Church and Sunday-School

At the Penn avenue church next week occurs the annual state meeting of the Baptist Women's Foreign Missionary society. The reports and addresses will be interesting, not only to the churches of the Abington association, which invites the session here, and the Baptist churches of the city, which entertain the delegates, but to all friends interested in missionary work.

Miss Dr. Breed, of Nalgonda, India, will be one of the speakers. Miss Goddard, from Ningpo, China, and Miss Morgan, from Assam, just returned from their work in these fields, will also speak. Miss Morgan had a remarkable experience in the recent great earthquake.

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Religious Notes.

A financial rally will be conducted in the Howard Place A. M. E. church tomorrow.

Rev. A. L. Ramer has been called away to attend the funeral service of a niece at Harrisburg, Pa.

Dr. D. S. Bentley has returned from Danville, Virginia, where he spent a part of last week on business.

On next Monday the Scranton-Wilkes-Barre Lutheran Pastoral association will meet at the parsonage of St. Mark's Lutheran church. Rev. A. L. Ramer, Ph. D., pastor.

Rev. Benjamin Wheeler, presiding elder of the Pittsburg district A. M. E. church, is spending a few days in this vicinity. He will conduct a meeting at Howard Place church Sunday.

The Luther League of St. Mark's church is actively engaged in making preparations for the reproduction of the moving pictures of the famous Ober-Ammergau Passion play, next Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

The Methodist Ministers' association of Scranton and vicinity will meet in Elm Park church at 10.30, May 5th. Officers are to be elected. Rev. L. H. Waring of Grace Lutheran church, will address the meeting on "Foot Prints of John Wesley Abroad."

Rev. Jones, who was to come here in February, but was prevented owing to the storm will leave Philadelphia on the 10.30 a. m. train, today and will arrive here at 3.47. He is better known as Phophet Jones. He predicted the Charleston, S. C., earthquake, Johnstown flood, etc.

Rev. F. S. Ballentine has just returned from Philadelphia where he attended the twentieth reunion of the class of '82 of the University of Pennsylvania. He also attended the consecration of Bishop Mackay Smith, at Holy Trinity church where he was at one time rector's associate with Dr. McVickar, now bishop of Rhode Island.

"Christianity as exemplified in the catacombs of Rome" will be the subject of Dr. McLeod's evening lecture in the First Presbyterian church tomorrow. It is a theme of great interest, as it brings into the age immediately succeeding the apostles. The catacombs were the hiding places and cemetries of the persecuted Christians.

SERVICES IN THE VARIOUS CHURCHES

Methodist Episcopal.

Elm Park Methodist Episcopal church—Prayer and praise at 9.30 a. m.; reception of members and Lord's supper at 10.30 a. m. At close of morning meeting, class meeting in Sunday school room. Sunday school at 2 p. m.; Junior League at 6.30 p. m. At 7.30 p. m., Dr. C. M. Giffin, the pastor, will give the first of the announced four "Ons," which is "On Time." Strangers are welcome.

Simpson Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. H. C. McDermott, pastor—Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Morning topic, "The Preacher's Great Theme"; evening topic, "The Way to Faith." Sunday school at 12 m.; Junior League at 3 p. m.; Epworth League at 6.30 p. m. All are welcome.

Embury Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. James Benninger, pastor. Services on Sunday as follows: At 9 a. m., informal greeting—all committees to be present to welcome the guests; 10 a. m., sermon by Rev. S. F. Upham, D. D., L.L. D.; platform meeting at 3 p. m., speakers, former pastors; Epworth League at 6 p. m., leader, James Shepherd, of Elm Park League; 7 p. m., sermon by Rev. J. B. Sweet, D. D. Remember that all services commence a half hour earlier than usual. The ushers, public reception and public comfort committees will meet at 9 a. m.

Court Street Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. G. C. Lyman, pastor—Class No. 1, 9.45, O. D. DeWitt, leader. Preaching 10.30. Sunday school 11.45; G. R. Clark, superintendent. Junior League, 2.30. Epworth League, 6.30. Preaching, 7.30. Official board meeting Monday, 7.30. Class No. 2, Tuesday 7.30, Joseph Archer, leader. Prayer meeting Wednesday 7.30. Seats free. Strangers welcome.

Providence Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. G. A. Cure, pastor. The Brotherhood of St. Paul meet for prayer at 10 a. m. Preaching at 10.30. Subject, "Comfort for the Aged." Sunday school at 2 p. m. Epworth League at 6.45. Topic, "Prayer a Necessity;" Mrs. G. A. Cure, leader. Preaching at 7.30. Subject, "Theatres and Theatre Goers."

St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, F. P. Doty, pastor—Services May 4, 1902: 10.00 a. m., meeting of Brotherhood; 10.30, sermon by Rev. S. J. Dorsey; 11.45, Sunday school; 3.30 p. m., Junior Epworth League; 6.30, Epworth League. Devotional service, Mrs. Peter Jones, leader; 7.30, sermon by the pastor. All cordially welcome.

Ash Street Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. J. R. Austin, pastor. Morning preaching service at 10.30, subject, "The Christian's Armor"; class meeting at 11.30 a. m., Charles Croop, leader; Sunday school, at 2 p. m., Peter Hartman, superintendent; Epworth League at 6.45 p. m., C. H. Luther, leader; evening preaching service at 7.30, subjelt, "The Foxes in the Vineyard."

Nay Aug Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. J. R. Austin, pastor; Sunday school at 2.30 p. m.; W. M. Nixon, superintendent. Preaching service at 3.30 p. m. A cordial welcome.

First German Methodist Episcopal church—Adams avenue and Vine street—G. Bobilin, pastor. Preaching services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at noon and at 2 o'clock p. m. at the Taylor Avenue chapel. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening.

African Methodist Episcopal church, Howard Place—Dr. D. S. Bentley, pastor. Annual rally and quarterly meeting services; preaching, 10.30 a. m. by Rev. Benjamin Wheeler, presiding elder, Sacrament at 3 p. m.; Christian Endeavor prayer meeting, 7.15 p. m., C. E. Gaines, president. Preaching, 7.45 p. m.; subject, "Working in God's Vineyard." A cordial welcome to all.

Baptist.

Penn Avenue Baptist church, Penn avenue between Spruce and Linden streets. Strangers cordially welcomed. Preaching, morning at 10.30 and evening at 7.30, by the pastor, Rev. Robert F. Y. Pierce, D. D. Morning prayers in the lower temple. Theme of the morning sermon, "Where Is God?" Reception of new members and communion. Sunday school at the home church at 2 o'clock and at the Amerman Memorial mission at 3.30 p. m. Young People's society meeting at 6.30. Theme of the evening sermon, "Where Is Heaven" At the after-meeting, the pastor will use crayon sketches to present the Gospel story.

First Baptist church, South Main avenue, Rev. S. F. Mathews, pastor—The usual services will be held on Sabbath at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. The Sunday school meets at 2 p. m., Dr. B. G. Beddoe, superintendent. B. Y. P. U. at 6.30 p. m. in the assembly room. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30 p. m. Seats free. All welcome.

Jackson Street Baptist Church, Rev. Thomas de Gruchy, D. D., pastor—Morning men's prayer meeting at 9.45, Deacon Richard Nicholls, leader. Sermon at 10.30. Topic, "Reaping and Sowing." Sunday school at 2 p. m. John Lloyd, superintendent. Evening service at 7 sharp. Praise and song service with full orchestra. Duet by John and George King, cornetists, followed by a short address by the pastor. This service is for the people and all will receive a cordial welcome.

Green Ridge Baptist church—Rev. George W. Strutt, of Salamanca, N. Y., will preach at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Communion after morning service. Other services of the week as usual.

First Welsh Baptist church, West Market street—Rev. J. V. Davies, pastor. The pastor will preach, both morning and evening, at the usual hours, 10 a. m. and 6 p. m. Sunday school at 2 p. m. The evening service will be conducted in English. Seats are free and all friends are cordially invited to attend.

Shiloh Baptist church, corner Mulberry street and Adams avenue—Preaching both morning and evening by Rev. Andrew Jones, of Philadelphia. Sunday school, 2.30 p. m.; services all next week, conducted by Rev. Jones. No baptismal services Sunday.

Presbyterian.

First Presbyterian church—Dr. McLeod will preach morning and evening. "Early Christianity as Exemplified in the Catacombs of Rome" will be his evening topic. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Strangers welcome.

Second Presbyterian church, Jefferson avenue (between Vine and Mulberry streets)—10.30, morning worship; 12 m., Sunday school; 6.30, Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor; 7.30, evening worship. At the evening service the Rev. J. H. Odell will preach. Subject, "What the Next World Has to Say About Us."

Green Ridge Presbyterian church—Rev. J. J. Lansing, pastor; Rev. L. R. Foster, assistant. 10.30 a. m., services of worship with sermon by the pastor; subject, "A New Heart for a New Work." 12 m., Bible school; 6.30 p. m., Christian Endeavor. At 7.30, evening worship, with sermon by the pastor; new series on "The House of Life"—"Its Shelter." All are welcome.

Providence Presbyterian church—Rev. Dr. Guild, the pastor, will preach at 10.30 a. m. Sunday school at noon; Junior Endeavor at 3.30 o'clock; Senior Endeavor service at 6.35 o'clock. Evening services, with sermon by Dr. Guild, at 7.30 o'clock. Seats of the church are always free.

Washburn Street Presbyterian church—Rev. John P. Moffat, D. D., pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; Bible school at 12 m.; Junior Christian Endeavor, 3.30 p. m.; Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, 6.30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7.30 p. m. The pastor will preach morning and evening. All welcome.

Sumner Avenue Presbyterian church, corner of Sumner avenue and Price street—Services tomorrow as follows: Sabbath school in the afternoon at 2 o'clock. The evening service at 6 o'clock. Rev. Dr. McLeod, of the First Presbyterian church, will occupy the pulpit. The sacrament of the Lord's supper will be administered. All welcome.

Capouse chapel (Green Ridge Presbyterian church)—Preaching, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m., by the pastor, Rev. L. R. Foster. Sunday school, 3 p. m.; Junior Endeavor, 4 p. m.; Senior Endeavor, 6.30 p. m. Prayer meeting, 7.30 Thursday evening. Welcome to all.

Adams Avenue Chapel, New York street—Services as usual. The Rev. James Hughes will preach at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

Episcopal.

St. Luke's Parish—Rev. Rogers Israel, D. D., rector; Rev. Edward J. Haughton, curate. Fifth (Rogation) Sunday after Easter.

St. Luke's church, Wyoming avenue—7.30 a. m., holy communion; 9.15 a. m., Sunday school; 10.30 a. m., holy communion and sermon; 9.45 a. m., morning prayer; 7.30 p. m., evening prayer.

St. Mark's chapel, Dunmore—7.30 a. m., holy communion; 9.30 a. m., Sunday school; 10.30 a. m., morning prayer and sermon; 7.30 p. m., evening prayer and sermon.

St. George's, Olyphant—2.30, Sunday school; 3.30 p. m., evening service.

East End—Sunday school, 2.30 p. m.

South Side—Sunday school, 2.30 p. m.

Church of the Good Shepherd, corner Monsey avenue and Green Ridge street—Rev. Francis R. Bateman, rector. Fifth Sunday after Easter. Morning prayer and holy communion, 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school and rector's class, 2.30 p. m.; evening prayer, 7.30 p. m.

St. John's Mission, Osterhout Hall, Providence Square—Holy communion, 7.30 a. m. Sunday school, 2 p. m.; evening prayer, 4 p. m.

Christ's church, corner Washington avenue and Park street—Rev. F. S. Ballentine, rector. Services at 10.30 a. m., 2.30 p. m. and 7.30 p. m. All seats free. All welcome.

Reformed Episcopal.

Grace Reformed Episcopal church, Wyoming avenue, below Mulberry street—George L. Alrich, pastor. Prayer and praise service at 9.30 a. m.; devine worship at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Preaching by the pastor. Sabbath school, 12 m.; Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, 6.30 p. m. Lesson study, Wednesday at 7.30 p. m.; prayer meeting at 8. Seats free. All are welcome.

Evangelical Lutheran.

Holy Trinity English Lutheran church—Rev. E. F. Ritter, pastor. Fifth Sunday after Easter. Gospel lesson, John xvi:23-30. Epistle, James 1:22-27. At 10.30 a. m., regular preaching service; 12 m., Sunday school; 6.45 p. m., Luther League; 7.30 p. m., vesper service.

St. Mark's Lutheran church, Washburn street—Rev. A. L. Ramer, Ph. D., pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school, 12 m.; Luther league, 6.30 p. m. Morning subject, "The Ascension;" evening subject, "Sanctification."

Grace Evangelical Lutheran church (general synod), corner of Mulberry street and Prescott avenue—Rev. Luther Iless Waring, pastor. At 9.30 a. m., Sunday school; 10.30 a. m., Divine worship, with sermon; 7. p. m., Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor; 7.30 p. m., evening service, with sermon. Everybody welcome.

Miscellaneous.

All Souls' Universalist church, Pine street between Adams and Jefferson avenues—Rev. Thomas B. Payne, pastor. Divine service, with sermon, at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; morning subject, "Walking by Faith"; evening subject, "What Universalists Teach Concerning Punishment." Sunday school at 12 m. Seats free. Strangers cordially welcomed.

Calvary Reformed church, Monroe avenue and Gibson street—Rev. Marion L. Firor, pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; Sunday school, 11.45 a. m.; Christian Endeavor, 7 p. m.

Zion United Evangelical church, 1420 Capouse avenue—Rev. J. W. Messenger, pastor. Preaching, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; subjects, "Debtors to God" and "Christ," the latter being the fifth sermon on "Prophecy or Genuineness and Authenticity of the Bible by Prophecy Fulfilled." Sunday school, 9.30 a. m.; Junior Endeavor, 4 p. m.; Senior Endeavor, 6.30 p. m. All seats free. Everybody welcome to all services.

Plymouth Congregational church—Rev. E. R. Williams, of Coolville, O., will preach morning and evening. Morning topic, "The Basis of Our Unity with God"; evening topic, "Individual Decisions in the Christian Life."

Gospel Tabernacle, Jefferson avenue, Dunmore—James Leishman, pastor. Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school, 12 m.; Young People's meeting, 6.30 p. m. An all day meeting of the Christian and Missionary Alliance on Tuesday, 10.30 a. m., 2 and 7.30 p. m. Rev. Arthur Howden, missionary from South China, will be the speaker.

First Primitive Methodist church, Green Ridge—Rev. G. Lees, pastor. Regular preaching services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. The morning services will be conducted by J. Fidiam, and in the evening John Coates will preach. Class meeting after morning sermon. All welcome.

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SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON FOR APRIL 4

THE CHURCH AT ANTIOCH IN SYRIA.

Acts, xi:19-30.

BY REV. J. E. GILBERT, D. D.

Secretary of American Society of Religious Education.

INTRODUCTION.—Thus far the book of Acts has been confined to a sketch of religious movements in great centres. Seven chapters showed what was done in Jerusalem until the death of Stephen. Phillip's work in Samaria and with the eunuch who returned to Ethiopia followed. Then the account of Paul's conversion on the way to Damascus was presented, and afterward Peter's marvelous vision at Joppa and his service for Cornelius at Caesarea. Thus, with Jerusalem as the point of beginning, Samaria, Ethiopia, Damascus, Joppa and Caesarea, are brought into the field of Christian effort. With this geographical expansion there had come juster views of the gospel's mission to reach Gentiles as well as Jews, to become a world-wide system of religion. The church had broken the bonds of race distinction and was ready for its outward movements to the regions beyond. Today we shall see how in the Providence of God another centre was established from which missionaries would be shortly sent out.

DISPERSION.—(Verse 19).—Attention is first called to the journeys of Christians from Jerusalem (Dan. xii:4). They might have been content to remain in the national metropolis, where were the temple, synagogues, sacred books and places, learned men, and schools, by which intellectual and social life received its highest stimulus. But the persecution that arose about Stephen (Acts vii:58), directed against laity in the main (Acts viii:14), compelled them to flee in every direction for safety. We learn here that they traveled to the north, until they reached Phenice, or Phenicia, a small country lying on the Mediterranean sea, peopled by the descendants of Ham. Thence some crossed over into the island of Cyprus, while others journeyed eastward and came to Antioch, then a celebrated Syrian city. Thus settlements of Christians were effected in three important regions, extending east and west in a right line probably a hundred miles, all beyond the jurisdiction of the Jewish hierarchy.

PREACHERS.—(Verses 19 and 20.)—The men who thus went out preached not because they had been trained and ordained to the sacred office—they were laymen—but because they were consecrated to the cause of Christ. The infant church had not yet made clerical distinctions prominent but regarded all believers as ministers. (Matt. xxviii:18.) These lay preachers, finding asylum in the north, were of two kinds. Some were former dwellers in Jerusalem, Jewish in their sympathies, and they naturally sought their fellow countrymen, endeavoring to win them to Christ. Others had been residents in those parts, sojourning for a time at Jerusalem, now returning home because of the persecution. These preached Jesus to the Grecians, that is to the Gentiles, the uncircumcised. Whether this took place prior or subsequent to Peter's visit to Cornelius, as related in our last lesson, we have no means of determining. It is probable that the two events were contemporaneous or nearly so.

CONVERTS.—(Verse 21.)—The preaching to Gentiles in Antioch by unordained refugees was on a larger scale than the preaching of Peter at Caesarea. In the latter case, a single man, an officer in the Roman army and his household were brought into the church, while in the former instance a larger number accepted Christ. From this it is not to be argued that the words of Peter were less effective, and that therefore lay talent is to be preferred. But the greater gathering was due to the fact that the preachers of thought and speech were therefore well known, and to the further fact that they remained and continued their labors for a longer time, thus pressing every circumstance to advantage. And so it came to pass that a great number believed, and a church, a congregation, was formed, showing one method by which in those days Christianity was propagated. It exhibited the vitality and aggressiveness of the church.

BARNABAS.—(Verses 22, 23, 24.)—The congregation at Jerusalem, being the first body of organized Christians, exercised a kind of oversight for all new societies formed, perhaps holding this as a right or duty, perhaps to maintain unity and promote efficiency. Hence Peter was sent to Samaria to supervise Phillip's work. (Acts viii:14.) So now it was deemed proper to send one northward, stopping along the way, and coming at length to Antioch, Barnabas was chosen for this important mission. The selection is highly significant inasmuch as he was not an apostle—indicating a tendency to call others into service. He is mentioned but twice before in Scripture—once in relation to the giving of his property to the church (Acts iv:36-37), and once in his kindness to Saul (Acts ix:27). What is most important, he is here, declared to be a good man full of the Holy Ghost, just the one needed by the church in its earlier history. His ministry is also described in few words, both as to its character and effect—he exhorted to fidelity and many were saved.

SAUL.—(Verses 25 and 26.)—There is always a favorable time and mode for the instruction of a great man to his life work. Antioch was honored as the first field of the apostle to the Gentiles. After his brief sojourn with the apostles in Jerusalem he fled from the enmity of the Jews to Caesarea and thence to Tarsus (Acts ix:30). There, in his native city (Acts xxi:39), he remained in obscurity, with opportunity to study the philosophy of the heathen, the literature of the Jews and the doctrines of his new faith. On reaching Antioch, Barnabas thought of his old friend whom he considered the proper one, both by natural gifts and acquirements as well as by grace, to be an assistant or co-worker in the new church. He therefore made the journey, in those days a very tedious one, to Tarsus, perhaps three hundred miles distant, and brought back this great man. One whole year the two taught the truths of the gospel, and during that time the disciples acquired the title of Christians.

FAMINE.—(Verses 27 to 28.)—At the end of a year the teaching of these men, so greatly profitable to the church, was interrupted by the introduction of secular matters. Among the prophets (preachers) who came to Antioch from Jerusalem, one named Agabus (Acts xxi:10) had the ability to foretell events, as did the prophets and seers of the olden times. Under the illumination of the Spirit he predicted a world-wide famine. That does not necessarily mean that there would be a dearth of food in all countries at once, but that all countries would suffer, some perhaps more than others, the visitation being in a succession of years, first in one land, then in the other. The lesson informs us and Josephus, Dio Cassius and Tacitus confirm the statement, that this prediction was actually fulfilled in the days of Claudius, who was then the Roman emperor. In those days a famine was anticipated with much dread, both because of the discomfort and because it was supposed to indicate the Divine displeasure. (Gen. xii:25.)

BENEVOLENCE.—(Verses 29 and 30.)—Adversity is favorable to the display of character. Any temporal misfortune is, therefore, a blessing, because by it the real condition of the heart is manifest. (Psalm xxxi:7.) The prospective famine gave occasion for the church at Antioch to exercise the grace of benevolence, one of the most beautiful of the virtues. (Matt. x:8.) Having received the spiritual things from Jerusalem they resolved to return material benefits. (1 Cor. ix:11.) It may have been that the famine had already reached Jerusalem, or that the mother church was poor, or that there was a plan of distribution already agreed on by which the destitute in all parts should receive aid as it was needed, out of a common store. However that may have been, the disciples at Antioch made up a fund, each contributing freely according to ability, and sent this by the hands of Barnabas and Saul to the Jerusalem elders. They gave of their substance and granted a vacation to their beloved ministers.

REFLECTIONS.—1. Here is a commendable method of missionary work. Let all Christians wherever they go, carry the gospel with them and seek to bring other men to Jesus Christ. 2. The faithful presentation of the truth, however made, will bring forth fruit. Laymen and clergymen are alike in this—they are bearers of messages which heard will do good. 3. When a new church is established it ought to be for a time under the watch-care of an old church, and some good and wise man should be sent to arrange all things and instruct. 4. It is desirable that men of congenial spirit should be associated. Barnabas and Saul, both natives of that region, were prepared for sympathetic and concerted action. 5. A church is edified by the truth and teachers are therefore greatly needed who can unfold and explain the doctrine of Christ. 6. It often occurs that one man precedes to make way for another, as Barnabas for Saul. 7. The unity of Christ's followers prompts gifts in time of need.

BLACKBOARD LESSON HINTS

BY REV. ROBERT F. Y. PIERCE, D. D.

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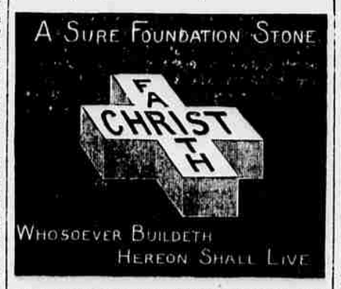
Golden Text—"The hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned unto the Lord." Acts xi:21.

Notice three wonderful things in the early part of this lesson: 1. "Added to the Lord." What a blessed privilege to be joined to God in life and service. 2. "Much people were added unto the Lord." 3. "Many were added unto the Lord," through the ministry of the disciples. So many might be added unto the Lord today if all of those whom God had called to be His followers would be full of faith and fruitful in service.

Scattered abroad after the death of Stephen, the disciples proclaimed everywhere the name of



Jesus of Nazareth, and "the hand of the Lord was with them," and a great number believed and turned to the Lord.

Faithful, loving, wise Barnabas was sent by the home church of Jerusalem to strengthen the workers at Antioch. For missionary labors the church must always send its best representatives in Christian service. When God wanted to send a missionary to this earth to bring the Gospel, He sent the best in the heavenly home, even Jesus, His well beloved Son.

"Added unto the Lord"; this is the Scripture method of building up the church. Jesus Christ must be the true foundation of the Christian church, for "Other foundation can no man lay."

Suggestions—First draw an outline of the cross to indicate the foundation on which the church must be builded. On this cross draw the representations of blocks bearing the names of Jews, Greeks, etc., to indicate the different classes of people, which were "Added to the Lord."

Color Hints—Make the cross white, with a scarlet outline; make the blocks to be added light blue with orange outline; make the hand light pink with white outline.

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Kenny, Thomas M., retail.
Kinback, A. R., retail.
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Linde, Christ, retail.
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Levin, N., retail.
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Place and Lewis, retail.
Padden, James, retail.
Price, Mark, retail.
Probst Bros., retail.
Ringsdorf, S., retail.
Rudolewicz, Joseph, retail.
Ruane, E. J., retail.
Reedy, Charles, retail.
Riverside Coal Co., retail.
Riverside Store Co., retail.
Sziwok, John, retail.
Steckewicz, Ed., retail.
Sovanics, And., retail.
Scanlon, John J., retail.
Swift, M. J., retail.
Scranton Coal Co. (Raymond), retail.
Timlin, John, retail.
Turko, Wm., retail.
Witko, Paul, retail.
Walsh, J. J., retail.

BENTON TOWNSHIP.

Capwell, A. J., retail.
Fairbairn, R. E., retail.
Freeman, George, retail.
Gonnaer, V. E., retail.
Sweet, E., retail.
Vanfleet, W. D., retail.

BLAKELY BOROUGH.

Arnold, S. W., retail.
Budd, Mrs. Susan, retail.
Barrett, Jay, retail.
Betts, M. D., retail.
Bagnick, Anthony, retail.
Brundage, A. W., retail.
Basalyga, Peter, retail.
Bloes, W. S., retail.
Clark Bros., retail.
Callender, John, retail.
Carwaith, Rich, retail.
Frear, Wm., retail.
Gruzenski, B., retail.
German, W. E., retail.
Goyne, Wm., retail.
Gunn, Wm., retail.
Grebner & Son, E., retail.
Kinback, J. H., retail.
Ketchem, W. F., retail.
Keystone Store Co., retail.
Locklin, G. D., retail.
Maines, H. E., retail.
Nyhart, J. T., retail.
O'Hara, Stephen, retail.
Price, G. A., retail.
Peck, F. A., retail.
Peel Lumber and Manufacturing Co., retail.
Roberts Bros., retail.
Scranton Coal Co., retail.
Sterrick Creek Coal Co., retail.
Squires, E. W., retail.
Siep, John H., retail.
Shaffer, William, retail.
Watkins, W. W., retail.

CARBONDALE, FIRST WARD.

Betz and Neidand, retail, 25 Salem avenue.
Boston Tea Co., retail, Pittston avenue.
Brenner, Mrs. Lewis, retail, 73 N. Church street.
Butler, Alice, retail, 65 Salem avenue.
Berry, G. W., retail, 22 N. Main avenue.
Beck, John P., retail, 56 Salem avenue.
Bowers, W. G., retail, 29 N. Main avenue.
Barrett, Thomas F., retail, Fallbrook street.
Bridget, P. Est., retail, 82 Dundaff street.
Cavanaugh, Charles, retail, Dundaff street.
Clarke, H. F., retail, 24 N. Church street.
Cameron, J. L., retail, 52 Salem avenue.
Creveling & Bughr, retail.
Duffy, P. A., retail.
Dimmick, J. W., retail, 41½ Salem avenue.
Edwards & Reece, retail, 36 Lincoln avenue.
Famous Dry Goods Store, retail, 29 N. Church street.
Finnegan, D., retail, 3½ Fall Brook street.
Fowler Steam Mill, retail.
Fellows, Thomas, retail, 45 Salem street.
Fineren, P., retail, Dundaff street.
Gerra, Angel, retail.
Gebert, John, 67 Salem street.
Howard, W. D., retail.
Humphrey, D. W., retail, 55 Salem street.
Hollister, C. B., retail, 23 Salem street.
Healey, E. J., (pool tables), retail.
Kenny & Co., G. R., retail.
Kirby, W. E., retail, 38 N. Church street.
Kelley, B. A., retail, 41 Salem street.
Kilpatrick, Annie, retail, Dundaff street.
Letts, A. H., retail, 53 Salem street.
Luglans, Gabriel, retail, 96 Dundaff street.
Lewsley, A. S., retail, 50 Salem street.
Lee, Zopher, C., retail, Main street.
Langan, Patrick, retail, Dundaff street.
Lunny, John A., retail, 12 N. Main street.
Manners, B. C., retail.
Myers, A. E., retail, 63 Salem avenue.
Mohrs, Nicolas, retail.
Mohrs, John, retail, 44 Lincoln street.
Mazzo, Angles, retail, Dundaff street.
May, H. E., retail, 40 Lincoln street.
Mannion, P. J., retail.
Norton, Thomas, retail, Dundaff street.
Norris, Chas. W., retail, 80 Belmont street.
Olver, J. M., retail, 3 Barte avenue.
Pugliano, Samuel, retail, Dundaff street.
Pinchert, Henry, retail, 43 Hospital street.
Rutherford, James, retail.
Rogers, Nicholas, retail.
Reynolds & Sons, retail, 30 Lincoln street.
Reese, John G., retail.
Stansbery, W. B., retail, 61 Salem avenue.
Shepherd, John R., retail, 63 Salem avenue.
Shannon, Wm., retail, 43 Salem avenue.
Seaman Bros., retail, 37 Church street.
Scurry, W. G., retail, 57 Main street.
Seaman, A. V., retail, 47 Main street.
Swingle, T. K., retail, Park street.
Smith, Louisa, retail, Pike street.
The Israel Crane Co., retail.
Van Bergen & Co., retail, 84 Dundaff street.
Vail, E., retail.
White, A., retail.
Williams, S. H., retail, Main street.
Walker, Geo. H., retail, Dundaff street.
Workingman's Store, retail, 73 N. Main street.
Watt, M. G., retail, Church street.
Walker, Geo. H., retail.

CARBONDALE, SECOND WARD.

Bryzon, R. A., retail.
Burke, Edward, retail, S. Main street.
Brunning, Augusta, retail, 28 Main street.
Berry, H. P., retail, 55 Belmont street.
Brennan & Boylon, retail, 14 N. Main street.
Brown, Frank, retail, 26 N. Main street.
Burke, E. P., retail, 11 N. Main street.
Burnard, S. F., retail, 7 Eastern.
Burr & Sons, W., retail, N. Main street.
Bell & Brown, retail, 32 N. Main street.
Bingham, William T., retail, Dundaff street.
Blactus Bros., retail.
Barrett, J. W., retail.
Coddington & Thompson, retail, 52 N. Main street.
Coughlin, James, retail, 30 S. Main street.
Campbell, Thomas C., retail, 28 Salem street.
Clarke, B. S., retail, 24 Salem avenue.
Carroll, P. A., retail, 36 S. Main avenue.
Clemon, William, retail, 51 S. Main street.
Collins, Martin, J., retail.
Corgan Bros., retail.
Collins, J. P., retail.
Casey, P. J., retail.
Ditchburn, C., retail, 22 Salem street.
Dennis, F. E., retail, 41 N. Main street.
Dougherty & Martin, retail.
Edwards, R., retail, 27 Salem street.
Eley, E., retail, Second ward.
Eimer, E., retail.
Foster, W. R., 37 N. Main street.
Fulkerson, C. W., retail.
Graham, W. W., retail, 21 N. Main street.
Gradille, Lewis, retail, 33 N. Main street.
Gorman, Edward, retail, Main street.
Grand Union Tea Co., retail, 66 Salem street.
Gerhardt, A., retail, 75 Salem avenue.
Gilhool, J. B., retail, 23 Main street.
Hicks, Wm., retail.
Healy, E. J., retail, O avenue.
Hurbert, J. H., retail, 25 N. Main street.
Hoole, J. A., retail, 54 Salem avenue.
Kinback, Robert, retail, Sixth avenue and Main.
Kelly, J. H., retail.
Kilhullen, R. J., retail, Main and Seventh streets.
Kilpatrick, J. W., retail, 40 S. Main street.
Lewis, David, retail, Pike street.
Mills & Co., S. W., retail.
Mills Bros., retail, Main street.
Munne, T. G., retail, 68 Salem avenue.
Monaghan, J. J., retail.
Morgan, J. E., retail.
Maddage, Nicholas, retail.
Moon & Siebald, retail, 57 S. Main street.
Maxwell, Jr., R. T., retail, 25 S. Main street.
McNulty, John, retail, Main street.
McDonald, J. H., retail.
McCann Bros., retail.
Maug, Peter, retail.
Nieson, August, retail, Main street.
Nealon, T. M., retail.
Seaman, R. V., retail.
Singer, S., retail, 10 N. Main street.
Siriami, Alfonso, retail, 61½ S. Main street.
Stephens, W. F., retail, 64 Salem avenue.
Simpson, J. J., retail.
Sahm, A. L., retail, 9 S. Main street.
Singer, S., retail, 14 N. Main street.
Pethrick, R. W., retail, Sixth avenue.
Reese Bros. retail.
Reynolds, A. W., retail.
Rehkop, L. H., retail, Main street.
Roberts & Reynolds, retail, 25 N. Main street.
Raigelbuth, J. J., retail, Second ward.
Rommelmeger, A., retail, 24 S. Main street.
Risenberg, P. A., retail.
Tingley, J. P. A., retail, 34 N. Main street.
Tralles, R. H., retail, 20 N. Main street.
Tiffany, A. C., retail, 84 S. Main.
Walker, T. A., retail, 52 S. Main street.
Williams, B. S., retail, Salem street.
Williams, Samuel, retail, 27 S. Main street.

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