

ITEMS FROM OUR MAIL BAG

A young man of Empora, Miss., who has been a reader of the MESSAGE for several months, writes his approval of its helpfulness. We trust that by continuing to study its pages he may be led to see the difference between the fables and traditions of men and the true light of life:

"The Megiddo Mission: Having received your paper on trial for a number of months, thought I would try to express to you my gratitude for the same. Oh, how I wish I were able to say just how much light I have received from it. It is one of the best papers I have ever read. I am superintendent of our Sunday-school, and it gives me something new to carry to them every Sunday. . . . I find it one of the most helpful papers one could have. . . . Thanking you again, I am yours for the cause of Christ,
B. C. H—."

A friend of Corner Brook, Newfoundland, who esteems the MESSAGE very highly, sends in names for trial subscriptions and writes:

"Dear Editor: The MEGIDDO MESSAGE has been my school teacher of God's Holy Word. I never got anything worth mentioning until I read its pages. I do thank God for the glorious light it has shone upon my soul. Truly I can say it has been a guide to my feet and a light to my pathway. How could I learn without a teacher! I do praise the dear Lord for it, and you dear people of the MEGIDDO MESSAGE who sought for it as for hidden treasures, and found the Bread of Life. . . .
I remain your brother in Christ, R. M—."

A young friend of Corning, N. Y., realizes that the work of the Lord is the only thing not in vain. Her letter is reproduced below:

"Dear Friends: I am sending \$1.00 for another year's subscription to the MEGIDDO MESSAGE. It is certainly a wonderful paper and I look forward to its coming, for the sermons are always so helpful.

"I am also sending fifty cents to help pay for the Sunday-school lessons. You people must certainly be very busy trying to spread the truth to others. It is the only thing really worth working for, because you are not working in vain. I only wish that I might be strong enough to conquer the 'old man,' so that when Christ comes I may be accepted. God bless you all is my prayer,
Mrs. F. L. L—."

A MESSAGE reader for ten years again renews his subscription. His letter from Point Pleasant, Va., follows:

"Dear Friends: I inclose money order for \$1.00 to renew my subscription to the MESSAGE. Have been reading it since 1922 and do not wish to miss a copy. With best wishes to all.
W. F. W—."

A friend of Maltland, Fla., has been searching diligently for truth and now feels he has found it. It is a pleasure to copy his letter and is added evidence that those who diligently seek shall find:

"Dear Megiddo People: For several years now I have been searching diligently for truth. I have tried Christian Science and other man-made doctrines, as well as having attended many of the churches; but I never could hold to them because I always found scriptures in the Bible which contradicted these doctrines; but I never did give up entirely. Then as if through a miracle I happened upon some of the Megiddo Mission literature in a W. C. T. U. free reading room, Winter Park, Florida, and I know I have really found the truth.

"I am inclosing \$3.00 for which I would be glad to receive the MEGIDDO MESSAGE for one year, the Chronology Chart and *Key*, and the set of books.

"It is certainly surprising how much easier it is to give up sinful habits, pleasures, etc., when one has a real knowledge of the Bible, the Word of God. Thanking you and the Great God, I am
Yours for the cause of Christ, E. D. K—."

A friend of Magee, Miss., finds the MESSAGE bread for the hungry soul:

"Dear Friends: Inclosed you will find \$2.00 for which please send the MEGIDDO MESSAGE for another year. You can use the balance as you see fit in sending out the truth. As for me I could not do without it; it is bread for my hungry soul, and I thank God for the help I have received through your good paper. May God bless all you good people in your good work.
With Christian love, Mrs. E. A. F—."

An appreciative reader of Selma, Iowa, writes:

"Dear Friends: Inclosed find fifty cents for which please extend our subscription to the MEGIDDO MESSAGE. Will send the remainder as soon as possible. Have surely enjoyed the MESSAGE the past year and can't do without it. We have surely appreciated the sermons you have sent since our subscription expired. We also enjoyed the S. S. Notes we get from Mr. and Mrs. S—.
I remain, G. M—."

One trial subscription has resulted in the following renewal from a reader in Harris, Sask., Canada:

"Dear Friend: Please find \$1.00 inclosed for your wonderful paper. I have found it a great help to me and I look forward for it.

"Thank you very much for the time you have sent it. I wish you every success in your great work.
Yours very sincerely, Mrs. A. C. W—."

We are pleased to hear from these friends of Pulaski, Iowa, who have interested their neighbors in the MESSAGE. Several names for trial subscriptions were sent:

"Dear Folks at the Mission: Have been planning to write for some time but time flies and there is much to do, as we are farmers and have a hard time to make ends meet. But the Lord has blessed us; we have plenty to eat and enough to wear and very little sickness in the family.

"We received the Chart and Key and have enjoyed studying them. It seems to us that the time for Elijah to come is at hand and we will surely be glad, for conditions are getting serious.

"There are several families among our neighbors who are reading our Megiddo books and also the MESSAGES you have been sending us. Will send you a list of names of those who seem interested and have expressed a desire to try the MESSAGE. You can send them a trial subscription if you wish.
Yours for the truth, H. F. H—."

Since our last issue we have received notice from Christiansted, St. Croix, V. I., of the death of P. W. Lashley, who has been a faithful reader of the MESSAGE and a believer in the Megiddo teachings for a number of years. His death occurred on Sept. 30th, after a month's illness. He was one of three in that corner of the world who have been brought out of darkness into God's marvelous light.

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If?

If you can trust when every one about you
Is doubting Him, proclaiming Him untrue;
If you can hope in Christ, though all forsake you
And say 'tis not the thing for you to do;
If you can wait on God, nor wish to hurry,
Or, being greatly used, keep humble still,
Or if you're tested, cater not to worry,
And yet remain within His sovereign will;
If you can say 'tis well, when sorrow greets you,
And death has taken those you hold most dear;
If you can smile when adverse trials meet you,
And be content, although your lot be drear;
If you can be reviled, and never murmur,
Or, being tempted, not give way to sin;
If you can fight for right, and stand the firmer,
Or lose the battle when you ought to win;
If you can really long for His appearing,
And therefore set your heart on things above;
If you can speak for Christ in spite of sneering,
Or, to the most unlovely one, show love;
If you can hear the call of God to labor,
And answer "Yes," in yieldedness and trust,
And go and tell the story of the Saviour
To souls in darkness, o'er the desert's dust;
If you can pray when Satan's darts are strongest,
And take the road of faith, instead of sight,
Or walk with God, although the way be longest,
And swerve not to the left hand nor the right;
If you desire Himself alone to fill you—
For Him alone you care to live and be—
Then 'tis not you, but Christ that dwelleth in you,
And that, O Child of God, is victory!

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