

## Thirty-Nine Colored Churches in Alabama

David, in a momentary depression of his faith in God, must have cherished an ambition for political conquest, of which he knew the Lord would not approve; hence, the numbering of the people. It was not the numbering that was wrong; it must have been the purpose of it, for Israel had been numbered many times. Tribes, priests, age classes, etc., had been numbered. There is never anything wrong, within itself, in knowing the facts.

Spiritual conquest is always propitious. There is no closed season. Facts are essential to plans. "Counting the cost" is mobilizing the facts. I would just like to know how many colored churches there are, and where they are located. Everybody would like to know the same thing. Somebody knows of every colored church; nobody knows of every colored church; therefore, if everybody told somebody about them, and that somebody told everybody, all could know the essential facts. Knowing the facts should stimulate the planning of more spiritual conquest.

I know of thirty-nine colored churches in Alabama. I will lay the information on the line. Will you make any corrections, additions, and alterations of which you know by giving me the information? In turn, I will give you the corrected information.

Why Alabama? Alabama is the first state in the Union—alphabetically! Alabama is a good place to start.

Here are the towns, in alphabetical order, where my limited information goes:

Anniston	Eldridge
Athens	Decatur
Bankston	Flatwood
Berry	Fayette
Birmingham:	Florence
Ensley	Haynesville
Fairfield	Lapine, State Church
North Birmingham	Leeds
Powderly	Luverne
Smithfield	Millport
Titusville	Munford
Woodlawn	Mobile
2700 Twenty-Ninth Street	Montgomery
Pratt City	Selma, Franklin and Minter
Bridgeport	Sheffield
Carbon Hill	Stevenson
Collinsville	Sulligent
Cordova, Cottage Grove Church	Tyler
Dora	Vernon
Dothan	Winfield

NOTE: I have one listed at Blocker, with the name of Joseph Col-fust, Route 22, Box 78. Another is Christian Home. There are no such post offices. These two may be known to somebody who will supply correct addresses.

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