ANNUAL REPORT

OF

SALEM AND ZION

# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES

OF

VENEDOCIA, OHIO

From

April 1, 1944, to March 31, 1945

#### FOREWORD

At the conclusion of another year, we pause and view the progress of the Salem and Zion Churches. It is fitting that we use the word "progress" for advancement has been made. Our giving to hemevolences has increased, as well as the support of the local church. Once again we have generously oversubscribed our gift to the Presbyterian War-Time Service Fund. In both churches our membership has increased. Such a report as this can give no figures on spiritual advancement. That such advancement has been made, however, is indicated by the progress in the departments already mentioned. For it is true that the purely spiritual aspect of the church is inseparably bound to the financial and organizational aspects.

The significance of this report of the work of our churches is more than local in scope. Rather, it is a record of the working of the Kingdom of God in our communities, and our part in helping to bring that Kingdom to all men everywhere. This that we do is eternal. Our report, though it deals in figures, has to do ultimately with the hearts and souls of men.

I should like, in this foreword, to express my gratitude to the officers of the churches for their fine work in making this advancement possible. They have been earnest in their service to the churches, and they deserve credit for their loyalty and devotion.

As this report goes to press, victory has been won on the Western Front, while the struggle still continues on the Eastern Front. Our hearts are filled with thanksgiving to God who alone "makest wars to cease unto the ends of the earth." With gratitude to Him for His loving care over us, with pentence for our sins and shortcomings, both personal and national, let us again during this coming year dedicate ourselves to this work of the Kingdom of Christ. We know that He alone can bring enduring peace to nations and to the hearts of men.

## Statistical and Financial Statement of SALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### VENEDOCIA, OHIO

From April 1, 1944, to March	n 31, 1945
Moderator of the SessionRev. G	erald R. Johnson
Elders	
John Edgar Morgan	Stanley Roberts
Lloyd Rees	Henry Uhl
D. O. Davies	Charles Foster
Thomas Jones	Roland Evans
D. J. Morris	ROMING EVAIR
	Dalam d Process
Clerk of Session	Koland Evans
Church Treasurer	
Financial Secretary	Rufus Morris
Choristers Carl Morgan and John	n Edgar Morgan
OrganistMrs.	J. Alford Breese
Membership	
Communicants, April 1, 1944	963
Received on Confession of Faith	9
Received on Reaffirmation of Faith.	1
Received by letter	
Restored	0
	312
Dismissed by letter	3
Deceased	1
Suspended	0
Communicants, March 31, 1945	308
Baptisms	9
Children of the Church	67
Infant Baptisms	
Ruthann Jones	April 0 1044
Ruthann Jones	April 9, 1944
Bernard Eugene McMasters	April 9, 1944
Jerry Dean Bolton	April 9, 1944
Richard William Bolton	
Mary Lynne McDonel	April 9, 1944
Wilbur Carl Evans	April 9, 1944
Mary Ellen RichardsSei	otember 10. 1944
Richard Otis Evans	October 22, 1944
Mary Kathryn Morris	October 22, 1944

### IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. John L. Jenkins. December 9, 1944

REPORT OF WOMEN'S MISSIONARY FROM APRIL 1st, 1944, TO MARCH 31 Receipts		,	Total disbursements for year 1944-45  Balance on hand April 1, 1945  Frank J. Uhl, Treas	\$401.06 urer.
Balance on hand April 1, 1944.	\$362.53		David Hugh Evans,	Sceretary.
Prayer Meeting offerings	47.70			
Missionary Meeting offerings	40.69		MEMORIAL FUND	
Proceeds from dinner for Presbytery	20.02		Thomas E. Jones	\$ 100.00
Philathea class for paper tablecloth	50.05		Venedocia Male Chorus	
Proceeds from Color Tor-	1.18		Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Breese	
Proceeds from Sales Tax	17.04		Mr. and Mrs. Evan Morris	
Proceeds from Lester Hughes sale	<b>75.</b> 13		Mr. and Mrs. David B. Jones	
Contingent fund	2.40	*	Mr. and Mrs. Owen O. Pugh	50.00
St. David Day banquet	147.85		Horeb Memorial	800.00
Mite Boxes	82.00		Welsh Board of Missions.	
Total	\$815.67		Total	400.00 \$9175.00
Disbursements				\$2175.00
Ohio Council of Churches	3 10.00	*	Depository	
Flowers	8.50		Delphos Citizens Loan and Savings Assn.	\$1557.00
Mrs. Basinger, Foreign Mission	90.00		War Bonds, Series "G"	600.00
Mrs. Basinger, National Mission	199.00		Van Wert National Bank	18.00
Mite Roxes			Total	\$2175.00
Overseas sewing and postage				
Guest Day luncheon and Family Night			BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
Contingent Fund	5.00		Öşborne Jones	President
Charles Danil Night	0.00		Layton JenkinsVice	President
Speaker, Family Night Literature	10.00		Thomas Morris, Robert Morris, D. S.	Owens. T
Chamb harandara	3.20		Richard Owens, Manford Lytle, Lester Mo	
Church benevolence	10.00		George, Secretary.	1110, 111. 14.
American Red Cross	50.00	•	George, Secretary.	
Total	MD 40 01		MUSIC COMMITTEE	
Total			PresidentMrs. D. Ha	rris Evans
Total Receipts	\$815.67		J. Alford Breese, John Edgar Morgan,	
Total Disbursement	\$340.01		Jones, Mrs. J. Alford Breese, Carl Morga	Duggall
Total in Treasury			O. Evans.	iii, itusseii
Bequest from the late Miss Margaret L. I	Morgan to			
the Women's Missionary Society, \$200.00.	_		Receipts	
Gladys Jones,	Treas		Balance on hand March 31, 1944	\$ 30.27
Women's Missionar			Easter collection.	33.05
•			Gymanfa Game Collection	44.55
REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL			Christmas Collection	35.31
for Year 1944-45.			Total	\$143.18
Balance on hand April 1, 1944\$219.75	₹		Disbursements	1
Receipts for year 1944-45 451.03				17.01
Total receipts for year 1944-45	\$670.76		Easter music purchased	
Disbursements for Year 1944-45			Director Gwenlyn Jones	25.00
Sunday School literature and other			Christmas tree and lights	5.55
supplies\$226.10	1		Christmas music purchased	12.22
Prizes for task			Total	
Christmas treat and other supplies 8.69	-		Balance April 1, 1945	83.37
Missions			Mrs. D. H. Evans,	Chairman.

REPORT OF VENEDOCIA	Sale of poles
CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIETY	Total receipts\$7051.46
From September 30, 1944, to March 31, 1945	Disbursements
President David R. Jenkins	Pastor's salary\$1737.90
Vice-President Gwen George	Pulpit supply
TreasurerMary Rachel Roberts	
Secretary Jo Ann Richards	Board of Pensions 227.70
Chorister Georgia Anna George	Robert Williams (janitor) 500.00
PianistJane Jenkins Assistant PianistIdora Jones	Mrs. J. A. Breese (organist and music) 110.00
	Mrs. Leona Davis Owens (organist)
Receipts *	Mr. John E. Morgan (chorister) 100.00
Balance on hand September 30, 1944	Church secretary 50.00
to March 31	
Easter breakfast 5.08	
Total receipts from Sept. 30 to March 31384.96	Farm Bureau Co-op (coal)
- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Central Ohio Light and Power (electricity) 98.89
Disbursements	Taxes
Board of National Missions for "Staking a Claim"\$10.00	Insurance
Present for Donald Richards	Presbyterian War-Time Commission 244.05
Present for Jane Morris	Printing of the annual report
Junior Hi Kit (Topics) 2.00	
Participation in Prince of Peace Contest 1.00	Office supplies, literature, bulletins, postage 195.40
Copy of Play (for reading and selection)	Expenses in sale of church shed
County C. E. Pledge 5.00	Mendon Service Co. (pump)
E. C. Shirmer Music Co. (music)	Dustman's Furniture Store (electric stove) 178.70
C. E. Party (December)	Repair and upkeep of church property 193.92
Easter breakfast 3.14	Miscellaneous
Postage and money orders	Total disbursements\$4545.73
Total disbursements from Sept. 30	·
to March 31\$40.74	Balance on hand April 1, 1945\$2505.73
Balance March 31, 1945	DENVINOS DIVON DEDARM
FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE	BENEVOLENCE REPORT
SALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	Receipts
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Total Sunday offerings \$873.35
April 1, 1944, to March 31, 1945.	Special offering to Dr. John Sharpe 91.00
Receipts	Thanksgiving Day offering
Balance on hand April 1, 1944 \$1660.49	
Envelope offering 3558.65	<b>y</b>
Plate collections	Total receipts \$1103.27
Insurance Dividend 63.20	Disbursements
Interest on bonds	Dr. John Sharpe 91.00
Zion's share in printing annual report	Board of National Missions 52.52
Sale of church shed 509.65	Sidney Home
Presbyterian War-Time Service Commission 244.65	
Interest on endowment fund	Central Receiving Agency 934.75
Sale of pump. 20.00	Total disbursements\$1103.27

CONTRIBUTIONS		Davis, Mr. and Mrs. W. T.
	Current Benev-	Davis, Ruth
	Expense olences	Davis, Margaret
Ashton, Mrs. Charles		Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer
Backensto, Mrs. Frances		Davis, Doris Ilene
		Davis, Rees Owen
Beerman, Mr. and Mrs. Robert		Davis, Mr. and Mrs. A. E.
Beerman, Joyce Evelyn		Diss, Mr. and Mrs. T. Dewey
Bernhardt, Mary		Diss, James Dewey
Bolton, Mrs. Lewis		Diss, Susan Clothilde
Bolton, Robert		Dolby, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert
Bolton, Wayne		Dolby, John David
Bowsher, Mrs. Layton		Dolby, Martha Jane
Breese, Mr. and Mrs. J. Alford		
Breese, Jane		Dolby, Gary Lynn
Breese, Mr. and Mrs. Abner		Elias, Mrs. John
Breese, Mary Louise		Evans, Mr. and Mrs. David J.
Breese, Edward		Evans, Mr. W. B.
Breese, Mr. and Mrs. I. N		Evans, Mr. and Mrs. D. Harries
Brown, Mrs. Ralph	· <b>·</b>	Evans, David Hugh
Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. Lester	<del></del>	Evans, Mr. D. B.
Burnett, Harold		Evans, Mrs. A. J.
Burnett, Wendell		Evans, Owen
Burnett, Warren		Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Elgar
Burnett, Martha Jane		Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene
Burnett, Evelyn		Evans, David Owen
Couts, Mrs. Daniel W.		Evans, Mrs. Hannah
Couts, Donna Jean		Evans, Thomas Lloyd
Couts, Ray		Evans, Mr. and Mrs. David John
Coute, Jay		Evans, Marcia Sue
Couts, Betty Joan		Evans, Mr. and Mrs. James R
Couts, Mary Ellen		Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Russell O
Crowe, Mr. and Mrs. Paul		Evans, Marguerite
Crowe, Ilene		Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin
Crowe, Dorothy		Evans, Mr. Daniel O
Davis, Mrs. David		Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J
Davis, Mrs. Thomas T		Evans, Marilyn
Davis, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. (Van		Evans, Eleanor Jane
Wert, O.)		Evans, Daniel John
Davis, Mrs. J. E.	·-	Evans, Llewelyn
		Evans, Mrs. Thomas T.
Davis, Mr. John E.		Evans, Miss Emma
Davis, Sidney		Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond
Davis, Alfred		Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Roland
Davis, Edmund		Evans, Robert C.
Davis, Palmer		Evans, Everett
Davis, Mr. and Mrs. J. W.		Evans, William
Davis, Pauline		Evans, Nancy
Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Evan W.		
Davis, Mr. Edward T		Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Orbie
Davis, Mr. Evan J.	·-	Fisher, Marvin

Morris, Mrs. John C	Sells, Mrs. Thurma		
Morris, Mr. and Mrs. J. Reese	Scheidt, Wallace Pugh		
Morris, Herbert	Schaefer, Mrs. H. H. (Elizabeth		
Morris, Martha	Morgan)		
Morris. Billy	Stannard, Mrs. A. E.		
Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd	Suttle, Mr. and Mrs. Roy		
Morris, David Wayne	Taylor, Mrs. Bryan		
Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus			
	Taylor, Eloise		
Morris, John C	Taylor, Jeanette		
Morris, Joy Lynn	Thomas, Morgan N.		
Morris, Mr. and Mrs. David J	Thomas, Evan		
Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J	Tudor, Kowena		
Morris, John J.	Uhl, Mr. and Mrs. Frank		
Morris, Jane	Uhl, Mr. and Mrs. Henry		
Morris, Henry	Van Eman, Mrs. Margaret		
Owens, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn	Waltz, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth		
Owens, David William	Waltz, Gretta Lee		
Owens, Glenn Haydn	Waltz, Carol Sue		
Owens, Mr. and Mrs. T. Richard	Waltz, Alyce Jane		
Owens, Mr. David S	Wertenberger, Mrs. Marvin		
Owens, Mr. and Mrs. D. Richard	(Eunice Jones)		
Owens, Ronald Dean	Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Edward		
Owens, Nancy Janella	Williams, Dorothy		
Owens. Mrs. Leona Davis	Williams, Ruth		
Pfluegar, Mr. and Mrs. George	Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Joe R		
Pfluegar, William	Williams, William T.		
Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. Walter	Williams, Robert		
Phelps, Don	No Name		37.00
Phelps, Carol	Alpha Kappa S. S. Class	25.00	
Pugh, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh E	Women's Missionary Society		10.00
Pugh, Mr. and Mrs. John O	Sunday School		25.00
Pugh, Dorothea			
Pugh, Hugh Owen			
Reese, Mr. John E			
Reese, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd			
Reese, Mr. and Mrs. John L	•		
Reese, John Evan			
Reese, Clarence			
Roberts, Mrs. Mary	**		
Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley			
Roberts, Mary Rachel			
Roberts, Morgan Stanley			
Richards, Mr. and Mrs. John M			
Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Howard			
Richards, Donald Gene			
Richards, Marion Ruth			
Richards, Edith Jo Ann		•	
Richards, Evan Joe			
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ZION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	Rev. Kemmerle, Union City, Ind. (Service) 5.00
	Dr. Williams, Van Wert, O., service
OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH	Dr. Barr, Sidney, O., service
Moderator of Session	Rev. W. T. Jones, Chicago, Ill., service
Moderator of pessiontevi of its comison	
Elders	Mrs. Reed Heath, Christmas to service men 5.00
E. Minor Davies D. Edwin Jones	Henry Uhl, Treas., printing report 1943-44 10.00
Alonzo Rhoades D. J. Breese	Presbyterian Book Store, pulpit Bible
	Hubbard Press, envelopes
Clerk of SessionD. J. Breese	Van Wert Book Store, Testament to
Financial SecretaryPalmer M. George	servicemen
Assistant Secretary Gomer Breese Treasurer E. Minor Davies	To Synod Memorial 150.00
Treasurer E. Minor Davies	Balance on hand March 31, 1945
Choristers R. M. Evans, Gomer Breese	Total Disbursements\$1380.73
OrganistsHelen Breese, Mrs. B. D. Williams	MICCIONA IND DUNCTION DESCRIPTION
UshersBen Height, Dwight Rhoades, Paul Davies,	MISSIONS AND BENEVOLENCES
David John Williams	Receipts
TrusteesB. D. Williams, H. F. Jones, P. M.	Envelopes
George, Reed Heath, S. D. Grogg	Mother's Day 16.50
Caretaker of ChurchArthur Thomas	War Time Service Fund. 62.00
Flower CommitteeMrs. Reed Heath	Thanksgiving Day 49.00
. Mrs. Alonzo Rhoades	American Bible Society
. Mrs. Alonzo Rhoades AuditorsS. D. Grogg, Alonzo Rhoades	Total Receipts\$ 247.31
Communicants April 1, 1944 87	
Received by Affirmation and Confession 0	Disbursements
Received by Letter	National Missions\$ 49.00
·	Rev. John Sharpe, Mother's Day offering 16.50
	American Bible Society
Dismissed by Letter	War Time Service Fund 58.00
Deceased	To Synod Memorial 24.00
*	Central Receiving Agency 94.31
Communicants March 31, 1945	Total Disbursements\$ 247.31
Baptism1	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Financial Statement of Secretary and Treasurer	SYNOD MEMORIAL
Cash on hand April 1, 1944\$ 494.00	Savings Account, First Federal, Van Wert,
Envelopes	Ohio\$ 138.20
Holy Week Offering	Interest 2% one year 2.77
Special Offering 19,74	Deposit from Church Fund
Total Receipts\$1380.73	Deposit from War Time Service Fund
	Contribution 24.00
Disbursements	Total \$ 314.97
Pastor's salary less 3% Members Deposit\$ 485.00	Withdrawal
Pastor's traveling expense	*1010
Board of Pensions 3% Members Deposit 15.00	SUNDAY SCHOOL
Board of Pensions 8% Organization Deposit 40.00	Receints
Rev. G. R. Johnson, sundries 25.54 Rev. Joseph Blackburn Ecclesiastical Expense 18.63	=
- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Balance on hand April 1, 1944\$ 62.13
Board of Trustees Holy Week Expense 9.87	Collections 81.42
Board of Trustees transfer of funds 72.00	Total\$143.55

Disbursements D. C. Clark Publishing Co., Quarterlies 20.48 Christmas treat 15.05 Disbursements Janitor Light and power	\$103.50 12.90
Christmas treat15.05 Light and power	19 90
TO Triigtons of Zion Chuwah $00.00 + C_{-1}$	32,16
Balance on hand March 31, 1945	34.80
Total	16.13
MISSIONARY SOCIETY  B. D. Williams for stove	10.00
Officers Miscellaneous	
President Mrs. P. M. George Total	1212 67
	74.49
	27.42
	1100.00
Treasurer Mrs. Alonzo Rhoades Balance in Hughes Memorial U. S. Bond U. S. Bond	09 60
Interest on serious	1.00
	3202.39
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Regular offerings 22.41 Proceeds from banquet 22.5 MEMBERS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	
110000db 110m banquet 50:50	_
	Benev-
	olences
Foreign Missions \$ 15.00 Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Bassett.	
National Missions 20.00 Breese, Gomer	
Quadrennial Fee	
C. and I. 1.00 Breese, Helen	
Pension fund 2.00 Breese, Latimer	
Overseas and mission hospital sewing 9.50 Breese, Mr. and Mrs. Robert	
Sidney Presbyterian Home	
Literature 4.00 Breese, Robert Russell	
Miscellaneous expenses 9.64 Davies, E. Minor	
Balance on hand March 31, 1945	
Total	
Davies, Mrs. Annie	
Davies, Mr. and Mrs. B. R	
Committee Davies, Janice	
Davies, Ruth Ellen	
Davies, Mary Helen	
Davies, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer	
Davies, Doris Eileen	
Davies, Rees Owen	
DISCUITSEMENTS Evans Mr and Mrs P M	
Flowers	
Evans. Mr. and Mrs. Wendell	
\$39.40 Everly Mr and Mrs Konnoth	
Everly, John Marvin	
Receipts George Alice	
Balance April 1, 1944	
Receipts from loose offering 167.08	
Received from Church Fund	
Received from Sunday School Fund	
Total\$288.09 George, Vivian	

George, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer M
Coorge Cloric Loop
George, Gloria Jean
Grogg, Mr. and Mrs. S. D.
Heath, Mr. and Mrs. Reed
Height, Benjamin
Johnson, Rev. and Mrs. G. R.
Jones, Mr. and Mrs. D. Edwin
Jones, David William
Jones, Mrs. Martha A.
Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh F.
Jones, Gordon Francis
Jones, Edward Oscar
Jones, Hugh William
Jones, Mr. and Mrs. David Vaughn
Jones, Blodwen L.
Jones, Anna M.
Jones, Idris I.
Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Rodger
Jones, David Charles
Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Edward O
Jones, Norma Jean
Jones, Mr. and Mrs. J. P.
Jones, Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul
Jones, David Philip
Jones, Mr and Mrs. Emlyn O.
Lewis, Mrs. Mary
Lewis, Carl Adrian
Lewis, Everett Lowell
Mistler, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas
Mistler, Paul
Price, Mrs. Ann
Price, Maldwin
Price, MargaretPrice, Mr. and Mrs. Emery
Price, Donald
Price, Ellen
Price, Rodger
Price, Paul
Price, Eileen
Prichard, Mrs. Jane
Rhoades, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo
Rhoades, Paul Wayne
Rhoades, John Merrill
Rhoades, Dwight Benjamin
Swigert, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin
Swigert, Dean
Swigert, Dean
Tipple, Mr. and Mrs. Robert
Thomas, Arthur
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Thomas, Essie Marie ..... Thomas, Athelia Ann Thomas, Myrta Leon
Thomas, Doris Jean
Thomas, Ida Frances Thomas, Allen Arthur Williams, Mr. and Mrs. B. D..... Williams, David John We audited this book and found it to be correct. R. Paul Jones T. Dewey Diss