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Smith, Selwyn (1906-) was born in Monroeville, Alabama the son of William Glenn and Lillian Adele Busey Smith. He graduated from Howard College and the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary (formerly Baptist Bible Institute). Smith served as pastor of churches in Alabama, Kentucky and Florida including Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, St. Petersburg, 1933-1935 and Calvary Baptist Church, Clearwater, 1935-1937. He and his wife, Elizabeth Dorothy Daniel Smith had one son.

liefs"; Kappa Sigma, Aeons Honorary, Rotary. Home: 1016 E. Harrison St., Kirksville, Mo.; office: First Church, Kirksville, Mo.

SMITH, ROSCOE CONKLIN

Pastor, First Church, Erwin, Tenn.; born, Knoxville, Tenn., May 19, 1894; son of Martha Jane Eslinger and James Elbert Smith of Henry's Cross Roads, Tenn.; education, A.B., Carson-Newman Col., Th.M., Southern Bapt. Theol. Sem.; ordained, May, 1915; married Sadie Willson of Niota, Tenn., Aug. 25, 1920, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh M. Willson; children, Roscoe C., Jr., Collis Willson, Carolyn, Marthanne, Hugh David; missionary to Japan, 1921-25; pastor, First Church, Cliffside, N. C., 1926-29; pastor, First Church, Erwin, Tenn., since 1929. Address: 244 First St., Erwin, Tenn.

SMITH, SELWYN STEPHEN

Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Clearwater, Fla.; born, Monroeville, Ala., June 17, 1906; son of Lillian Adele Busey and William Glenn Smith of Monroeville, Ala.; education, B.A., Howard College, seminary and Bible Institute; ordained June 30, 1929; married Elizabeth Dorothy Daniel of Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 7, 1928, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Daniel; children, Selwyn Lanier; assistant pastor, West End Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., 1928-1929; pastor, Irondale Baptist Church, Irondale, Ala., 1929-1931; pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., 1931-1932; pastor, Sligo Baptist Church, Sligo, Ky., 1932-1933; pastor, Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, St. Petersburg, Fla., 1933-1935; pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Clearwater, Fla., 1935 to date; moderator, Pinellas Association; State Executive Board. Home: 301 Cleveland St., Clearwater, Fla.; office: Calvary Baptist Church, Clearwater, Fla.

SMITH, THOMAS JESSE

Pastor, First Church, Vandalia, Mo.; born, Mathiston, Miss., Nov.

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THIS, THAT AND THE OTHER

By GEORGE H. CRUTCHER, Pastor Riverside Baptist Church, Tampa

DR. A. U. Boone, who has been supplying the First Church, Tampa, for several months, is to supply the First Baptist Church, Owensboro, Ky., during the months of August and September. He will be a blessing to any church that may secure him.

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Dr. B. Locke Davis, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Gulfport, Miss., has resigned the care of that church and accepted the pastorate at Brookhaven, same state.

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The Calvary Baptist Church, Clearwater, has extended a call to Rev. Selwyn Smith, pastor of Fifth Avenue Church, St. Petersburg. Brother Smith's decision is unknown.

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The Tampa Bay Association had an all-day meeting in the Jackson Heights Church Friday, June 28, when Church Polity and Church Doctrines were discussed vigorously. Such discussions should result in great good.

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Dr. D. M. Gardner, pastor of the First Baptist Church, St. Petersburg, had the pleasure of baptizing Rev. W. Hardy Neal on a recent Sunday, and he was ordained to the full work of the Gospel ministry on the next Sunday afternoon. The Presbytery consisting of all the pastors of Pinellas County Association and this writer, together with the deacons of the First Baptist Church, had part in the ordination. Brother Neal had been an honored minister in the Southern Methodist Church for more than 30 years. He gave up his relationship to the Methodists without any fuss toward them, came to the Baptists to satisfy his own conscience on the teaching of the Bible on Church Doctrines and Polity. He is a worthy brother, and the Brotherhood should receive him cordially. Dr. Gaffin, pastor at Largo, preached the ordination sermon.

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Dr. D. M. Gardner is assisting Brother Jones and the Church at Bransford in a meeting this week.

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Rev. O. T. Moncrief, pastor of the Grace Baptist Church at Clermont, began his fourth year as pastor on the 1st of May. During the three years they have had a 70 per cent increase of membership and a clear gain of mission offerings of $250.00 per year. The state of the church is splendid and his friends should rejoice with him in the happy situation.

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According to the Baptist Record, there was a law in England which required everyone to attend church. They not only must attend, but they must behave themselves. They also had to stay through the sermon. Otherwise, their fingers were placed in the stock, and they had to remain in that position until the sermon was over.

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Dr. John F. Vines, state evangelist from Missouri, stays busy in fruitful revivals. He recently assisted Pastor Blake Smith, First Baptist Church, Mexico, Mo. There were 98 additions. From there he went to Farmington and from that place to North Kansas City. John's a great preacher, with a passion for the lost.

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Dr. L. S. Williams, pastor at Sandersville, Ga., did the preaching in his own revival and received 72 additions. The church is in splendid spiritual condition.

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Evangelist W. L. Head of Atlanta, Ga., just closed a gracious revival at Central Church, Phenix City, Ala., which resulted in 120 baptized into the fellowship of the church.

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The ministers of all the evangelical churches in New Orleans have appealed to the ministers throughout the state of Louisiana to join them in prayer and endeavor to remove the blight of gambling from their city.

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Rev. Douglas Hudgins, son of the lamented W. D. Hudgins, Sunday School secretary of Tennessee for so long, did the preaching in a revival at the First Church, Tulahoma, Tenn., which resulted in 47 additions. This is a nice compliment to the young man since he was chiefly reared in that city.

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Chickasha, Okla., claims the distinction of having the largest Daily Vacation Bible School in the world—1,350 enrolled the first week.

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There were 126 additions to the East Sherman, Texas, Church when Pastor Bumpas was assisted by State Evangelist Hyman Appleman.

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Port Arthur, Texas, church received 89 additions when Roy Angell of San Antonio assisted Pastor Moore in a revival.

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Dr. J. G. Chastain, who served both the Foreign and Home Mission Boards as missionary and who rendered other valuable service to the Lord, has been twice honored by Mississippi College with the degree of D. D.

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Editor P. I. Lipsey wrote a most thought-provoking editorial recently upon "Thinking Missions." This article should cause our boards to rethink their programs.

The First Baptist Church of Quincy has granted the pastor, Dr. W. M. Vines, a two months' leave of absence. In July he has accepted an invitation to supply the First Baptist Church of Asheville, N. C., and during the month of August he will fill the pulpits of the First Baptist Church of Norfolk, Va., and of the First Baptist Church of Greenwood, S. C. Dr. Vines was formerly pastor of these churches for several years.

FLORIDA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME

By T. M. JOHNS, Superintendent

DID you get a letter from us last week? If you did, we hope that you are going to do something about it. We trust that you will not drop it in the waste basket and forget about it. It is too important for that. In fact it carries a message of need for our Home and calls attention to our duty toward our children and their welfare. It is not a cry of "wolf" or just another circular letter of appeal. Don't forget us or the letter.

The moving picture of the Home is proving very interesting to our people. As much subject matter as we have and opportunity for filming a highly emotional picture, we have refused to show anything except a panorama of the buildings and grounds and work done in the Home. We felt that this is fair to the Home and to you. The picture is not made to put on a drive for funds or take collections for the work. It is made to acquaint you with the work we are doing and how we are doing it. It is an educational picture throughout.

We would like to make as many showings as possible within a radius of 125 miles of Arcadia this summer. This fall we will be away at associations and will not be able to reach you. We want all our people to see this picture. If you want it brought to your church this summer, write us immediately and we will assign you a date if we possibly can.

We wish to express our thanks for the fine cooperation we are getting in our coupon campaign. It will only be a few weeks until we will have a check for $100.00 from coupons. We are collecting about $25.00 worth per month—a sizeable gift with no outlay of cash.

BE SURE TO LISTEN IN

The nation-wide Columbia Broadcasting System program of Ted Malone will be devoted to Friendship, Fellowship, Frolic and Faith, with a special message for the young women of Y. W. A. now attending Ridgecrest Camp, Tuesday, July 2, 1:30 P. M., Eastern standard time.

Pastor W. H. Wheeler is doing a great work at Ocala. The Sunday School is growing. He is now having a Daily Vacation Bible School with an enrollment of 136. Pastor L. B. Johnson of Umatilla, who is one of the best D. V. B. S. leaders in the state, is helping him. There are 126 enrolled in B. T. U. Another thing about this modest man Wheeler, he holds revival meetings in the country churches. That is right. His church is with him. The best thing about him is his charming wife. She is one of God's queens, serving her home, her husband and her church. We still hold that the preachers' wives are the topmost people in the Kingdom of God.

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WHAT IS THE ISSUE?

WE ARE greatly interested in reading about the fight for the Constitution of this country. The preachers, and mostly Baptist preachers, contended that religious freedom be incorporated in the Constitution. They were accused of being against the Constitution and were denounced as "political parsons," but they ceased not their agitation. Now everybody is glad they won. Was it right for them to champion the cause of religious freedom? We are proud of their courageous stand. Shall the preachers of this day be less patriotic than our forefathers? Shall the preachers keep quiet while the big wealth enslave the people of America? What, in a few words, is the issue? It is shall a few people own the wealth of this nation? That is the question and nothing else. Nothing can be settled until that is determined. Shall America be a nation of plutocrats and paupers? Brother preacher, will you face the issue squarely?

The dictionary defines a "plutocrat" as one who has power due to his wealth. "Plutocracy is government by the wealthy." "Democracy is government by the people; a form of government in which the supreme power is retained by the people and exercised either directly or indirectly through a system of representation and delegated authority periodically renewed, as in a constitutional representative government or republic. Democracy is loosely used of governments in which the sovereign powers are exercised by all the people or a large number of them, as specifically, in modern use, of a representative government where there is equality of rights without hereditary or arbitrary differences in rank or privilege; and is distinguished from aristocracy."—Webster.

Is this kind of government worth fighting for?. Dr. Gambrell used to say, "What is worth having is worth fighting for." In the spirit of a crusador we will fight to the limit to oust the plutocrats who have brought wealth to themselves by impoverishing the people.

WE READ in a book that Jesus did not choose "varsity professors" or "brain trusters" to carry his gospel to the people, but rather chose fishermen, carpenters and tax collectors. What about the Apostle Paul? He was the best educated man of his day; in fact, of any day; and he did more than they all. If he wrote Hebrews, and we believe he did, then he is the author of about one-half of the New Testament. Take Moses, he was a man of the schools. He wrote almost half of the Old Testament. Isaiah was highly educated. So was Solomon. But God can and does use all kind and classes of men. Education is not an absolute essential to God's service. An uneducated man with God's spirit on him is better than much learning void of his power. Education is an equipment for service. Some men have more learning than is necessary for their task. They have more than they can wisely use. Let us praise God who uses all kinds and grades of men in the promotion of His Kingdom.

IF WE could get our people to pray they would be blessed and God would be glorified. Their daily bread calls for their daily prayers; because one want is created while another is supplied. Are they called by the name of Christ, and shall they not call unto God in the name of Christ. Take away spiritual breath and you take away spiritual life, for prayer is the native breath of a Christian. Prayers were never rightly offered to God, but they were quickly answered. Spiritual prayers, like Noah's dove, which returned with an olive branch. The prayerless soul is a fruitless soul. "And as he prayed, the fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment was white and glittering." Christ had the bright sunshine of his Father's affection, when he was moving in the orbit of supplication. So with all of us. Prayer will add a charm and glow to the countenance the world cannot duplicate.

LET us hear Hannah when she prays, Lord, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless." He gave her the desire of her heart—a child. He gave the nation a leader of righteousness and an inspiring saint for all ages—Samuel. What will he not give to those who pray? We receive not because we ask not. Why should we be dumb, seeing God is not deaf? Do we fast as well as pray? By fasting, the body learns to obey the soul; by praying, the sould learns to command the body.

WHY do Christians have so little real joy in their lives? "Ask, and receive, that your joy may be full." Spiritual supplication is a sure channel of the fullness of joy.

ONE of the greatest movements we have ever known is the "Prove Me" movement so wonderfully agitated by the Baptist laymen in Texas. God says, "Bring ye in the whole tithes into the storehouse that there may be food in my house, saith the Lord of Host, and prove me herewith if I will not open to you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing there will not be room enough to receive it." The plan is to prove this for three months. Put God to the test. It is not a debt-paying movement, but a prove movement. It is not financial, but a determination to obey God. It is not a question of distribution, but the bringing into the storehouse that which belongs to God. God's tithe is for the support of his ministers whether they be pastors or missionaries.

NEHEMIAH said, "Why is the house of God forsaken?" It was because "The Levites, the singers and they that did the work were fled every one to his field." More than half the Baptist churches in Florida are vacant every Sunday. Why? Because there is no bread in God's house for the minister. They have to make their own living while the churches go at a snail's pace. What a shame. How long is this going to continue? Are there no laymen in Florida to lead this movement? It seems the preachers won't or they haven't in spite of the fact that tithing is God's only doctrine of finance. We are calling for the laymen like Nehemiah to take the lead in this movement. Who, then, will consecrate himself this day to this glorious task?

"WHERE sin abounded grace did abound more exceedingly." The raven of sin can never fly farther than the angel of grace. Grace is the unmerited favor of God to unworthy sinners. By grace ye are saved. We are kept by grace. The grace of God not only provides salvation, but leads the sinner as a horse is led to the fountain of waters. Grace softens God's heart to the hardness of sin. It is the sinners' hope and only stay. His righteousness is as filthy rags. There is no merit in his life to commend him to God. Without grace there is no hope for the sinner.

"LOVE is strong as death, and jealousy as cruel as the grave; the coals therof are coals of fire which hath a most vehement flame. Jealousy is the green-eyed monster that doth mock the meat it feeds upon."—Shakespeare.

J. D. Poindexter, pastor, Callahan, Fla., is doing the preaching for Pastor R. C. Baker, Riverview Baptist Church, Jacksonville, in a revival meeting. It will be done well. Riverview is one of Jacksonville's growing churches.

WE ARE grieved over the untimely going of Rev. Earle Dodd. He was one of Florida's most faithful preachers. We admire a man who succeeds in spite of his handicaps. Everybody loved this blessed man. His eyes were blind, but he had a clear vision of God and things spiritual.

SELWYN Smith has resigned the pastorate of Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, St. Petersburg, Fla., and accepted the pastorate of Calvary Church, Clearwater, Fla. He has done an outstanding work in St. Petersburg. We had the pleasure of holding a meeting with him in Fifth Avenue. He is leaving a splendid church and goes to a great opportunity and one of the most beautiful church buildings and grounds we have ever seen. He will live in one of the best preacher's homes in the state. We consider him one of the ablest young preachers we have in our denomination. Success to you, my good friend.

Dr. M. E. Dodd, Shreveport, La., will preach on Sundays, August 25, and September 1, in the Second Baptist Church, Jackson Boulevard at Lincoln Street, Chicago, Ill. He wishes to invite any Southerners who may be in Chicago on those dates to worship with them.

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SELWYN SMITH GOES TO CLEARWATER

Whereas, in obedience to the call of his Divine Master, our pastor, the Rev. Selwyn Smith, has accepted an urgent call to a service in another field; therefore be it

Resolved That we, the members and the congregation of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church in St. Petersburg, Florida, do hereby express to him our deep appreciation of the fruitful service he has rendered and our sincere regret at the severing of the pleasant association as pastor and people that has existed amongst us, and assure him that our love and prayers will follow him as he enters into his new field of labor.

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WAUCHULA—The Lake Dale Church and community are obligated to our pastor, Rev. J. D. Best, who has just closed a three weeks' revival.

At each meeting a large crowd attended regularly and all seemed to enjoy the meeting very much. Eight additions were added to the church, four by baptism and four by letter.

Our pastor is one whom we all love and we are all trying to hold him up in his church work. We know that he is doing his best for the Lake Dale community and elsewhere and we greatly appreciate his good work.

Brother Best is now carrying on a meeting at his other church, Plagah. We are all praying that the outcome will be as good or better than our revival.

Your brother in Christ,
G. W. Wilson.

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saw that wickedness of man was great and imagination thought of man heart was only continually and it grieved Gods heart, so he said, I will destroy everything. He told Noah make an Ark, which Boat you speak off. Noah did as God directed him, and he did as God commanded him. I told him all of Noah's work and God's. And I said, That is why I am here to tell you people of Gods work and what he want us to do. And he said, it is good. Keep on and tell us, pretty soon maybe long summers past my people will come to hear you tell us. We have come to love you. My boy is very sick now and you must come and sing for him.

This is something an encouraging. I visited 24 Indian camps on my special trip to the Everglades and missed 4 camps. In all my visit to these Indian camps I found sick man woman children. Some had wounded hands and feet. I dressed their wounds and took those needed medical attention to the Doctor nearest town that I could reach.

Last week while setting here writing The U. S. Indian Agent came to me and said, Mr. King I need your help. I said, alright, what is it sir. I got to have some information in one case for the Federal Judge. Can you go to Big Cypress with me where the Mekusukeys are holding their annually green corn dance and get the information for the Judge. I will tell you, Mr. Glenn, as an Indian I know their customs I said. Mr. Glenn, it is bad time to go to their Grounds while they are taking Indian medicine. He said I believe by you being there they will talk to you, if they dont talk to us. So we went leaving our car on highway, walked 6 miles thru mud and sand water.

Just as I said they would not talk to the Agent, nor the U. S. Marshall. Old Doctor Tiger came to me from the medicine ground and said, You are welcome in here and set and talk to us ,but leave the white people out there. I told Mr. Glenn and the other man what the old man had said. So I went in and set in the midst of 3-4 hundred Mekusukey Indians. I told them my mission. They selected 4 men to talk to me. That I was able secure all the information we needed. As I leave, next time you and wife come and attend our green corn dance. I said, I will. Now I go and before I go, I want to get me a large chart of Christ and other pictures that I can get and take it down there, while I am talking I can explain as I go along with my talks.

William McKinley Osceola and Cory Osceola has been hard against me for two years, thinking that I was working with the Government, till here four weeks ago they sent for me to come to their camps. Thank God I had been praying for this call. I went and got there, they met with with different faces than heretofore. With smiles and hands extending, welcome, hand shake, came to my car, and said Glad to see you Willie. Come into the Camp Grounds and make yourself at home. I spend whole day with them. Today these two boys are great friends of mine. Which makes it better because they are the Leaders amongst the Mekusukey Indians in the big Cypress. You got to gain the leaders confidence in you before you can handle the others. So I am gaining or winning their confidence little by little.

At our present Mission Post I have been thinking of building an arbor and have spoken to the Indians who are in membership of Christian groups. They in turn has talked to others Some Saturdays when men are off work we are going out the woods and cut cypress timber to make the arbor. The Indians said, If we build the arbor, we will invite white preachers to come and dedicated for us.

I have written you long story. I hope this letter will be of some service to you As you study along in reading the letter will bring many thrilling thoughts.

With Love,

Cordially yours,
Willie King

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A RAINBOW FOR EVERY CLOUD

This is the title of a book of sermons from the pen of Dr. David M. Gardner of St. Petersburg. It consists of ten chapters as follows:

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The book is attractively bound and printed by our Sunday School Board, and priced at $1.00. Order from our Baptist Book Store.

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THIS, THAT AND THE OTHER

By GEORGE H. CRUTCHER, Pastor Riverside Baptist Church, Tampa

REV. R. C. Floyd, Rockmart, Ga. has accepted the care of the church of First Church, Sebring. He did a most excellent work in his former pastorate and our prayer is that he may do an equally good work in Florida.

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Florida is losing to Alabama Dr. C. M. Crossny. A native of Tennessee, of good preaching stock, graduate of the Southwestern Seminary, with a fine record in all of his pastorates before coming to this State, has greatly enriched his former reputation by the loyalty with which he has supported the whole denominational program. He has been aggressive on his own field for all that was good. He has been sympathetic to the whole Florida program and was at the time of his resigning the president of our Florida Assembly. As a man, he is kind, polite, genteel and in every way a Christian. His going is a great loss to our Florida Baptist work, but it will be a great contribution to the cause in Alabama.

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My hat is off to Rev. Selwyn Smith of Clearwater. Some two years ago our Baptist work in Clearwater divided, constituting a new work. Under the wise leadership of Brother Smith, the two congregations have been brought to a better understanding, have buried the hatchet and will, as quickly as the business of the two congregations be adjusted, become one church again. May the Lord give wisdom to Brother Smith and to all the members as they seek to readjust themselves in church life. Too much praise cannot be given to Dr. J. T. McNew, who unselfishly resigned the pastorate of one church to make the union possible. Dr. McNew proved himself a great Christian as well as a wise minister in the course he pursued.

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What shall we do about the Negroes? They have proven themselves most teachable by Southern white people and most appreciative of all that has ever been done for them. They are pre-eminently Baptists, therefore we have a stewardship above any Christian people over them. It is the most open door Southern Baptists have today, but that door will close unless we enter it soon. How very much we could do by training their ministers in the fundamental doctrines of the Bible and especially as they relate to the plan of salvation and the doctrine of the church.

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Our Foreign Mission Board is striving to send out a few new missionaries. The Lord has opened the way for one of Florida's sons, who is a son of Stetson and our DeLand Assembly as well as the son of our secretary of missions, Dr. C. M. Brittain. Will not your church, Sunday School, W. M. S., B. T. U. show your appreciation of what our Foreign Mission Board is endeavoring to do by sending an offering to Dr. C. M. Brittain, secretary, marked "Foreign Mission Special" so as to raise the traveling expenses of this noble young couple?

Our Sunday School Board has made an advanced step in the direction in securing Mr. B. B. McKinney of Fort Worth, Tex., as music editor of the board. Mr. McKinney is a layman who attended Louisiana College, then graduated from the Southern Seminary in Gospel music and has taught music in the seminary for many years. He is a fine conductor, has a lovely bass voice and is no doubt the greatest writer of Gospel songs now living. We welcome him to the new position.

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The Palatka Heights Church has launched the "Prove Me" campaign. It has met with hearty response from our people. The first Sunday offerings increased over 300 per cent. The Witness is directly responsible for this. One of my fine deacons read of the work of the movement elsewhere and suggested that we try it. Others had been reading also and it was not hard to enlist our folk. Over 50 signed up the first week. —James A. Sawyer.

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The Shipley Church has just closed a fine meeting. The preaching was done by Dr. T. O. Reese, our State Evangelist. He preaches the Gospel according to the Bible. His preaching under the blessings of God produced a real revival among Christians and stirred the hearts of sinners to repentance and faith in Christ. Dr. Reese is a clear thinker and makes plain the Gospel. He knows the Gospel in heart and mind. Our people heard him gladly and with great profit. It was our pleasure to have him with us in Dade City about 20 years ago. There were 22 additions to the church. We give thanks to our Heavenly Father for His rich blessings to us through His servant. To our Heavenly Father we give all the praise and glory for so gracious a meeting and for the enrichment of our spiritual life.—W. A. Burns.

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Rev. M. D. Jackson has moved to Socrates to become pastor of the church.

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A two weeks' revival in the Immanuel Baptist Church, Tallahassee, has just been completed by our pastor, Rev. Waldo E. Wood. There were 38 additions, one-third of them for baptism, including a woman 73 years old. This brings our church membership to 126. We began with 35 in February. Thirty-four of our additions have been for baptism. We have 191 in Sunday School and nearly 100 in B. T. U., with 35 in W. M. S. Our church is like a revival every Sunday. It has already outgrown our building. Our pastor is doing a constructive, unselfish work in our city, with no thought but Christ and Him crucified. He has been asked for several times the number of revivals he has been able to hold. He is hoping to be able to complete the work leading to the degree of Doctor of Theology in June. We are applying for membership in the Florida Association.—W. Bryan Rawls, Clerk.

We have just closed a very successful meeting at Macedonia (Middle Florida Association). Rev. J. Earl Lewis of Tampa did the preaching, except the last two services Rev. Arthur Smith of Lee brought us those. There were nine additions by baptism. The pastor at the close of meeting resigned to become effective last of October in order that he may give half time to O'Brien Baptist Church, Suwannee Association. Macedonia is a great old country church. My prayers are that the Lord will send them a pastor who loves the old Book and is not afraid to preach it. Their leaders love the old Book. Blessings on them. —A. H. Townsend, Pastor.

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The Fort Meade Church has just closed a most successful year. Our pastor, Dr. W. K. McClure, has accepted our call for an indefinite period. The progress of our church since Dr. McClure has been with us (less than a year) has indeed been noticeable. We are beginning our new year with renewed strength and earnest efforts to be a bigger and better church next year. We have instituted the "Prove Me" plan, and adopted the single budget for the church. The B. T. U. has sold their canned peas and now has a check of about $40 ready to send in. We are real proud of our B. T. U. in that it ranks among the strongest in the State. The three unions are composed of 65 hard-working and energetic members. These unions sponsored one of the best revivals in the State this year. The Orange Blossom Association met with us October 10-11.—Reporter.

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Gospel Singer John O. Beall, Florala, Ala., writes: "I have just sung in a week's meeting at the Lakewood School House, Lakewood, Fla. Brother A. C. Greene, a young Baptist minister, did the preaching. They have no organized church, but some months ago we organized a Sunday School and it is moving along nicely. They have from 45 to 55 each Sunday. This week we held services at the Gordon School House. Both of these places are in Walton County, Florida. There were 12 professions at this last place. A Sunday School and church will likely be organized there soon. A Brother George Shows preaches there once a month."

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Rev. Claude Bridges is assisting Pastor Cannady in a revival meeting at the Talleyrand Church, Jacksonville. Sunday was an outstanding day with the church. There were nine additions and 60 pledged to tithe. Record-breaking attendance at all services.

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The Church at Callahan is building an addition to their church to take care of their primary and junior departments. They expect to have it completed November 1. Rev. J. D. Poindexter is the pastor of this progressive church.