

ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA., March 12, 1912.

MY DEAR MRS. MATTHEWS:-

I am sorry to have taken so long to write to you. I had promised myself each day to perform this very pleasant task, but I have been so busy with Bishop in his conferences, until this is my first opportunity. You and your mother were so kind to us during our stay with you and you took such excellent care of Bishop during his illness after I left that I have been feeling like giving you both a big hug each day.

It was good that we left when we did as Bishop's work would have been way behind if we had started later. Bishop's health has kept excellent although he has been very busy. I am hoping you and Dr. Wheedbee cured him for good. Give my love to Mr. Matthews, your mother, Louise and Mrs. Wheedbee. Had a most excellent time in Nashville and regret that I could not stay as long as Mrs. Napier and her friends wanted me to stay. They had a big affair on Wednesday afternoon for me, but I reached there after the ball was over.

Mrs. W. B. M. 2.

Accept my heart's best wishes and many thanks for your kindness. I am hoping soon to return some of it to you and yours.

Sincerely yours,

K. Bertha Hunt

~~Has~~ not recieved return
to Ed. Waters college
Jax. Fla.

Mar 12, '12

Mrs. W. B. Matthews,
1720 West Chestnut street,
Louisville, Kentucky.

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404 Houston St.,
Atlanta, Ga.,

March 29, 1914

Dear Ophelia, - "My ole man"
is poorly to-day and while
I am sitting here with him
I thought I would write
you.

He was at home nearly all
day yesterday ailing around
considerably, but I am hoping
he will be alright when
oil, capones, pluto and
other mixtures get thru
him he will be in fine
trim.

He has worked himself down
to a "whisper" since moving
into the new store, and I

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think it is the "rest cure"
he needs more than
medicine.

I was glad to hear from
you some days ago. Your
letters are always full

of interesting news.

There has been two meet-
ings of the "12" since I
wrote you. Have you
had news of them? Of

course. I am getting so
poker about writing you
hear everything before
my letter reaches you.
Any how, both parties were
beautiful - jam up to
the 12's idea.

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We dressed dolls at Mame Thomas for amusement. The doll and nicely pressed scraps of cloth, lace etc. were done up neatly in packages and tied with blue baby ribbon. Mrs. Rucker & Mrs. India won 1st & 2nd prizes. Nell the baby.

Mame had a rich turkey dinner, beautiful flowers.

Mrs. Herndon had common drums. I answered eleven out of 12 correctly, which gave me second prize. Her guest, Mrs. Stewart of Canada got the whole 12 right. Mrs. India got third prize and Mame the baby.

4. The dining table was beautiful. There were hand embroidered centerpieces with doilies to match. The favors were silver bow bow baskets filled with candy.

I did not stay until the dinner was finished as I had to hurry home to dress the children for a crepe paper wedding.

India was one of the flower girls and Marge the ring bearer. The wedding was very pretty. The little Trent girl was bride and Henry Butler the parson.

I went up to Marc's Brony to the Annual Cantata

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Friday Night. Ruth was the subject and the students rendered it fine. I think every one enjoyed it and felt fully repaid for having gone.

The ball season has glided and games between the colleges are in full swing. M. B. C. and Baptist College played Saturday. M. B. C. won. M. B. C. also won from A. U. the Sat. before.

We have had some frosty weather this month. It is real warm to-day. no fire is needed while last Saturday there

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was quite a bit of
snow.

Hope you are yourself again
you were not so well when
you wrote me.

Forgot to say when I was on
the subject of clubs that
I will entertain the 12 the
first Tuesday. I am going
to have some kind of Easter
party. Will let Mrs. India
tell you about it she is
such a descriptive writer.
Guess you have read in the
papers of the attempt to rob
the Calumet Bank. Young Ross
received quite a blow.
"Believe me" there was "some"
corruption in dark town
None to the bunch. as ever, "Em"

404 Houston St,
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1914

Mrs. C. B. Matthews,
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Louisville
Ky.

"THE NORTON"
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DR. J. N. BISHOP
VERMONT TERRACE
CRESTWOOD-VIA BRONXVILLE
(HARLEM DIVISION N.Y.C.R.R.)

NEW YORK CITY OFFICE
103 PARK AVE.
(PHONE 3854 MURRAY HILL)

CRESTWOOD, N. Y.,

Feb 11 1914

Dear Ophelia.

I was so glad to receive your letter, but I do not want you to feel that you must answer promptly when I write. I will say to you as I always said to Mary Gaines. write when you feel like it, and I shall love you just the same if you do not write ^{often}. I received a letter from Mary Dec 3rd dated from Atlanta. in reply to one I wrote to her before she left Brooklyn. I did not see Mary but once. She telephoned to my brother-in-law, Dr. Bishop. & wanted to make an appointment with me to meet her in New York I did so and we were together from 11-o'clk A.M. to 4.0'clk P.M. We went out to dinner together and as she had been to entertainments, theatres

so she prefer'd to sit and talk, and
we certainly did have a talk. Mary
looked so pretty and I could not see
that she had grown any older in looks
March 18 You will see by the first
date of this letter that I was thinking
about you and expected to send you a
letter. I have had more letters than
usual to write since I commenced this.
Dr. Bishop has been in Florida since
the 7th of March and I have written a
long love letter to him for his wife ^{each day} as she
cannot use her pen any more. He will
be home again next Saturday, and my
sister is counting the days. She has felt
lonesome without him. He was obliged to
go and overlook the work of his extensive
Orange-groves. On Feby. 20th his only sister
passed away. She was sick only a few
days with a grippe cold which involved
her kidneys and caused her death. She
little thought that my sister (Mrs. Bishop)

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would outlive her. Last summer she & her husband built a very pretty house, or bungalow in Demorest Georgia where they go each summer for their vacation. They moved into it a short time before they left for Florida and gave a "house warming" more than 80 persons invited. The house is fully furnished & she was anticipating much pleasure next summer. "Such is life." Death is a solemn messenger whether it comes to the aged or young. As you said in your letter, speaking of your sister Florida's loss. "It seems so hard for some of us to submit to the will of our Heavenly Father. Tell me about your sisters. I ought to know, but I have thought of you for years, as an only child. Mary Gaines never mentioned any one but you. She is very severe in her likes and dislikes. Happy

are those who are pure of her friendships
alas, for those who are not.

I do not think Mary is in correspondence
with any of her father's relatives. Her large
eyes filled with tears when she spoke of her
Father's death. She will never have another
friend like him. In some ways his
devotion was harmful. She was going
to visit Mrs. Washington before she returned
to Atlanta. Mary is well fixed and has
no need to fear for future embarrassments.
I should feel very independent if I was as
well provided for as she is - 'Poor dear,' she
feels poor. She dresses well and looks
young and pretty. I fear some one un-
worthy of her may be attracted by her
money. and persuade her into marriage.

I think if she should love some good man
& he loved her for herself. she would be
more happy and contented. married.

I have answered her letter. was very slow
about it, and presume I will not hear
from her again for months, possibly never.

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I do hope your dear mother is enjoying good health. I believe I would rather suffer a "billious attack" than sit in a dentist's chair and have my teeth repaired. I know what it means. and dread it.

I am more than glad to know that Mr. Matthew's school work is a success and that he enjoys it. and I congratulate Louisa, her Father, Mother, Grandmother and friends on her ability to "lead her class," and better still to "make the highest monthly average in the whole school"

There is an Italian proverb which it is well for young and old to follow..

"Make haste slowly." I presume it is easy for Louisa to learn and does not overtax her mind.

Now I will thank you and your family for the good wishes you all

Remember I want you to write to me as often as you find it convenient and agreeable.

Extended to I me for the year 1914. and I will always remember you all in my prayers to the dear Lord. in whose hands we all are and who doeth all things well.

Tell your dear mother I would like to give her a good hug & many kisses and sit-down with her in some cosy corner and talk over old times, before she was married. I often think of "Belle Gaines", your uncle Wesley's favorite of all his relatives, and her father his favorite brother. That time seems ages & ages ago because I have seen so many changes and so much sorrow. But I know that my heart would feel quite young if I were to meet your mother. Tell her I will excuse her from writing if she will dictate her letters to you I do not want to lose sight of her or her daughter Ophelia & family. Ophelia please give me the initials of Mr. Matthews name so I can address your letters correctly. I address ophelia now.

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I thought of another thing I wanted to mention so I am obliged to take another sheet. I feel anxious to have Mary & you the same good friends as when her father was living. I mentioned in the letter I wrote to her, that I had received a letter from you, and that you spoke so kindly of her and was glad that "she had again taken her place in society among her friends" I do not think she has a friend to her liking among her relatives but you. She never mentioned any one but you when she corresponded with me regularly. As I said, I do not expect to hear from Mary again for a long time, if ever, but I shall always feel an interest in her welfare and remain her friend no matter how she

may change toward me. If you hear
any thing of Mary & her mother let me
know and if I hear from Mary or of
her in any way I will let you know.

Excuse this letter for its length
With love for you all. I will say
good bye for this time

Sincerely,

Mary E. F. Smith

Feb. 11, 1914

I wish I could see Louise
yes we miss Little too much
it dont seem natural for
her to be dead Aunt P sends
love

Atlanta Ga

Feb 24/1914

Dearest O.

Your letter was received and I was very glad to hear from you was so sorry to hear of your sickness but glad that you are able to be up and about in your room you must be careful with yourself I do hope you can do without the operation I hate to think about that but trust if you do that it will be O.K. well I have good news to tell you Aunt Rosa got religion. Fri night we are all so glad. will be sprinkled the 2nd Sun in March wish you could be here. she will write you soon we are having real cold weather here now. Well I

Don't no much news, but will
tell what I do. First I hear
Bishop Turners wife is
pregnant, kaka, they say
it is either Turners or
Daddys. Presiding Elders. Mrs.
Orisco, Mrs White, Powell
Mrs Wright, Annie Graves
the one I stood with at
Liberty. Nannie Perry another
one making 8. enough for
kids, well Ren Tuggle
died Thrus was buried
Sun. at 10 A.M. I went over
to view his body Fri
A.M. as I heard he was
to be buried in his
glasses so as I had looked
at all kind of the dead
but no glasses after death
he had them on, so I
view him Fri & re with
them he staid in the
Church from Wed to Sun
I did not go to the
funeral but I heard
they could not get near

the church had to have
4 officers to let the fam
get in the church 21
Carriages 6 hacks wagon
of flowers, band and flag
buried in south field
and they say that the
cemetery was crowded
so much the struggle will
Frank will in a bed of
closer. he can rest awhile
from work now I think
he gets his interest money
next month I dont know
the amount he will get
as I never ask any ques-
tions about the affair
you know you and I would
tell each other things
but I dont tell anything
so I dont ask her. I wish
I could see you to talk
you cant write like you
can talk I hope we will
live to see each other
again in life I love

so much to tell you. Well
they sure are cutting the
carriers off here I guess
more than 20 have been
killed I dont know what
day Sol will get his notice
Son got his about 10 days
ago so far he is up there
but looking any day to get
his papers. Babie is to
marry the 22 of June
I cant go I am sorry but
my affairs wont allow me
I am struggling with this
place my cows are not doing
well at present, but I am
glad to say I got it
done to do so but I have
sweated well over it my
companion is just the
same with his affairs
Love is yours Love I wish
I could see you to talk
well I hope you can read
this and soon I hope to
send you more news next
time love to all yours & all

108 Randolph,
Atlanta, Ga.



Mrs. W. B. Matthews
1720 W. Chestnut St.
Louisville, Ky.

GOLDEN
GATE

Atlanta, Ga.,

April 2, 1914

Dear Mrs. Ophelia:-

As I do all of the writing for the family I have at last gotten to you. It has been seven months since I've written a letter, so I am very much out of practice.

We see Mrs. Phillips very often, and I divide my flowers with her when I get them to help cheer her up. She seems to be grieving a great deal but every body is trying to keep her cheerful.

Mr. & Mrs. Webster were both ill with Pneumonia at the same time in March. She is still very low and in the hospital. He however is up, but is not strong and not allowed at work. It is said that they will both go to Florida and will not return until May. Owing to this I've had double work

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busy I'm afraid I'll have to ^{erase}
everything to tell her when she comes.

Pardon me for writing with pencil
as I am in school.

All send love and wishes for
a pleasant Easter.

Answer,

Mildred.

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to do. I don't get home until nearly
six o'clock.

We had a lovely Pentecost service
at school, Sunday afternoon. There
were a great many city people out.

We saw Miss James and four
little girls at the moving pictures
Saturday. It was the first time we had
seen her there.

You and Aunt Bella are on
mamma's circle and she has me
writing to see if you all would like
to contribute. Each member is asked
to give a dollar, and she thought it
best to ask you all even though you
might be connected with some other
church in Louisville.

How is Aunt Bella, Louise and
Mr. Matthews? Is Louise studying
as much as usual. Tell her she might
drop an old lady a card, or even a
postcard of herself, as I keep so

152 Beckwith St.

Atlanta, Ga.

Apr. 14. 1914.

Dear Mrs. Matthews:

We were very glad to get the picture. It is simply beautiful. In this day when the hair is worn every way imaginable it is certainly pleasing to see Louise's arranged so becomingly.

Mr. Allen did not know her. He made several guesses. I kept telling him it was one of his friend's daughter. I tried to remind him of those eyes but still he did not know until I told him.

He says she had grown so he did not know her. Yes, she has changed, but I hardly know how.

I am glad to know she still leads her classes. I suppose in a very few years she will enter college, if she continues to progress so rapidly.

We are glad to know that your family are again enjoying good health. I remember so well how I used to want to be sick, & that it was grand to have people pet and make lots of you, but since the children were born I have never wished it again. Good health is more than riches.

I expect you hear more Atlanta news than I. I very seldom leave our neighborhood, only for church.

Muriel Joyce is talking real well now, for her age. She and Peyton help Elsie Mae sing kindergarten songs. They never get lonely for noise when the children are awake.

My regards to all the family.

Sincerely yours.

Willie Reese Allen.

CONFERENCES:

GEORGIA:
NORTH GEORGIA,
MACON, GEORGIA,
ATLANTA, GEORGIA,
S. WEST GEORGIA,
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African Methodist Episcopal Church

RT. REV. J. S. FLIPPER, D. D., LL.D., PRESIDING BISHOP

RESIDENCE 401 HOUSTON STREET

Atlanta Ga.

Nov 15. 1914

My dear Mrs Matthews

and very glad to hear from you and
glad to know that you and family keeps
well I have been sick since I heard from
you I have been suffering with the La grippe
for about two week and the Rheu in my arm
I saw Mr. Lucky pass here this morning
and he look so much better since he
got well every body around here seems
to be doing well and I know no news
at all Joe have been down to see us
since you left and she is larger than
I have ever saw her but she got sick
before she left with chills and fever.
I see old lady Thomas every day and
night and day and she smokes her pipe
every day and night I reckon you know
what I mean about smoking her pipe it is
she gets drunk all the time Aunt Patsy keeps
well and if there any body that she wants
to come back to Atlanta what is you she
wants you back bad. Mrs Allie Allen lost
her daughter last night Mrs Kemp
They have made Dr. James Pounding
Clerk over South Atlanta Div

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They have left Bethel without a preacher They
will send another from the other conference
all the other preachers have gone back.

Mrs Jackson says she send love to you
she said she was going to write you
the other night. I dont no news give Lura
and your mother and Mr. Mathus all my
love and the children send love to you all
all send love I am glad to hear from you
and any time

I close Lovingly your friend

Amanda Flipper

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Atlanta, Ga. Mar 17 1914

Dear Mrs. Matthews:

Your of march 10th come safe to hand. I very much appreciate the check & the same has been ^{placed} to the credit of Prof. Matthews acct. If you will refer to the pass book you will find that the balance was \$36.91 this will leave a bal. of \$4.91

I gave Clara your message and am sure she will write to you soon if she can stay away from some of the committee meetings & the cooking school. Now comes the ball season do you know Clara is a regular fan. Leigh is playing on first B. & Douglass is playing short stop & I think before the season is over Clara will be one of the regular umpires of the College ~~Agg~~ League. Remember me to your Mother, Daughter & Family. I am thankful to say that all are well at this time.

Very truly yours,
H. S. Carter

ATLANTA STATE SAVINGS BANK
ODD FELLOWS BUILDING
ATLANTA, GA.

Mar. 17, 1914

Mrs Ophelia B. Mathews
1720 W. Chestnut St
Louisville
Ky.

day and night in Atlanta with Misses and her dear Mother, saw Nell who looks fine and Mrs Wood -ward also Dr Slater left there at 6.35 a.m Friday and arrived in Cleveland at 8.15 a.m Saturday in time for a good breakfast - which we ate with a relish. We found Ma well and active for one her years and Mayme and Olive. The picture of health also Mr Jackson, you may be sure they were glad to see us and we them. He spent Sunday there very pleasantly. In the afternoon a friend of Maymes Mr Guin + wife took us out in their Auto, through parks and many beautiful residential sections of Cleveland and then out in

147 N. Main St.

Oberlin Ohio Sept 28/15

My dear Ephelia:

I can just see you stretch your eyes when you see this post-mark and hear you say well what - on earth is Agnes doing in Oberlin? and I don't blame you but it is a fact - I am here just - how long I will be here remains to be seen and depends largely on the boys and what use they make of their time. You will remember that I told you we would make some decided change this fall and we have done so, after getting numerous catalogs of schools it seemed that every place we wished to put the boys was too expensive so after the summer

had passed and we ^{2.} had only a few who
in which to decide something I choose
Oberlin out of desperation or perhaps
because it was easier for me to
locate here than any where else at
just that time. I had written Mayme
about securing rooms for light-
house-keeping and she at once
wrote me that she could get me three
nice rooms upstairs with a friend
of hers, situated within a block
of Oberlin College and a little
more than two blocks from
Oberlin H. School. After considering all
things I decided this would be the cheapest
and best way out of the difficulty
while it meant a great sacrifice
to Mr. Q and myself yet we felt
that some sacrifice must be made
if the boys were to be educated
as we wished to have them.
I at once broke up house-keeping
shipped some of the things to Ecata
to Mr. Q, enough to Oberlin to fur-
nish three rooms and then stored
a balance of necessary junk in a
outhouse in the back of our yard in
Jacksonville. Mr. Q came to Jax on the
evening of the 4th and spent Sunday &
Monday (which was Labor day) with us. He
left on Wed the 8th, stayed over one

resemblance to Mr. M. but I have finally decided that you did it all yourself for Louise is you over again, her hair has grown beautifully when I saw her four yrs ago it had been cut quite short after she recovered from fever. Ophelia I have always thought it a perfect disgrace that you did not have more than one child, you know quite well you should have given Mr. M. a chance and the next night have been a boy at all events Louise is all Q. & I wish I had a girl like her. Well Ophelia how strange I began this letter before dinner

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the suburban country, my but it made my mouth water to see the apples & peaches and arbors of grapes. I have certainly feasted off them ever since I have been here. On Monday at 11 a.m. we left Cleveland by trolley and arrived at Oberlin one hour later here I found just the quiet pretty little town I had pictured. The College is the main thing here, we are pleasantly located about one half block from one portion of the College grounds and about two and one half blocks from high school. From my window I can see what seems a never ending stretch of green sward interspersed with broad walks, tall stately trees with their beautiful green foliage, and dotted here and there the many and various beautiful buildings, seemingly each vying

with the other in architectural beauty and grandeur. It is indeed an ideal place for one to come to educate a family.

There seems to be no prejudice, I say seems to be, but of course I presume if we hunt for it we can find it to some degree every where. The boys are in High 5 and seem to like it here. Just what Arthur will do next year is a question as he wishes to enter a scientific College and Oberlin is strictly a Literary. but I am going to let that take care of itself. If we are able he may enter Case in Cleveland, I would have located there but I feared the attraction of theatres movies &c would prove more than I could fight against hence I came here and believe me there is very little here besides school. I do not think that I will find it lonely as I am doing every thing myself. cooking washing and ironing and I have any amount of sewing for myself and the boys and this will keep me busy. I think now I have fully explained why I am here if you think well Agnes is a fool please don't say so for I need only encouragement. Now let me thank you for the beautiful picture of Louise, I have searched it over and over to find some over

the boys join.

Lovingly

Your friend

Agnes. Q

Love to your Mother also, how
is she?

Please excuse this
soiled paper I did not notice
it until I had written on it. Many
Thanks for Photo of Louise, let yours
come next - also one of Mr. M the
one I have of him has faded
nearly out.

Agnes.

Are you tired reading this letter?

I don't blame you but I won't repeat the dose.

a few moments the mail man
handed me a letter from Mr. Q
upon opening it - I saw Mr. M's
letter enclosed saying he had
sent him the deed which he
had found. Of course his wife
had overlooked it - all the
time. Tell Aphelia I know
you won't mind taking the
blame just since it is found
and ends that part of the
worry at least. I am truly
glad and know that you are
it will save you so much
bother in Atlanta. Mr. Q has written
to Kirkwood & and I hope he will be
able to get things straightened out.
Tell Mr. M me at least - take the cure

of getting behind them for I know
that you were a thorn in his flesh
and he began another search to
get your mouth shut. Hurrah for
you. You will be leaving in a
few days for Atlanta to put
Louise in A. U. I am wondering
what they ever did about that
bill they were trying to pass
relative to white teachers in colored
schools. I have lost track of
these things since I left home, but
I judge it did not pass. I
hope you have found some
relief for your hay fever it is
indeed a wretched thing. Mrs.
Start has been a sufferer with

it for years and as far as I
know there is no cure, nothing
I believe but a change of
climate some place high &
dry. I believe hay fever is
really worse than neuralgia
from which I suffer for as
long as I wrap my head up
like a granny, don't strain
my eyes & I do get relief.
I hope your visit to Atlanta
will be pleasant, I know it
will be, it is always nice to meet
old friends, tell me all about
the good times when you write.
Kind regards to Mr. M, with
love to Louise & yourself in which

From
177 N. Main St
Oberlin Ohio

~~Sept 28~~
Sept 28, 1915

Mrs H. C. Matthews
1720 N. Chestnut St
Louisville, Ky

Atlanta Ga
Sept 7, 1916



Dear Aphelia: -

Your letter rec'd while I was in Montgomery. I was as delighted as ever to hear from you. Enjoyed contents of your letter. My boy Julius was delighted with the pretty & useful little present (the thimble) I was tickled over it myself.

Hope you & family are well and as happy as ever. All of my family are well and join me in love to you & family. Many thanks for the dear little thimble. Will write you a letter soon.
Love, Amy

First Congregational Church of Atlanta

[Institutional]

Rev. H. H. Proctor, D. D., Pastor

Atlanta, Ga. August 9, 1916.

Mrs. Ophelia Matthews,
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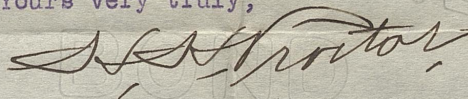
My dear Mrs. Matthews:

Let me thank you for your hospitality during my recent flying visit to the city. It was a great pleasure to be in your city especially on your birthday. Let me wish you many happy returns of the day.

Kindly remember me to your mother, the professor and Louise. I was delighted with the new building in which Prof. Matthews is to teach next year. It is a model of convenience and commodiousness. I reached home in due season and found all well and happy. They wish to be remembered to you and to your family circle.

I recall with pleasure our outing Friday night. Kindly remember me to Mrs. Bertha who went with us.

Yours very truly,



WM.

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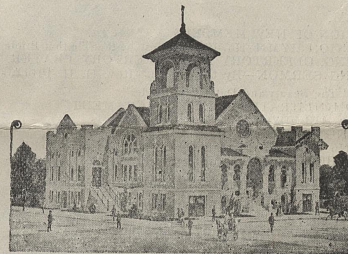
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TONIGHT: "A BIBLE TEXT THAT IS A LIE"

ORDER OF SERVICE, SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 1916

11:00 A. M.—MORNING SERVICE.

ORGAN PRELUDE.
PROCESSIONAL—"Holy, Holy, Holy".....Dykes
INVOCATION.
OPENING HYMN.
RESPONSIVE READING (Standing).
GLORIA
ANTHEM.
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS
COMMUNION HYMN No. 195. "Blest be the Tie that Binds," Fawcett
OFFERING, OFFERTORY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER.
MORNING SERMON—By the Pastor, Rev. H. H. Proctor, D. D., Subject: "The Beauty and Duty of Gratitude."
THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENT
JUBILEE MELODY—"Were You There?"
OFFERING FOR THE POOR
HYMN No. 202—"There is a Fountain Filled With Blood"
CHANT, BENEDICTION AND POSTLUDE.

12:30 P. M.—Bible School.

TOPIC—"The Greatest Thing in the World." I Cor. 13.

7:00 P. M.—Y. P. S. C. E.

TOPIC—"The Consecration of Friendship." Eccl. 4:9-10 Led by Mr. Asa Gordon

8:15 P. M.—Evening Worship and Song Service.

ORGAN.
PROCESSIONAL—"O Mother Dear, Jerusalem"Ward
APOSTLE'S CREED IN UNISON (Standing)
ANTHEM BY THE CHORUS.
SCRIPTURES.
HYMN (Standing)
EVENING PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE.
JUBILEE MELODY
ANNOUNCEMENTS.
SOLO
OFFERING, OFFERTORY SELECTION.
EVENING SERMON—By the pastor, Subject: "A Text That is a Lie."
RECESSIONAL—"Onward Christian Soldiers" Sullivan
BENEDICTION, with the "Amen" in the distance.
POSTLUDE.

Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting—8 O'clock.

TOPIC,—Paul's Chapter on Love." I Cor. 13

Members Reported Sick.

Mr. James K. Arter, 431 Auburn Avenue; Mr. Hillard Woolfolk, 231 Hilliard Street; Mrs. Emily Ransom, 26 Chestnut Street; Mr. A. C. Watts, 18 Richmond Street; Mr. C. C. Parks, 171 E. Linden Street; Mrs. Ida Smith, Augusta, Ga; Mrs. Charles Pritchard, Fair Haven Infirmary; Mrs. Robert Ivey, Fair Haven Infirmary; Mr. Richard Carter, Grady Hospital; Mr. Ulysses Gibson, 422 Houston St.; Mrs. Lucile Adams, 147 E. Baker St.

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MARRIED

Miss Aquilla Pope, one of our young women, was married to Mr. Benjamin F. Payne at the close of the service last Sunday night. Mr. and Mrs. Payne will make their home in Palm Beach, Fla., and we wish them all happiness and success. They left this week for their Florida home.

THE PASTOR'S VACATION

The pastor is now on his vacation, but returned to be with his people at the communion service today. During the last week he delivered addresses in Knoxville, Tenn.; Lexington, Ky.; Richmond, Ky.; and Nashville, Tenn. He leaves this week for the west, to speak in Alabama, Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Mississippi, returning to Atlanta in time for the opening of the fall campaign the first Sunday in September.

PULPIT SUPPLIES

During the pastor's absence Dr. P. O'Connell will fill the pulpit the second and third Sundays. The preacher for the fourth Sunday will be announced next week.

A LIE FOR A TEXT

Tonight the pastor will take a lie for his text. At the close of last Sunday night's sermon a member expressed herself as much stirred up because the pastor said that everything that was in the Bible was not true. Tonight he will take for his text one of the things in the Bible that is a lie.

MISS LOTTIE L. MERCHANT

After a year's service as matron and office-worker, Miss Merchant resigns. The Board expresses its appreciation for her earnestness and faithfulness to her duties, and wishes her much success in her future work. She will spend the summer at her home in Newark, N. J.

AMONG OUR BOYS

Mr. G. D. Holloway is doing a fine work among our boys. There are over one hundred and fifty enrolled in the gymnasium. He is ably assisted by Mr. Nelson, a trained athlete, who is training the boys in running. During these warm days much will be made of the bath.

OUR NATIONAL CONVENTION

Our Workers' Convention meets at Talladega, Ala., September 20-24. An excellent program has been provided. Among the speakers will be Mrs. Booker T. Washington. One of the finest features of the meeting will be the Woman's Department. Each church is allowed two delegates. Our church must be well represented. Our pastor is secretary and treasurer.

THE CHURCH IS MUCH IN NEED OF EACH ONE'S OFFERING HAS IT YOURS?

Aug. 9, 1916

Mrs. Ophelia Matthews,
1720 W. Chestnut St.,
Louisville, Ky.

First Congregational Church of Atlanta

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Rev. M. H. Proctor, D. D., Pastor

Atlanta, Ga. July 28, 1916.

Mrs. Ophelia Matthews,
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mrs. Matthews:

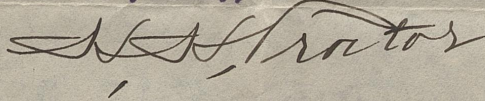
I am to be in Kentucky filling some speaking engagements next week and could spend Thursday night in Louisville. I have written Mr. Harris but cannot hear from him.

If I could be of any service to you or any causes you are interested in by my lecture abroad on Thursday night I would be at your service. If so, kindly drop me a line at Lexington, Ky., c/o Rev. W. L. Johnson where I speak next Tuesday night.

I was pleased to see Mr. Matthews here last week and to have a few words with him.

Wishing to be remembered to your family circle,
I am, with sincere regard,

Yours very truly,



WM.

a young lady courting -
Well, she is a modest, sweet
girl and will have sense to
know how to select and I
am sure she will endeavor
to please mother and father
in her selection.

I am sorry to hear your mother
is not so well. Yes it sure keeps
one scared when their mother
is feeble for when she is gone
your best friend has left.
I can not talk of Mrs. Julia, too
near to me. Too suggestive.
My love to your mama & Lou.
Lovingly India.

169 Marsham St
Atlanta, Ga. July 21, '76

My dear Ophelia,

Your nice long
letter came and I was real
glad to hear from you.

I had been housed in so long
by rain & overseeing house re-
pairs that it was so refreshing
to get such a nice long letter.

I have just shaken the
hand of your devoted hubby.
He sure looks well.

This is the second time I've
seen him since he has been

here. I was delighted to see him.

I am glad to hear of the grand closing exercises of his school. but I am not surprised just think "who he is."

Yes Missie is going to Baltimore to the "Federation," and believe me she has some swell clothes, and shoes to match. She had such a galore of silk hose that I helped my self to a beautiful pr of black & white

pin stripes.

She had Mrs. Ricker, Mr. Pitts & I to dinner yesterday - I need not tell you she had a fine dinner for you know how she can fix for her friends.

Of course, you know Bessie is to marry next month.

Do you know Kathi Carter, Eva Carter's sister. I hear she was wounded in Atlantic City & is dead.

Yes, it must seem real funny for you to be having

Atlanta Ga

Oct 4, 1916

Dear Aphelia:-

How are you & family? Hope you are all well. All of my little family are well except me. I haven't been very well this summer, ^{nor fall} I guess I'll need a little operation before I'll see any peace.

So I'm planning to have it soon.

I guess you have been quite busy getting Louise ready for school. Well I know it must be quite a job for it is a job for me to get my little lady ready and what is worse I have to help her with her lessons every day. And I tell you I have my hands full.

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Julia is simply carried away
with her thimble. She thinks it
the grandest little thing ever. She
tries hard to sew & crochet.

Say have you all the crochet
fever up there. So many have
gone wild over it here.

Wish you could see my baby.
She is two years old. She
has as much sense as I have.
Do you think she will grow dull
when she grows older? Hope she
will not. Julia is in second
grade this year. She is doing
fairly well. Do give me in
love to you & yours. Do ex-
cuse this pencil as my
pen was no good.

Lovingly Anna M. D.

342 Madison St.,
Atlanta Ga.

Oct 4/16

Mrs Uphelia B. Matthew,
1720 W. Chestnut St.,
Louisville, Ky.

When you get time Tell Louise
Auntie sends her best love.
What are your people doing
now? I forgot to tell you what
a good time I had in Fauch
Lick. I liked the place very
much. I was just riding over
the jitneys for fun. Best wishes
for all.

Your Friend
Lizzie Simmons

3348 - State St. Apt 426.

P.S. Since I wrote this letter had to take Maria
into Chicago on
account of the
Kaiser's illness
Bright and Park, Ill
July - 31 - 1916.

My Dear Mrs Matthews,

I am here and
that is all I can say. My knee
is giving me so much trouble
I won't be able to keep the place.
The cooking is so hard. We
have breakfast at 7.30 lunch at
12.30 and dinner at 6.30
Breakfast is very light, Lunch
is just the same as dinner

they have 3 children. The house
is beautiful also the grounds
this place is very pretty, I have
only had one walk, my knee
has pained me so I could not
go out. I don't think unless
my knee gets better I can
walk any more, I am sorry
as I had intended to walk
for a while. Julia told me
not to worry she would take
care of me. I am going to

leave here ³ Monday, I will
have to get off of my feet. I
am your mother also Mr. Westhead
Kiss Louise for me tell her
I miss her very much, Give
my regards to the Wheelers
when you see them. Julia
is going to stay here about 2
weeks longer. The lady has no
one in their just now. I will
give you my Chicago address.
so you write me there when

June 3, 1916

Mrs. O. B.

1720 - N. Chestnut St.
Louisville
Kentucky

Box 17th & 18th St.

5717 - Grove Ave.
Chicago Ill
Aug. 7-1916.

My dear Mrs Matthews:

It has
been so hot here. We are
almost dead. Can't sleep
at night. They have not
had a summer like
this in years. So many
people are dying from

the heat. We are having
a good breeze to day. Last
night I was sick from
the heat. These are such
small bed rooms with
one window. Julia has
been making her a
pallet on the floor. But
it is giving her cold.
She will be here Thursday -
her mother will be so glad
to see him. We just heard
to day that Minnie May
Stewart was dead. Her father
was talking to Julia on
the phone. You know this
is such a big place. People
can die and you will
never know it. How are
the Wheelers? I hope the
letter is better. How is your

mother. Mr Matthews^{and}
Louise, I guess you
all are just roasted
down is your church, I
have not been to church
yet, it has been so,
but. My knee is just
about the same, I
always enjoy your letters
I don't know how
news. Write when you
find time, love and
best wishes to all
also Mr Chippley, Julia
join me in best wishes
your friend
Jesse Sumner

Palmer House
Chicago

The Chicago Hotel Co., Lessee

Dear Mr. Matthews -

June 6

1916

Will you forgive the vagaries of a mind, and allow me to change and come to Louisville later. I find my stay would be too short. I will have to stay here until Friday night and then I must be in New York on Monday. So I could only spend Saturday there and I fear I am not able to indulge such an extravagant desire. It is more of a disappointment to me than it is to you, but I sacrifice my personal inclination & then I am to return in July & can really spend two days in Louisville. I can arrange for Albert to go to Columbia if he so desires & will do so.

I would like to see Louise & will do so. I leave here Friday night for N.Y. my address is as before Hotel St. Denis. I will be there

until Tuesday when I go home -
I know the Commencement will
be fine I wish I could be there
Love to Louise & Peg Matthews.
Peg Pearson is very much disappointed

Yours
Jas

Atlanta Ga.

Aug. 9. '16

Dear Ophelia -

I am still
in the land of the living.
Of course you are well
aware of the fact that
I am some age. I would
like to say just now
I am unable to say how
long it will be, but none
can tell my age. So you
see the 53 yrs. have not
made such an incursion
on me as yet. I hope
you are well and look-
ing as well as ever after
another ^{yr.} has been given

(3)

I usually call them in
when any thing like
this around but this
one of the times they
will be left out. I
want to tell you what
happened. Last night
I took so much time
and fixed two baskets
of figs to send off to-
day. Well I thought every-
thing was O.K. So I
took the figs to the
office to send off.
When I took them
to the parcel post man

(2)

you on this side. Well
I must say I was so
surprised when I came
home Monday I hardly
knew what to do when
I was told a package
was here for me. You
are the ticket - I must
say. Nothing could have
suited me better. Now
you know that is
saying a lot. I thank
you a thousand times.
It is fine, so much
so until none of my
friends will get a taste

(24)

to send, he told me
they could not be sent
as the law is that
nothing perishable
can be sent over 150
miles. So you see,
what a fix I was in
And you see there
has been so much
rain until they say
figs sour in less than
24 hrs. So you see how
things went. I have
sick ever since I
found I could not
send them.

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So now I hardly
know what to say
or do. I had to bring
them back as they
are in no condition
to send off. Give my
love to all. Well I will
close, thanking you
again for your very
thoughtfulness.

Yours
J. C. P.

Frankfort, Ky. N.Y. & I.
Sept. 23, 1916.

My dear Aphelia:

Your card was a most pleasant surprise. It was gratifying to know that Birdie left with the party. I feared she would have a long unpleasant ride in an uncomfortable car. I am so glad

that you and Louise
were at the station.

I am coming to New
Albany for a day or two
soon and I expect to
spend one afternoon
with you. Will let
you know.

Papa says he would
be only too pleased to
visit the new school.

I should be so glad to
have you visit me
some time this winter.

Love to your family

Lovingly
Lida,

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SEP 27-16

5-30 PM

Mrs. Mary D. Mathews
Frankfort, Ky.

Albion B. Mathews
27 20 W. Chestnut St.
Louisville, Ky.

A. L. and Erik had quite a deficit - last year, it is too bad. There must be money in the bank that could be given if people really understood. I'm glad Albert Robinson is with you. I'm afraid he has had a hard, discouraging time.

I heard that his father had been quite successful in a financial way this year.

I do hope many good things will come to Albert in time.

You must make a good thing of it and get to Atlanta - and A. L. next year. Remember me to Louis. Rufus, his mother, and Prof. Matthews. Cordially yours, Lyle C. Kneave

West- Babylon,
Maine.

July 25, 1918.

My dear Mrs. Matthews:

I am not at my home yet. First - I spent a week with my very best - Zalkadze friend. She is married and living in Ligon, N. C. Then I came on to Mt. Vernon, N. Y. spent a few days with a lady who was with me in Mobile, Ala. Then came to Reading Mass. where I remained about three weeks with a lady whose friendship dates back long before I came South. From Reading I came to Durham, where I had a pleasant

kindly from home with Miss Wallcut
who was with Miss Martha &
Emerson. There are A. L. J. &
I came here the 14th of this month.
I am a cousin. I shall visit
three more cousins and get to
my brother in Denmark, viz,
next Saturday night, where I shall
be during the month of August.
I have had a splendid time.

When in N. Y. I went to the
Crisis office. Mrs. Dubois expects to
come home next month. and Dr.
Dubois said they would live in
Brooklyn.

Mrs. Dubois told me that Ireland
was just a big boy.

I wish I could have done more for
Louise. I really intended to go
not calling with her. shall try to
do so next year.

As my best knowledge she was always
polite and considerate to the
lectures. and we are glad she
did not stop at Cork.

As to Rufus he was a well behaved
young man.

A few of the boys gave us trouble
the last of the year. but we found
out the truth of the affair, and
I believe next year will be a good
year. I believe the influence of
one of the lectures was quite largely
the cause of the mischief.

July 25, 1916

Mrs. Ophele B. Matthews.
1220 N. Chestnut - Street -
Louisville,
Ky.

my best wishes Tell Mrs. Bab-
cock that Gertrude Whitman sails
with Dick Bunday and wife
to marry Aunt. Then early
the fall. Kindly remember me
to Hadie, Du Valle, Mr. Chapin
and all. Has Prof. returned?
Tell Louise to answer my
letter. I still think of that
good time I had while there.
Has Prof. returned yet? We
are having a big revival at
present. Things have been dull
but expect to be quite lively
in a week or two. Write me
soon again. All send love
Lovingly & truly.

Springfield, Ohio,
Aug 25 1916

Dear Ophelia. I really thought
once that you all had for-
gotten me entirely as it had
been so long since I had
written you and Louise
both. You haven't forgotten
that you and Louise were
to come here this summer.
Have you? If you watch
the excursions to Cincinnati
you can come very cheap.
Mamma and David are
at the Fair. Summer school

however and have been
extremely carefull I am
glad to say. I never lose
my head. I may have quite
a surprise for him. Lucy R.
was in Chicago but didn't get
to stop by as she had planned
Cousin was to come but she
couldn't make the trip after she
promised to stand up with
Annie Rice. I had a letter
from Jessie Mae and Mrs.
Lena are planning a trip next
month. Johnnie Raiford was
here had a great time. I
was so sorry to hear of Dr.
Whitney not being so well.
also Cousin Bill give her

close this week. I received
and invitation to Mamie
Dunvalle's wedding. I was quite
surprised though she hinted
when I was there. I am mail-
ing her a package now. Well
I guess it is really true about
Helen and Calbert. They are
talking seriously about marriage.
I objected at first as I thought
Calbert should finish school
but I can't tell either one
any-thing. You ^{know} that is always
the way. I appreciate your
advice concerning Cousin
I think I have heard all

Atlanta, Ga.,

July 14, 1916.

My Dear Aphelia

Your letter rec'd a short while ago. Hee but it was a saucy^{one}. Ha! ha! You raked me out, but thanks I'm too far away to get a blow from thy muscle. I certainly did enjoy that nice long letter. I had just begun to think you had thrown me down. Well I am going to do better, but I'm not guilty of everything. I think of you constantly and long to see you. Louise certainly has grown. I know you are delighted to have her home with you.

Mr Matthews hasn't reached Atlanta yet. I was hoping he would get here before I left town. I am going home about Tuesday of next week. So write me to Montgomery Ala 225 Carter Hill Road

My but we have had some rain here. It has been terrible.

Now it has grown hot again. Anything but rain tho. We have had enough for a while.

I'm surprised to note Bee Evans & H. abands change. Thought she was going to be there for good. But more money is what every one is looking for now. If you know her address. send it ~~too~~ me. I want to drop her a card.

Every body that knew Dr Palmer was so much in sympathy with him in his recent bereavement. She had suffered so long tho. Her sister came from Jersey and is keeping house for Dr's Palmer's.

Say I don't deserve any thanks for being kind to Louise. I am ashamed to not have seen more of her but this past year seemed a little hard for me. I didn't have much time to call my own. But hope to do better next term.

I am sorry your mother doesn't

Keep well. I hope you she feels better
 ever than. Give her my best regards.

Mrs Amos has been away for a few
 days, but is back now. Her children
 out grown anything.

My children are growing fast too. My
 little baby talks as well as Julia. She
 is so swift in every way.

How I wish I could come up there. "But
 I haven't got the Do-ra-me."

I'm going to expect a long letter
 from you while in Montgomery.
 I'm always delighted to hear from you.
 Do give me in love to you and

yours.

Lovingly Anna

National Training School

OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

Durham, N.C.

3533 Vernon Ave - Chicago - Ill

July 18/16

Dear Mr. Matthews

It is now my plan to open Sunday in
Louisville reaching there at 7³⁰^{PM} via the Pennsylvania R.R.

Should you hear nothing further, look for me then.

I saw Prof Matthews in N.Y. & had a pleasant
chat for a few minutes - I hope you all are well

Yours Shepard

July 18, 1916

Mrs. Ophelia B. Matthews
1720 Chestnut St
Louisville
Ky -

AFTER FIVE DAYS DAYS RETURN TO

Box 466

DURHAM, N. C.

National Training School

OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

DURHAM, N. C.

May 30/1916-

Dear Mrs. Matthews

On my return today from N. C. Mr. Shepard showed me your letter. I knew you would be glad for I know I have no warmer or truer friends than you & Prof. Matthews. I appreciate your friendship more than I can express. The Lord was with me otherwise the tremendous work could not have been accomplished. The gifts during the past eight months have totaled \$52,000, & then are other pledges available. You know I ought to be very good and serve Him. We have great plans for the future, to carry them out will require \$23,000. I am hoping to announce it raised within one year. I will need the prayers and help of my friends. When I have raised this endowment, then I am ready to offer Prof. Matthews, the Assistant's place here. I again thank you for all that you did for Albert and I desire to accept Mr. Shepard's invitation & ask you to visit us in August or Sept. I would say June, but I am not in Durham during June & July & I want to be here when you come.

Now a word of news. I am going to spend one day in Louisville about Sunday week. Prof. Mason will doubtless accompany me. I leave here Friday for Chicago remaining until Friday of next week when I go to Cincinnati & from there will run over to Louisville for a day unless my plans change. Please tell Prof. Matthews.

Write me a line to The Palmer House, Chicago Ill. When does school close?

Yours truly
James E. Shepard

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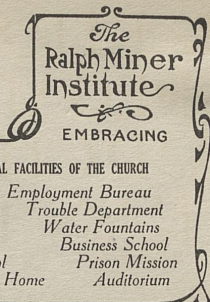
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My dear Mrs. Matthews:

I am arranging my summer lecture itinerary and I find that I can be in Louisville, Tuesday night, August 14. If you can use me at that time in any way to serve some of your good causes, I should be pleased. I have a number of lectures on patriotic, racial, religious or a travel log of the old world.

Wishing to be remembered to Mr. Matthews, I am

Yours very truly,

MHP-ELC

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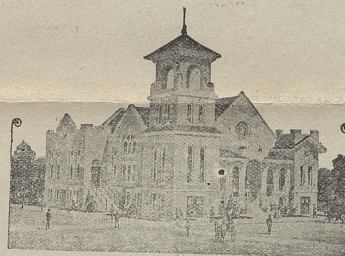
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SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 1917

11 A. M.—Morning Worship

ORGAN PRELUDE.
PROCESSIONAL—"Holy, Holy, Holy".....Dykes
INVOCATION.
OPENING HYMN.
RESPONSIVE READING (Standing).
SCRIPTURES.
MORNING PASTORAL PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE.
ANTHEM.
HYMN.
SERMON—By Mr. Harvey Johnson
OFFERING, OFFERTORY SELECTION.
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12:30 P. M.—Bible School

TOPIC—"The Purpose of John's Gospel" John 21:15-25

7 P. M.—Y. P. S. C. E.

TOPIC—"Mission Work in Our Cities" Ps. 87:1-7
Led by Mr. Lawrence Harper

8 P. M.—EVENING WORSHIP

ORGAN.
PROCESSIONAL—"The Son of God Goes Forth To War." Heber
APOSTLE'S CREED IN UNISON (Standing).
SELECTION BY THE CHORUS
SCRIPTURES.
HYMN (Standing)
EVENING PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE.
ANTHEM.
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EVENING SERMON—By Mr. Harvey Johnson
RECESSIONAL—
BENEDICTION.

WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETING, 8 O'CLOCK

TOPIC.—Preparatory Communion Service and Monthly Business Meeting.
Conducted by the Pastor

MEMBERS REPORTED SICK

Mr. A. C. Watts, 10 Richmond Street; Mrs. Amy Gates, 134 Howell Street;
Mr. Hilliard Woolfolk, 235 Magnolia Street.

DEBT FUND REPORT

Master Roy Proctor, \$5. Mrs. Carrie Cox, \$2.50. Miss Jimmie Starks, \$1.
Thomas Holmes, 50c. Mrs. F. P. Raiford, 50c. Mrs. Viola Bibb, 50c. John
Bozeman, 25c. Angustus McGhee, 25c. Miss Daisy Cobb, 25c. John Robinson,
25c. Miss Edith Wimbish, 4c. Miss Codell Ross, 10c. Total \$11.14

Subscribed \$5,701.28 Paid \$1,637.73 Unpaid, \$4,063.55

PASTOR IN CHATTANOOGA

The Pastor is giving the Fiftieth Anniversary Sermon of the First Congrega-
tional Church at Chattanooga today. He also gave the annual address before the
Band of Hope in that city on Friday evening. He plans to return to the city
to-morrow. In his absence the pulpit will be filled at both services today by our
Mr. Harvey Johnson.

MONTHLY MEETINGS OF OFFICERS

The officers of the church will meet at their customary meetings this week.
Each officer is requested to be on hand for his official Board Meeting.

MONTHLY MISSIONARY MEETING

The Women's Missionary Society will meet at the church Tuesday afternoon
June 27, at 4 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

BIBB-PACE

Miss E. Ethylnde Bibb and Mr. Harry H. Pace were united in mat-
rimony at the residence of the bride, 422 Houston St., Wednesday evening at
8:30 o'clock, in the presence of a brilliant company of friends, the pastor officia-
ting. The bride and groom left at once for Pablo Beach, Florida, on their honey
moon. We wish them much happiness.

MRS. MATTIE JONES

She passed away after a short illness Saturday morning, June 16, at her late
residence, 33 Chestnut Avenue. The funeral took place at Rome, Ga. Monday.
The Pastor accompanied the remains there for burial, and delivered the funeral
sermon at a Methodist church in that city. She is survived by a husband, par-
ents and brothers to whom we extend our most hearty sympathy.

OUR BOYS IN THE CAMP

We are pleased to receive good tidings from our boys in the camp. The
trip to Des Moines was made without accident, and their quarters at the Fort are
most comfortable. Already they are down to work and the Georgia boys are
known as Company 7. They have the biggest company in the camp and already
it is reported by one of the numbers that they have made good. Each week we
shall print some tidings from the boys in the camp. One request comes for
prayer this week.

NEXT SUNDAY

At the morning hour the July Communion service will be served when every
member of the church is urged to be present. At night, the Pastor will preach a
special sermon on "How Our People Can Get Right Here In The South That
Which They Seek In The North—and More." White as well as colored people
are especially invited to this service. This general subject will be treated
throughout the pulpits of the city that day.

INVITATION

Those wishing to unite with the church next Sunday are requested to meet
the committee today at the close of either the morning or the evening service.

OUR LEADER

We are glad to have as the leader on our Debt Fund this week Master Roy
Proctor, who pays his entire subscription of Five Dollars. He succeeded Mr.
Nelson as collector of this Fund. Mr. Nelson takes care of the buildings and
grounds. Who will lead next week?

Henry H. Proctor,
First Congregational Church,
Atlanta, Ga.

Jan 28, 1917

Mrs. Ophelia B. Matthews
1720 W. Chestnut Street
Louisville, Kentucky

169 Marchant St.
Atlanta, Ga.

June 29. '17

My dear Phelia

Your letter
received also one from
Lou glad to hear from
both intended ans. be-
fore now but have
been so busy - close
of school - overseeing
examinations & then
attending a course of six
weeks in Agriculture
so you see the old lady
was some busy but
I am a bit straight
now so I can keep more
in touch with you.

2,

I sure am sorry to hear
you have been sick, but
so glad you are better
I've got there in time
to help nurse you

I know you were more
than glad to have her
with you and of the
right age to chum
with you. It is so nice
to have mother & daughter
companions

"Will" came to see me
but I had run over to
see Em. as I had not
been over in months
and she was beginning
to pout so I went over
& made things right
found her nursing
Louella was in hospital
with another boy, which

+ family spent the day
with them Sat.

Minnie has just had
a guest from Tuskegee
a Miss Simmons.

The cars dont run
any nearer her house
than the turn corner
of Boulevard & Auburn
since the fire. So she
does not get over as often.

That fire was some-
thing fierce - You can
not find your self when
you get into the ruins.

Dr. L.B. Palmers wife
is expecting a little
one - I dont say when
since she says we will

all know when it comes
but from the looks of her
figure it won't be so
very long for us to guess.

Mrs. Hippard is spend-
ing weeks end with
Mrs. Herndon.

Mr. Herndon has just
returned from a trip
to Fla. in his machine
husband was to go with
him but too sick,
between you & me I believe
his illness was due the
fact he did not really
want to go. He is not
'crazy over Autos'

Husband says. no
charges for services rend-
ered Son as he is not
going to name any cake
for Tyon have just sent

me a nice one & he
would not be so greedy
as to have you have
another one so early.

The election of teachers
has just come out this
morn. a partial one
was right after school.
my name was left out
in two of the papers, by
mistake of the printer

It was in the journals
but not in Con. & Ga.
but the Supt. sent me word
& a written notice the
following day of the mis-
take not his but the
printer - Those who
saw the Con. & Ga & not
the Journal were much
alarmed, but this
morn. Con. has the appoint.

ments in free & J. M. Pett
heads the Mitch. St. teacher.

I have one new teacher
one of mine Eunice Arnold
resigned to marry. Maude
Hill (Ch. Hill's daughter) has
the place. Not many
changes. no one dropped
a few resignations for
marriage -

Love to Sam & Mother
from me & mine.
"Will" promises to stop
& see us on his return
Loveingly
India.

left boy no. one for Em.
to care for. Louella is
in M. C. Vicar will be
home in a wk. This boy
takes color next from Lou-
ella as the first one as I
hear. haunt seen it but
I do know the first one is
a peach -

Your home place look-
ed natural & well kept.

I did not go to the Pace
Bibb wedding, husband
was sick, so I can not
give any details of the
affair - Em. says it was
very swell, bride looked
the image of a "Peactree
Blood." The Company gave

a silver service cost
\$300.⁰⁰ (I should like to put
a question mark after
that)

On way home from Agri.
Class I stopped by Annies
she was well, fat & fine
much pleased over the
new job of son in law
John Davis - who leaves
to day for Washington D.C.
to take up his new job of
one hundred fifty a mo.
with a promotion in 2y.
of fifty more -

He is going to buy a home
there, Beas will go in
Sept or Oct. Beas looks
fine, don't think any
thing is doing yet.

Missie & Mother are
well & OK. Name Thomas

FRENCH LICK SPRINGS HOTEL
FRENCH LICK, INDIANA

My dear Mrs Matthews;
The shoes
and corset came and
they were all right.
The corset had \$3.50
marked on it. But
there was no bill for
either shoes or corset
so let us know how
much the shoes were.
I hope source is getting
better. It is very hot
in the day but cool
at night. I do hope

you can arrange to
come out. I'd really
^{like} to see you both good
I was very sad
about Paul's white.
I have not heard from
the Wheelers. I hope
Bertha is feeling better.
We have a friend from
French Dick at the
Red Cross. She was
operated on Tuesday.
I would like for
you to go and see

her. Her name is
Mrs Brown. Give my
love to Mama and
say to her I am
sorry she can't come
also. My best wishes
for Mr Matthews
and family. We
are both working hard
let us hear from
you soon. Best
wishes for all.
Yours truly
Lizzie Burrows



Mrs Ophelia Matthews
1720 - N. Chestnut St
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Albany, Ga., June 30, 1917. 191

My Own dear JoeN-

I am just through auditing the books here and am going out for an auto drive. I wish you were here to go with us. Mr. Macarthy has a fine Auto.

I have not been well today but will be in good shape by tomorrow. Do not worry about me. You go a head and get well for when I come home I want see a well wife. Tomorrow I am going to Macon where I shall stay until Monday at 2 p.m. for Savannah.

Mrs. Macarthy has been very nice to me since I came here. She is looking well and I think she is doing well,

It is awful hot down here today and I think it is going to

I told Mr. Rucker, that I was very nervous and restless, and that I was very anxious to join the exodus bearing here, but the fire did not touch any thing of ours, and of course as long as his holdings are secure, there is no way for us to go. Missie lost her property on the car of Auburn + Hilgard and that in the rear - on Old Wheat. I don't know whether she plans rebuilding or not. She has company now - Alice Simmons of Tuskegee. Nellie Groves is here, and I understand

152 Piedmont Ave
Atlanta, Ga.
June 4th, 17

My dear Ophelia:

I have been trying each day to write you, but it seems that I just could not get to it. This morning I have put aside every thing, that I might drop you a line. Lucy thanks Mr. Matthews for thinking of her, and is very sorry that she doesn't know short hand. You know we have not had a good business school here. She does type writing beautifully and worked last year for the Walter Johnson faction of the Republicans and they were much pleased.

Tell Mr Matthews that I would
have been delighted for him
to have had Lucy had she
been prepared along the
lines mentioned. I man-
aged to get to the Commence-
ment the first since Lucy
graduated. It was very fine.
I guess Louise has told
you all about it. See
I have been sick all winter
and I am far from being
well now, and I have lost
about ten pounds. I did not
see as much of Louise
as I planned. Every body

at my house was at school
and I found myself in the
same fix that I was in
when they were small children
the "maid of all chores," no
help but Jeppersons.

See the fire was awful!
The burned district looks
like a grave yard. ^{chimneys} nothing
standing but a ~~grave yard~~.
I guess you read the Atlan-
ta papers, and see what
they are planning to do - sep-
arate the Negroes. I hear
they plan to close Summit
Ave. and park Helliers
Jackson and the Boulevard
from Highland to Cain.

that she is ⁵expecting to increase her family.

Bessie and John send much love to you all. - He is due in Washington on the 15th of July. I think Bessie plans to spend a while with us untill he gets a house &c. She says she's going to write soon. Mabel White came to see me yesterday. She's on her way to Washington to teach in Nannie Burroughs' school. Mrs. Leater came to see me last week, and we spoke of you. I had planned to go to see Henry

graduate on the 13th of this
month, but I find now that
it will be impossible.
Henry is one of the honor
men, and has made a good
record at North Western.

The children and Mr. Rucker
send best wishes to you all.
You know I am always
glad to hear from you.
Jefferson says he's going
to send you his picture
soon.

With much love -

Annie L. Rucker

67th Co.17th Bn.159th Depot Brig.
Camp Zachary Taylor, Ky.
July 4th, 1918.

Mrs Ophelia B. Matthews
1720 W. Chestnut St.
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Mrs Matthews:

In behalf of the letter that you wrote to Mrs Pettiford, I am glad to that you were certainly a friend to her and baby while she was on her visit to Camp Taylor. I feel that I should apologise for not writing to you sooner, but as I had forgotten your address I left the responsibility to Mrs Pettiford.

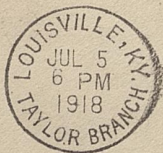
It is a pleasure for me to write you this evening thanking you very highly for your kindness to her and myself, as you made it very much like home for us. In most every letter I receive from Mrs Pettiford she speaks of you, and says when she comes to Louisville again, which is not long off, she is going to call on you first.

As soon as I get time enough from the office to visit the City I am going to call on you and Mr. Matthews. Best regards to the family.

Very truly yours
Sgt. Roy J. Pettiford.



"WITH THE COLORS"



Mrs. Ophelia B. Matthews
1720 W. Chestnut Street,
Louisville, Kentucky.

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1118 Syndicate Trust Bldg.,
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May 13, 1918.

Mrs. O. B. Matthews,
720 W. Chestnut St.,
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mrs. Matthews:

Your letter was received Saturday. My mind has been very much disturbed over the contents. I cannot understand what the trouble is with Miss Webster that she would be constantly annoying people in such a manner. I realize from the tone of Miss Massey's letter that she was becoming a disturbing factor in ~~the~~ splendidly begun work there. I cannot understand what her motive is.

So far, the work has gone on well and we have all been so proud of it and now she wants to retard its progress because there is some little selfish things that she has in her own heart. I appreciate just the way you are feeling over the whole matter and know how she can nag when she is inclined to do so.

I regret seriously for the happening in the Board meeting. I know Miss Shanks regretted it too. It will never do in the world for you to even consider leaving the Board or throwing up your position, as I have often told you that the position you hold as Treasurer and Chairman of the Publicity Department are of importance. I wanted you there because I knew your strength and ability to hold things together. By no means consider resigning. At least hold on until I come and I will endeavor, if possible, to straighten things out. Do be patient and remember that it is for the great cause we are working. I want to get there at least by the 23rd or 24th. Anxious to have a talk with Miss Shanks before she leaves so just try to be patient and prayerful until that time.

After all, I think you just have to consider Miss Webster's temperament and disposition.

O. B. M. - 2

Everybody knows just what a stand you have taken and how loyal you have been to Miss Websters administration. I am sure there is no question in anybody's mind concerning that unless it is that of Miss Websters.

I was very much disappointed because I could not make my schedule reach Louisville in the early part of May as I had expected to do. Kept over in Little Rock longer than I had expected to be there and then a special piece of work in St. Louis. On Wednesday I leave for Kansas City where I will remain until the 22nd.

I regret very much to hear of Mr. North being removed from Louisville. I know you are doing your work well because I get echo of it from time to time.

I should advise that you hold the money that you have raised for furnishing the rest room at Camp until we know definitely what arrangements our War Council may make. I am sure they will grant us a Hostess House. The thing to do is to get a Commanding Officer from inside the camp to send a written request for a Hostess House to our Field Office here in St. Louis. We will immediately get it to the War Council at headquarters. All requests in this field are supposed to come through the Field office. See if you can get an interview with the Commanding Officer in the Camp at once and get this through. If the need is great enough and the soldiers are to remain at Camp Taylor, I am sure the War Council will consider a Hostess House or some arrangements through which the women can be taken care of.

It will be alright to write Miss Bowles also if you care to. State in your letter to Miss Bowles what efforts you have made and the money you are holding and perhaps she will also make some suggestion.

Yes, we had quite an awakening in Little Rock and we found much satisfaction in the spirit with which the women went to work. Please remember that I am depending largely on you to back up that work there. I am glad you like Miss Phillips.

My love to Mr. Matthews and your mother.

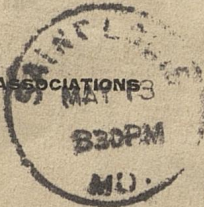
Sincerely yours,

May B. Belcher

MBB-C

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1720 720 W. Chestnut St.,
Louisville, Ky.

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French, Dick, and
April - 28 - 1918.

My dear Mrs Matthews

You
are not forgotten but
Julia is kept so
busy beside her hand
pains so when she
writes. We have to make
all we can while the
season is on. I was
just saying to Julia
to day. I wish you
and your folks and
Mr Weddell's folks
would motor out here
some Sunday. I don't
suppose you could get
him to do it. It would

2.

to such a grand out-
ing. Orr is your mother
also. Sonice and the
Mr. We were talking to
Roberta to day. And she
wanted to know why
we did not come to see
her. Julia is having
trouble with her eyes
she will have to come
in town soon to see
about them. Don't
know any news. Would
like very much to see
you and have a good
long talk. Julia is going
to send some money
in town next week and
I will send you change.
Thanks for your kind-
ness. Best wishes
yours truly
L. Simmons



ARMY AND NAVY
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
"WITH THE COLORS"



Camp Hancock
Unit 738 Army Y.M.C.A.
Aug 2. 1918

Dear Mrs. Math.

I am making no more desperate effort to get a letter written to you. I knew I have started a dozen I am sure and for some reason or other been called away from it and forced give up the letter. I was just called away from it this time. I am determined this time.

~~I wrote~~ I wrote you a more order a week ago and haven't yet had a chance to send it. I am sending you my Lib. bond book to look after for me - and will you kindly go to "M." bank and get my statement. I have a small residue there that I can use perhaps will help

TO THE WRITER: SAVE BY WRITING ON BOTH SIDES OF THIS PAPER

TO THE FOLKS AT HOME: SAVE FOOD; BUY LIBERTY BONDS AND WAR SAVINGS STAMPS

toward sending my things home.

After hearing of all these folks who have been sent in the shape I begin to feel that my time is coming very soon.

Tell Lou I met the Scott girl yesterday and found her good company. I am to go to a dance with Thursday & see Eva Connor. Julia Sweetin is marry in this month and I am to be best man though I do not know the groom.

Please apply the \$10 to the Ref. Bond.

I shall really write when I get a chance. I am ashamed of this letter but I am in a great hurry and I know you will excuse me and write me first the soon. There is no news.

Best love to all

Al -

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