

Jackson, Ky., Dec 29. 1887 -
Rev. E. W. Bedinger D. D.

Anchorage, Ky.

My dear friend Bro. -

Chk for \$53 rec'd last night -

In asking an advance on salary
of \$50 to move with I asked
that it might be on the whole
remaining ten months of
the present Synodical year
so that my salary monthly
would be till Oct 1st \$5-3³³
instead of \$5-8³³ 100

This was right, - for I used
more than \$50 to get my
family and H. H. Goods here.
(\$25 more if load and breakage
be counted), and had 1 stair's
here only one month Com -
should have borne the expense
of removal, as I was before in
their employ, and I need
Dec's salary for living expenses
of Dec -

It would make no difference to me at the end of the year but it would make a good deal of difference right now.

I wish that you could see where and how we live, in fact I wish all our chs could see some of the real hardships endured in any Mission work.

They are liberal now, but then they would be more so.

While I was writing the above Mrs M was remarking, "I just tell you, I'm going to freeze to death in these old houses."

But I hope it will not be as bad as that.

Try and arrange to come to Breathitt next summer; as a permanent officer of our Evang work you should see for yourself something of the field.

With best wishes and the hope that you may have a happy New Year I am as ever
Yours sincerely Eugene P. Mickel

If not called for in Ten Days, return to

EUGENE P. MICKEL,
LOCAL EVANGELIST OF THE
KENTUCKY PRESBYTERIAN SYNOD

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Jackson, Ky -



Rev. E. W. Bedinger, D. D.
Anchorage,
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Hartwell, Ga -

March 28, 1888 -

Rev. E. W. Bedinger D. D.

Anchorage, Ky.

My Dear Bro -

For my own work I wish to issue a monthly religious paper -

It will go to homes with little or no other reading -

It will teach the gospel

It will give our ch. prestige -

If I can get one page of advertisements I can publish the paper -

Can not Bellewood take three inches of space at \$9 for the year? Central University will.

The advertisement can be changed as often as you please, and set in display type or as reading matter -

I guarantee a monthly issue of 300 copies, will increase if I can get subscribers -

Subscription to be 25¢ to per yr. -
If you can aid me in ~~this~~

send the ad. here - $\frac{1}{2}$ due on your
receipt of first issue, $\frac{1}{2}$ in six
months - (all at once if you
please)

It would be cheap preaching
for our Com., to pay extra
expense above subscription,
but if possible I want to make
it support-itself -

Also suggest name for the
forthcoming periodical -

Yours at all times

Eugene P. Mickel -

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 Mar 28,
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Rev. C. W. Bedinger, D. D.
 Anchorage,
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Hazel Green, Ky -

Feb 13, 1888 -

Rev. E. W. Bedinger D. D. -

Anchorage Ky -

My Dear Bro, -

Being allowed a two month vacation by Committee, I put in a heavy month's work in Jan. and started from Jackson about Feb. 1st - But some delay in the mails threw my Jan. ^{check} back a few days and on the 1st Sunday of this month I preached at a point which we want to work up this summer - Then I came here expecting to stay a night or two - and ~~Mrs. Mickel~~ ~~took~~ Delayed a few days for a wagon to get to the Station, Mrs. Mickel was taken with Pneumonia very suddenly and severely

Excuse pencil I am writing
in the sick room —
now I do not know when
she will be able to go but
if she continues to improve
I want to use any good day
that may come after she is
strong enough to go —

But I am using on my
means for the trip, and I
shall need the Feb. check to
replenish my funds —

Now if there were anyone here
of our ch who could lend me
the amt for a month I would
not trouble you — If you
could send it to me then I could
go when Mrs. Mickel gets able,
and if not before the end of the
month I will not cash the
check till then —

Sincerely yours

Eugene P. Mickel
Hazel Green - Kentucky

If not delivered within 10 days, to be returned to



Rev. E. W. Bedinger,
Anchorage,
Kentucky.



Hartwell, Ga -

March 21, 1888

Rev. E. W. Bedinger D.D. -

Anchorage, Ky

My Dear Bro, -

I got here day before yesterday and for the present my address is as above -

But it is so late, I shall stay but one month, the mts need my work at this season, and a month will make my visit, and if I can get my apr. ch before I return to meet West Lx. Presbytery Apr. 24, I need not do any work here -

This will be my leaving here by Apr 20 -

I have an invitation, quite earnest from Rev P Cleveland, an old friend of mine to hold a meeting for him at that time - It would

be both profitable and pleasant
but I think that duty calls
me back - I preached
for ~~two~~ Sunday night -
(4th ch Atlanta) -

We were in a R.R. wreck
on our last day's travel and
within 25 miles of our destination.
Our car with five others
was thrown from the
track and overturned.

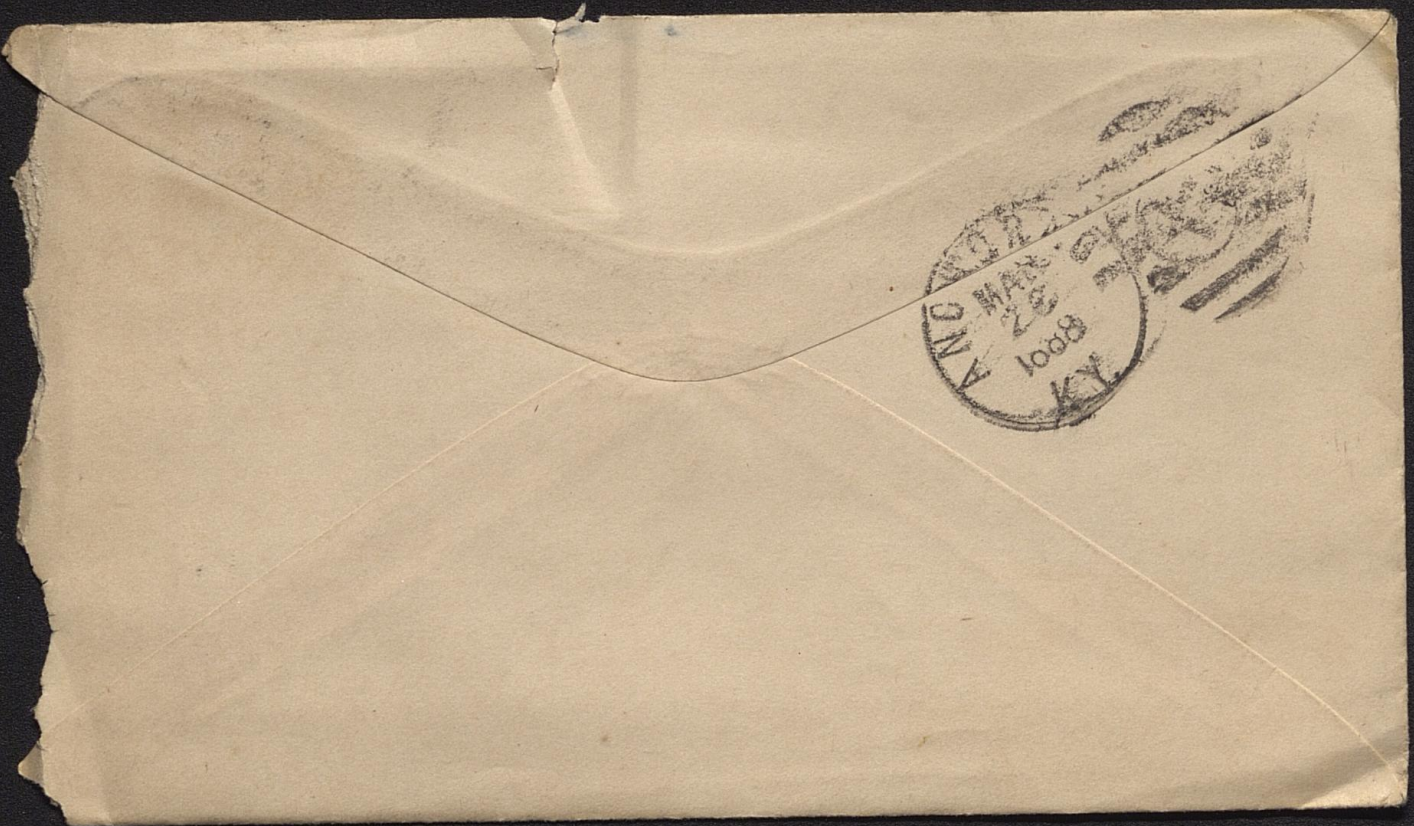
Only one man, a brakeman,
was dangerously injured, and
my little family and myself
escaped with but few slight
bruises - Praise the Lord
for his care, ~~at~~ which
is no less I suppose all
the time than then -

Yours ever
Eugene P. Mickel -

E. P. Mickel, Hartwell Ga
asking for March salary
sent to him. " 27. 1888



Rev. C. W. Bedinger D. D.
Anchorage,
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Hartwell, Ga -

Apr. 22, 1888 -

Rev. E. W. Bedinger D. D.

Anchorage, Ky -

My Dear Bro,

As I came South so late I do not stay two months but return tomorrow to meet West Lexington at Mr. Sterling the day after -

To enable me to do this my brother advances me the amt of my ck for April \$53³³/₁₀₀

If you have not already sent it to me will you please make it payable to him

My brother's name and address is

H. C. Mickel

Hartwell,

Hart County, Georgia -

and send it to him
at the same time for-
warding receipt which
he will sign for me.

Pardon my troubling
you this way; - indeed
it would have been pleasant
for me to have remained
here till the end of the
month, but I felt that
duty called me to return
now -

With best wishes for
yourself I am

Most Sincerely
Yours in Christ
Eugene P. Mickel

\$50XX

JACKSON, KY. - OCTOBER 25, 1889.

REC'D OF REV. E. W. BEDINGER, D. D., -FIFTY DOLLARS, APPROPRIATION SUPPLEMENTAL
TO SALARY FOR WORK FOR THE LAST YEAR, -FROM THE EVANGELISTIC COM. OF THE
SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.

Eugene P. Mickel-

Jackson, Ky -

Apr. 17 - 1889 -

Rev. E. W. Bedinger, D. D.
Anchorage.

My Dear Bro. -

I am just home from Proberts -
We had a very pleasant meeting -
Among other work was the ordina-
tion as evangelist of Mr. R. H.
Jovin of Frenchburg -

In regard to him I wish to
say that all were highly pleased
both with his examination and
trial sermon.

Can Committee at the
Hazel Green field have a man
as formerly done, including as
before Frenchburg, Hazel Green
and Beth Daleen, with the
new ch on Gillmore? If so
I would like to have them
invite Mr. Jovin to visit them.

Reasons -

- 1 Frenchburg can hardly be joined to a lower work if Olive Hill, Morehead, Clay City (an important pt. and Ford go together as proposed by Rev. D. D. Boyce, I. D. McElroy - and West Sax. Pres.
- 2 I cannot do justice to a field so far away -
- 3 Breathitt is pressing me for more work than I can do. Our R. R. is to be soon done and I ought to work the line at once - Mouth of Twin - Cave Ck and Lost Ck should all have regular service this summer -
- 4 The present Campbellite school at Hazel Green demands that our work there be done more thoroughly than I can do, at such a distance and with so small a part of my time -

Frenchburg is improving - I preached there last Sabbath and I was much pleased at size of congregation and their interest -

If you could do no more than to employ Mr. Irvine for the summer, releasing me for Breathitt during this most important season, it would be a great advantage -

I did not take my vacation this winter, I felt that there was too much to be done for me to leave - And the Lord blessed me in giving over thirty members to His Ch. during Jan. and Feb.

Yours in Christ

Eugene P. Mickel -

Jackson

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JACKSON, KY. OCT. 7. -1889.

REV. E. W. BEDINGER, D. D.,
ANCHORAGE, KY.

MY DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:-

YOUR LETTER OF THE 1ST INST. DULY AT HAND THIS MORNING. IN REPLY I WOULD SAY THAT AS PER THE ENCLOSED METTER, IF AT THE END OF THE YEAR THE TREASURY IS EMPTY THEN I HAVE NO CLAIM ON THE COMMITTEE, BUT IF NOT I SHOULD RECEIVE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WHAT THE CHURCHES HERE HAVE PAID AND \$300.

THE PEOPLE HERE ARE MANY OF THEM POOR AND CAN PAY BUT LITTLE. BUT THERE ARE OTHERS WHO HAVE SOME MEANS AND IF THEY WERE EDUCATED IN GIVING AND WILLING TO GIVE THEY COULD EASILY SUPPORT THEIR OWN PASTOR. BUT IF HE REMAINS OTHERS MUST BEAR THE GREATER PART OF THE BURDEN TILL THEY WILL DO SO. IF THE DESERT HAD RAIN IT WOULD HAVE TREES. AND IF IT HAD TREES IT WOULD HAVE RAIN. YOU ARE THE ARTESIAN WELL THAT SHALL IRRIGATE OUR SOIL TILL THE TREES GROW AND THE RAINS FALL.

THE HORSE SPOKEN OF IN THE ENCLOSED LETTER WAS SENT ME AS A PRESENT BY DR. GUERRANT'S CH. AT WILLMORE, BUT WAS, AT MY REQUEST AFTWARDS COUNTED AS A PART OF THE \$300 BY YOUR COM. WHO SENT ME A CHECK FOR \$73 THE PEOPLE HAVING PAID \$102, - THIS WAS FOR TEN MONTHS.

AT FIRST SIGHT THE \$121 RAISED THIS LAST YEAR OF TWELVE MONTHS LOOKS TO BE NO MORE, BUT IF YOU CONSIDER ALL THE OTHER AMOUNTS RAISED YOU WILL SEE THAT THERE IS A REAL IMPROVEMENT IN LIBERALITY. I HAVE AT PRESENT FIGURES THAT ARE A LITTLE FULLER ~~WHEN~~ THAN WHEN I SENT MY REPORT TO THE COM, AND ARE ABOUT AS FOLLOWS:-- PASTOR'S SALARY, -\$121, - DEBT ON FROZEN CH. -\$87, - PARSONAGE, -\$118, - CH. IMPROVEMENT, \$12, - ORGAN FOR THE IRVING CH. \$42, - CH. EXPENSE, -\$30. -- EVANGELISTIC COM. -\$27.50. TOTAL, ABOUT \$437.

THIS PAST YEAR I DID NOT TAKE MY VACATION, - THE NEEDS OF THE WORK HERE WERE TOO URGENT AND MY HEALTH WAS GOOD.

I AM SORRY THAT I AM NOT NOW ON MY WAY TO SYNOD, BUT AS MR. HELM HAS LIKELY TOLD YOU BY THE TIME THAT YOU GET THIS LETTER, - MY DUTIES AT THE PRESENT HOLD ME HERE.

LAST FRIDAY MR. HELM CLOSED A TEN DAY'S MEETING HERE. THERE WAS A FINE GROWTH IN THE SPIRITUALITY OF THE CH, AND THREE ADDITIONS TO OUR MEMBERSHIP. I KNOW OF NO BETTER WORKER TO INCREASE THE CONSECRATION AND WORK OF A CH. THAN MR. HELM HAS PROVED HIMSELF TO BE. FOR THE FIRST TIME I BELIEVE OUR PEOPLE HERE PAID THE EXPENSES OF A MINISTER TO THEIR MIDST GIVING HIM A LITTLE OVER HIS ACTUAL EXPENSE, -\$21. YOU MAY NOT CONSIDER THIS WORTH SPEAKING OF BUT IT SHOWS THE BEGINING OF THAT GROWTH WHICH WE ALL SO MUCH DESIRE TO SEE IN THE WORK HERE.

WITH BEST WISHES FOR YOURSELF AND YOUR WORK, -

I AM, AS EVER, MOST TRULY YOURS IN CHRIST, -

Eugene T. Mickel

JACKSON, KY. - OCT. 25TH, 1889. REX X.

REV. E. W. BEDUNGER, D. D.,
ANCHORAGE, KY.

MY DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:-

YOUR FAVOR OF THE 21ST INST. AT HAND LAST NIGHT ~~WIT~~
WITH CHECK FOR \$50.00. MANY THANKS TO YOU ALL. I THINK THAT IT WILL
NOT BE DIFFICULT TO RAISE MY SALARY FROM THESE CHURCHES CONSIDERABLY NEAR-
ER TO THE PROPOSED PAYMENT THIS YEAR. WE HAVE LITTLE TO DO IN THE WAY OF
CHURCH BUILDING HERE NOW WITH ANY BUT OUR NEWEST CHURCHES FROM WHOM NO
AMOUNT HAS AS YET BEEN EXPECTED. OF COURSE THERE ^{are} A GREAT MANY THINGS
~~STILL~~ TO DO TO ADD TO OUR COMFORT AND CONVENIENCE AT ALL THE CHURCHES,-
BUT THAT CAN BE DONE MORE SLOWLY. WE HAVE ALREADY THIS NEW YEAR RAISED
\$32.00 TO GRADE IN FRONT OF OUR CHURCH IN JACKSON AND COMPLETE THE HOUSE.

I AM VERY GLAD THAT YOU CAN COME TO MY CHURCHES THIS SUMMER, FOR I KNOW
OF NO MORE IMPORTANT WORK IN OUR COMMITTEE'S CARE, AND I THINK THAT YOU ~~COU~~
UGHT TO BE VERY FAMILIAR WITH ALL THE DETAILS OF IT FOR OFTEN THE SUC-
CESS DEPENDS ON MAKING NO MISTAKES IN THE SMALLER PARTICULARS. NO WORK
CAN BE DONE IN ANY THING WITH OUT PAYING ESPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE LITTLE
THINGS, AND THIS IS NO EXCEPTION TO THE RULE. BUT IT IS WITH PLEASURE THAT
I SEE THE PEOPLE HERE TAKING SO WELL TO PRESBYTERIANISM, MANY WHOM I WAS
AFRAID WOULD BE OFFENDED BY THE STRONG MEAT ARE THE VERY ONES WHO LIKE IT
THE BEST AND SEEM TO GET THE MOST GOOD FROM IT. THE MORE THAT THE OLD
MAN IS CROWDED OUT THE MRE ROOM THERE IS FOR PRESBYTERIANISM.

I WROTE YOU A FEW DAYS AGO THAT I WAS LOOKING FORWARD WITH PLEASURE TO ~~TE~~
THE CHANCE OF BEING WITH YOU AT THE CONVENTION IN LOUISVILLE ON THE 13TH ~~AD~~
AND ~~THE~~ 14TH OF NEXT MONTH, AS PER YOUR INVITATION.

AND I DO PRAY THAT ~~THE BLESSING OF~~ OUR MASTER WHOSE WORK WE ARE ENGAGED
IN WILL GRANT A RICH BLESSING ON HIS WORK THEN AND THROUGH THE COMING YEAR
FOR UNLESS HE SHALL ADD THAT ALL WILL BE IN VAIN, -I WOULD LEAN ON HIM.

WITH JOY IN THE PRESENT AND HOPE FOR THE FUTURE I AM AS EVER, -MOST TRULY
YOURS IN THE FAITH AND IN THE WORK OF OUR GREAT CAPTAIN,-

E. P. Mickel

IF NOT DELIVERED,
RETURN TO
EUGENE P. MICKEL, -
JACKSON, KY.



Oct 25,
1889



REV. E. W. BEDINGER, D. D. ,

ANCHORAGE, - KY.

REV. E. W. BEDINGER, D. D.,

CHAIRMAN SYNOD'S EVANGELISTIC COMMITTEE,-
MY DEAR BRO. :-

I HEREWITH PRESENT TO YOUR COM. A BRIEF REPORT OF WORK FOR THE PAST YEAR DONE BY REV. JAS. M. LITTLE AND MYSELF. TWO NEW CHURCHES HAVE BEEN ORGANIZED IN OUR FIELD, -ONE ON THE GILLMORE CREEK CONSISTING OF 28 MEMBERS AND ANOTHER ON THE LOWER TWIN CREEK JUST ON THE EDGE OF BREATHITT COUNTY CONSISTING OF 49 MEMBERR. THE FIRST I ORGANIZED AND THE SECOND IS PROPERLY THE RESULT OF WORK JUST COMPLETED BY REV. E. G. GUERRANT, D. D. BESIDES THESE I HAVE RECEIVED AT OTHER CHURCHES IN OUR WORK 21 MEMBERS. THIS IS THE BEST WORK THAT I HAVE SEEN IN MY FIELD FOR SOME TIME.

FINANCIALLY I PRESENT THE FOLLOWING:-

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| FOR PARSONAGE,- | \$118.00 |
| PASTOR'S SALARY | 121.00 |
| CHURCH ERECTION, HERE, | 87.00 |
| ORGAN. MIDDLE FORK | 42.00 |
| CHURCH EXPENSE, | 25.00 |

ALL IS IN FINE WORKING CONDITION I THINK, AND I AM SURE THAT THERE IS AN IMPROVEMENT ALL ALONG THE LINE. EVERYTHING IS PROGRESSING IN EVERY DEPARTMENT OF LIFE HERE. WE ARE GETTING A FIRMER HOLD IN THE AFFECTIONS OF THE PEOPLE OF THIS SECTION AND THEY ARE LEARNING MORE AND MORE OF OUR WAYS AND DOCTRINES, -AND MANY ARE LEARNING TO LOVE THE NEW CHURCH AS IT IS CALLED HERE

YOU SEE THAT THE \$121 FALLS SHORT OF THE \$300 BY A LARGE SUM, -AND YET I THINK THAT IN ASKING YOU TO MAKE UP THE DEFICIT IF YOU HAVE THE MEANS AS PER THE AGREEMENT BY WHICH I CAME HERE, -I OUGHT TO TAKE OUT RENT FOR THE PARSONAGE OF WHICH I AM NOW RELIEVED BYK THE GENEROSITY OF WEST LEXINGTON PRESBYTERY. THIS WILL BE I SUPPOSE NOT LESS THAN \$50. TAKE THE \$121 PAID BY THE CHURCHES HERE AND \$50 FOR THE RENT, -\$171, -FROM THE \$300 AND IT WILL LEAVE \$129 YET TO COME TO ME. IF YOU CAN PAY ME \$100 I WILL MAKE A PRESENT OF THE \$29 TO THE WORK.

WHOLE \$121 IS A VERY SMALL AMOUNT TO BE PAID BY THE PEOPLE HERE AND MUCH LESS THAN THEY OUGHT TO PAY STILL IT IS ALL THAT THEY HAVE PAID AND IT IS ALL I HAVE ~~ANY~~ REC'D. AND IF THE WHOLE AMOUNT GIVEN ABOVE IS CONSIDERED IT IS NOT SO BAD FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE NEVER BEFORE GIVEN ANY THING. AND I SEE IMPROVEMENT IN THIS RESPECT AND HOPE SOON TO BRING THEM UP TO A MUCH BETTER STANDARD. WE OUGHT TO HAVE ANOTHER MAN ON THE WORK TO LIVE AT HAZEL GREEN BUT IF THIS CANNOT BE DONE MR. LITTLE AND MYSELF WILL DO THE BEST THAT WE CAN WITH THE WHOLE FIELD.

FRATERNALLY YOURS,-

EUGENE P. MICKEL.

Jackson, Ky -
Sept 27 - 1889 -

If not delivered within 10 days, to be returned to

June 21
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Rev. O. W. Bedinger D.
Lexington -
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Rev. W. F. W. Bartlett, D. D.

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Jackson, Ky.

June 18 - 1889.

Rev. E. W. Bedinger D.D.

Anchorage, Ky.

My Dear Bro:

To-day is the time that I should be on the road in order to get to Lexington by tomorrow night - for there is 50 miles of hills between me and the little station at the end of the Coal Road - That fifty miles is now 50 miles of mud, for the continual rains of the past ten days have made the roads nearly as impassible as in winter - But worse the waters are up, the backwater is up the creek and yesterday our mail could not get through, so I cannot come that is not without swimming, and I think that my little speech would hardly be worth a week's time, 100 miles through deep mud, (to defect and return) and the swimming - But I did want to be with you all in this meeting held especially for such work as I am in.

With best of hope for the success of
your meeting I must remain at
home, I returned yesterday
from Middle Fork, not the road that
leads to depot, and in Cane Creek the
swift current was all my little horse
could bear up against, though it only
came a few inches up the saddle
flaps. Of course I got wet, I do
not mind that, only I do not like
to come to Lexington looking as
I must after a long ride through
mud and a dip or two in
the water. I have been on my
work here wet and muddy for three
days at a time, but everybody else
was in the same fix, which, to
poor human nature, was a great
comfort.

Yours (with a speech on hand
which I cannot use)

Eugene S. Mickel

Sept 27, 1889



REV. E. W. BEDINGER, D. D.,

ANCHORAGE, - KY.

JACKSON, KY. OCT. 23, 1889.

REV. E. W. BEDINGER, D. D.,
ANCHORAGE, KY.

MY DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:-

RETURNING HOME YESTERDAY I FOUND YOUR LETTER OF THE 16TH, AND LAST NIGHT I GOT YOUR SECOND LETTER (OF THE 18TH).

THINKING THAT WITH THE BLESSING OF THE FATHER, MY PRESENCE AT THE CONVENTION MAY BE AS USEFUL TO THE WORK AS A SABBATH HERE, FOR I CANNOT RETURN IN TIME FOR SUNDAY, I REPLY THAT I WILL ENDEAVOR TO BE IN LOUISVILLE AT THE TIME SPECIFIED. OF COURSE IT WILL BE ALSO A GREAT PLEASURE FOR ME TO DO SO AS I COULD NOT GET TO LEXINGTON, AND WAS KEPT HERE BY DUTY TO MY WORK THAT I DID NOT GET TO SYNOD EITHER.

MANY THANKS FOR YOUR KIND OFFER TO BEAR MY EXPENSES, -WHICH I FEAR THAT I SHALL HAVE TO ACCEPT, -THAT IS UNLESS THE COMMITTEE ACT FAVORABLY TO ME ON THE ITEM OF SUPPLEMENT TO SALARY AS PRESENTED IN A PREVIOUS LETTER, -IF THEY DO, HAVING RECEIVED ABOUT AS MUCH AS I EXPECTED, I SHOULD FEEL MORE INDEPENDENT IN DEFRAYING MY OWN EXPENSES.

IT IS WITH MUCH PLEASURE THAT I LEARN FROM THE PAPER THAT YOU ARE TO GIVE YOUR WHOLE TIME TO THE WORK, FOR THAT MEANS THAT YOU ARE TO COME AND SEE THE FIELDS FOR YOURSELF AND THEN YOU WILL KNOW JUST WHAT IS NEEDED, AND CAN BE OF MORE HELP TO ME WITH PLANS AND SUGGESTIONS.

OUR WORK HERE AND IN FACT ALL OVER MY FIELD IS GETTING IN BETTER SHAPE EVERY DAY AND THE PEOPLE ARE LEARNING ENOUGH ABOUT PRESBYTERIANISM TO LOVE IT FOR ITS SELF AS WELL AS ON ACCOUNT OF THE MEN WHO HAVE BROUGHT IT TO THEM. MAY THE LORD CONTINUE TO BLESS AND ONLY ETERNITY CAN TELL THE GOOD THAT THE WORK OF THE KY. SYNOD HAS DONE FOR EASTERN KY.

WITH BEST WISHES FOR YOURSELF AND FOR YOUR WORK, -

I AM AS EVER MOST TRULY YOURS IN THE LORD. -

EUGENE P. MICKEL.

Oct 23, 1889



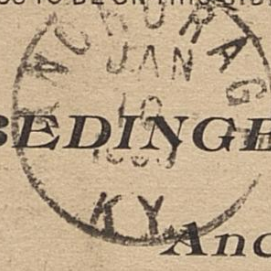
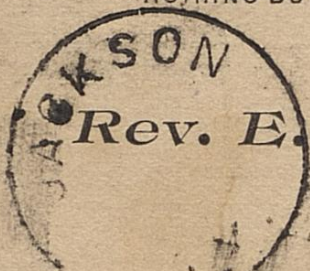
REV. E. W. BEDINGER, D. D.,

ANCHORAGE, - KY.

Jan 5, 1890



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Rev. E. W. BEDINGER,

Anchorage,

Ky.

RECEIVED from E. W. BEDINGER, Treasurer
of the Evangelistic Fund of the Synod of Ken-
tucky *One Hundred & Seventy five* ¹⁰⁰ Dollars.

Amount of appropriation for *salary for 44*
year ending *Decr 31st 1889.*

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April 16, 1890



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Rev. E. W. BEDINGER,

Anchorage,

Ky.

RECEIVED from E. W. BEDINGER, Treasurer
of the Evangelistic Fund of the Synod of Ken-
tucky *One Hundred & Seventy five* ¹⁰⁰ Dollars.

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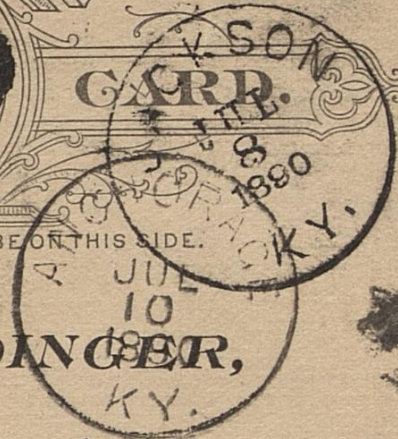
April 16, 1890

Eugene P. Mickel

July 5, 1890



NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.



Rev. E. W. BEDINGER,

Anchorage,

Ky.

RECEIVED from E. W. BEDINGER, Treasurer
of the Evangelistic Fund of the Synod of Ken-
tucky *One Hundred & Seventy five* Dollars.

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Amount of appropriation for

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quarter year ending *July 1st 1890*

July 5th 1890

Eugene P. Mickel.

JACKSON, KY. DEC. 29, -1890.

REV. E. W. BEDINGER, D. D.,
CHAIRMAN SYNOD'S COM. OF EVANGELIZATION,
ANCHORAGE, KY.

MY DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:-

IN SENDING MY REPORT FOR THE PAST QUARTER THERE IS LITTLE TO TELL, YET THE WORK HAS BEEN REGULARLY ATTENDED.

NO APPOINTMENT HAS BEEN MISSED DURING THIS TIME EXCEPT THE SABBATH TAKEN UP IN ATTENDANCE AT SYNOD, AND ONE VERY RAINY DAY THAT I WAS AT THE CHURCH ON THE MIDDLE FORK BUT THE CONGREGATION WAS NOT.

NO MEMBERS RECEIVED DURING THIS QUARTER.

MONEYS COLLECTED:- IRVING CH., - PASTOR'S SALARY, \$26.00

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| JACKSON CHURCH, - PASTOR'S SALARY, - | \$16.40. |
| CHURCH EXPENSES, - | <u>5.75.</u> |
| TOTAL, - | \$22.15. |
| TOTAL, BOTH CHURCHES, | \$47.15. |

AT JACKSON THE COLLECTION OF SALARY HAS BEEN UNDERTAKEN BY MR. J. C. M. DAY, ONE OF OUR BEST BUSINESS MEN, BUT THE SUCCESS SEEMS SMALL.

TO THE PEOPLE OF THE MIDDLE FORK CHURCH AND CONGREGATION, I SENT OUT 87 CIRCULARS AND CARDS LIKE THE ONES ENCLOSED; I COULD NOT GET ANYONE TO DO THE WORK OF MAKING UP A SUBSCRIPTRION AND COLLECTING IT AT THAT PLACE.

I GOT BACK EIGHT OF THE CARDS AND VERBAL SUBSCRIPTIONS BESIDE ENOUGH TO MAKE MAKE IN ALL \$47.60, THE TOTAL PROMISED FOR THE YEAR'S SERVICES. MR JETT WHOM YOU REMEMBER WE VISITED AND WHOM SEEMED SO ANXIOUS THAT I SHOULD STAY AND GIVE TWO SABBATHS, - HAS SOLD OUT AND IS NOW PROSPECTING IN TEXAS, NOT HAVING PAID IN FULL HIS PAST SUBSCRIPTION; COUNTING ON THE PROMISES OF A CONGREGATION OR MORE ESPECIALLY ON THEIR TALK IS BUILDING ON THE SAND.

IF THE CHURCHES ARE NOT BROUGHT TO A BETTER SELF-SUPPORT OUR WORK WILL SOME TIME OR OTHER BECOME A BURDEN TO THOSE WHO ARE NO MORE WEALTHY THAN THESE TO WHOM THEY ARE WILLING TO BRING THE GOSPEL AND THE CHURCH IN THE INTERIOR CANNOT BE BLAMED FOR NOT ALWAYS SUPPORTING THESE THAT ARE FULLY ABLE TO SUPPORT THEMSELVES. BUT HOW THIS GETTING THE PEOPLE HERE TO DO BETER IS TO BE ACCOMPLISHED I DO NOT KNOW. PLEASE MAKE ME AN OUTLINE OF ACTION THAT I WILL FAITHFULLY FOLLOW, FOR I HAVE TRIED EVERY WAY THAT I KNOW HOW AND I GET NO MORE THAN FOR THE FIRST YEAR THAT I WAS HERE. TO BECOME A BEGGAR WILL BE BUT TO DEFEAT THE PURPOSE THAT WE HAVE IN VIEW, TO MAKE A SHOW OF AUTHORITY WILL BE TO DO THE SAME, AND THEY SEEM TO BE DEAF TO ANY INSTRUCTION ON THE SUBJYOT OF CHRISTIAN LIBERANITY. I HAVE FOR A YEAR OR TWO BEEN LOOKING AT THIS ROCK THAT WE AS A CHURCH SHIP ARE HEADED FOR, THE ROCK OF A DEMAND BY THE SYNOD THAT THESE CHURCHES SHALL SUPPORT THEMSELVES OR BE PASTORLESS, AND THE SHIP WILL NOT OBEY THE HELM, I AM HELPLESS, WHAT SHALL I DO? THERE IS ENOUGH WEALTH AND ENOUGH INCOMES AMONG THE PRESBYTERIAN PEOPLE OF BREATHITT TO SUPPOT THEIR PASTOR, AND HOW TO GET IT CONSECRATED IS THE UNSOLVED PROBLEM.

IN TAKING ONLY TWO OF THE CHURCHES AND THOSE THE TWO IN WHICH I HAVE THE BEST RIGHT TO LOOK FOR A LARGE INCREASE IN SELF SUPPORT, I THOUGHT THAT BYKGIVING THEM TWO SABBATHS A MONTH IT WOULD BE BUT LITTLE WORK TO GET THEM TO INCREASE THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TWO FOLD AND GAVE UP ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS OF MY SUPPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE. BUT THEY SHOW NO SIGNS OF DOING ANY MORE. AND WHAT HURTS ME THE WORST IN THE MATTER IS THAT THE MEMBERS HERE THAT THOUGHT THAT THE AMOUNTS WOULD BE THUS DOUBLED BY GIVING BETTER WORK TO THE CHURCHES HAVE THEMSELVES NOT INCREASED THEIR SUBSCRIPTIONS IN THE LEAST EITHER, - THEY MUST HAVE BEEN EXPECTING SOME ONE ELSE TO MAKE UP ALL THE DEFFERENCE. SO LIKE THE MT. PEOPLE IN EVERYTHING, THEY WANT SOME ONE ELSE TO BEAR THEIR BURDENS, SCHOOLS, ROADS, AND CHURCHES. IF ANYTHING CAN BE DONE IT IS NOT TOO LATE IN THE YEAR TO DO IT, - BUT WHAT? I CANNOT STAY ON AND HAVE THE SYNOD BLAME ME FOR NEGLIGENCE WHEN I AM DOING EVERYTHING THAT I KNOW TO BRING

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THE PEOPLE UP IN THE MATTER OF SELF-SUPPORT, BUT NOW AT THE END OF MY FIRST QUARTER OF MY FOURTH YEAR IN THIS FIELD I KNOW A GOOD DEAL LESS HOW TO DO THIS THAN I THOUGHT I DID AT THE BEGINNING OF MY LABORS HERE. WHAT PLANS ARE BEING SUCCESSFUL IN OTHER FIELDS OF THE COMMITTEE LIKE THIS?

I AM PERSONALLY ACQUAINTED WITH THE WORK OF NO MOUNTAIN PASTOR OF ANY DENOMINATION THAT IS SUCCEEDING IN THIS RESPECT, AND I THINK THAT IF OUR COM. CAN SOLVE THE PROBLEM THEY WILL HAVE RENDERED A SERVICE TO THE WHOLE CHURCH IN THE WHOLE MOUNTAIN COUNTRY. IT IS WORTHY OF YOUR HIGHEST EFFORTS TO FORMULATE SOME SUCCESSFUL PLAN. I AM AT THE END OF MY OWN WITS AND IF YOU CAN GIVE ME NO PLAN OF PROCEEDURE I AM WILLING TO CONFESS THAT OUR WORK HERE WILL IN THE END PROVE A FAILURE ECCLESIASTICALLY, THOUGH OF MUCH GOOD SPIRITUALLY TO THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN ATTRACTED TO THE GOSPEL AS IT HAS BEEN PREACHED. I AM YOUR PIKCT ON THE OUTPOST, - I AWAIT YOUR COMMANDS.

YOURS IN EARNEST FOR THE WORK OF THE MASTER,

C. P. Nickel.

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Rev. E. W. Bedinger, D.
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Rev. E. W. Bedinger, D. D.

Anchorage, Ky.

My Dear Bro—

Meeting began here past Wed week, Dr Guarrant came
Sat went home this morning—Mr. Cowan came last
night to take his place—

25 added so far to this ch ("Twin Creek Ch")
3 from our other chs, 5 from other denominations, and
17 by Baptism.

Meeting to continue here Sabbath, then move
to ch up river ("Irving")

On consultation with Dr. G. I do not see
any new arrangement that I could make that would
not interfere with plans of others,—and his advice is
for me to keep Jackson and Irving, con-
sistent—

I will send announcement of our school—

When are you coming up?

Yours ever EUGENE P. Mickel—

P.S. Mr. Gregory has been doing splendid work—
He—

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June 30, 1891

Jackson, Ky -

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Rec'd of Rev. E. W. Bedinger, D.D. Treas -
Fifty dollars, a second instalment on salary
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Hazel Green, Ky.

Dec 22nd 1892

Rev. E. W. Bidinger, D.D.

Chairman,

My report for this quarter must be, plenty of teaching (194 enrolled in all) a little preaching, above Jackson, and a visit to this place — Of the last two, this last item is the greater ~~to~~ I find Hazel Green, together with Fillmore and Frozen Creek in a very promising condition, and I think with continued effort there is a good probability of a change for the better — soon —

They have a plan in mind which if carried out will nearly double the effectiveness of Bro. Little's work, — which is for him to let his farm and move into Hazel Green — Now a little mountain farm worked by hired help or rented out is not worth much, not over \$75 I should say, but it has given Bro. Little a home without paying rent —

In Hazel Green rent of a suitable house will be \$75- per year, with the increased expense of hauling his coal, wood and horse feed some 5 miles, not less than \$25- per year, besides cost of moving. I write asking that his salary from Committee be increased \$25- per quarter on condition that he move to Hazel Green. Renting out his farm instead of hiring it worked will give him much additional time for work of the church. At H. Green instead of on a lonely creek, will put him in contact with many more people, and he will see them much more frequently - ^{He can keep up a prayer meeting at Hazel Green} Besides this, though without reason it be, still a fact it is, our mountain people (like everybody else) more highly esteem any professional man if he lives in "town". He has no one now to work the farm for him. Of his children, one daughter is married, two sons, grown are away for themselves, and he has at home, two daughters grown, a little son, aged eleven, and a grown son, who

is an invalid from having been struck by lightning - His churches pray him almost nothing -

He is doing his work well and with satisfaction to all our people and others as well -

To put him where he can do his best work is but justice both to him and to the church -

Little need be expected from Beth Salem, but the other three churches make a wide field, enough for any man to fill -

Please read this, my report to Com, or at least to the sub executive committee.

Meeting of Rev Ben Helm just closed at Jackson, 7 additions to the church, and much good done - 3 of these were from the school - Not half of the young people are yet in school, we must have another meeting for them say in May - Bro Shewmaker is much liked, and he deserves it too -

Yours in Christ

Eugene O. Mickel

Report of Rev. E. P. Mickel
Dec. 1892



Rev. E. W. Pedinger D.D.
Anchorage, Ky

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Rev. E. W. Bedinger, D. D.
Anchorage,
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Jackson, Ky -
Oct. 20 - 1893.

Received of
Rev. E. W. Bedinger, D.D.

Two Hundred Dollars

balance due from
Synod to July 1st 1893.

Eugene P. Michel.

Jackson Ky
May 15-1893

Rec^d of Rev. E. W. Bedinger D.D.
One hundred and twenty-five ⁷⁵dollars salary
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Jackson, Ky., May 29, 1893

My Dear Dr. Bedinger,

I enclose letter from
Rev. W. L. Lawrence - of Texas
asking about summer work.

Thinking that our com-
mittee might be able to use a man
of experience in every work for
a few months I send the
letter to you -

Most truly as ever,
Eugene P. Mickel -

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JACKSON, KY., JULY 25, 1893. 189

RECEIVED OF REV. E. W. BEDINGER, D. D., TREAS., TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS, ON ACCT.
OF SALARY FROM EVANGELISTIC COMMITTEE OF SYNOD OF KY. FOR QUARTER ENDING
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Eugene P. Mickel

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JACKSON, KY., Nov. 16, 1893.

Rev. C. W. Bedinger, D.D.,
Anchorage - Ky -

My Dear Dr. Bedinger -

Dr. Blanton direct me to report to both you
self and to Bro. W. Elroy in regard to any work
for the church, as my salary is to come in
part from Synod's Com, and in part from West
Lexington Presbytery -

I am ready to undertake anything that seems
to be for the best good of the cause as a whole, but
I want the program for my work to be
fully satisfactory to yourself, Bro. W. Elroy and
Dr. Blanton -

I am now giving full work to the class
room and general management of the
Institute - Trains leave here, passenger 5:30
A.M. - freight 6:30 A.M.; both get in after
dark - To do work away from Jackson
I must be away Sat. Sunday, and Mon, at
least on each trip - Very truly yours in Christ

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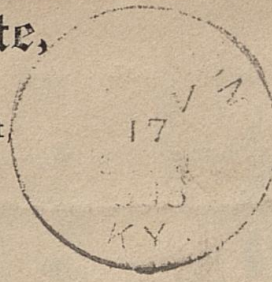
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*Rev. E. W. Bedinger, D.D.
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Jackson, Ky.
March 1st 1894.

Rev. E. W. Bedinger D.D.

My Dear Bro,

Your letter of the 26th
with check rec'd. - Many
thanks. It came at a
very opportune time - I
have as yet not rec'd
anything from Pres's -

I am very glad to know
that the prospect is a little
brighter for the work of
our Com. - I trust that it
may not belong till it can
be resumed in all its vigor.
With best of wishes for you -

self.

I am
most sincerely yours

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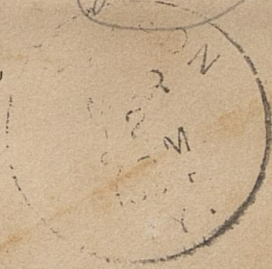
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*Rev. Dr. E. H. Bedinger
Anchorage,
Ky -*

Jackson July

June 15-94

Rev. E. W. Bedinger D.D.

My dear Bro, —

I dislike very much to write letters to you as Treas. about money, for I know that you do the best that you can and that times are very hard. Yet this hard times is the very reason that I must make short credits — Of the amount to be received from Presbytery I have had only 62⁵⁰ —

By paying up now I could get credit easily till Oct —

Don't let this add a single thought of worry to your load, only do the best you can for me and think no more about it.

Most truly yours in Christ
Eugene P. Mickel

June 15, 1894



Rev. E. W. Bedinger, D.
Anchorage,
Ky.

L. M. Mehal

Jackson, Ky -
March 1st 1894 -

Rec^d of Rev. Dr. E. W. Bedinger -
Sixty two dollars and
fifty cents, salary from
Synod's Com. from July 1st to
Oct 1st 1893 -

Eugene P. Muckel

JACKSON, KY. JUNE 19TH, 1894.

REC'D OF REV. DR. BEDINGER, TREASURER, - SIXTY-TWO DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS, -
BALANCE IN FULL FROM SYNOD'S EVANGELISTIC COMMITTEE FOR QUARTER ENDING
APRIL FIRST, 1894

\$62. 50. . .

Engine P. Mickel.

E. V. Mick

JACKSON, KY. JULY 26, 1889.

REV. E. W. BEDINGER, D. D.—
ANCHORAGE, KY.

MY DEAR BROTHER:—

YOUR CIRCULAR LETTER CONCERNING THE RAISING OF THE APPOINTMENT FOR OUR SYNODICAL COM. REC'D A NIGHT OR TWO AGO, AND IN REPLY I WOULD SAY THAT I HAVE SECURED A PART OF IT AND HOPE TO BE ABLE TO GET IT ALL SHORTLY. BUT IT IS VERY HARD TO GET ANY THING IN THE SHAPE OF MONEY OR WORK FROM OUR MOUNTAIN PEOPLE,—I DO NOT KNOW WHY,—UNLESS IT BE THAT THEY PUT TOO LITTLE VALUE ON WHAT IS SPIRITUAL, OR EXPECT TOO MUCH FROM OTHERS IN THE WAY OF AID.

THERE IS ANOTHER MATTER ABOUT WHICH I WISH TO SPEAK,—THAT IS THE PUTTING OF A MAN IN THE LOWER PART OF MY FIELD. I NOW HAVE WHAT USED TO BE DIVIDED BETWEEN MR. COOPER AND MYSELF, MR. LITTLE HELPING MR. COOPER. AS IT NOW IS IT IS A VERY LABORIOUS WORK,—BUT THAT IS NOT THE REASON THAT I SPEAK OF IT,— BUT FOR TWO OTHERS: FIRST,—I USE A GOOD DEAL OF TIME IN GOING OVER SUCH LONGROADS AS I NOW HAVE TO TRAVEL IN PEETING MY APPOINTMENTS,—AND SECONDLY,—I NEED TWICE THE TIME THAT I NOW HAVE, FOR THIS INCREASING WORK IN BREATHITT, OUR R. R. IS SOON TO BE DONE AND THEN A NUMBER OF NEW TOWNS TO BE LOOKED AFTER, SO THAT NEXT YEAR I SHALL FIND IT VERY HARD TO DO HALF OF MY PRESENT WORK.

IT IS IN THIS AS IN ANYTHING ELSE, TOO MUCH WORK THEN TOO POOR WORK. I CANNOT DO THE VISITING THAT OUGHT TO BE DONE.

THE AID OF MR. HANEY IS OF GREAT USE THIS SUMMER, BUT I AM SPEAKING FOR ANOTHER YEAR. AND I AM SPEAKING IN TIME THAT I MAY NOT BE TOO LATE TO HAVE THIS NEED CONSIDERED BY OUR COM. IN NOV.

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IT IS NOW MOSTLY PASTORAL WORK THAT I MUST DO, COMBINED OF COURSE WITH THE PREACHING THAT A PASTOR USUALLY DOES, AND NOT SO MUCH STRICTLY EVANGELISTIC ANNOUNCING. THE FLOCKS ARE GATHERED, AND NOW THEY MUST BE FED. AND THERE IS SUCH AS HAVING SO LARGE A FAMILY THAT IT BECOMES IMPOSSIBLE TO SUPPLY THEIR NEEDS AND IN TRYING TO FEED ALL NONE GET ENOUGH TO THRIVE ON. PASTORAL WORK TAKES MORE TIME IN A THINLY POPULATED REGION THAN IN ONE MORE THICKLY SETTLED, AND THERE ARE AT THE PRESENT NOT LESS THAN, I THINK, ABOUT 800 FAMILIES THAT I OUGHT TO VISIT REGULARLY TO KEEP UP THE WORK THAT I NOW HAVE. IT DOES NOT DO TO HAVE THIS DONE BY SOME ONE ELSE AS A VICAR, THE PEOPLE THINK THAT I AM TOO PROUD OR TOO LAZY, UNLESS I GO MYSELF. IF POSSIBLE, LET ME HAVE JUST BREATHITT COUNTY, AND MR "LITTLE'S AID FOR 1-2 OF HIS TIME, AND PUT ANOTHER MAN AT HAZEL GREEN.

MY WORK IS JUST LIKE THAT OF A FARMER, WHO TRIES TO CULTIVATE MORE LAND THAN HE OUGHT TO. UNCLEARED FENCE CORNERS, WEEDS AND HALF-TILLED LAND. STILL THERE IS MUCH TO ENCOURAGE IN THE WORK, AND MY ONLY WISH IS THAT I MIGHT HAVE THE CHANCE TO DO IT BETTER.

WITH BEST WISHES FOR YOURSELF I AM AS EVER
MOST TRULY YOURS IN THE FAITH AND WORK, -

Eugene P. Mickel



Rev. E. W. Bedinger, D.D.,
Anchorage,
Ky.