

B U I L D E R

Conference Superintendent Moves To Florence

Gurganous At Florence

A mighty revival is sweeping the pentecostal church of Florence, S. C. and is being felt by the entire community, according to reports from the pastor, Rev. U. T. Baldwin.

Rev. Gurganous is the Evangelist. He is not only a minister of the gospel for souls but he preaches and practices a gospel of healing for the body. This is certainly a neglected phase of the provision of the atonement, and it is very refreshing to hear of a preacher now and then who still believes it and makes a practical application of it.

Reports have it that many afflicted people are carried to church by friends and walk away in their own strength after being prayed for by the evangelist.

Parks At Bennettsville

Leroy Parks a native of Bennettsville, returns to his home town and home church and has a great soul saving revival. This is a rather unusual thing, for a local boy to have great success among his own people.

There may be two reasons for this: one of which is that the pastor, Rev. J. J. Jackson, had the revival fires already burning when the evangelist arrived. It is a pleasure for an evangelist to conduct a meeting for a pastor like J. J. Jackson. Wish we had more men like him who would put the emphasis on spirituality.

I am sure that it pays in every way to do this. And in Bro. Jackson's case it must pay financially for I see he is driving a new Plymouth automobile.

PHYS President In Nashville

Rev. M. L. Moore the conference president is matriculating at this time in a "Stamps Normal" (I think that's what he calls it, it must have something to do with music.) somewhere in Tennessee I have forgotten whether it is Nashville or Memphis. Anyway I guess he will tell us more about it when he comes back.

Incidentally Rev. C. B. Edwards is with him.

From hearing these brethren speak at the meeting of the second Jurisdictional division of the church at Greenville, S. C. some weeks ago and from other indirect remarks picked up here and there, I think we as a S. C. Conference are in for a great revolution in the field of music within the next few years.

There has been some talk of a Conference choir, which if developed as these men have in mind will go a long way toward solving our singing problems, not only in our Camp Meetings but in our local churches.

Springfield Gets Comfortable

Pastor McGee Reports that his church at Springfield has spent over \$1500.00 towards making the building more attractive and commodious.

New pews have been installed costing over \$1200.00 and new floor type oil heaters that cost over \$300.00.

I don't know whether this additional comfort and heat was sponsored by the pastor to attract greater crowds or whether the deacons had this done in self-defense in view of Brother McGee's long sermons.

The personal headquarters of the South Carolina Conference may now be contacted at 416 W. Evans street, Florence, S. C. That shouldn't be hard to remember. Just look for Rev. Evans on Evans st.

I am afraid that a lot of us preachers who are so used to addressing mail to our Superintendent at Lake City will continue to do so from force of habit. You know, like dating our letters 1947 after '48 has been here for weeks.

Two Revivals Scheduled For McCall

Leroy Parks and H. P. Robinson are on the Revival agenda of Pastor Paul Brown for the next six months. Parks in February and Robinson in April. Good for McCall! Keep the good work up folks! That's the way to keep your church on fire.

For the District Secretaries

The Conference Official Board requested that each District Secretary send the financial report of each District to the Builder to be published after the close of each round of Conferences.

So far only two secretaries have complied. They are from the Rockingham and Lake City Districts.

Cooperation in this will keep all of the churches and pastors up to date as to their financial status. Each pastor can check the list and if there is any mistake he can correct it before the annual Conference and help prevent an error from going into the minutes.

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ONE YEAR 50c

East Rockingham Strides Forward

With the coming of the new year at East Rockingham, a casual inventory and a little retrospective observation revealed many concrete evidences of real progress.

The Sunday School has increased to well over two hundred, the highest mark yet has been two hundred and forty seven. The attendance goal is three hundred by Easter. Each class has been given an individual quota to meet; which when met by all classes will go over the three hundred goal. Some of the classes have already reached their number.

The PHYS has placed an order for a Bronzed covered, out door, Bulletin Board, costing about two hundred and fifty dollars.

From an attendance of thirty or thirty five, the PHYS has increased to an average attendance of ninety. At this writing a contest is in progress with the view to having a chicken supper, weiner roast or some other kind of big feast.

The Womans Auxillary is not one whit behind the other departments in doing things in a big way. They have made quite a number of quilts and other household articles to be auctioned off to the highest bidder at a big chicken supper to be held at the East Rockingham Community Building Saturday night, January 24th. The supper will consist of chicken stew, cakes, pies and everything else that go to make up a bountiful plate.

The plates are selling for \$1.00 each to the adults and 50 cents for children. The general attendance at the regular worship services Sunday a. m. and p. m have more than doubled since the beginning of the conference year. Also the financial income have been stepped up considerably.

The Sunday afternoon broadcast over the local station in Rockingham is raising the general social prestige of the church in the community to a point that will be of untold value to the church in the future.

Atlantic Fleet to maneuver without battleships.

Financial Report Of Rockingham District

The Board ruled that the financial report of each district conference be run in the Builder that the entire Conference might be able to have a quarterly record of the financial status throughout the year.

The following comes from the Rockingham District:

Pastors	Tithes	Retirement Fund
H. P. Robinson	\$ 36.00	\$18.00
J. W. Swails	20.00	10.00
Author Graham	13.66	6.34
N. B. Stevens	27.00	13.00
T. O. McGee	33.00	16.55
J. J. Jackson	30.00	10.00
W. H. Guy	13.66	6.34
J. L. Frazier	20.00	10.00
Paul Brown	16.66	8.34
Total	\$209.98	\$98.57

Evangelist	Tithes	Retirement Fund
Robert E. Baxley	\$ 9.35	\$ 4.67
T. T. Jones	18.00	9.00
Alma Graham b. l.		
A. J. Flowers	23.00	12.00
J. B. Sears	6.66	3.34
W. L. Patterson		
T. M. Swails	13.66	6.34
C. D. Polston	10.00	5.00
Laura Graham	4.00	2.00
D. W. Chavis	6.66	3.34
Leroy Parks		
Total	\$91.33	\$45.69

Churches	Tithes	Missions	Orphanages	S. S.	Tithes
Rockingham	\$ 50.00	\$100.00	\$ 25.00		\$ 7.50
Pee Dee	10.00	10.00	5.00		
Hamlet	10.09	23.00	10.00		5.00
Cheraw	77.12	17.47	10.00		3.95
Laurinburg	84.58	43.72	27.11		6.21
McCall	51.26	12.00	4.00		11.71
Springfield	76.06	51.75	6.95		5.91
Wadesboro	16.20	22.40	13.16		2.92
Bennettsville	45.00	23.51	5.97		9.53
Woodsville	3.57	2.05			
Bolton Chappel	1.40				.85
Total	\$425.28	\$305.90	\$107.19		\$53.58
Total Received					\$1,337.52

CONFERENCE

Church	Tithes	Missions	Orphanage	S. S. Tithes
Greelyville	\$ 8.60	\$ 8.21		\$2.58
Hannah Chapel		8.78	7.82	
Barrineau Sandy Bay				
Lake City	8.00	12.80	26.81	2.00
Cades	5.00	14.80	7.00	1.00
Little Star	4.00		5.89	
Scranton	20.54	33.35	4.71	
Friendfield Stones Chapel	5.00	4.66	21.82	
Cowards	5.00		15.00	
Floyds Chapel		4.91	31.54	
Matthews Tabernacle	10.17	6.55	15.05	.70
Emmanuel	16.50	11.38	6.50	1.02
Camp Branch	10.00			
Total	\$92.81	\$149.94	\$143.14	\$7.30
Preachers Tithes	\$432.13			
Supt. Offering	10.14			
Special Missionary Offering ...	44.50			
Grand Total	\$791.01			

Finance Good In First Round Of District Conferences

The all over financial report of the Conference at the first round of District Conferences showed great gain and progress, but what about the Spiritual status? I fear that in this sphere we are woefully lacking.

The church has never made great financial and spiritual strides at the same time.

When Peter and John say "Silver and Gold have I none," they could say to the impotent man, "Rise up and walk." But when the church fills her coffers full of gold and begins to say "I am rich and increased with goods," it is then that the spiritual state is: "Thou art poor, wretched, naked, and blind."

Financial Report Of The Lake City District Conference For The First Quarter

PASTORS	TITHES
H. H. Duncan	\$ 20.00
R. E. Powers	70.50
Rufus Blakely	5.00
J. R. Williams	144.95
L. K. Weatherford	62.50
A. A. Forbes	
Frank Williams	9.00
E. D. Matt	
Mary Sue Evans	16.94
H. H. Baldwin	15.00
James Goude	
EVANGELISTS	
Mrs. H. C. Alexander	
Leroy Parks	36.24
Lelon Wilkes	2.00
E. B. Lile	
Lester Altman	
M. L. Moore	50.00
	\$432.13

Pee Dee And Hamlet Thrive Under New Leadership

The churches of Pee Dee and Hamlet are making appreciable gain in all departments. A recent revival at both churches have improved the spiritual condition considerable. Five new members was received into the Hamlet church as a result of the revival.

Several were definitely blessed at the Pee Dee church but as yet none have united with the church.

The Hamlet church building that had nothing but the weatherboarding and top on when Br. Swails was sent there, is almost completed on the inside at this time. Pastor Swails and the East Rockingham pastor were the carpenters. Both churches have improved quite a bit numerically and financially. It is rumored that Bro. Swails has received a slight raise in salary at Hamlet. I wonder if Pee Dee will take the clue and do the same thing.

I do hesitate to say that a better qualified and more eloquent preacher can be found no where in our church than John W. Swails. And any church that is fortunate enough to hear his ministry is abundantly blessed.

Our Ladies Evangelize

MRS. COHN AT LAMAR

Mrs. J. R. Cohn is conducting a revival at the Lamar church. We congratulate her upon her energetic efforts.

What will all the work and extra-curricula activities attached to the Assistant pastorship of a large church like Darlington, if she can find time for a revival, we can only say, "Good work, Mrs. Cohn, and many souls for you labor and hire."

MRS. THURMON AT CAMDEN

The same thing and more can be said for Mrs. Ada Lee Thurman of Columbia. She not only has a large church to help pastor but she has two children and is conference President of the Women's Auxilliary.

In spite of this, however, she finds time to conduct a meeting, for Rev. Doby at the Camden church.

But when we think of Mrs. Ada Lee's heritage, we say: "Small wonder, she is just a 'chip off the old block'."

We are further reminded of what the Bantam rooster said to his hens when he saw the ostrich egg, "I just want to show you what can be done."

Silica brick points way for Europe to help own recovery.

Revival At Pee Dee

Mrs. Laura Graham, the well-known, old-fashioned, sin-blasting evangelist is conducting a meeting for Rev. J. W. Swails at the Pee Dee church. At this writing the reports of the meeting are very good; several have testified to definite experiences while others are earnestly seeking God.

Rockingham Camp Meeting Transferred To Church

The property of the East Rockingham Tabernacle and ground has been tentatively transferred to the local church of East Rockingham. This change will place the entire responsibility of the maintenance and operation of the camp meetings upon the local church.

It is, however, the wish and plans of the official board of the church to operate this ensuing camp meeting more on a district basis. An interview of several of the pastors of the Rockingham District showed a willingness to cooperate in this effort.

A devotional committee will be selected from the pastors of the district and the official board of the East Rockingham church. Together these men will work toward a mutual aim of having one of the greatest community and District wide camp meetings in the history of the camp.

Week-End Revivals Good

The Johnsonville-Hemingway churches enjoyed a week end with a visit from Rev. Harry Correll, sales representative of the Publishing House. The work of the House was presented, and we were pleased with the report.

Brother Correll told the youth of the library plan. Both societies are buying a \$50.00 set. The sermons delivered were powerful and winsome. The pictures, especially "The Man Who Forgot God," stirred the people, causing us to see the need of ever staying near unto the Cross.

To climax the day, two young ladies were wonderously saved in the evening service. Praise God for the House and for Brother Correll.

Pastor H. W. Brown

Changes of Address

Rev. L. M. Goude announces the change of his address to P. O. Box 95, Lancaster, S. C.

Rev. T. O. Evans' new address is 416 W. Evans St., Florence, S. C.

New Church Opens

The new church in Laurinburg had its initial service Sunday, January 4. The following is a letter from Brother Polston, the builder and pastor of this new church:

"Dear Brother Robinson, we opened the new church Sunday, January 4th. We organized a Sabbath School with 51 present Sunday A. M.

The Singing Convention was real good. The church was packed full including all standing space. The isle was full up to the front. We received an offering of \$128.51. This new work is very promising.

Enclosed, please find \$1.00 for which send me the Builder for one year beginning with last issue if you have one. Please send me 12 copies to use in getting new subscriptions for "The Builder" at the new church. I want to get "The Builder" into every home possible near our church. Thanks a lot."

Sincerely yours,
C. D. Polston

Rockingham District Has Four Radio Programs

Four radio programs are now coming over as many radio stations in the Rockingham District. They are: East Rockingham Church over W. A. Y. N. at 3:00 p. m. every Sunday; the Bennettsville church over the local station there—W. B. S. C. at the same hour on Sunday. The Pentecostal singers of the East Laurinburg church are on the air over W. E. W. O. Sunday at 8:30 a. m. and the Wadesboro church can be heard at 9:15 a. m. over station W. A. D. E.

The preachers of this district are indeed taking to the air to spread the glorious gospel of the Cross.

Bullard Broadcasts From Florence

Rev. Seldon Bullard, the Free Will Baptist Pastor in Darlington, S. C., announces a weekly religious broadcast each Sunday morning at 8:00 over station WOLS Florence. Rev. Bullard is an interesting preacher and a fine christian. I am sure that you will enjoy his broadcasts.

Pastor Wiggins' Health and Churches Improve

With the improvement of his health, Rev. H. D. Wiggins reports that both of his churches are doing much better.

A change of appointments seems to be proving a great advantage to both churches. Brother Wiggins states that he preaches every Sunday a. m. at Haystown and every Sunday night at Lake View. This change has added many to the attendance at both places.

The Lake View church, you will remember, was burned to the ground last year and a desperate struggle has been going on since then by the people there to rebuild their church. At this writing, the walls are up, the subflooring in and the framing ready to be put up.

Brother Wiggins is appealing to any friend to lend a helping hand in this hard task. He is asking any church or friend in the S. C. Conference to give as much as one day's work or send the equivalent to him at once so they can finish their church.

Listen Pastors!

Now don't go complaining about the Builder being two weeks late this month. If you had sent me some news it would have been in the mail long ago. I have waited and looked for some news items until the deadline for mailing is long past, and nobody seems to remember. This paper is composed of little incomplete reports that I have received from improvised short wave, grape vine, gossip and everything else but direct from you. Please let me hear from you.

Great Service At Barrineau And Scranton

Rev. Gurganous held a special service at Barrineau and Scranton, with emphasis on healing for the body. The report from Barrineau says that the building was far too small to contain the colossal crowd that attended. I am sure that the same was true of the Scranton service.