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## THE FINAL PERSEVERANCE OF THE SAINTS

J. F. Tull, England.

Will every true child of God certainly continue in a state of grace until finally saved? The Baptists answer this question in the affirmative. The doctrine of once in grace always in grace has been known among Baptists through all the Christian Centuries as the Doctrine of the Final Perseverance of the Saints or as some express it, The Preservation of the Saints. Up until two or three generations ago, this was a favorite theme among Baptists through all the poor dust which scribbles off these lines remembers a tall raw-boned man of God who wore a roan-colored beard and who owned a voice which sounded like the roaring of a lion. who for two straight hours carried his hearers clinging to him right on over all of the breastworks of the devil up to the very gates of eternal glory. Strong and courageous men and the most highly cultured women, and youth and maidens forgot the time of day and just about everything else and shouted praises to God for another hour. Little children, one of which I was, were filled with fear and wonder and clung to their parents expecting that something dreadful was about to happen. I remember no experience of my childhood better than I remember my beautiful little mother's tears of joy on these great occasions when those old preachers would as some called it then, "Get on a high horse," and ride on through all of the difficulties which beset God's saints. One particular verse of one of the songs of that day always seemed to lift mother almost through the gates as she sang—"Shout ye little flock and blest

Jesus throne shall be thy rest,  
There your seat is now prepared  
There your Kingdom and reward."

The memory of her kisses and of her "God bless my babies" will outlast the fleeting years and form a large part of that great reunion up yonder.

But I had almost forgotten that I was writing an article and not simply sentimentalizing on my own experiences back in a day about which the present generation cares little.

The next question is this: Did those old preachers back there in the day when preachers were given a chance to finish their sermons find a

scriptural warrant for their doctrine of the Final Perseverance of the Saints? Sure. They piled up the scriptural evidence and pounded it in and kept on piling it up and pounding it in until every opponent of the doctrine had fled to tall timber and the saints of God had taken the field. Rom. 8:32 was one of their main pieces of artillery. "He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?" Paul here sets forth the firm ground of hope which the children of God have in the plan of salvation through Christ. The interrogative form which he gives to his argument implies that the contrary is an absurdity. If the love of God for his children is so boundless and invincible that he would make the infinite sacrifice of giving his well-beloved son to die for them, will he then suffer them to finally perish for the want of a little spiritual strength which it is his delight to give? This is the reasoning of the Holy Spirit mind you and the writer believes that it is a grievous sin to undertake the controvert or evade the conclusion.

Rom. 5:10 is another strong proof text: "For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his son; much more being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life." Since God loved his children with so great a love when they were his enemies—when dead in sins—will he love them less, now that they are regenerated and adopted and are his children and have the love of God in their hearts? After they have become his children by faith in Jesus Christ does he love them less than he did when they were enemies and rebels against his authority? Did he love them more while they were the children and willing servants of the devil than he does when they are his own children?

We seem now to have space left for only about one more passage though there are many passages which might be used. Rom. 8:38, 39 says: "For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor power, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." The great apostle surely es-

## A NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE

M. E. Dodd

President, Southern Baptist Convention

My dear Brethren and Sisters in Christ:

Through the courtesy of the editor of your State paper, I am permitted to send this word of New Year's greeting, congratulation and good wishes.

I would first of all express unfeigned gratitude to God for having given you the spirit of devotion to His word and work, which has led you to cooperate in carrying the load of taking care of all the Christly enterprises through which we are seeking to obey His commission and which are included in our Baptist Cooperative Missionary Program.

And then I would exclaim, "Thanks be to God," for that measure of success which has been achieved by your loving loyalty and sacrificial service. God has crowned our labors of love with blessings far beyond what we deserve and even more than we could ask or think.

The lessons learned through the tragic times of testing through which we have so recently passed should stand us in good stead in the setting of our sails for the future. Let me express the hope that in your case the lessons have strengthened rather than scarred and that they will serve as guides to higher heights rather than as the occasion for discouragement and discontinuance.

The New Year dawns bright with hopes and visions and prospects and the opportunities for constructive service in the Kingdom of God challenge us to our highest and best. I trust that you will find fuller joy than ever before in the service of our Saviour who "for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross and despised the shame."

Let me express the hope that you may prosper and be in health both spiritually and materially and that you may see the Labors of the Lord prosper in your hands as never before.

May you have wisdom for your problems, strength for your tasks, comfort for your sorrows, grace for your testing, guidance for your perplexities and divine help for every other need.

Establishes his case here. Every conceivable thing that might get in the way of God's saints is brushed aside. Absolutely nothing can separate them from the love of God. All of God's children are perfectly safe. Praise His holy name!

## WHAT I WANT TO SAY

E. J. A. McKinney

The other day we had at the Second Baptist Church, here in Little Rock, an all day rally. There were some strong speeches made. It was a constructive program. During the day Editor J. I. Cossey made an address on the Arkansas Baptist that struck a high note and received a fine response. I look for bigger and better lists in the city, because laymen and pastors are seemingly ready to get under the proposition to secure readers for the paper. That speech of Cossey's impressed my mind and heart in a peculiar way. I already knew him to be a big man physically, mentally and religiously. This speech revealed his largeness in other ways. His is a big soul, ready for big sacrifices and ready for increasing labor to put over the

paper proposition. He also has a big heart for our young people. He is for his work and works at the jobs on his shoulders. At our Church we are rallying a good list. Others are doing the same thing. Let all read Bro. Cossey's plans and help him to put over a real victory for him and the paper. Cossey deserves it. He will work at it. The cause needs a victory for the paper. Come on brethren, add subscriptions by fifties and hundreds.

A thing that impressed me about that particular speech of Bro. Cossey was the response it received from our laymen and women. That day had not closed before at least one of our elect sisters and one of our best laymen had made speeches on behalf of the Arkansas Baptist. One was before a Sunday School class and the other was before the meeting itself. I have heard from these speeches since. A paper rally can mean a big rally to all causes. Let's help Cossey. He deserves it.

The Watchman Examiner says: "To duplicate the great pyramid of Egypt, which was built 5,000 years ago, says a contemporary, would require \$6,000,000,000 at the present price of material and labor."

There are 2,076 Baptist churches in Alabama, with a total membership of 320,696. Last year they had 17,916 baptisms in these churches.

Roland W. Lawrence has recently been in two good meetings in Pawnee and Jennings Oklahoma. He is now at Red Rock in the Otoe Indian Baptist Church with Rev. Roe R. Beard of Pawnee doing the preaching.

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## Tidings That Tell

W. C. HALSELL, becomes Circulating and Advertising Manager for the Arkansas Baptist. Brother Halsell is a deacon and superintendent of the Baptist Tabernacle Sunday School in Little Rock. Brother Homer Reynolds, pastor of Baptist Tabernacle says Halsell is a real christian man and thoroughly reliable. The editor will appreciate any consideration given Brother Halsell in his new work.

F. G. Rogers has resigned at Spur, Texas to accept call of First Baptist Church, Duncan, Okla.

The First Baptist Church, Dallas, where Dr. Geo. W. Truett is pastor, has 6,453 members.

Bro. C. P. Pugh requests that Associations that have sent cars of provisions to the Orphan's Home at Monticello, send him list of churches and pastors contributing so he can acknowledge the gifts. It might help to send him the Association minutes which would contain the report.

Rev. H. L. Lipford has moved from Cotton Plant and starts the work off well.

We are glad to receive a fine list of subscribers to the Arkansas Baptist from L. L. Jacks, Sparkman. Seven new and one renewal.

Rev. E. A. Spiller, Pastor Raton, New Mexico was a visitor to Baptist headquarters during the holidays.

Christmas joy for sixteen little orphan girls at the Baptist Orphan's Home, Monticello was made possible recently by A. G. Bolton, a member of the Baptist Church and teacher of the Young Men's Bible Class, Huttig, Bro. Bolton is a son of D. W. Bolton, Gurdon. Being a very proficient carpenter he set to work making doll beds out of a good grade of moulding that was furnished by the Union Saw Mill Company. The little beds resembled factory made affairs, each of them having a neat little mattress made by several of the women of the church, who took quite a good deal of interest in the gifts themselves. Mrs. Bolton sponsored the move to raise sufficient cash to purchase a small doll for each bed, so the gift might be complete when presented to the little tots.

Rev. P. A. Stockton, Evangelist singer, Little Rock closed a meeting at Horatio, December 18 with 26

conversions, twenty additions. Eighteen for baptism.

Rev. W. V. Walls is in a meeting at Dover.

Brother T. M. McGee, Kensett Moderator of White County Association recently celebrated his birthday and fifty second anniversary as an ordained preacher.

Pastor Arden P. Blaylock, First Church Little Rock reports two additions Sunday. Sunday afternoon, ordination services were held for W. F. Couch and C. E. Lawrence, both students in Ouachita College.

J. T. Oglesby, young ministerial student in Ouachita preached at the Baptist Tabernacle, Little Rock Sunday morning. Pastor Homer Reynolds in pulpit at the night services. Rev. Aubrey Halsell brought us a New Year's message in the watch and praise service. Had a real old time watch and praise service from 9:30 to 12:15, with praise, shouts, testimonies and a reconsecration hour through until the new year. 400 people stayed on after regular service. Baptised seven at close of service. Five additions to the church, three for baptism and two by letter.

Stuttgart. — our people very much enjoyed messages brought last Sunday by Rev. J. E. Davis, who has been a missionary to Old Mexico for a good many years, and who edits and publishes in Spanish the S. S. and other religious literature for that country and for Cuba and other places.

The school students who have studied Spanish specially enjoyed some Scripture reading and singing in that tongue. The choir under the direction of Dr. J. E. Neighbors rendered a beautiful cantata the evening of the 17th, and the White Christmas program was successfully carried out on the following Wednesday evening. The Student night service the evening of the 24th was interesting and instructive.

Rev. Sam Ed Bradley, Alma reports a good day Sunday. Author Peterson and Hugo Culpepper, two young preachers from Ouachita were visitors at the morning service. The Every Member Canvass has made a good start and 400% increase in missions in their budget for 1934.

### McKINNEYGRAPHS

Two weeks from now our State Convention will be in session in El Dorado. I am glad that we are going there. El Dorado First Church has been longer and more constantly represented in the Convention than any other churches in the State except, perhaps, Camden and Arkadelphia. It has also been one of the Convention's most liberal supporters — yet our Convention has not met there since 1851, or 82 years ago. El Dorado has all along been largely a Baptist town. Presbyterians and Methodists were represented by fine families; but Baptists all along have been in the lead. Our membership there as reported in September was given as follows: First Church, 1,511; Second Church, 995; West Side Church, 181; total for the city, 2,687. The Sunday School enrollment ran: First, 1452; Second, 655; West Side, 31, total, 2,238. Liberty As-

sociation is one of our oldest associations having been organized in 1845 and was in the Convention in 1848.

We note with sorrow the death of Mrs. Geo. H. Lacey, wife of Missionary Geo. H. Lacey of Mexico. Her maiden name was Minnie Meek and she was a native of Caledonia, Union County. She was a granddaughter of Dr. John Meek, a practicing physician and early Baptist preacher of Union County, Ark. I have in my library now, a nine volume set of John Gill's Commentary on the whole Bible printed from 1808 to 1817. Mrs. Lacey was also related to the Morgans, Cobbs and Sheppards, all prominent Baptists of Union County. She was the mother of ten children. The first five died within a period of twelve days of Scarlet fever, two in Mexico and the other three on the way back to the old home at El Dorado. God gave to the bereft couple five more children. Our prayers are for the bereft husband and children. Brother Lacey is a man of strong and unwavering devotion to God's truth. For more than thirty years, he has been a missionary to Mexico.

More young men are being ordained to the work of the Gospel Ministry. Is the Lord lining us up for full time preaching services in every church, or meaning for us to occupy new fields? His will be done in us.

Our coming Convention should be the subject of much prayer. Our brethren should go in large numbers. We should plan together and then as far as possible all pull together. There is a bigger day for us ahead if we keep on going on and in the right direction and with the right spirit.

Our Sunday School enrollment at South Highland Baptist Church Little Rock, is ten per cent above our Church membership and our attendance is averaging over ninety per cent of the Church membership and our goal is yet ahead.

### FIRST CHURCH, FORT SMITH

In a recent article by our good friend Dr. W. D. Powell he gives some comparative figures as to some of the leading churches in the Southern Baptist Convention, stating that the Walnut Street Baptist Church of Louisville, Ky., has received for baptism during the last year one hundred nineteen and that Cliff Temple Baptist, Dallas, comes next with 118 baptisms. Dr. Powell says that Walnut Street church, Louisville, leads ten of the largest churches in the number of baptisms. We do not know whether he is comparing figures only of the ten larger churches in the Southern Baptist Convention or whether he means to take in the figures of all the Baptist churches in the Southern Baptist convention. The record of the First Baptist church of Fort Smith excels the record of his church by a large margin. During the last associational year there were 183 baptisms and a total of 322 additions to the church. This is the largest number received in any one year of the history of the church. Last year set a record over all previous years. We are now well on the way to up-setting this year's record, having received 80

during the last three months, 45 of which came by baptism.

We are wishing for the editor and the Arkansas Baptist a happy and prosperous New Year.

B. V. Ferguson.

Comment: We are glad to see these figures. The Central Baptist Church, Little Rock reported 345 baptisms last year and 480 additions altogether. The records are going to show several large reports.—McK.

Copies of the Annual Program for the Southwide Baptist Student Night, December 31, have been sent out from the Department of Southern Baptist Students Headquarters, Nashville, Tennessee, to all pastors of the Southern Baptist Convention, giving full time to one church. Others may receive the program free upon request. Copies may be ordered from the Baptist Sunday School Board at Nashville.

### THE TIME IS APPROACHING

Deacons and other leaders in hundreds of churches have given to the Relief and Annuity Board assurance that the Service Annuity will be included in their annual budget as soon as possible. The time for the making of the budget for 1934 is rapidly approaching. Every church should make a thorough going Every Member Canvass and the proposed budget should in every case include the Service Annuity.

Pastors are more than willing to participate in this Plan looking to the prevention of old age and disability dependency. The churches should be willing to make such participation possible; the inclusion of an item on the local church expense side of an amount equivalent to 8 per cent of the pastor's monthly salary will accomplish it. No other method is known to The Relief and Annuity Board to which adequate provision for the old age of ministers can be made. The time to do this is when the budget is made. We beg that our churches will not neglect to include the Service Annuity.

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**LEARNING THE SIMPLE LIFE**

By C. C. Young

Once upon a time, the land we call America was a simple place, with a simple people as its population. We had fewer things than now but we had enough. Washington and Jefferson and Adams and Lincoln and thousands of others lived the simple life and had enough to make them worth while men.

We Americans were happy in those simple days. We did not fret and fume, trying to hustle and hurry up things. We did not try to beat the game of life in high gear nor smash worth while things and people in insane speed which might exalt us (as we think now) above our fellow in the rank and file.

Then the machine age came and we set in for a long distance run and have been running ever since, until old man depression slowed us down and it may be for our good in the end. True enough we have many useful machines, such as for sewing and knitting and reaping and grinding and riding and transporting and others too numerous to mention.

But the whole landscape is cluttered with machines of doubtful value. There is the buying and selling machines with shrewd advertising, with leads us to buy things we cannot afford and do not need. But old man depression stopped that gradually with some of us and in a sudden jerk with others.

Then, we have the grabbing and cheating machines in every imaginable form. Some in the form of fat stock market profits and some in the form of plain dirty gambling which steals money from suckers like marked cards in a poker game. Only last week, in one of our cities, the police gathered up a half hundred chance games machines. In spite of old man depression's warnings people were feeding their dollars and dimes into the devil machines.

How do we learn the simple life? Just THINGS will not give us contentment and peace, especially things on outside of ourselves. We can not get to heaven on THINGS, such as caps and gowns and dress and address, or even baptism (though all these have their values). Our passport at the pearly gates will be on what is INSIDE US, such as repentance and confession and faith. Not much matter whether we sit or stand or kneel when we pray, but it does matter how we STAND after we pray. Not much matter what we say or how we say it in prayer but it does matter whether we UNSAY our prayers by failing to live right on the inside.

Long ago, there was another great nation which came to the parting of ways, as we have done. They had been a simple people but pride and power turned their heads and wrecked their government and religion. The divine Father sent a depression in the form of captivity in Babylon for three score and ten years, and on their return they lived right for a while. But again the oppressor came in the form of imperial Rome, and they wondered what was the matter, as we are wondering today.

And one day a simple man appeared to tell them what was wrong. He was a young man from a small town, where he had led the simple life of a carpenter. His hands were hard

from toil and his feet were tanned by summer's sun, as he went bare-foot or wore loose sandals. Yet he walked hither and yon, telling his people how to live the simple life. He did not seek to rob the of a single legitimate joy but he well knew it must come from the inside and above.

So this Man of Galilee said to them as well as to us: "Except ye become as little children, ye shall not enter the kingdom of heaven". O No, we can not be happy, if we try to live by grabbing and cheating and gambling and insane speed. Little children do not need much and the wise mother supplies the rightful need, and just as wisely denies things they do not need. Old man depression may be a prophet sent by the divine Father to do the same for us.

**MORE ABOUT THE LORD'S SUPPER**

By G. H. W. Wright

I see in The Arkansas Baptist of December 14, page one, column one, Brother J. F. Tull has an article on the communion question, in which he brings out baptism as a prerequisite to the Lord's supper and makes his argument as if all were baptized right and that there were no other hindrance, but I find a number of other hindrances. In the New Testament the Lord's supper is very close, being restricted in fifteen particulars; First, restricted as to place, in the church, I Cor. 11:13. Second, Restricted as to motive—must not be a social feature, 1 Cor. 11:21-22. Third, restricted as to purpose—to decern the Lord's body—1 Cor. 11:27-29. Fourth, restricted to those who are baptized—Matt. 28:19-20. Fifth, restricted to church membership—Acts 2:41-42. Sixth, restricted to those who are sound in the faith—Acts 2:41-42. Seventh, restricted to those in fellowship—Acts 2:41-42. Eighth, restricted to those whose walk is orderly—2 Thess. 3:6. Ninth, restricted to people with clean hands—1 Cor. 5:11. Tenth, restricted to people of the same faith—Heb. 13:8-16. Eleventh, restricted as to the elements used—bread and wine—Matt. 26:26. Twelfth, restricted as to design in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, Thirteenth, restricted to a united church—1 Cor. 11:16-20. Fourteenth, restricted to those judged by the church to be clean or worthy—1 Cor. 5:12-13. Fifteenth, restricted to self-examination being the only requirement as some teach, it is only one of fifteen requirements. Now let all who think that the Lord did not give orders concerning His supper just get his Bible and look up these references and see for himself.

**HOSPITAL BONDS PAID**

By Louis J. Bristow, Superintendent  
Perhaps it will be of interest to the brotherhood to know that the Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans paid its bonds and interest which matured December fifteenth. Amidst conditions which have caused so many denominational agencies to default, this hospital has never failed to meet its obligations when they were due. Nor have we received a dollar from the Hundred Thousand Club, or any other "debt raising" effort.

Moreover, the Hospital has paid its

operating expenses and has done considerably more charity work than the cooperative gifts would have paid for.

The Hospital is one Southern Baptist agency which has never failed to meet its obligations, both current and deferred. It has lived within its income and never had an "emergency."

But this has been done only by reducing salaries and other expenses. Indeed, there are seventy-two people working for this Hospital without any salary whatever—only board and laundry.

We feel that in these stressful times the brotherhood will be strengthened in hope and renewed in courage by learning that the condition of the Hospital in New Orleans is such as to give cause for thanksgiving and praise to our Heavenly Father.

Reliable information is at hand indication that two-thirds of New York's 329 hotels are bankrupt. Some of the biggest financiers in the land became investors in the colossal Waldorf-Astoria and encouraged others of small means to invest in this and other hotels. It is estimated that \$5,024,000,000 are invested in hotels throughout the country. Before the depression this was yielding 26% on the investment. Now a majority of the hotels cannot pay interest on their mortgages. And yet these men criticize the churches because some of them contracted debts that they cannot pay. The facts are that the churches represent, as a class, the safest and best investments, and those that are hopelessly in debt are usually in their sad plight because business men encouraged over-building.

—Arkansas Methodist.

The Vendome Hotel, Minneapolis, Minn., has adopted a new advertisement which reads, "Why should any dry stop at a Beer Hotel?" It is operating on an absolutely dry basis and will not allow liquor to be sold anywhere on its premises. To enforce their policy, they have revoked the lease with one of their restaurants, which ought to be a big inducement to Christians to patronize such a hotel."—Watchman Examiner.

The Queensboro Baptist Church, Shreveport, has increased its 1934 budget \$2,570.00 over last year; and for the six Sundays after they began the new year, the offerings have surpassed the budget by \$16.00 per Sunday.

Dr. E. O. Ware, known as the "Grand old man" of Louisiana Baptist, died Dec. 6 at the age of 80. He did a good work during his long and useful life, having been secretary of missions for 14 years.

Dr. Loyd T. Wilson who was Secretary of Missions in Tennessee several years ago died recently.

The First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, where Dr. L. T. Holcomb is pastor recently celebrated the 44th anniversary of the church and the 4th anniversary of Dr. Holcomb. During these four years there have been 1,776 additions to the church.

No one is rich enough to do without a neighbor.

Dr. E. P. Aldredge says: "There are 9,495,799 Baptist in the U. S.; in the South South 4,066,140."

Last year the Baptists gained 356, 609 in the U. S.; of the evangelical denominations, Methodists came next with 106,129. Roman Catholics gained 33,340.

The Baptist Record, Mississippi Baptist paper, has increased suscription price to \$1.50 per year. The Arkansas Baptist expects to remain at \$1.00 per year as long as possible.

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## WHEN ABRAHAM AND JACOB TITHED

It was over 400 years before the Mosaic law was proclaimed when Abraham paid tithes to Melchisedec, the priest and representatives of God (Gen. 14:20). Therefore tithing did not originate in that law.

God must have put the tithe-idea and urge in the heart of the patriarch. Tithing has a divine origin.

Abraham tithed in recognition of God's ownership of what he had. When Melchisedec blessed him in the name of "the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth," he gave to God's representative "tithes of all." He did it as a voluntary matter. The gratitude of his heart constrained him to do it. This was the proper financial recognition of the divine ownership before the law. Of course, the later promulgation of the law did not make it any less so. Any one cannot logically see how the still later cessation of the law could make this method of recognizing the divine ownership improper for Christians. If not, it is still a spiritual obligation of grace. If not, when did it cease to be so.

Abraham's tithing was a matter of grace. Melchisedec was a type of Christ (Heb. 7:17). Abraham was a type of believers (Gal. 3:6-7). In gratitude he voluntarily tithed centuries before the law. If before legalism began to reign, type could pay tithes to type as a matter of grace, then since legalism has ceased to reign, believers, the antitypes of Abraham, can pay tithes to Christ, the antitype of Melchisedec, as a matter of grace without savoring of legalism in the least. If not, why not?

Around 150 or 153 years after Abraham, his grandson, Jacob, carried out the noble spirit of the patriarch, when he promised Jehovah "of all that Thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto Thee" (Gen. 28:22). This, too, was before the Mosaic law and was a voluntary matter of grace.

These examples from the Old Testament days show a statement that is sometimes made to be inaccurate, namely: "We do not give anything until we have paid the tithe." Abraham both "paid" and "gave" tithes (Gen. 14:20; Heb. 7:4, 9). Jacob promised to "give the tenth." If by the statement in question is meant that we do not make "offerings," free-will offerings, until we have tithes, well and good. But we both pay and give tithes. The heart which prompts us gladly to surrender offerings to the Lord is also to prompt us gladly to surrender our tithes to the same "possessors of heaven and earth."

Also these examples dispose of the objection sometimes alleged against tithing by those who do not want to do it, that "under grace all we have belongs to the Lord." This is true; but how many of those who raise this objection act like all they have belongs to the Lord? But that all belongs to the Lord, was clearly recognized on the part of Abraham and Jacob as can possibly be in our day. Abraham recognized God as "possessor of heaven and earth," and Jacob said that he would honor the Lord "out of all that Thou shalt give me." And yet, these men of God, as they got close to God, and recognized His ownership responded to it all by tithing. If the fact of the divine ownership then became a call to tithing instead of a reason against it, the same thing is true today. If not, why not?

And, lastly, let us remember that these examples have a meaning for you and me. "For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our instruction, etc." (Rom. 15:4). Surely it cannot be truthfully said that they give us no instruction on tithing. Do they instruct for or against it?

—Baptist and Reflector.

## RESOLUTION OF THE LIQUOR QUESTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the state B. Y. P. U. Convention in Annual Session with Immanuel Baptist Church at Fort Smith, Arkansas, on this day of December 1933, That—

1.—We recognize that in the repeal of the 18th Amendment our temperance forces have lost one battle in our age-long warfare against alcohol. Yet we are not defeated. Although we may sustain a temporary setback, no fight for the right is ever lost. We serve notice now on the enemy in the words of Captain John Paul Jones; "We have just begun to fight;" and in the words of Tennyson "He is thrice armed whose cause is just."

2.—We as young Christians declare anew the old scientific fact and basic truth that alcohol is a narcotic poison, the great destroyer of human life, a gross economic waster and humanity's greatest enemy. No political propaganda or legislation can change that awful fact. The forces of unrighteous can repeal prohibition but they cannot repeal the evils of the liquor traffic.

3.—We urge our Baptist Churches through their B. Y. P. U.'s and other young peoples organizations to arm themselves with a new faith in our cause; and to start at the bottom again to institute and to carry on an intensive campaign of education within said organizations to teach our young people the evils of the liquor traffic.

4.—We believe that our Arkansas prohibition laws should not be repealed or weakened. We had them before national prohibition. We prospered under them socially, morally, and financially. We must keep them. In the words of the pioneer temperance leader the Apostle Paul: (Gal. 6:9) "Let us not be weary in well doing for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

Submitted by—John J. DuLaney, Ashdown, Arkansas.

Dr. C. C. Morris, of Ada, Okla., was elected President of the Oklahoma Baptist State Convention.

Dr. Len G. Broughton of Atlanta, Ga., is critically ill at this time.

Dr. E. J. Dillard of Southside Church, Birmingham, was elected President of the Alabama Baptist State Convention.

President Pat M. Neff of Baylor University, recently suspended 7 students from Baylor because they combined together in hazing.

Surely every real Christian in the South will back President Neff in his stand against barbarism.

To live within the budget is the determined policy of the Foreign Mission Board. "We will do only the amount of foreign mission work that Southern Baptists pay for through their weekly offerings," declares Dr. Maddry.

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—John J. Dulaney Ashdown.

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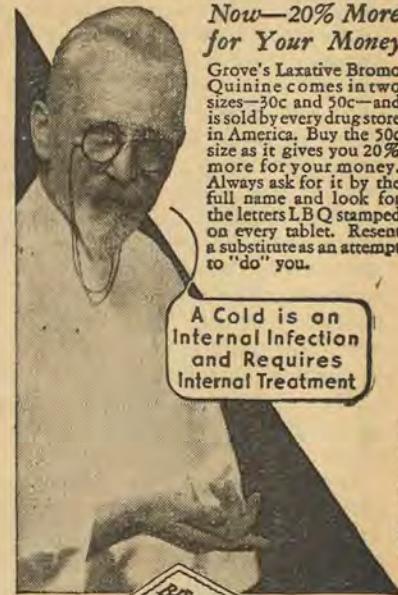
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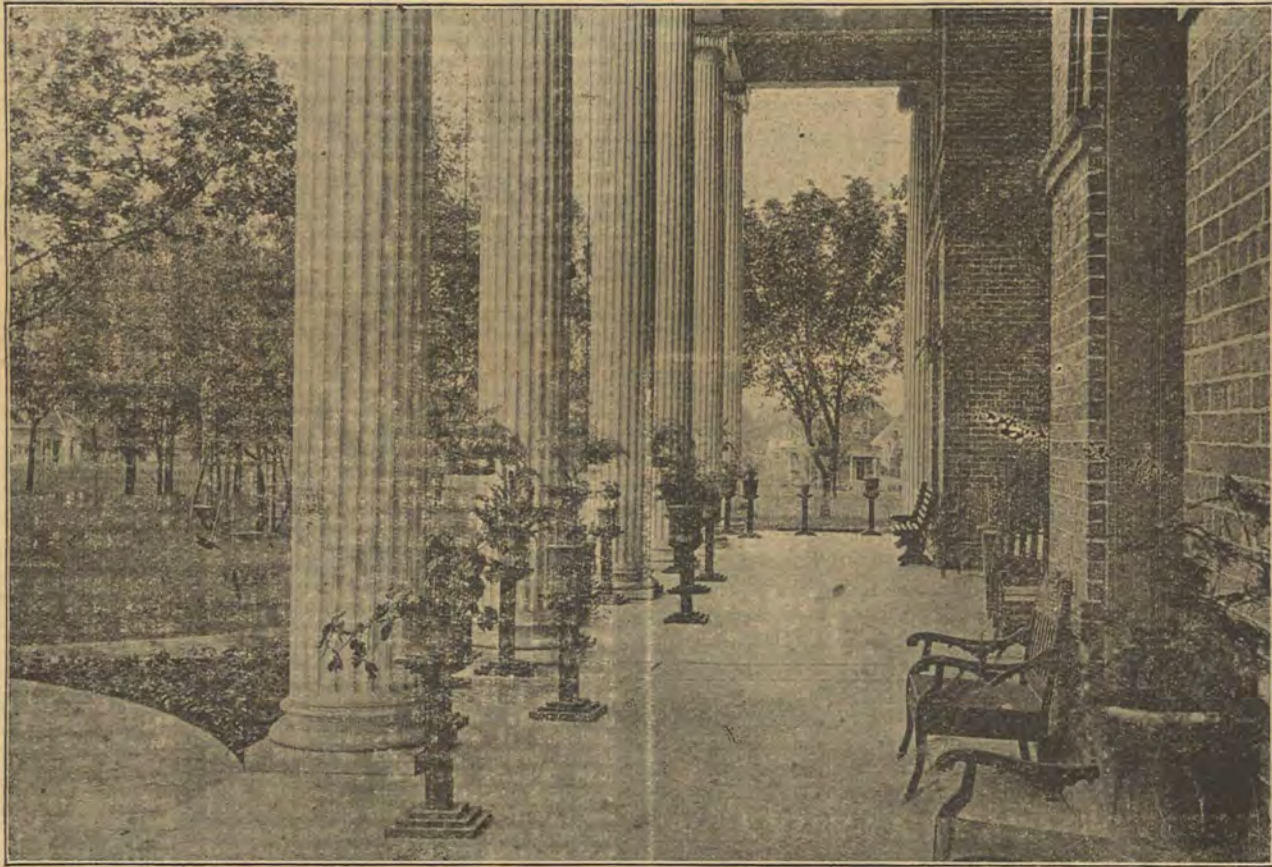
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### SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE Sunday, December 31, 1933

First, Fort Smith	734
Immanuel, Little Rock	694
Second, Little Rock	438
Baptist Tabernacle, L. Rock	377
Beech Street, Texarkana	318
South Highlands, Little Rock	230
Mansfield	111
Black Springs	57

### B. Y. P. U. ATTENDANCE

First, Fort Smith	263
Baptist Tabernacle, L. Rock	200
Immanuel, Little Rock	132
Beech Street, Texarkana	123
South Highlands, Little Rock	41

### GAIN IN STANDARD SUNDAY SCHOOLS FOR 1933.

A recent check of Sunday schools that have attained the Standard during the year gives us a total of twenty Standard Sunday Schools. This exceeds our total for last year by a small margin. We reported seventeen standard schools for 1933. The schools that have attained this degree of efficiency and have received the Standard award for the year 1933 are:

Baring Cross, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

First Baptist, Camden.  
Calvary, Pine Bluff.  
College Hill, Texarkana.  
Cross Roads, R. R. Louann.  
First, Batesville.  
First, El Dorado.  
First, Fort Smith.  
First, Forrest City.  
First, North Little Rock.  
First, Humphrey.  
Hughes.  
Immanuel, Fort Smith.  
First, Pine Bluff.  
Second, Conway.  
West Helena,  
West Batesville.  
Magazine.  
Felsenthal.  
Urbana.

We wish to call special attention to the fact that three of these Standard schools are schools of one-fourth time churches in Liberty association. Namely: Felsenthal, Cross Roads and Urbana. Brother D. A. Crawford of El Dorado is pastor of these churches and as the foregoing indicates, is doing a most excellent work in these country churches.

Standard Sunday Schools for 1933—please note: Now is the time to re-apply for the standard award for 1934. This award is based on the calendar year and can be applied for any time after the first of the year if all points of the standard have been reached.

We are of the opinion that many of the schools in the state are standard but have not applied for the award. We urge you, superintendents, and pastors to check up and see if

you do not have a standard school. If so, drop us a card requesting the blank and we will be glad to forward same to you at once.

### B. Y. P. U. QUARTERLY REPORTS DUE

Directors and secretaries please send in your quarterly reports AT ONCE. We have less than two weeks in which to complete our annual report for the State Convention. It is necessary that we have your reports at the earliest possible moment in order that we may include them in our report. Our regular quarterly letter and General Organization blanks was sent out to all of the churches some three weeks ago.

## Sunday School Lesson

By HIGHT C. MOORE

January 7, 1933

### BIRTH AND INFANCY OF JESUS Matthew 2: 1-2

The first Gospel, written primarily for Jewish readers and presenting Jesus as the Messiah, devotes seven paragraphs to its story of the silent years:

1. GENEALOGY (1-17) proves that Jesus, as foretold, was a descendant of David, the king, and of Abraham, the father of the Hebrew people. Outstanding names, bad as well as good, are taken from the genealogical register and set in three groups of fourteen generations each. Some names have a history of their own, but many are no more than fingerboards pointing onward to the Messiah.

2. THE BIRTH (1:18-25) was a supernatural event. The mother of Jesus was a virgin. He was begotten of the Holy Spirit. The angel convinced Joseph of Mary's innocence and commanded him to consummate the marriage, announcing the birth and the name of Jesus. The virgin birth of the Messiah had been predicted by Isaiah. The upright Joseph obeyed the angel and gave to the babe at Bethlehem the name of Jesus.

3. THE VISIT OF THE WISE MEN (2:1-12) was first a matter of international concern: it showed the general expectation that a world ruler was to arise among the Jews; and it mightily stirred Herod the king and his capital. But its spiritual aspects supersede all else; prophecy was fulfilled; the star guided; the Magi worshiped and sacrificed; and the divine dream led them directly home.

4. THE FLIGHT TO EGYPT (2: 13-15) took the holy infant beyond the dominions of Herod. The warning

came in a dream. Joseph obeyed immediately, setting out on the journey by night. And they remained in Egypt until Herod was dead.

5. THE SLAUGHTER OF THE INNOCENTS (2: 16-18) was but in keeping with Herod's wicked career. Seeing that the Wise Men had not played to his hypocritical purpose, he raved out the order that every mother's son in Bethlehem under two years of age should be slain. He meant to put out of the way any possible rival to the throne.

6. THE RETURN TO NAZARETH (2: 19-23) followed the death of Herod the Great. Since the scepter passed to his son who shared his spirit; Joseph was led to return to their former home in Galilee. Here Jesus lived from his boyhood to his baptism at thirty years of age.

### BOOK REVIEWS

His Right to Rule. Norman S. Harrison. The Bible Institute Colportage Assn. Sixty four pages. Price twenty-five cents. The author shows God's plan of redemption both in the Old Testament and in the New; and he shows how God has been rejected by the nations; and judgment is inevitable. That Christ will be victorious; that His people are to keep His task ever before them, and dedicate themselves anew to His Work. M. F. Langley.

The Hieroglyphics of the Heavens. By Mrs. Carr-Harris. The Armac Press, Toronto. This is a new departure interpretation. The Author takes the signs of the zodiac and the stars and their names to interpret the Bible with reference to Jesus. It is interesting reading. M. F. L.

Mooring Masts of Revelation, by Melvin Grove Kyle. Fleming H. Revell Co., New York. 217 pages. Price \$2.00.

This volume contains the Smythe Lectures given last year at Columbia Presbyterian Theological Seminary by the author. Dr. Kyle is at his best in describing the various periods of divine revelation as revealed in the lives of towering Bible characters. It is one of the most interesting books one can read. The author is loyal to God's Word. The chapter on "Within the blood-marked door" is worth many times the price of the book. The chapter subjects are worth the price to any preacher. J. I. C.

Doran's Ministers Manual for 1934. Compiled and edited by Dr. G. B. F. Hallock. Published by Harper and Brothers, New York. Price \$2.00 This is the eight annual edition of this book. It is considered by many as the best book of its kind. It has an inexhaustible supply of homiletical material, which has been prepared with changing conditions in mind. This book is supposed to substitute for preacher's own thinking, but it will be found helpful every week during the year. It has suggested helps for the morning, evening, young peoples, prayer meeting and Sunday School services. Our Baptist Book Store sold every copy they had for 1933. J. I. C.

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### ORDINATION OF BROTHER WITHROW HOLLAND

H. L. Winburn

On last Wednesday night, the twentieth of December, our church ordained the Rev. Withrow Holland to the full work of the ministry. Ordination was called for by the Lake Homilton Church, which has called him as their pastor. It is the custom of our church to ordain men only at the call of a church wanting their services as Pastor.

Brother Holland has been reared mostly here in our church and Sunday School. He is well taught and well trained. In addition he graduated from High School, from Ouachita College, and from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. These opportunities, he has had the character to take full advantage of. We all count him one of the choicest men ever to go out from here. He is a Christian gentleman of high order, a well trained church worker, a well educated and able student, a fine teacher, and my church has revelled in his preaching many times.

The Presbytery was organized by electing this writer Chairman, Pastor James Overton, Clerk, and Dr. T. W. Croxton, to lead the examination. The examining was well done. He stood as good an examination as I have ever heard. The matter in hand—examination of Brother Holland—was adhered to rather closely, so that the examination did not take much more than an hour. We of the Presbytery refrained from giving our view, in the interest of securing his. That made for brevity. However, it was well and thoroughly done. Dr. Croxton is a fine Examiner.

The Ordaining Council was composed of ministers and deacons, the majority of whom were local. We had so little time to get ready that the out-of-town men, special friends of Brother Holland's could not get here, for the most part. Ten were invited, only two could come. We missed them, but got along somehow. A sermon was preached by this writer—at Brother Holland's special request—and I enjoyed doing it. I have been his Pastor for many years. The subject of the sermon was in the words, "There was a man sent from God, whose name was John the same came preaching."

We feel that in giving Withrow T. Holland to the work of the denomination we are making one of the greatest contributions of our lives—the church here, I mean.

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### THE NEW DEVOTIONAL BOOK

The missionary topics for next year are all based on the general theme, "Prayer in the Progress of Christianity." The W. M. U. of Virginia has published a devotional booklet entitled, "When Ye Pray," the price of which is 25 cents per copy. Since the general theme for the year is on prayer it would be a fine idea to use these twelve devotionals for the business meetings during 1934. Order from the Baptist Book Store, 716 Main Street, Little Rock.

### LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

On December 29th this Offering had gone to \$4,202.13, which is more than the goal we had set. We greatly rejoice that our weak faith in setting a goal of \$4,000.00 has been over-ruled by God's mercy and that it now seems that we may go to \$4,500 or \$5,000 as there are a few days yet before the books will close and the money is coming in each mail.

### MEMORIAL OFFERING TO LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Mrs. John J. Gibbs and two children of Corning, Arkansas, sent \$50 with the offering of the Corning W. M. S. which they made as a memorial to Mr. Gibbs, deceased. Mrs. Gibbs writes; "This \$50 is given as a memorial gift for John J. Gibbs to the dear Savior who saved his soul and has now taken him to dwell with Him in that beautiful Heavenly home. Christian work was very dear to John's heart and he has many time given freely. He has gone from us now, yet he lives on and on, and from knowing that we are comforted. Our prayers go with this offering to the lands across the sea." What a worthy way Mrs. Gibbs has taken to pay a tribute to her husband's memory!

### SUGGESTED PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE'S AUXILIARIES OF ARKANSAS W. M. U. FOR 1934

**JANUARY:** Installation of new auxiliaries.

Officers' Training Class or Methods Study by all members; at least a review of 1934 Year Book and Auxiliary Manual by counselor and offic-

ers.

Vote to adopt the Standard of Excellence for 1934 goal. Secure chart for 10c from headquarters, except Sunbeam chart. (25c from Birmingham)

Encourage entrance of members in the Stewardship Declamation Contest  
\*\*Check up on Standard at monthly business meeting.

\*\*Render the program for this month on the General W. M. U. Topic. See Magazines.

\*\*Do some one thing at least in personal service in your community  
Y. W. A.s make a drive to secure subscriptions to World Comrades.

**FEBRUARY:** Tryout in auxiliary for winner in Stewardship Declamation Contest.

Study a Home Mission Book this month. Write W. M. U. Headquarters for suggestions.

Each A 1 G.A. select its entrant for Reading Contest at G. A. Conference at Central College. Send in for material.

Do the three items starred above.

**MARCH:** Intermediate G. A. Conference at Central College, March 9, 10, and 11.

Home Mission Season of Prayer and Offering observed.

Associated Y. P. Rally tryout for Associational Winner in Stewardship Declamation Contest.

Do the three items starred above.

**APRIL:** Report of last quarter's work sent to headquarters through Asso. Y. P. Counselor by April 8th.

State W. M. U. Annual Meeting at Immanuel Church, Little Rock, April 10-12. State annual Y. W. A. Banquet in connection with W. M. U. Meeting, April 10, at 6 p. m.

Do the three items starred above.

**MAY:** Be sure to do all three items above.

Southern W. M. U. and Southern Baptist Conventions in Ft. Worth, Texas.

**JUNE:** Young People's Night at your District Meeting.

Tryout for District Winner in Stewardship Declamation Contest.

Southwide Y. W. A. Camp at Ridgecrest, North Carolina, June 26-July 6.

R. A. Chapters select entrants for Mission Oration Contest at R. A. Camp.

Do the three items starred above.

**JULY:** Mission Study Classes at Assembly, Siloam Springs, July 2-11.

Report of past quarter's work sent to headquarters through Asso. Y. P. Counselor by July 8th.

State Y. W. A. Houseparty near Little Rock, July 20-22.

State G. A. Camp near Little Rock, July 23-28.

State G. A. Camp near Little Rock, July 30-August 4.

State Stewardship Declamation Contests at Camps.

**AUGUST:** Out door programs. Interesting, well planned meetings. Do not think of disbanding.

Do the three items starred above.

**SEPTEMBER:** Enlistment month. Win new members. Reclaim former members. Y. W. A.s foster some auxiliary in your church.

State Mission Season of Prayer and Offering observed.

Do the three items starred above.

**OCTOBER:** Report sent to headquarters through Asso. Y. P. Counselor by October 8th.

Attend General Association Meeting.

Do the three items starred above.

**NOVEMBER:** Foreign Mission Study Course.

Appointment of Nominating Committee.

Do the three items starred above.

**DECEMBER:** Election of officers for 1936.

Meeting of officers-elect to study 1935 Year Book and make 1936 Local Year Book.

Promotion Day. Secure certificates free from headquarters. See Why and How of W. M. U. for Suggested program.

Lottie Moon Season of Prayer and Offering for Foreign Missions observed.

Do the three starred items above.

"I Follow the Road." By Anne Byrd Payson. The Abingdon Press, New York. Price, \$1.00.

Mrs. Payson, a modern woman of culture and knowledge, tells of her finding Christ while reading and reflecting upon E. Stanley Jones' "The Christ of the Indian Road." She then describes her search for what she terms a technique for Christian living. This book will help many modern women, for Mrs. Payson gives in her search, and examples of the working out of what she calls "thought patterns," all of which challenges her readers to determine to set their minds on Christ and think through and through consciously chosen lines of thought concerning Him. And always her hope is that the reader will end where she did after such working out of thought patterns, in prayer. The woman who is well read, interested in arts, books, clubs, etc., will find a challenge in this book for herself. The book challenges its readers to choose to bring their minds to higher levels that they live more nobly and help others to do so, too.

Reviewed by Margaret Hutchison, Young People's Secretary of Arkansas Woman's Missionary Union.

### HAPPINESS FOR OTHERS

Health is necessary to happiness. Your health station, the Baptist Hospital, is inspired with zeal to give health through the utilization of the

plant and physical property the Baptist denomination has made available for such use.

Throughout the year we have worked ninety strong in our hospital army fighting for the health and even the lives of the sick. Ours is the third objective in His service—**PREACH, TEACH and HEAL.**

At Christmas time we all join in the spirit of Peace on Earth, Good Will to Mankind. Our fondest wish for our friends is Health, Wealth and Happiness. What efforts we put forth to gain wealth and happiness, and yet without health no matter what we possess we are bankrupt indeed.

Our Jesus gave health as well as His life. His children to-day are crying for the gift of health, so sorely needed. Material things lose their luster, but health becomes more precious as the years go by. Health is not bought in stores; hospitals are necessary day and night. Through Christmas hospital workers will still be trying to create happiness through health giving work. We do not have other gifts to give, but we are happy in our efforts to help those who were ill. You may have much happiness through gifts making possible health to others.

We wish for you the spirit of our Jesus,

Lee C. Gammil.

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As we enter upon the New Year with its hidden possibilities, we are anxious to render a still better service. We realize that in order to do so, we must first be given the opportunity to serve, which you hold within your grasp to give. We shall be glad to meet you more than half way with our Book Store service. It is our earnest wish that neither of us shall be disappointed as we travel together down the twelve months as servants and served.

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# Executive Board, Arkansas Baptist State Convention

By B. L. Bridges, General Secretary

## SEVEN NECESSITIES FOR 1934

To be assured of denominational progress, many details may be required which I have neither time nor inclination to mention in this connection. There are some things, however, that are as essential as the sunlight is to the growth of a plant or as moisture is to the germination of a seed. I am undertaking to set down some of those things today. I am not writing to fill up space. I have been praying earnestly that we might characterize ourselves with these essential qualities which we ought to have at all times.

### I. A YEAR OF UNANIMITY

We need to make this A YEAR OF UNITY. Our leadership must be a unit in our plans and programs. Our churches will become unified in purpose only as their leadership becomes unified in purpose, nor will it be difficult to obtain a unity among our churches the very day our leadership becomes one in purpose. Democracy is a great principle, but it is loaded with dynamite. Baptist democracy is no exception. We can tear our denomination into pieces, limb by limb, unless we are willing to surrender and pool our personal and individual desires and hobbies and opinions. Be not deceived, it is folly for us to expect any great degree of success so long as we are openly divided in our opinions concerning what we ought to try to maintain and do. Surely, surely, we are intelligent enough to know this. The genius of democracy is, "the masses for each man and each man for the masses"; that means that all of us shall work together for the good of each one, and each one in turn shall surrender his personal desires and ambitions for the good of all. Brethren, there never was a time when the old proverb had a more appropriate application: "United we stand, divided we fall." **If the members of our Executive Board, and others who are in positions of leadership are not willing to surrender minority opinions, we cannot hope for success.** Personally I am determined to pull with the majority, regardless of my opinion.

I am going to say something that I have hesitated to say. The reason I have hesitated to say it is because it looks sometimes like we use such an expression as a hammer to beat into line those who disagree with us. I am not at all selfish in the use of this expression today. The Lord knows my heart when I say it, and that is this: I cannot call myself a real Baptist unless I am willing to pull heartily with the brotherhood on any proposition which the majority approves. It took me a long time to decide that if I were in the minority on a given proposition I might be the one that is wrong. To say the least of it, I ought not to be so conceited that I will not pull with my brethren if the majority differs from me. I repeat that I say this in all humility and with a prayer that God will help all of us to look at this proposition in the proper light. Yes, we need a year of unanimity.

### II. A YEAR OF PURPOSE

We must admit that for the last year or two we have been more or less drifting. All too much we have been "at sea." We did not know what kind of a budget to make. We did not know how to ask our constituency for funds. Everything has been so unsettled that we have just waited more or less to see what would happen. Usually under circumstances of that sort very little happens. I am not condemning anybody in this connection. It has been true that we have scarcely known what to undertake to do. Let us now assume that things are taking a definite shape and form and that people know better than they have for two or three years what to expect. Let us not make a haphazard budget. Let us purpose to do something definite in 1934, and then turn heaven and earth upside down in an attempt to accomplish it.

### III. A YEAR OF PRAYER

True prayer is never mingled with hatred. Therein lies a perilous and difficult problem for us at the present time. We have become disgusted with politics and with politicians. Some of us have become exasperated with the trend of government, and officials. Although we are enjoined in the scriptures to pray for those in authority we find it so exceedingly difficult to put away contempt and hatred long enough to pray for our rulers. This same spirit of prejudice encroaches upon our attitude toward our brethren in the kingdom of God. Petty jealousies, envy, strife, evil surmising, and suspicion must be put away before there can be prevailing prayer. "Love thinketh no evil." **May the Lord give us a year of prayer.**

### IV. A YEAR OF COOPERATION

Close akin to unanimity is cooperation. Cooperation is indeed the offspring of unanimity, and yet it is different. In unanimity we always find the "co" but we do not always find the "operation". Cooperation has always been essential in Baptist work, whether it be in a local church or in the general denominational work. For that reason I like the "Cooperative" program. "Cooperation" is a definite term which expresses the whole tenor of the New Testament. Arkansas Baptists are sorely in need of cooperation. Whether we all are exactly agreed upon a program or not, still if we are true Baptists we will cooperate in such a program that the majority of our people in convention assembled approves. Right here a number of our preachers would do well to respond. Still more of our churches ought to learn this secret and act accordingly. May God give it to us in 1934.

### V. A YEAR OF ENCOURAGEMENT FOR COUNTRY CHURCHES

We want always to major on magnifying the churches. This year we want to give special attention to our country churches. Our Executive Board has already approved the idea. We will have a **country church year**. That means that the Executive Board, the General Secretary, the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. forces, the W. M. U. forces and the Arkansas Baptist will focus our efforts in the direction of helping our country churches. Our city churches are abundantly able to put over their own program. If they do not have enough talent in their membership to do so, they are financially able to pay for that talent, but that is not true with reference to our rural churches. We want to help them, we want to develop them. Let us remember that Arkansas is still largely a mission field. Let's help the country churches. The Executive Board has also voted to **PROMOTE THE GOD'S ACRE PLAN**. This simply means that we will promote a movement to induce farmers to plant an acre for the Lord, the fruits and proceeds of which are to be used for the work of the Lord, half of it for the local church and half for the Cooperative Program. We sincerely hope our farmers will join with us in this movement.

### VI. A DOCTRINAL YEAR

This is pre-eminently a Baptist age. Seldom ever have people listened with earnest purpose so eagerly to the Baptist message. The Baptist message is fundamental and meets human needs. In a day like this, when humanity is experiencing many things that are characterized by uncertainty, they are attracted by the note of assurance which they hear in the Baptist message. Mongrel gospels have little appeal to the people in a day when things are as serious as they are today.

### VII. AN UNSELFISH YEAR

Here is the keynote expression. "The Son of man came not to be ministered unto; but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." What a fine slogan it would be if we could all adopt that as our own purpose and creed today. "Let us quit holding our hands" and seeking things for self. Let us seek things for others. This not only applies to us preachers, but to the churches as well. I heard a man say one day that the Executive Board has never done anything for his church. In all kindness let me say to men and women of this tribe, that the Executive Board is purely an agency created by the messengers of the churches in convention assembled to get help from the churches for missions, education and benevolence, rather than to help churches. In other words the churches are to minister through the Executive Board instead of the Executive Board ministering to the churches. If we accept this fact, we will be a way out on the road of service. Let us quit asking things for self. Let us go to work to help and bless, to contribute and to succeed. Let us quit seeking our own personal aggrandizement. Let's throw ourselves into the fray to build up the kingdom of God and let Him take care of our personal promotion and interest. I write these things out of an humble, unprejudiced, unselfish heart today. How many of the brotherhood will join me in accepting these things during 1934.

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