

With an overdrawn balance due the Treasurer from last year, the Treasurer of the Pastoral Committee had no right to ask for the sum directed to be placed at their disposal, so that they have not been warranted in entering on anything like a systematic visiting of the various meetings by Christian workers, with a view to holding a series of meetings where opportunity should offer, and the Holy Spirit direct. Yet, on the other hand, we have reason to praise our Lord for the blessings received and the services rendered by those who have come amongst us, and by our own ministers and members. The command to "Preach the Gospel to every creature," should arouse us to greater diligence and to more energetic aggressive action.

Your Committee have lately drawn on the Treasurer for \$60.00, which, added to the receipts from all other sources, makes the sum of \$160.35; of this we have expended \$152.68, leaving a balance of \$7.67.

We reverently hope that the hearts of many believers have been comforted and made strong, and that others have been turned from darkness to light by the power of the Holy Spirit accompanying the words of those who have gone forth.

We trust that we shall never see a stationed salaried Pastorate amongst us. That those whom God shall call to go forth and proclaim the "glad tidings," may go untrammelled from everything that savors of contract between man and man, following whithersoever He leadeth.

And we further trust that those whom God leaves to attend either to their farms or to their merchandise, may be equally good stewards of what he has entrusted to them, and that they shall see that the Ministry is not hindered for want of means, and may all realize the truth that we are "Kings and Priests unto God."

May our slackness and failure in the past stimulate us to renewed energy in the future, and teach us where to look for assistance and strength.

On behalf of the Committee

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