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WILLIAM TAYLOR FOUNDATION 1,000 MEMBERS BY JUNE B. W. Ayres, Vice-President

Again we wish to call the attention of the friends of Taylor University to a very important factor in the plans for the support of the school through the new holding company, The William Taylor Foundation.

It may be well to state again the fact that The William Taylor Foundation, a corporation chartered under the laws of the State of Indiana for the purpose of continuing the great work of Taylor University in the field of higher Christian education, is so organized as to provide for an unlimited number of members. To guard against a mere dead weight of membership, however, a requirement of money payment of *not less* than ten dollars a year was made a condition of membership.

I wish to set forth in this article the considerations which influenced the minds of the promoters and organizers of this Foundation on this plan.

First: When the crisis came last June under the old organization, it was clearly evident that no organization already in existence, and vitally interested, was in condition to save Taylor University, and carry on the work; hence the absolute necessity for quick action in organizing a new corporation. This organization had to have some money as a practical ground of action, and it had to have an encouraging declaration of loyalty and interest which gave promise of being more than a wish or a transient enthusiasm which would vanish after the first shock of crisis had passed. While it was a tremendous venture of faith, some money was offered, and sent in, along with many very wonderful letters of appreciation of the work of Taylor University, and with urgent appeals that everything possible be done to keep the University from closing its doors; hence the organization of the Foundation.

Second: Those who seemed most vitally interested, and most capable of giving counsel, felt that Taylor has a wide mission to all Protestant denominations everywhere. Its past history shows that denominationally and geographically it has drawn financial support and students from a wide range of patrons; and its students have rendered a widely distributed service, reaching the ends of the earth. The plan of the Foundation is to continue and even emphasize this character of its work. In the charter there has been an attempt to give just enough local responsibility to assure local interest and secure administrative counsel and service without too great cost. Our appeal for membership, therefore, is to all Christians everywhere who wish to share in the responsibility and the glory of this great work for the Kingdom of Christ.

Third: While we realized that setting up a minimum money cost for membership was likely to seem mercenary, and to lead to the false conclusion that we were more concerned about the material gifts of our supporters than about other forms of service such as prayer, sending and securing students, etc., we realized that without some objective, tangible, and easily ascertained test of vital interest we were likely to build up a large membership list of those who would only push up the cost of correspondence, notification, etc., and who would fail us in the hour of trial. Hence while we welcome and invite to a fellowship of prayer and work in the upbuilding of the school, those who have only these to give, we, at present, feel it wise to give membership only to those who pay *not less* than ten dollars a year, which may even be paid in small payments. It should also be understood that gifts however small or great not looking to membership are gratefully received.

Fourth: We have been commended for placing the minimum membership at ten dollars as a happily chosen amount. A lower amount, say five dollars, would not have secured anywhere near double the number of members, yet many who now pay ten would have felt satisfied with paying five. A larger amount would have been beyond the reach of many friends in these hard times. If there is anything like the response we have a right to expect, this amount should bring to us a dependable supporting body. We remind our friends, however, that they must not shift this responsibility to others. We cannot succeed unless our friends respond to our plan.

Fifth: Recent years have shown that endowment investments are very uncertain. Yet educational institutions must have a reasonably dependable basis of income outside of the income from students. This plan of the Foundation membership furnishes that; and if we can this year reach our set goal of *one thousand* members we can come out at the end of our fiscal year with a balanced budget. This income will be accepted by accrediting agencies as the equivalent of the income on \$200,000 of endowment. Only those familiar with the far-reaching importance of educational accreditation, both to the future of the school and of its students can fully appreciate this consideration.

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Sixth: Persons who pay are interested. These members from communities in many states, if at all active, can interest students in Taylor, thus aiding in a most effective way, not only in the financial support of the school, but in greatly multiplying the range of its work. Members should influence benevolent persons not only to give now, but to make their wills to The William Taylor Foundation. *Think of this before your friends die.*

Seventh: Support which comes in this manner goes one hundred per cent. into the work. If salaried field men must be sent out, with heavy travelling expenses, in times like these, most of what is secured is taken up in cost of securing it. Encourage the membership method.

Eighth: A membership such as we expect would be able to put on a great spiritual convocation once a year at the seat of the University. This would be of great mutual encouragement, and would yield large spiritual returns over a wide territory.

How I wish every member of the Foundation and every contributor of money, work, or prayer to Taylor University could have the privilege of being in our general Thursday evening prayer meetings and in some of our chapel services to hear the testimonies and prayers of our young people, and to catch the inspiration as spiritual victories and conversions are reported by our Gospel Team groups returning from week-end or Sunday services, where they have been called for miles around to help in the churches. I think I have never seen in the school in all the thirty-three years of my life here, a more vital and sanely aggressive spiritual life than is seen constantly in our student body this year. Pray that the great, aggressive, spiritual vision which the students are receiving, and their passion to reach the surrounding young life may find open doors and yield great results for God.

If not yet a member of the Foundation, become a member as soon as possible, and have a share in the great work now going on, and the greater work to be as more sacrificially get into it with gifts and prayers.

PLEASE SEND YOUR CORRECT ADDRESS

Send names and addresses of friends that you think would be interested in having *The Bulletin* and other literature.

Send names and addresses of prospective students.

If you send us twenty-five names and addresses we will send you the *Life of Bishop William Taylor*, a book of 318 pages — an ideal gift.

For ten names and addresses we will send you *The Angel in Ebony*, the enlarged story of "Sammy" Morris.

Do you want a Gospel Team to come to your church for services this summer? If you do, now is the time to write to Dr. Robert Lee Stuart or Dr. J. F. Cottingham, at Taylor University, and tell them just what your need may be. Plans are being layed for this summer gospel team work soon, so do not delay in sending in your requests.

DO IT NOW

The Board of Directors, faculty, students, and friends have caught a new vision of the possibilities of Taylor University. There is a feeling that her history is just beginning. It is time for everyone interested in the type of Christian education offered at Taylor University to act.

Friends from home and abroad are sending us gifts ranging from one dollar to one hundred dollars. The important thing is that every friend act now. Do not let the smallness of your gift keep you from sending it to us, and along with it tell us that you are back of Taylor and praying that God may continue to pour out His Spirit upon us. Send in your ten dollars for your membership in The William Taylor Foundation. 1000 live, active, giving, praying members of The Foundation will assure the future of Taylor University. Send every dollar that you can on your pledge. Tell your friends about Taylor University. Interest prospective students yourself and send the names to Taylor University.

Set apart some definite period during the twenty-four hours of the day that we can count on you in our Prayer League. Taylor University to be true to her heritage must not only be an outstanding scholastic institution, but the center of a spiritual movement that reaches to the end of the earth.

We have every assurance that God is pleased with our program, and that He will continue to bless. I do not know where you could find a place to put a dollar that the dividends in Kingdom building would be greater than here at Taylor University. I do not know of a greater piece of work you could do for any young man or woman than to make it possible for them to enroll at Taylor University. Tell them about Taylor University, send for literature, and become an active supporter of this unique piece of Christian education. Again we request that you pray definitely that God may lead Taylor University every step of the way.

Your gifts, and your kind letters of appreciation help us to carry on here at the home base.

If you live near us, drop in to see us. Begin now to pray for the Youth's Conference. If you are a church worker have a group of your young people with us. If you are a parent plan definitely to have your son or daughter here to spend those three days on Taylor's campus. It will prove one of the greatest events in the history of the life of the young people who have the privilege of attending this conference.

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For further information write
PRESIDENT OF TAYLOR UNIVERSITY
Upland, Indiana

Indiana Youth's Conference--Taylor University Campus--April 13, 14, 15

"THE HAND OF THE LORD HATH WROUGHT
THIS"

We have often pondered over the words of Jesus, "If two of you agree as touching one thing it shall be done." Did he mean we are to get together, appoint a committee, bring in a report and adopt it, then it is done? Or did Jesus mean that if two are divinely led by His Spirit and the leading of the Spirit is the same, and if by prayer and consecration we follow that same Spirit we shall have? Let us see.

During the year workers, Gospel teams and quartettes have been going into the churches. Pastors have wonderfully prepared the fields for the harvests. Scores and even hundreds have been won for Christ during these week-ends. It has been three here, a dozen there, and even as many as a hundred at the altar in a day. Since Christmas the Lord has been very near and very gracious to many, and yet many felt it was a gentle wooing into a greater field of service. A service that shall with the help of the consecrated pastors and devoted laymen win the youth to definite faith and experience in the Personal Christ. All who are in position to know, realize that there is a genuine *youth movement* in the churches, it is a movement toward God. The cry of our youth in Taylor is: "Oh God help us, help Christian youth to meet and satisfy the longings of youth!"

Just before Sunday, February the eleventh, the Holy Spirit began to speak. It is wonderful that so many were able to tune in. More wonderful than the finest radio is this voice from heaven playing the holy symphonies the world cannot hear. No jazz on this F.S.H.S. — Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

There was a group in Lynn, another in Kokomo, another in Fort Wayne, another in Upland, and one in Lewisville, all were engaged in the glorious work with young men and women, all were rejoicing in new born souls in the kingdom, then the Heavenly Voice began to speak and all who had faith the program would begin on schedule time heard . . . This is the message, "Go and bring the Youth. Someway get them together, an exceedingly great army of them, for me." Like Mary of old, those who heard pondered over the message. Then on Monday the 11th. they began to testify. The message had been so plain they were not astonished but those who had heard were amazed, that God had spoken thus to so many, and, that each had the same message.

Many approached the writer saying, "God has spoken thus to me." He has so spoken to the writer also and to his wife. It was then we began to understand more fully the "if two agreed." For two days nothing was said to the President, Dr. Robt. Lee Stuart, but when he was approached he had been going through the same experience, he too had tuned in with Heaven. Then the student body was approached and there are not many who do not sincerely believe it is God leading on to victory.

We are walking carefully, we await His pleasure, we are certain of a great *Spiritual Youth Movement* under leadership of Spirit filled young people. It will be as large as our faith for there is no limit to the call. Keep "tuned in" please and be ready for it.

— J. F. COTTINGHAM

INDIANA YOUTH'S CONFERENCE

BY PETER PASCOE, A Student

Taylor, under the leadership of God, is attempting something new! God has been putting the burden upon the hearts of a number of the faculty and students the fact that Taylor University should be the center of a great spiritual movement among the young people of Indiana. So, under the direction of God, we are announcing our plans for a Young People's Conference to take place on Taylor's campus the week end of April 13-14-15.

The purpose of the Conference is to gather in to Taylor as many as we can of the splendid youth of our Indiana churches, regardless of denomination. The program will be one of evangelism and will include round table discussions dealing especially with the problems of youth, group prayer meetings, and finally, with Dr. Stuart as the guest speaker, evangelistic services with the purpose of presenting to the youth a wonderful Saviour who is abundantly able to save.

We need your help. Please send us, in care of Harold Martin, Taylor University, the names of the young people of your church or community who you think would be interested. For all further particulars write Mr. Martin.

Our goal is five hundred members at the Conference, and remember we need your help.

Thanks Be Unto God for Such
A Testimony

BY SADIE LOUISE MILLER

Of the Music Department

My heart has been thrilled all through this school year with the knowledge that God's smile has seemed to be upon our beloved Taylor as I have not seen it before.

I have been at Taylor University for more than twenty-five years. I have seen many revivals, but I have no memory of any one that seemed to be as lasting and as thorough in its results as the one held last fall. The testimonies of the students reveal a strength of purpose and a depth of spirituality not often heard. Dr. Cottingham, who has kept in close touch with the spiritual status of the students, reports that he knows of no one who has backslidden from the attainments received at the fall meetings. One thing that has impressed me is the deeper experience that has come to several of our upper classmen. As far as I know every upper classman is a Christian. The reports of gospel team work each week tell of many souls saved.

The college prayer meeting on Thursday evening has not been as well attended for years as it is this year. The Holiness League on Friday night, even though social privileges are allowed that night, shows old Society Hall nearly filled every week and sometimes packed to overflowing, and some obliged to sit in the hall.

Many times this year I have wished that I might write this for the Bulletin and I am doing so with a thrill of gratitude to God. I believe He has a great place for Taylor in this poor sin-stricken world.

ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

COMMENCEMENT

Bishop A. W. Leonard, D.D., LL.D. of the Pittsburgh Area, will give the Commencement address this year. Commencement is June 5. The Senior class is to be congratulated on their choice of this outstanding evangelical leader. The alumni and friends ought to begin making their plans to be with us at Commencement time. There will be a feast of good things planned for you.

Taylor University is offering special preparation for those who are planning for the ministry, missionary, or general religious activities. The work offered is of standard grade and credit for more or less of this work is accepted in standard divinity schools leading to a divinity degree, according to the varying regulations of each school. The work can be so arranged that when the requirements are met and an acceptable thesis presented, the degree of Master of Arts in Theology can be granted by Taylor University.

"Dr. Robert Lee Stuart
Upland, Indiana

I cannot express in words the value of your sermon and what it has meant to me. I knew on the evening of January 12th that I ought to have yielded, but some way I could not. I went to my room on my return home, and I pleaded and cried to Jesus, and after the quartet sang "I Want My Life to Tell For Jesus" I was more unhappy, but about two o'clock Saturday morning Jesus saved me after I said, and meant, yes. Although I have lived a clean moral life, I loved the world, and expected some day, after two years longer to use my musical career on the stage. I have studied dancing and jazz for five years since graduating from college, but since Jesus has called me I have no desire. I am asking Him what I should do. I have separated my life for Jesus. I love Him.

My people are not saved, and I am ignorant of God's Word. But let me be faithful to Him and my trust, telling the world the story, is my prayer. Impress upon my heart, Lord Jesus, what you want me to be, put in my feet to go for you and let me be faithful to my trust, and use me for your glory."

Such letters let us know that God is still on the Throne. President Stuart with his quartets and gospel teams, along with Dr. Cottingham are having a great ministry this year. Scores of souls have been led into definite experience with Christ.

In a great watch-night service in the Plymouth Methodist Church of Buffalo, New York, just at the mid-night hour, a Roman Catholic was kneeling at the altar sobbing his way through to the Throne.

President Stuart and the quartet have been on the air broadcasting a number of times lately, and friends are being helped with these messages, and are sending in definite requests for prayer that they may find the Christ that is presented at Taylor University.

There is no question but that God hears and answers prayer today. We thank Him from the depths of our hearts that He is putting His seal upon Taylor University.

If you have a deserted church, or an abandoned camp, or a real field of labor, start praying and planning to do something definite for God. If you need outside help let us know. We can likely send you a Gospel team for a campaign for next summer. If we can be of any help to you, please call us.

An Appreciation of Taylor University

By William J. Tinkle, A. M., Ph. D.

Head of the Science Department

Since I have joined the great Taylor Family, I am taking this opportunity to tell you how well I like my new relatives. I use the term "relatives" advisedly; for while they are not kinsmen, all of the host of patrons and friends of the University bear a close relation to those of us who are working on the campus.

I have found Taylor all that I expected and more. It is a high class school in many respects. This is evidenced by certain material items of equipment, such as the beautifully arranged campus, the elegant new buildings, the grand pipe organ, the large telescope, and the rare collections in the museum.

Another indication of Taylor's high rank is the preparation and experience of the faculty. At a state college where I used to teach, a member of the North Central Association of Colleges, thirty per cent of the instructors had less than a Master's degree, while at Taylor practically all of the instructors have this much schooling or more. The percentage of earned Doctor's degrees was lower at this college than at Taylor. At the other two colleges at which I taught (one of them a member of the Middle States Association) the average preparation of instructors was not nearly so high as in the college mentioned above. The fact is, not that these colleges are below the average, but that Taylor University is well above the average in the preparation of her instructors.

The social life here has been very pleasing to Mrs. Tinkle and me. Some time ago I conversed with a business caller on the campus who never had been here before. He said, "If I had a boy and girl I should like to send them here to school. I presume that here the students find nothing to take their time except their studies." I assured him that it is a good place to send a boy or girl, but not because of the absence of social life. The average student here gets more social entertainment than those at big universities; to say nothing of its higher class.

The small Christian college has so many advantages over the large state schools. While attending a state university a friend of mine said, "I understand there is a course in Zoology here that one can not take and still believe the Bible." And I knew enough about the course that I had to admit that he was not far wrong. The university need not be named, for it is not the only one that offers such courses. But Taylor University teaches God's revelation of himself in nature as conforming to his revelation in the inspired Word.

I have found the attitude of my students very commendable; they search for truth, not trying to make an appearance of knowing without learning. This is the essence of scientific investigation. Taylor is a place where a Christian scientist has every reason to be happy.