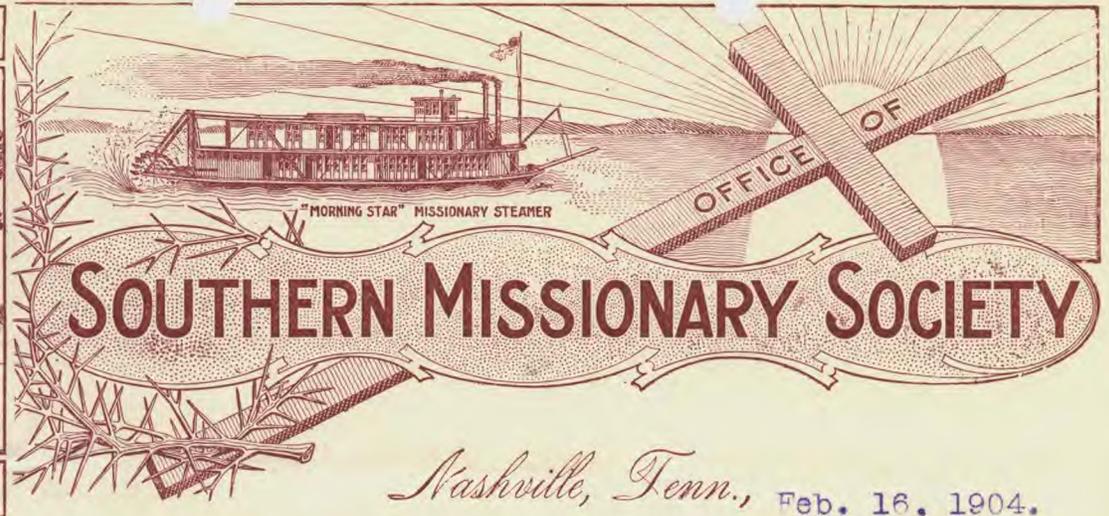


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SOUTHERN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 16, 1904.

Mrs. E. G. White,
Sanitarium, Calif.

Dear Mother:-

In sending out our Calendar Contribution Boxes for the Southern Missionary Society we find that quite a number outside of our own people are becoming interested and they are asking for them. I am becoming considerably interested in this feature of the work. I believe if some adequate effort were made to introduce these outside of our own people, that quite an avenue could be opened in this way. From time to time you have spoken that we should go to people of other churches for help in work of this kind. It seems to me that such a plan as this could be worked to good advantage. If you see nothing against it I think we shall undertake it.

I have just received an interesting letter from you, and will say that I have received others that have been a means of great help and encouragement to me. I want to reply to these more at length when I can have a little leisure, but I want to say that I appreciate them very highly. They are the means of a great deal of encouragement to me. In them you have given me instruction as to how I should labor and the burdens I should bear. I will say that I am trying to conform to this instruction. I have shunned all conference responsibilities

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that I could and have only taken those things which seemed absolutely essential. I am frank to say that healthwise I had come practically to the breaking down point. There have been weeks when I have not been able to do any writing and could not even take proper care of my correspondence.

I am still heavily loaded but am planning to have relief so that I can give more time to writing and work of this kind. There is a young man who is working for me who understands giving treatment, and I have a good bath room with steam heat in my own building, and I have arranged with him to give me treatment three times a week. They are doing me much good.

It is very hard work to get our people to do very much , financially for the work. The donation are nearly all small and hardly enough come in from week to week to meet the small current expense of the work. We are much cheered with the forecast which you give for the future of the work that there are better days before the work in the South. We are believing this and taking hold of it by faith, and do not think we shall be disappointed. We are very thankful for such words of encouragement.

I expect Brother Palmer will connect with the office but whether he will take hold of the work in a business-like way so as to make it really successful is still a question. It will be quite a task for him to settle right down to solid business. His affairs are in very bad shape. He will not be able to save much of his property. I shall do the best I can to help him do useful work.

Hoping that you are enjoying a good degree of health, I remain as ever,

Your son,

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