

AROUND THE CHURCHES

A Week's Happenings in Religious Circles

Bethel A. M. E. Church. Dr. T. A. Smythe, Pastor. Cor. W. Vermont & Toledo Sts. Order of Service: Sunday, Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday School, 12:30 p. m.; Christian Endeavor Prayer Meeting 6:30 p. m.; Class meeting 12:30 p. m. Weekly Services, Monday night, Official Board meeting; Thursday night, Prayer meeting; Friday evening, Class meeting; Trustees' meeting first Tuesday in every month. Last Sunday the services at Bethel church were unusually interesting. In the morning the pastor preached from the subject; Silence in Heaven for Half an Hour. A large and appreciative congregation listened to him despite the intense heat. In the evening Mr. Nayphe, an oriental student gave an exposition of the 23rd Psalm to the largest evening congregation assembled in the church for a long time. "The exercises were profitable and entertaining. Collection for the day \$80.00. Tomorrow morning Miss Myrtle Moore, the girl preacher will be the speaker. The public is cordially invited. All members are requested to report their dollar money tomorrow.

Corinthian Baptist Church. Rev. G. A. Martin, Pastor. Preaching by the pastor at 10:45 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.; B. Y. P. U. 6:30 p. m. The attendance and collection of the school were good. The lesson, "The Ruler's Daughter" held a peculiar interest for all. The deep tender love of the father and his persistent efforts to have her healed and restored to life in his home, revealed to us a depth of affectionate which we are often too quick to think the father does not possess. The pastor's sermon in the morning from John 1:29 was a sacred effort. The Acrostic lecture with "Isaac" as the keyword, aroused much enthusiasm in the B. Y. P. U. Elder Edward Lewis deserves much credit for this instructive lecture. We were pleased to have with us in the evening Elder G. L. Lillard, who preached from Acts 3:2-3, "The Unexpected Gift," which was beautifully presented. All are invited to come and worship with us.

Mt. Paran Baptist Church. 12th and N. Mo. streets. Rev. Benj. Farrell, pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school 9 a. m. B. Y. P. U. 6:30 p. m. Business meeting last Friday night of each month. Missionary circle every Thursday afternoon. Sister of Charity No. 17, meet 1st and 3rd Monday each month.

Widowson United Presbyterian Church. N. West St. bet. Walnut & St. Clair. Rev. John Bryce, Pastor. Preaching at 10:45 and 8 p. m. Sunday School 2:15 to 3:15 p. m. Young People's Meeting 7 to 8 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

Caldwell Chapel A. M. E. Zion Church. Rev. A. J. Shockley, Pastor. Cor. of Tremont and 11th Sts. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Christian Endeavor, 7 p. m. Wednesday evening, prayer and programme meeting. There will be gleaming day next Sunday at Caldwell Chapel A. M. E. Z. church. We will have to speak for us in the afternoon at 3 o'clock the Japanese preacher, Rev. Tokemayo. We cordially invite the public to come and assist us in our great financial effort.

Second Baptist Church. Rev. B. J. Prince, D. D., M. D., Pastor. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Prayer meeting, Tuesday evening. Teachers' Board, Thursday evening. Missionary Circle, Friday, 3 p. m. Communion service the first Sunday in each month at 3 p. m. All are invited to attend these services.

New Bethel Baptist. Rev. N. A. Seymour, Pastor. 1519 Martindale Avenue.

North Senate Ave. Presbyterian Church. Senate Avenue & 14th St. Rev. W. H. Weaver D. D., Pastor. 3214 Graceland Avenue. Preaching 11 a. m. & 3:30 p. m. Sunday school 12:30 p. m. Ethical Culture society 4:30 p. m. Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday 8 p. m. Presbyterian Brotherhood first and third Sunday in each month 6:30 p. m. The Womans' Home and Foreign Missionary society 4:30 p. m. third Thursday in each month. Pastor residence, 3214 N. Senate Ave. Each service lasting only one hour. All welcome.

St. Paul Temple A. M. E. Church. Rev. Wm Kelly, Pastor. Manlove Ave., bet. 24th & 25th Sts. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 12:30. All are cordially invited.

Olivet Baptist Church. Cor. Prospect & Leonard Sts. Rev. Chas. W. Lewis, Pastor. Sunday School at 9:30. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. B. Y. P. U. at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening of each week. Communion on the third Sunday of the month. You are welcome.

Jones Tabernacle A. M. E. Z. Church. W. I. Rowan, Pastor. Services: Prayer meeting, 5 p. m.; preaching, 10:45 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.; Sunday school 9:45 a. m.; R. L. Brockenburr, supt.; V. C. E., 6:45 to 7:45 p. m.; Robt. King, president; Teachers' meeting every Tuesday evening. Sunday Aug. 25, will be the culmination of the ten weeks rally at Jones Tabernacle. Quite a number of the members have responded and a great many have not, but are supposed to Sunday without fail. The fourth quarterly mass meeting of the W. H. & F. M. society of the Indianapolis district will convene with the members and friends of the local W. H. & F. M. society of Jones Tabernacle, Sept. 2 & 3.

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church. Rev. J. R. Harvey, Pastor. 1405 Yandes St. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 1 p. m. Class meeting at 12:15 m. A. C. E. at 7 p. m. All are welcome. Tomorrow will be a great day for Allen Chapel. They hope to raise 1000 quarters which will free the church from all indebtedness. Every member and friend are asked to give 25 cent in this quarter rally. At 10:45 a. m. Mrs. Mary E. Wilson will preach for us; subject, "Feed the People." 3 p. m. Men's meeting. Subject, "Keep your head out of Delilah's Lap." All men from 15 to 99 years old are invited 8 p. m., preaching by Mrs. E. L. Howard. Subject, "After the Ball." This will be Mrs. Howard's last sermon. Don't fail to hear her.

Wayman Chapel A. M. E. Church. Rev. E. L. Rabtoy, Pastor. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school 2 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30 p. m.

Simpson Chapel Church. Rev. H. A. Foreman, Pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Class and prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Epworth League at 7 p. m.

Phillips Chapel C. M. E. Church. Drake St. near West St. Rev. J. L. Thompson, Pastor. Residence 932 Paca St. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Epworth League 6:45 p. m. Class meeting Wednesday 8 p. m.

Good congregation are attending the revival at Phillips Chapel. One joined by letter and three were converted. If you were a member of the church before you came to this city you ought to be here. God wants to save the world through men and women. Are you doing your part? Sinner where will you spend eternity? Mrs. Elizabeth Howard the great evangelist will preach next week. All invited.

North Indianapolis Baptist Church. Rev. F. F. Young, Pastor. V. Jones, Supt. of Sunday School. S. S. at 9:30. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. B. Y. P. U. at 7 p. m.

The Galada and Metoka classes certainly have been a boom to our school. The choir and Boy's club orchestra was certainly at their best last Tuesday night at Olivet, where they were greeted by a full house. Thank you friends. Miss Mary Griggsby led the S. S. in a splendid entertainment on Thursday night. The stove committee did a commendable work. Tomorrow we will observe the Lord's Supper and we hope to see our members and friends. On the 26th a religious meeting begins for a fortnight. The Rev. W. H. Hill B. D., will be the star speaker.

Mt. Olive Baptist Church. Cor. Blake and Colton Sts. Rev. J. C. Patton, B. D., D. D., Pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m.

Shiloh Baptist Church. Rev. S. W. Bachlor, pastor. 527 W. 13th street. Sunday school, 9:30. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening. Sunday School teachers' meeting each Friday evening. Missionary society Thursday afternoon at the church. Literary society each Tuesday evening. Communion every third Sunday.

Church of The Living God. 719 W. 11th street. Rev. R. Keeble, pastor. Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. 3 p. m., 8 p. m., and on Friday night. Prayer meeting Wednesday night. Willing Workers club Tuesday night.

The Apostolic Faith Assembly. Corner Senate Ave. and 11th St. Because of the famine that is in the land, not for bread and water, but for hearing the word of God, it has been enjoined upon us by the Lord to hold continuous services from one end of the year to the other and this we are doing by the strength of Israel's God. The full gospel is preached in all of its primitive simplicity. The sick are being healed, devils cast out, sinners saved, prodigals are returning to the Lord and being baptized with the Holy Ghost and the poor are having the gospel preached unto them. Everybody welcome. Come and bring the sick and all who are in need of the Water of Life. No collections are taken. The entire work is supported by the freewill offering. No membership sought after nor attained. Services every night at 7:30 except Saturday. Bible Reading, Tuesday and Friday 2 p. m.; Sunday 5 and 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Elder G. T. Haywood. 1450 N. Missouri Street.

Union Tabernacle Baptist Church. Cor. Senate Ave. and St. Clair St. Rev. N. Alexander, pastor. Sunday School at 9:30. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30. B. Y. P. U. 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening. Communion every third Sunday afternoon. Bring your friends and take part in these services.

St. Phillips P. E. Church. Cor. West and Walnut sts. Rev. Lewis Brown Ph. D., Rector. Services 4 p. m. Sunday School, 2:30 p. m. Litany Friday evening 8 p. m.

The services of St. Phillip church will be held at 8 p. m. Sundays until the second Sunday in Sept.

Freemont Free Baptist Church. Rev. Anthony Johnson, Pastor. 17th & Martindale avenue. Sunday school at 9:30. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Tuesday night. Communion every fourth Sunday. Christian Endeavor at 7 p. m.

Second Baptist FRANKLIN, IND. Elder Samuel Howard, pastor. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Preaching at 11 a. m., and 8 p. m. Communion the fourth Sunday.

Metropolitan Baptist Church N. Senate avenue. Rev. R. D. Johnson, D. D., Pastor. Regular services each Lord's Day at 11 a. m., and 8 p. m. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock unday school at 10 a. m. Communion every second Sunday. All are welcome. The Ladies' club of the Bees and Ants Sisters, Metropolitan Baptist church meet at Rev. J. D. Johnson, 1018 N. Missouri street to entertain and to transact business for the entertainment Friday night. After the meeting was ready to adjourn Jeff D. Johnson and Mrs. Mary Cox was united in marriage by Rev. J. D. Johnson, our pastor, and was beautifully entertained. Mrs. Louise Warfield, president of the club. Mrs. Tillie Edwards, secretary.

Rev. S. Samuels of St. Mark's Temple, preached us another wonderful sermon Sunday morning on the Everlasting Kingdom. Rev. Samuels is a powerful gospel preacher. Subject, Sunday morning, "He that covereth his sins shall not prosper." Myrtle Moore, the wonderful little girl evangelist, will preach at 3 and 8 p. m., and every night during the week. The sacred concert Sunday night was well attended and enjoyed by the members and friends. The cornet solo by Mr. Bell, the duet by Miss Hazel Lewis and Miss Floyd Cocanougher and the choir was listened to with interest.

St. Paul Baptist Church. Rev. B. Wagner, Pastor. Shepley Avenue, Haughville. Antioch Baptist.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson VIII.—Third Quarter, For Aug. 25, 1912.

THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.

Text of the Lesson, Luke iv, 16-30. Memory Verses, 18, 19—Golden Text, John i, 11 (R. V.)—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

According to the harmonies of the gospels, this lesson takes us back in the story a long distance, back to a time before the Sermon on the Mount, to a time soon after the first miracle at Cana and the meeting with the woman of Samaria, according to Matt. xiii, 54-58; Mark vi, 1-6. He did not visit Nazareth after the events in last week's lesson and taught in the synagogue, but could do nothing work, except healing a few sick folk, because of their unbelief. They were astonished at His wisdom, but they were offended at Him and said: "Whence hath this man all these things? Is not this the Carpenter, the Son of Mary, the brother of James and Joseph and of Juda and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" He only replied, "A prophet is not without honor but in his own country and among his own kin and in his own house." Because He said something similar in our lesson for today some one must have thought the incidents the same, and the more perhaps because Luke only records this, and only Matthew and Mark the other. The incident of this lesson occurred very early in His ministry, while that was much later and was probably His last visit to Nazareth. Turning to this lesson, we note that it was His custom to go to synagogue on the Sabbath day, and it could not have been for the benefit received from any discourse there, but there was always a portion read from the law, the prophets and the psalms, and that could not but be profitable to a truly devout mind. Forsaking the assembling together is one of the common and increasing sins of our day, disobeying Heb. x, 25. There is a great forsaking of the house of God and despising of His word, but all things hasten to the consummation, and the kingdom shall be the Lord's. On this particular Sabbath He was asked to read, and there was given Him the roll or book of the prophet Isaiah. Finding the place known to us as chapter lxi, He read just a few sentences and closed the book or roll and gave it again to the minister and sat down. With what expression He must have read! It was surely according to Neh. viii, 8. He read distinctly and gave the sense, and now, having taken His seat, He was about to cause them to understand the reading. We do not wonder that the eyes of all in the synagogue were fastened on Him (verse 20), for if this was His first reading it was the first time they had ever heard the Son of God read from His own book. How wonderful and startling were the words He uttered. "This day is this Scripture fulfilled in your ears!" (21) For a literal fulfillment of each sentence that He read see Luke vii, 22; vii, 12; viii, 42; ix, 30; xiii, 16; John ix. It was so through all His ministry. Anointed with the Holy Ghost and with power, He went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the devil, for God was with Him (Acts x, 38). They could not but wonder at His gracious words, and yet they could not forget that He was their own townsman, who had been brought up in their midst, whom they had seen and known day by day for nearly thirty years. Had He not made and mended their plows and yokes many a time? What could He mean by His reference of that Scripture to Himself? Whom did He think Himself to be? Truly they knew Him not; but, oh, if they only had believed His word and inquired of Him more fully and meekly, how grand it might have been for them! What a heartache as we would say Israel always gave him, drawing from Him such words as: "Oh, that they were wise, that they understood, that they would consider!" "If thou hadst known!" "How often would I... and ye would not!" "Israel would none of me" (Deut. xxxii, 20; Luke xix, 42; Matt. xxiii, 37; Ps. lxxxi, 11). How patient and long suffering He has been; but there is a limit, and so they have been scattered now these many centuries, and He has been keeping silent, bearing with His church and the nations and the devil, but there was a sentence in Isaiah which He did not read that day at Nazareth. He stopped just as He came to it and shut the book. We are still living in the acceptable year of the Lord and still waiting for the day of vengeance of our God upon His enemies and the time to comfort all who mourn in Zion (Isa. lxi, 2, 3; lxxii, 4). See Ps. l, 1-3; Isa. lxxi, 15, 16. They seem to have been offended not only at His saying, but also because He did not in their town some of the mighty works He had done at Capernaum. He reminded them that in the days of Elijah and Elisha it was not a widow or a leper in Israel who was in a special manner helped, but a widow of Sidon and a leper from Syria, although at that time there were many widows and lepers in Israel. It seems strange that when people of their own will cut themselves off from blessings they grow angry because they are not blessed. But such is the perversity of the carnal mind, which is enmity against God. Those words about Elijah and Elisha filled them with wrath, and they would have killed Him had He not slipped away from them.

SATURDAY NIGHT SERMONS.

BY REV. SAMUEL W. PURVIS, D. D.

OUR BROTHER IN BLACK.

Text, "Am I my brother's keeper?"—Gen. iv, 9. Are you your brother's keeper? The Bible says you are. It's a big responsibility. Not many responsibilities are pleasant. Our weaker brother and our unfortunate brother are nuisances and distressing to our peace of mind. But the duty must be done, the problem must be solved. For problem it is, especially our brother in black. Optimistic writers tell us there is no negro problem any more than there is an Irish, German or Italian problem. Like some other well meaning folks they probably reason the best way to meet a problem is to deny it. Nevertheless, like every other stubborn fact, there it is. Many others there are—labor, social, drink, Mormon, divorce, cost of living, etc., but here is one that will not go down. How is it to be solved? No human being close to the conditions will make any rational prediction concerning the ultimate relation between the white and black races in this country, especially in the south. Only God knows that. We only know that no two races as different as the white and black have ever before lived together in any age or in any country under the same government and on terms of political equality.

Nearby Observations. The writer, whose paternal home was Purvis, old Marion county, Miss., has at times had large opportunity to study the race question at first hand. He wishes to record some observations he believes worth while. One is that southern negroes live under widest possible variety of environments. What may be true in Virginia and Maryland may be utterly untrue in Georgia and Alabama. Conditions in Tennessee and Mississippi are at opposite poles. All generalizations must be taken with caution. Another observation is that the negro as a race has made tremendous progress. In 1859 there were 4,500,000 negroes in the United States. Four millions were slaves, could be bought and sold, move from place to place only by permission. Ninety-five per cent were totally illiterate. Only one adult in six was a nominal Christian. Two years before the United States supreme court decided they were not citizens and had "no rights which a white man was bound to respect." In less than ten years they were turned adrift penniless, landless, naked, ignorant. Today they are 10,000,000 in number, legal slavery is gone with exception of debt peonage and convict lease system. Sixty-five per cent can read and write. They hold 19,000 federal, state and municipal offices. Fifty years ago they were classed as "real estate," today they own \$600,000,000 worth of building and lands and \$90,000,000 worth of church property.

In Honest Tribute. Is he faithful? When my men kind-folk were away fighting under the "stars and bars" he slept at the door of the "big house" to defend the wife and daughter inviolate. Is he a patriot? Though his brothers have been chained and burned at the stake he loves his flag and home. New made citizens from southern Europe may wave the red flag of anarchy, he does not. Is he lazy? I have always maintained it, but the preceding figures do not spell laziness. All that in spite of the fact that many doors of industry and skilled labor, especially in the north, are closed to him. Is he depraved? The idle, ignorant, shiftless, homeless, drunken negro is. He can have my side of the road. As a race—by no means. Where he's had a white man's chance he has measured up magnificently. I remember his past. Only a generation ago savagery, slavery, no uplifting traditions, no family. He was bred for the slave market. His mother had no right to say whether his father should be black or white. Religions? Pre-eminently so. He falls down sometimes. So do my people. But the \$7,000,000 he raises annually for religious purposes tells the story.

The Two Races as Neighbors. One of the miracles of secular history is the almost universal peace and good will of the two races in the south. Millions of friendly and neighborly acts are done every day. They do not get into the newspapers, especially ours of the north. But if an animal negro assaults a white woman or a drunken mob lynches a black it commands headlines. But the same incident is possible in my state of Pennsylvania. Some of us who live in glass houses wear smoked spectacles. No, social equality isn't looked for; it isn't expected. Watch the black or white who lounges about the other's house. There's a reason. The self respecting negro is too busy adding ten acres to his farm or lifting the mortgage on his home to worry much about social equality. When his account is large I've seen a Mississippi banker usher him into the directors' room and open up a new box of perfectos. Strange to say, you must also solve the neglected white man's problem at the same time. The thousands of negroes in awful peonage in the river bottoms of some states are matched by thousands of white child labor slaves in some other states. At the present rate every negro in the south will be able to read and write in twenty years, but if you educate the negro and neglect the white you invite anarchy and riot. Humanity moves upward in the mass.

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First Baptist Church, West Indianapolis. Rev. Allen Markes, Pastor. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening. Communion every third Sunday.

Portland. Bethel A. M. E. church, Rev. J. L. Hill, pastor. Order of services: 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., preaching; 6:30 p. m. prayer meeting. The first Monday in each month, Board meeting and also prayer meeting on Thursday night.

Tabernacle Baptist. Corner Blake & North streets. Rev. C. L. Perry, Pastor. Preaching at 11:30 a. m., and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. B. Y. P. U. at 7 p. m.

Ebenezer Baptist. Cor. North & California sts. Rev. G. L. Lillard, Pastor. Sunday school 9:30. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Missionary society every Friday afternoon.

Bethel A. M. E. Church. ALEXANDRIA. Cor. S. Black and Berry St. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Endeavor, 6:30.

Urton Mission Baptist Church. Rev. E. M. Warters, Pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m., and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 2 p. m. Lord's Supper every fourth Sunday at 3 p. m.

New Baptist. West St., bet. 12th & 13th Sts. Rev. W. W. Wines Jr., Pastor. Sunday school at 9:30. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. B. Y. P. U. at 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Tuesday evening. Choir rehearsal Thursday evening. Church meeting Friday before fourth Sunday in each month. Communion every fourth Sunday in each month. Communion every fourth Sunday. All are invited to these services.

Second Baptist Church. ALEXANDRIA, IND. Rev. John H. Taylor, Pastor. Services were well attended last evening. Missionary Circle, Monday afternoon. Communion, first Sunday each month.

New Hope Baptist Church. E. Legrande Ave. Rev. W. M. Patterson, Pastor. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening. Communion every third Sunday.

South Calvary. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 8:00 p. m.

Barnes Chapel Church. Rader & 25th Sts. Rev. T. R. Prentiss, Pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m. Sunday school 2 p. m. Samuel L. King, superintendent. Preaching 7:30 p. m. Epworth League at 7 p. m. Class meeting every Thursday evening. All are invited.

St. John Free Baptist Church. 25th and Rural Sts., Brightwood. Rev. P. Morton. Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. Sunday school at 2 p. m.; Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. Communion every third Sunday.

Trinity Baptist Church. Rev. A. H. Marlow, pastor. Trinity Baptist church which has been closed for sometime, has now been re-opened at 1616 N. West street. Services each Sunday 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening. Communion each third Sunday.

Scott's Chapel M. E. Church. Martindale Ave., between 21st and 22d. Rev. T. T. Carpenter, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching at 10:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 3 p. m. Prayer and class meeting Wednesday night.

Second Christian Church. Cor. Pratt & Camp sts. Rev. H. L. Herod, Minister. Mt. Zion Baptist Church. Cor. of 12th and Fayette streets. Rev. G. W. Ward, Pastor. Sunday School 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. Communion service on the first Sunday in each month at 8 p. m.