

this idea in a business meeting. Rental of a space and the materials to be handed out would be some added expense, but this type of exhibit has been used very successfully by several congregations across the country. I think that part of the reason that the Lord's church has not been any more successful than what we have is because we have failed to take advantage of the many opportunities that have faced us in the past. We have held back from doing things because the denominations may have used them first. Just because the religious world in general has used something does not in itself make it right or wrong. If something gets the results and is not unscriptural there is no reason, other than pigheadedness, why we should not use it. Suggestions for the fair booth with a meeting following the next week have been considered also. What do you think? Let your feelings be made known. (As if you wouldn't anyway.)

Remember the singing at Mark's Nursing Home each first Sunday evening at 6:30

Calling all men! Start planning for the Men's Retreat at Camp Indogan. The time will be here before you realize it. Make plans to be there. More detailed plans will be announced later.

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LA GRANGE CHURCH OF CHRIST
EXHORTER

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Schedule of Regular Services

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| Sunday Morning Bible Study | 9:30 A. M. |
| Worship Services | 10:30 A. M. |
| Evening Worship | 7:30 P. M. |
| Thursday Evening Bible Study | 7:30 P. M. |

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BRING
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WITH YOU

HOW LONG DOES A MEETING LAST?

As far as the preaching is concerned, the meeting will be over by the time you receive this bulletin. Is it over as far as you are concerned? If so, then you are like some of our denominational friends who can go from "Easter" till "Christmas" on one sermon. Even closer to home, you are like the christian (?) who can make it from Sunday morning to Sunday morning on the strength of one sermon and the Lord's Supper. There is more to a meeting than a week of preaching and missing favourite TV programs, 4-H Club meetings or whatever we "enjoy." If this is all it means to us, then we are

like our denominational friends who give up "little things" during "Lent." We must remember that a half-hearted attempt at religion is probably worse than no attempt at all. At least no attempt is not hypocrisy.

It seems to me that the meeting is only a beginning of our summer's work, between now and our fall meeting. The men in the congregation are trying to plan a good program for the church here. But we must be willing to rise to the challenge. Any effort will only be as successful as you and I are willing to make it. I am sure that we can, if we will, and we will if we want to.

As of this writing (3-24-66) twenty are enrolled in our Star Correspondence course. This is almost two times the expected enrollment from such a mailer. I might clarify a statement I made in a previous bulletin. I said that the course would cost us about \$12.00 extra each week; what I should have said was that the mailer, which covers all of LaGrange County, will cost this much each week. This is provided we have it mailed each quarter. These contacts have been made with almost no effort beyond our normal program. So far, no extra contribution has been asked for. In spite of the tremendous expense with our furnace you have given liberally enough for the work to continue. The church has contributed to the residual debt owed by the congregation in New York which was left "holding the bag" when the fair ended. You have also given to the church which is coordinating the purchase of a chain of radio stations to be operated by New Testament christians. Each program which is broadcast will have to meet the approval of dedicated christians. Wouldn't it be wonderful if as much could be said for our own programs we hear and see on our radio and TV stations. The more TV programs I see the more I question the wisdom of having them in a christian home. (Yes, we have one, but that doesn't make the majority of the programs any better entertainment.

In spite of the work we have managed to do so far, let us not rest on our laurels. But rather let us be as the Apostle Paul who said, "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended anything, but rather I press toward the mark, the high calling of God which is in Christ Jesus." Let us press toward the mark! Christ said that if any person would be a follower of Him, that he would have to deny himself, and take up the cross and follow him. Then He raised the question of the age; for what have we gained if we have gained the whole world and lost our soul. It is not just our soul alone, but the souls of the countless millions who are groping for the truth where there is no truth; they are looking for light, but there is no light. They are searching for life, but there is no life to be found in the creeds and disciplines, etc., because they have come from the hands of men.

I know that I am teaching the truth, because I do not know anything else to teach. I know our creed is the creed, because it is the Apostle's creed. It is the word of God as revealed through the inspired writers by the Holy Spirit. Pray for the Lord of harvest to send forth reapers, but remember you must help this to come true

Let us attempt to make this the best year the church has ever known at LaGrange. We can do it. Set up a study with someone you know. If you need help let someone know and we will lend all the assistance possible. We have the best set of filmstrips with records that teach the truth in a vivid way. As a teacher, I am convinced that a picture is of great value in helping to remember. And last, but certainly not least, we have the BIBLE. This is still absolute authority.

--E. E. G.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

The church is considering having a booth at the 4-H Fair this summer. We would like to have comments or criticisms of this idea. The brethren have discussed