

# SERVICES

OF THE

## SABBATH SCHOOLS, SOUTH BOSTON,

At the Baptist Meeting House,

JULY 4, 1832.

“Wilt thou not from this time cry unto me, My Father, thou art the guide of my youth?”

### 1. ORIGINAL HYMN.

*Tune—Greenville.*

Heavenly King, with grace abounding,  
As our youthful song we raise,  
Here, with num'rous friends surrounding,  
Oh! accept our feeble praise;  
Meet us in thy sacred temple,  
Give to all thy truth and grace.

Now we bring our prayer before thee,  
For our land, the land we love,  
For its blessings we adore thee,  
May our country grateful prove.  
Sabbath Schools—may their instruction,  
Lead to wisdom from above.

Sabbath Schools! in love regard them,  
May they flourish, may they shine,  
Teachers—O, wilt thou reward them,  
Scholars—may they all be thine.  
Bless these schools, O God of mercy,  
Bless them with thy love divine.

### 2. READING THE SCRIPTURES.

### 3. PRAYER BY REV. J. H. FAIRCHILD.

### 4. ORIGINAL HYMN.

*Tune—Darwells.*

Our fathers would be free,  
And from oppression broke,  
They sought for liberty,  
And scorned to bear the yoke;  
Us and our land, they had in thought;  
By toil and blood, our blessings bought.

We are in bondage too,  
And slaves to sin remain,  
'Till Christ shall set us free,  
And break our captive chain;  
The spirit calls arise! arise!  
“Give me thine heart,” our Saviour cries.

We give ourselves to thee,  
Now in our early days,  
Blest Jesus! we are thine,  
Saved by redeeming grace,  
O Son of God! 'tis thee we need,  
If freed by thee, we're “FREE” indeed.

### 5. ADDRESS BY MR. JOSEPH BANVA

### 6. ORIGINAL HYMN.

*Tune—Peterborough.*

O may our hearts, to day, arise,  
Swell loud thy notes of praise;  
Great God! accept our sacrifice,  
And bless our infant lays.

To day our joys and hopes we tell,  
We're children of the free;  
May *yonder heights* the echo swell,  
And bear our songs to thee.

Great God! thy Spirit's aid impart,  
And teach us how to pray;  
O may thy truths impress our hearts,  
With gratitude, this day.

Dear Saviour, now descend, and bless  
The kind instruction given;  
May joy inspire each Teacher's breast,  
And their reward be, heaven.

### 7. PRAYER BY REV. R. H. NEALE.

### 8. ORIGINAL HYMN.

*Tune—Missionary Hymn.*

Once more our youthful voices,  
Unite in grateful song;  
This day each heart rejoices,  
Its joys to us belong.  
What more than now possessing,  
Should we of God implore?  
'Tis this—with every blessing,  
A heart to love thee more.

The Bible let us ponder,  
Believe, and feel the word,  
Repent, and all surrender,  
Unto our Saviour God.  
This makes that pearl of value,  
Which those who seek, shall find;  
This will affections hallow,  
And renovate each mind.

O God, our Saviour! hear us,  
Bless parents, teachers, friends;  
Enlighten, guide, and cheer us,  
'Till this existence ends.  
~~To people, then, and preachers,~~  
May this great joy be given,  
With Sabbath Schools, and Teachers,  
To worship thee in heaven.

### 9 DOXOLOGY.

*Tune—Old Hundred.*

### 10. BENEDICTION.

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