchored in Love Divine."

12:03 p. m.—Dismissed with prayer by George Englebert.

1:15 p. m.—Music by Trammell String Band.

1:27 p. m.—Song service led by Maurice S. Curry, Mildred Bennett at the piano. Prayer by Ruby English.

1:44 p. m.—Report of Questions and Subjects Committee.

Questions and Subjects Committee Report

To the Thirty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Church of God—Greetings:

We, your Questions and Subjects Committee, have considered the section of the General Overseer's Annual Address in regard to recommending and licensing applicants for the ministry. After due consideration we endorse this section of the Annual Address and recommend that this Assembly consider and adopt the following:

That we repeal the action of the 33rd Assembly of 1938 in requiring the endorsement of the State Overseer before the local church had authority to recommend a person for the ministry.

That this Assembly return to the former practice of the local churches recommending applicants for the ministry. Such recommendations to be made in regular or call conference with the pastor or State Overseer acting as moderator. In case there are no churches in a state or territory such matters of recommendation will, of course, be in the hands of the General Overseer. After a local church has recommended a person to the ministry, the clerk should mail the Church and Pastor's Endorsement Blank to the State Overseer who will in turn forward to that applicant the Questionnaire Form to be filled out by him and returned to the State Overseer. The authority of licensing the minister is within the hands of the presbytery composed of the General and State Overseers, therefore, the State Overseer will not reject any applicant until after consulting the General Overseer.

That the action of the 33rd Assembly in 1938 of requiring a new minister, or experienced one from another denomination to preach among us for

six months before being recommended to the ministry be repealed. The matter of a minister proving himself before being licensed shall be in the hands of the presbytery composed of the General and State Overseers.

We further recommend that it be advised by the Assembly that in special cases the clerk of the local church may send the Church and Pastor's Endorsement to the General Overseer.

Respectfully submitted,

B. O. FUNDERBURK, Chairman,
D. R. HOLCOMB,
J. R. SMITH,
CHAS. L. TAYLOR,
E. A. McDONALD.

The report was read and accepted in regular order by the Assembly.

2:08 p. m.—Transcribed songs—"I'm Gonna Rise" and "Goodby Sin."

2:18 p. m.—Concert prayer for sick.

2:21 p. m.—Report of Watchmen Committee.

Watchmen Committee Report

To the 36th Annual Assembly of the Church of God, Greetings:

We, the Watchmen Committee, after prayer and careful watching, wish to submit the following report:

By continuous observation during the Assembly we are amazed at the good order that prevailed during the entire Assembly. We have found very little disturbance and all matters have been cleared up satisfactorily.

We can truly say that God has given us favor with all the people and we wish to express our thanks to this Assembly for the way they conducted themselves during the Assembly.

Respectfully submitted,

JOE C. CREWS,
W. A. NEWSOM,
LEO E. SILVERS.

The report was accepted in regular order by the Assembly.

2:23 p. m.—Report of Adjustment Committee.

Adjustment Committee Report

To the Thirty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Church of God—Greetings:

We, your Adjustment Committee, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have met in regular session and have been able to adjust all matters satisfactorily except that which required more time, and we have referred this to the proper parties for continuation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. LOWMAN,
WYNN STOCKDALE,
GEORGE D. WILSON,
WESLEY H. CARTER,
W. J. VANDERGRIF.

2:25 p. m.—Report of Auxiliary Boosters Committee.

Auxiliary Boosters Committee Report

To the 36th Annual Assembly—Greetings:

We, your Auxiliary Boosters Committee, beg leave to submit the following report. After prayerful deliberation, we feel the spirit of the auxiliary work upon us. We feel the zeal. The enthusiasm to boost all the auxiliaries of the great Church of Prophecy. We feel highly exalted that God in His infinite wisdom has let us live at such a time as this getting ready for the return of Jesus Christ our Lord. We feel like saying, hurry, run, push, and pull, fight through all oppositions till the church is perfected and ready to be presented to Him who spoke as never man spake—He who must reign till all enemies are conquered and put under Him.

The Church of God is the church of prophecy, because she is here in fulfillment of prophecy. Every move, every activity of the church is in fulfillment of prophecy. All things are working together for good—nothing can be done against the church for it is the pillar and ground of the truth, the truth will prevail; error and falsehood shall fall, but the Church of God shall finish her work unto perfection, and all the auxiliaries will have to be in working order to do this.

First—Sunday School:

Sunday school—a place of training. Train a child up in the way he should go and surely the Church of God is the way he should go, so we should make each Church of God Sunday school a medium of teaching or training not only for the children but for everyone. All must be taught. The Word says teaching them to observe all things commanded, and the Church of God is the only one to teach them. The work is ours and no one else can do it.

Second—Home Class:

The Home Class is supposed to reach the ones who cannot attend the Church of God Sunday school. This is taking the message to them. The churches need to catch the Home Class Zeal. Suppose you were a shut-in and could not go to Sunday school, how glad you would be to have someone take an interest in you. Every creature must be taught so the Home Class gets the shut-ins too.

Third—Cradle Roll Department:

Each church should have a Cradle Roll.

The Cradle Roll comes first in Sunday school work. It is the first branch of Sunday school work, and needs to be definitely organized as a department apart from all others.

It was in 1877, that Mrs. Pettit, infant class teacher, Elizabeth, New Jersey, conceived the idea of enrolling in a birthday book the names of the children too small to attend Sunday school; seven years later, 1884, the name "Cradle Roll" was given the list. Up through the years the Cradle Roll has developed, passing through what might be termed the "affectedly tender period." First of all, the baby should be enrolled in the Cradle Roll because it is so sweet to have him or her for a member.

Only in slight measure do we understand the moral and spiritual needs of a child under four. But they are very real when we learn that by the time he is four years of age he had attained certain very definite traits of character. The child has developed obedience or disobedience, fretfulness or happiness. The Cradle Roll can be of help to the child in his first years

by religious training, and has had Sunday school training from his earliest recollection; he has always belonged. And it will be just as natural for him to go to Sunday school as it is for him to go to the table when hungry.

How to Organize a Cradle Roll

The Cradle Roll superintendent is to be a leader, must have a personality to meet the public, must be filled with the Spirit of God, she must live in contact with Jesus Christ, until the power of the Master becomes her drawing power. And she must feel that she has the most important job in all the world. It should be her joy and service in the Kingdom of God. She must know her job, and work—there is no place in the Kingdom of God for a lazy Christian, and especially a lazy Cradle Roll Superintendent.

How to Get Started

No child is too young to become a Cradle Roll member. From the moment of birth he is eligible. Many children have been enrolled when two, three, five, ten or fifteen minutes old. When two years of age, they may become regular attendants at Sunday school, and enter what is known as the Cradle Roll class.

Visit the members of the church and find out the names of all the children under four years old. Also find out the names of children of non-members who may be attending church. Assign workers to visit these homes, and each visitor enroll the babies she visits in the Cradle Roll Department, and have the superintendent to visit and welcome each baby and mother and other members of the family to Sunday school. Not only are children of the congregation welcomed, but all those in the neighborhood not belonging to any other roll. Teachers of the Cradle Roll must be capable for sacrifice, study, tireless work, love for little children, for sympathizing with and understanding mothers who are struggling against some handicap. Also, must be inspiring and capable of instructing the mothers, that their homes will be in accordance with Cradle Roll principles.

Birthday Record

A birthday record must be kept. This is one of the greatest helps in building up the Cradle Roll work—remembering the birthdays of the children. This may be a card system with names and other data entered on them and filed in a little box according to months or, the name may be entered in a birthday book. Always drop them a card on their birthday and give them a little present, and have a public promotion not later than the fourth birthday to the Card Class.

Make definite provisions for the child's early religious training, by suggesting to the parents appropriate stories, prayers, songs, simple lessons prepared for the card lessons, furnishing helpful literature when necessary, furnishing appropriate instructions and sympathetic teachers for the Cradle Roll class, providing social contact between the Sunday school and home, by visits, messages, invitations for special days, recognition of birthdays, Cradle Roll Day annually and an occasional social affair for the parents and children.

A welcome letter signed by not only the Cradle Roll Superintendent, but by the Sunday school Superintendent and Pastor, goes to each new baby enrolled in the school. All relatives of the new baby who are not members of any department help in the enrollment service in the school.

The goal of the Cradle Roll movement is gain. First gain baby's name, rest of family for Sunday school, the parents for the church. Our aim is,

"Every parent's baby on our Cradle Roll, and every baby's parents in our school."

Have a Cradle Roll banner and display it in the Sunday school auditorium each time a new member is added to the roll.

For further information write 303 Bible Place, Cleveland, Tenn.

Fourth—V. L. B.

The work of the V. L. Bs. is to get the last days message to all the world. This Gospel must first be published among all nations and Deut. 32:1 states that My doctrine shall drop as the rain; my speech shall distill as the dew. It is up to the V. L. Bs. to get this done. It is wonderful that God has given this great work to this mighty strong army of young people. What will you see in the Shulamite as it were a company of two armies.

Fifth—W. M. Bs.

The work of the W. M. Bs. is to get the money for defense. The Bible says money is a defense so we are working on the defense program. Not to take men's lives but to save them. We must get the money for the saving of souls. How can they believe on Him of whom they have not heard and how can they hear without a preacher and how can they preach except they be sent? How? How? How? Three questions asked. It is up to the W. M. Bs. to answer this. How? By raising the money to send them. We are doing things now, but we must do exploits tomorrow. The work must be done and **we are going to do it.**

Sixth—A. B. M.

Assembly Band Movement. One of the oldest auxiliaries in the church with the Sunday school, born in the year 1916, at the General Assembly, been sick all these years, ready to die—The Bible says strengthen the things that remain that are ready to die for I have not found thy works perfect before God. It is true that we never have perfected the A. B. M. work but we will, we must, we can, and the church must be perfect and it will take this great machine to perfect it. The pastors should get behind this—if we do our duty as pastors we will have a thriving A. B. M. in every local church.

Seventh—S. O. P. A.

This is a part of the A. B. M. work. It is a part of the things put over in the big business program of 1928 Assembly and we have been doing big business ever since. The State Overseers have been more able to do this work. We should push this more in every local church.

Eighth—Reporting:

This is something we wish to boost more and more. We are told not to forget to communicate for God is pleased, well pleased, with this sacrifice. How can the church keep records if we do not report? Headquarters has a right to know what we are doing on the field. No General would like to send out a battalion and never hear from it. "It would be a lost battalion" and that may be the one reason for so many lost preachers and churches. They failed to please God by not reporting to headquarters. Let your light so shine before men that they may see and glorify God. And if you do not report, you are disloyal to the ruling of the Assembly, so you can never eat the good of the land. If ye be willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land. But if you refuse and rebel you shall be

destroyed by the destroyer. The mouth of the Lord hath spoken it and He doesn't lie.

Ninth—Emergency Fund:

All the churches can be 100 per cent. Let's make it so this year. If you want to know, it can be done very easy. See program Tuesday night by Auxiliary Boosters. We'll show you how.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. SULLIVAN, Chairman,
M. E. WILSON,
D. M. DEADRICK,
J. B. WRIGHT,
J. D. KIRKLAND,
M. S. CURRY,
L. S. RHODES.

The report was read and accepted in regular order by the Assembly.

After the report was accepted the members of the committee talked briefly about the different auxiliaries. Guy Marlow substituted for J. B. Wright.

Brother Marlow spoke on the subject of Sunday schools; D. M. Deadrick, V. L. B.; L. S. Rhodes, W. M. B.; J. P. Sullivan, A. B. M.; M. S. Curry, S. O. P. A.; J. D. Kirkland, Home Class Department and Cradle Roll of Sunday School; M. E. Wilson, reporting system.

3:32 p. m.—Report of Order and Regulation Committee. The report was read and accepted by the Assembly in regular order.

Order and Regulation Committee Report

To the Thirty-sixth Annual Assembly of the Church of God—Greetings:

Our work has been more pleasant this year because our people are learning to be more obedient. Everything has gone on fine. No serious trouble has developed.

Respectfully yours,

D. M. SHULTS, Chairman,
PAT REED,
WALTER PHILLIPS,
T. E. BRADLEY,
O. A. SERATT,
J. H. McSPADDEN,
J. W. DUNN,
JOHN A. STUBBS,
H. H. IRWIN.

3:34 p. m.—Report of Ways and Means Committee.

Ways and Means Committee Report

We, your committee on Ways and Means, beg leave to report as follows:

(1) We recommend that the Emergency Fund be continued and that each member pay \$1.00 to this fund each year.

(2) We further recommend that special honors be bestowed upon the State Overseer of the state raising the largest number of dollars in proportion to membership at the next Assembly.

(3) We recommend that the plan of each member giving a love offering each month to increase the fourth Sunday offering for the State Overseer be continued as practiced last year, and that all pastors and band leaders see to it that this plan is carried out in all churches one hundred per cent.

(4) We also recommend that the editor and publisher of the White Wing Messenger be allowed \$2,000.00 for his service and incidental expenses to be taken care of through the tithe fund; assistant publisher and business manager be allowed \$1,800.00; the General Overseer's secretary be allowed \$1,500.00; the treasurer be allowed \$1,800.00 and incidental expenses.

(5) We recommend that the Field Secretary be allowed \$1,500.00 per year. This to be paid out of the General Tithe Fund.

(6) We recommend that the General Secretary of the A. B. M. and S. O. P. A. be paid \$1,500.00 per year out of the General Tithe Fund.

(7) We recommend that the plan of sending ten per cent of all Sunday school collections to the headquarters treasurer be continued another year and that the General Secretary be allowed \$1,500.00 per year to be paid out of this Sunday school tithe fund, and that a big love offering be taken for the Secretary when he visits the Sunday schools.

We further recommend that any deficit in Sunday school tithes be taken out of the General Tithe Fund.

We further recommend that all overseers, pastors and Sunday school officials see that all Sunday schools put this ruling into practice one hundred per cent.

(8) We further recommend that the General V. L. B. Secretary be paid \$1,500.00 per year out of the tithes of the V. L. B. offerings as practiced last year and that any deficit in this allotment be taken out of the General Tithe Fund. And that a big free-will offering be taken for her when she visits the V. L. Bs.

(9) We further recommend that the General W. M. B. Secretary be paid \$1,500.00 per year out of the tithes of the Missionary offerings as practiced last year, and that any deficit in this allotment be taken out of the General Tithe Fund and that a big free-will offering be taken for her when she visits the W. M. Bs.

(10) We recommend that the Secretary of Foreign Languages appointed by the General Overseer be allowed \$1,500.00 per year to be paid out of the General Tithe Fund.

(11) We recommend that the Field Secretary, Number Two, for the colored race appointed by the General Overseer be allowed \$1,500.00 per year to be paid out of the General Tithe Fund.

(12) All of the above allotments are to be paid if funds are available.

We further recommend that all give perfect cooperation to our faithful General Overseer in putting into practice all the rulings of the Assembly.

Respectfully submitted,

S. O. GILLASPIE, Chairman,
L. A. MOXLEY, Clerk,
G. W. DURHAM,
ALVIN S. MOSS,
G. C. DECKER.

The report was accepted in regular order.

4:00 p. m.—Selection by Sunshine Trio.

4:05 p. m.—Further report of Ways and Means Committee. The report was read and accepted in regular order by the Assembly.

Ways and Means Committee Report

We, your Ways and Means Committee, recommend that this Assembly donate \$500.00 out of the general tithe fund to liquidate a mortgage which is against the home of our beloved General Overseer, if funds are available.

Respectfully submitted,

S. O. GILLASPIE,
L. A. MOXLEY,
G. W. DURHAM,
ALVIN S. MOSS,
G. C. DECKER.

4:08 p. m.—A question was handed to the General Overseer by the Questions and Subjects Committee.

Q. Is it a ruling of the Assembly to take up more than one offering on the fourth Sunday for the State Overseer, morning and night too?

A. There has never been any ruling made in regard to that. The ruling is made that an offering should be taken on the fourth Sunday, and if they want to take a collection three or four times it is all right. I believe I will say, there is no ruling made only that they take the fourth Sunday offering.

4:10 p. m.—Adoption of minutes and instructing local churches to consider, endorse and ratify the business acts of the Assembly at the first business meeting after the Assembly. The Assembly agreed to accept the minutes as prepared by the clerks.

4:11 p. m.—Ordination Service—Warren S. Witt, B. M. Fouts, Mack Caldwell and Wib Wright came forward to be ordained. The General Overseer called on S. O. Gillaspie to pray and then he prayed for the candidates. They then knelt and were ordained by the laying on of hands by the General Overseer, assisted by S. O. Gillaspie and W. M. Lowman.

4:23 p. m.—The General Overseer called attention to the fact that we were nearing the close of the business part of the Assembly. He thanked the clerks, musicians and every one that had helped. He called on the clerks to testify. Each of them, Milton A. Tomlinson, Charles T. Davidson, J. R. Kinser, Ina Mae Tomlinson, Mildred Bennett, R. M. Stover, spoke a few words expressing their feelings about the good Assembly. After these had spoken the General Overseer gave opportunity for others to speak. Several came to the pulpit and spoke briefly.

5:05 p. m.—The business part of the Assembly was closed with prayer by the General Overseer with the congregation joining in at the last.

5:07 p. m.—Music by Bahama Brass Band. The General Overseer called for all that were interested in the Church of Prophecy Marker Association to come get literature giving information about it.

6:15 p. m.—Special program by the Bahama Brass Band. The director, Hermis Ferguson, introduced each member. As each one was introduced he spoke a few words to tell how he enjoyed the Assembly. When all had spoken they played "The Star Spangled Banner." The members of the band that attended the Assembly are Alvin S. Moss, Hermis A. Ferguson, Frank Cunningham, James R. Cooper, Labon J. Ferguson, Alfred E. Ferguson,

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Charles I. Mackey, Randolph A. McKinney, Kelly C. Ferguson, Rufus R. Cox, John H. Cooper, Malachi R. Culmer, Hilton Grant, Arthur C. Moss, McKinley J. Brown, Earnel D. Adderly. Three other delegates from the Bahamas were present at the Assembly. These are Alexander Williams, Alsada I. Butler, Malvina E. McKenney.

6:42 p. m.—Song service led by Julian Bennett, Mildred Bennett at the piano. Prayer by Sampson Smith at the pulpit while the congregation stood in holy reverence before God.

6:54 p. m.—The Mighty Last Days Zeal that Moves the Work of the Last Days Church along to Fulfill Prophecy—Message by John F. Aites of Pennsylvania. This was a message full of zeal and determination to push the work of the last days Church. He stated, "The Church of God is the Bible in action."

7:30 p. m.—Assembly Expense Committee Program. While the offering was taken by the ushers Beverly Kinser sang her Train Song and "Tomorrow May Mean Goodbye." The Bahama Band played a number. The amount of the offering was \$35.97.

8:00 p. m.—Music and song by Georgia Ensign Band.

8:03 p. m.—Song by little Jay Edward Voss.

8:06 p. m.—Song by Mary Elizabeth Greathouse. Following this was two selections by Ralph Scotton, and a selection by little Gordon Watson.

8:22 p. m.—Mighty Concert Prayer. This was the last big concert prayer of the Assembly. The congregation stood and their voices sounded out as the falling of many waters.

8:27 p. m.—The Mighty Zeal of the Lord of Hosts Turned Loose in Missouri—Message by D. R. Holcomb. He stated this was the best Assembly he had ever attended and he meant to fire Missouri with the zeal he felt at the Assembly. He told of setting the goal for ten dollars missionary offering at his state convention several years ago. He had to work pretty hard to get ten dollars. He raised \$1,500.00 this year easier than he raised that first offering because the folks in Missouri had the zeal.

8:52 p. m.—The Mighty Zeal of the Lord of Hosts Turned Loose in Illinois—Message by George D. Wilson. A fiery message filled with zeal for the Church of God and the work in Illinois. He stated they had zeal in Illinois and going to keep it.

9:18 p. m.—Testimony service in charge of Hermis Ferguson and Carl Campbell, with songs and music. People testified, Carl led in singing songs and choruses, and Hermis directed the band music. The power of God was upon the people and they shouted, danced, marched, ran and rejoiced in the Lord. One clerk wrote, "The power is falling, the Band is playing, the crowd is shouting. They are running like a streak as moved on by the Spirit. The congregation is astir because of the presence of this greatest Assembly spirit from God. I confess that the music the Bahamas boys is now making is the best I have ever heard, I believe." Another clerk wrote the following: "Marches are formed again both on the platform and down in the congregation. I wonder what those among us, who are not of us, think about the way our folks act in the times of rejoicing here at the Assembly when they run and march. If we could look into their minds we might be surprised at what we saw there. O Lord, hasten the time when all Thy children will be in one body and we can all rejoice together. What an Assembly we can have then!"

9:45 p. m.—Musical program with all kinds of instruments—M. S. Cur-

ry in charge. Those with different instruments gathered on the speakers platform, the Trammell and Bahama Bands in their places. Brother Curry led in singing "When We All Get to Heaven" with all the instruments being played. Forty instruments in all.

9:57 p. m.—The General Overseer thanked all that had helped in making the Assembly a success. He said, "Thank everybody."

9:58 p. m.—Duet by the Wilson sisters.

Homer A. Tomlinson announced about the Christmas program in the Fields of the Wood.

10:23 p. m.—Program by Auxiliary Boosters. The subject was "A Love Offering." The program was in three scenes. The overseer was called to visit a church. He found a disorganized church with an unqualified pastor. The overseer tried to help them and they gave him a very small offering. The next was a visit by the overseer to a well organized church. They presented him with a good offering and a large pounding. The third was the work of the A. B. M. in restoring a lost member.

11:18 p. m.—Song by Maurice Curry Family. Solo by Joyce Curry.

11:26 p. m.—Minister's Consecration Service in charge of the General Overseer. The ministers gathered on the platform, the women on the west side and the men on the east. W. Cobb Dennard led in singing "Where He Leads Me I Will Follow." As the ministers stood with right hands raised Brother S. O. Gillaspie prayed a consecration prayer. Then the ministers prayed in concert consecrating themselves to God for another year's work. At the close the General Overseer offered prayer for the ministers.

11:45 p. m.—Miami Program directed by Olive B. Smith. This consisted of music and songs with demonstrations.

11:55 p. m.—Duet by Dalton Georgia girls.

12:01 p. m.—Closing prayers by Sister Flora Gillaspie and Sister Beulah Miracle with their husbands standing behind them. At the last all said Amen.

12:06 p. m.—Music by the Bahama Brass Band as the people shook hands. And this was the end of the Mighty 1941 Annual Assembly.

A. J. TOMLINSON, General Overseer,
LILLIE DUGGAR, Private Secretary,
J. R. KINSER, Chief Clerk,
MILTON A. TOMLINSON, Assistant Clerk,
INA MAE TOMLINSON, Assistant Clerk,
CHARLES T. DAVIDSON, Assistant Clerk,
MILDRED BENNETT, 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 apostles' 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 of 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 state 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, locketes, 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 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 Overseer

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 iron-clad rule, but it is considered best when there are sufficient churches in a state to make it practicable.

To order or 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 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 General Overseer at the close of the year.

To visit every district and church if possible and look after the interest 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 the 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.

Duties of District Overseer

To moderate business conferences for women preachers who may be acting as pastors, and men who may not be licensed if they are taking care of churches in his district.

To do evangelistic work in his district if he has time. If he has a district with no churches it is his duty to evangelize and organize churches.

For convenience it is often thought best for a pastor of a strong church in the district to be selected as district overseer so the church can serve as a means of his support.

The district overseers are to be appointed by the state overseers, therefore, they are subject to the state overseers.

To hold district conventions when practicable subject to the instructions of the state overseer.

Teachings of The Church of God

Over which A. J. Tomlinson is General Overseer
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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; 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. 14:4, 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 Peter 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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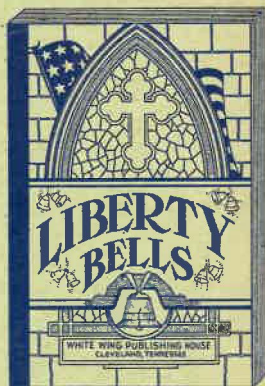
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