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March 22-1944 Canton musissippl Dear Brother Chalk. Dear Sir. I am farmly of Cluderge miss. I moved to Canton the first of Ten. We are in Ruel of Some August to help the Work hare. I am Andry a Shut Showing What We are trying to Do, Ringthing the Church there can Do will help a lot. We are meeting in an old Dwilli We Don't have room to hold a Muty, I Beture the Church Will grow if we get up a Buildings We ask for your prayer for the Wall fure Hoping to have from Jan soon on ho t Jams in Christ J. W. Walker - 69 5 V AC 29 R# 3, But 313 CAnton miss

The church of Christ in Canton, Mississippi, has twenty-six (26) members meeting in an old dwelling that is rented for one hundred dollars per month. It has a "for sale" sign on the lot.

Ten of the members are men and young men. Two good families have moved here recently, one a radio announcer who works for the local station and is buying a home; another is a farm manager who has served as a deacon in Cleveland, Mississippi, for a long time. These men will strengthen our leadership very much.

The preacher's support is supplied by the following churches: Tuscumbia, Alabama; Meadowbrook in Jackson, Mississippi; Oakhurst in Clarksdale, Mississippi; Booneville, Mississippi; Walnut Street in Dickson, Tonnessee; Union Avenue, Raleigh and White Station in Memphis, Tennessee.

We have bought a lot near the downtown section on Highways #16 and #51 for \$6,000.00. At present, the balance is $\frac{5}{3}$

Our needs:

\$100.00 per month for daily radio program. Lump sum to pay off indebtedness on lot so we can build.

Our purpose, with God's help:

An all-out effort is being made to pay off the indebtedness on this lot and build a meeting house so that the church will have a chance to grow and preach the Gospel in this county. (Likely one section of two section building will be erected.)

Canton is a growing, prosperous city of about twelve thousand population. It has twenty-two active industries which employ a great number of people. It is twenty miles from Jackson via the new Interstate Highway 55. Four other highways come into town.

Brother and Sister O. D. Hervey moved to Canton in December, 1963, to labor with this congregation. One has been baptized, two have placed membership, the lot has been purchased, interest is high, and we have some good prospects for others to obey the Gospel.

We ask for your help and above all, an interest in your prayers, that we may be fully established in Christ.

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