

gratitude that a kind Providence has brought us safely through another year.

We miss from our place of worship some who were with us a year ago. Veterans they were in the Master's service. They fought a good fight and finished their course looking in hope for the Crown of Life.

During the year some of our number have had afflictions to suffer, which have been borne with much patience and fortitude, they having trusted in Him who can turn sorrows into joys, and trials into spiritual triumphs.

New friends have joined our ranks, to whom a cordial welcome has been extended. It is my desire, as I believe it is yours also, that we all may be as one united household, sharing together the toils and joys of the Christian life.

The year has brought us some difficulties and discouragements. These we must expect. Trials of our faith may be necessary. The highest spiritual attainments are reached through tribulations. It is our duty to see that in all things we strive to do the will of God.

Much good cheer has attended us in our work together. Among our young people in our League and in our Sabbath School, the evidences of harmony and prosperity have been very apparent. In some of the classes of the church "times of refreshing" have been given. The missionary spirit, notably among the members of the Women's Auxiliary, has been kept alive, and intensified through well attended meetings. Probably no more Christlike feature of the church's life has manifested itself than in the tender sympathy shown to the suffering and sorrowing ones of our people.

It is due to the congregation that I should speak of your willingness to co-operate in creating and fostering a wholesome social atmosphere in the church. Your remembrance of strangers is a source of much joy. I am happy to bear testimony to the use of your