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# The Old Camp Ground

We have met today on the old camp ground, And our hearts, O God, o'erflow With our songs of joy and a stream of thanks

We have met today on the old camp ground, And our shouts of glory ring; There's a mighty stir as the Lord comes down,

For the love Thou dost bestow.

And the saints His praises sing.

We have met today on the old camp ground, Oh, the fellowship so sweet, As the pure in heart all together flow, In the bonds of love complete.

We have met today on the old camp ground, And we come in Jesus' name: Here, O mighty God, let thy thunder sound, And thy awful Spirit flame.

We have met today on the old camp ground,
And we come to work and pray:
Here, redeem, dear Lord, even multitudes,
At thy altar day by day.

-D. S. Warner

# Truth

"And what is truth?" asked Pilate, sober, Immersed in deep perplexity, And trembled while in judgment over The One his final judge must be. He asked, but waited not the answer; For in His majesty there stood The Truth himself at his tribunal—Yea, the incarnate Truth of God.

-D. S. Warner

## What Shall I Do With Jesus?



When Jesus was here on the earth He went about doing good. There were those who hated Him. They wanted to kill Him but He eluded them and they could not touch Him. However, the time came when He placed Himself in their hands. He permitted Himself to become the victim and they became judge. He willingly permitted them to take Him and put Him on the cross. He died one of the cruelest deaths ever known. But He did it for you and me. Our sins and the sins of all the world weighed heavily upon Him. No one has ever died a death like Jesus.

In Matt. 27 we read of the trial. Pilate brought Jesus before the people whom he let be His judge. He asked them, "What shall I do with Jesus which is called Christ? They all say, Let him be crucified. And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified." Verses 22, 23. Jesus was an innocent person. He had not committed any crime, nor done any evil, but they did not want to have anything to do with Him. They wanted Him killed and taken out of their sight. They wanted to get rid of Him. Oh, how sad!

Dear ones, today you are the judge and Jesus is on your hands. You are lost in sin. Your sins are weighting you down and will take you to eternal destruction. Jesus died on the cross to forgive you of those sins. He died so you could go to that Home in heaven. He died that you might have peace in your soul here and meet Jesus in that great Judgment Day with all clear between you and Him. Today you have Jesus on your hands. You must do something with Him. You are the judge and He is the victim. What are you going to do with Jesus who is called the Christ? Are you going to do away with Him? Are you going to reject Him? What evil has He done? He has done only good. You have sin in your heart which will keep you out of heaven. Jesus came to forgive those sins. Aren't you going to let Him forgive yours?

You have to do something with Jesus. You either have to reject Him or accept Him. Perhaps you are saying that you won't have anything to do about it: you won't accept Him or reject Him either: but you can't do that. You are going to meet Him again some day. When you met Him here and made your decision as to what you were going to do, that was not the end. You will meet Him again on the Judgment Day. "When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory; and before him shall be gathered ALL nations: [you will be there] and he shall separate them one from another ..." To those who meet Jesus here, let Him forgive them of their sins. and accept Him as their Saviour, will these words be spoken, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." But those who meet Jesus here and judge Him and refuse Him as their Saviour will hear these words. "Depart from me, ve cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels." Matt. 25:31-36.

When you met Him here in this life you decided what you wanted to do with Him. You were the judge then, but when He bursts through the clouds of glory and leaves that throne of mercy, where He sits holding out His arms of love and mercy to you, He will then be your Judge. You must do as He says then. We do pray that God will help you to think seriously on the question, "What shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" Be wise and accept Him as your personal Saviour today. —Sister Marie Miles

# Not A New Movement

By Charles E. Orr

A brother writes us reprimanding us for leaving the reformation. A sister writes asking us if we are trying to start a new movement or only endeavoring to uphold the old movement. Let us have a short, earnest talk over this matter. Let us be honest, fair, candid, and reasonable. We all recognize D. S. Warner as one of the principal agents used of God in bringing about this reformation, or of originating this present movement. We will all agree on this.

He was one of the holiest men in modern times. To come into his presence was to feel the awe of God. A heavenly atmosphere surrounded him; he constantly lived and moved in a holy solemnity. It was my privilege to be very closely associated with him for a few years. We occupied the same room and bed together many nights. The room he occupied always seemed to be filled with holy presence. You felt you dare not utter a word of lightness. All frivolity and foolishness died in his presence. In the early morning all was hushed and still. His soul would be in silent communion with God, and such an holy, heavenly solemnity rested upon us, forbidding us to break the silence by uttering a single word. Heaven filled the room. God was there. We felt like if we put out our hand we would touch Him. The consciousness of that man's holy presence would linger with me throughout the day. It lingers with me yet. He was

a reformer in every sense of the term. It was he and a few of his associates that God used in establishing this present reformation movement. It was my privilege to be with him in a number of campmeetings, and other meetings. I sat under his preaching for more than a year in a school building where I taught school. He lived in my home for several months while he was building a home for himself and family near Grand Junction, Mich. Few men have had greater opportunity for knowing the life and teaching of this holy man than we have had. The truthfulness of what we shall now say about his belief and teachings cannot honestly be denied. His writings through the paper he published will verify all we say.

He did advise the teaching of young men and women the doctrines of the Bible. He advised that young men and women who were called of God to the ministry to accompany some older and better established minister, but that he advocated, that he advised the establishing of a seminary for the educating and training of preachers, we deny. No writings of his can be produced that teach that he advocated such a seminary, but on the contrary he did denounce such seminaries in strong terms, often calling them, "Preacher Factories." He denounced as a great evil the building of costly meetings houses, with their fine carved work, their colored windows, and expensive furniture. He taught plainly and forcibly against the use of musical instruments in the worship of God. None of the congregations used them in his day. Often have we heard him denounce the organ, the pipe organ and the orchestra. All who heard him well remember his scathing words against such honorary titles as Rev., D.D., L.L.D., etc. He told us where they got the initials D.D. How would some of the present D.D.'s, claiming to be representatives of this movement, feel to have this holy man come and preach on such a subject in their "First Church of God?" His teaching, both preaching and writing, abounded in denunciation of worldliness in dress. While the women in those days did not wear the short skirts and sleeveless waists as worn today, they did wear the big flouncing sleeve, and other extravagances which he denounced. They did not bob and marcelle their hair as today, yet they did "bang" their hair and wear "rats," which he abominated.

He taught against the wearing of flowers and plumes on the hat, or wearing beads, bracelets, rings, earrings, etc. He taught plainly and forcibly against the sin of sectarianism, of the joining of Y.M.C.A.'s and ministerial alliances. He taught against the use of tobacco, tea, coffee. He taught emphatically the shamefulness of a salaried ministry. He classed a hireling ministry with the false prophets. Some attempt to make a distinction between a salaried ministry and a hireling ministry. In any vocation in life to arrange for a certain sum as a salary is to become a hireling. To receive a salary is to receive a hire. There is no difference. This holy man taught pointedly against the use of medicine, the surgeon's knife, etc. He denounced all money begging, fairs, shows, picnics, festivals, bazaars, theatres, dancing, ball

games, horse races, chicken and box suppers, etc. He opposed the marriage of a saint with a sinner and the re-marriage of any divorced person. We could go on to greater length, but this will answer our present purpose.

The above are some of the things he opposed both in teaching and practice. He lived what he preached. Now I believe, teach, and practice all those things I heard him teach. I cannot call to mind one single thing which I heard him preach that I do not believe and practice today. The question then is, Have I left the reformation? We will let every fair, honest, candid man answer the question. We are not starting a new movement, but keeping right on in the one that those early reformers brought in. No man can gainsay this. No honest, fair-minded man will attempt it. If Brother Warner were to be resurrected from the grave on a certain day and he were again to preach as he did preach, and I knew the day of his resurrection, I certainly would make an honest and earnest attempt to have someone at the graveside with an invitation for him to come hold a series of meetings in our house of worship. Would all you preachers who claim to be of this movement open your pulpits to him for a month? Oh, what a clearing there would be if you would do it! Can you be fair and still say that I have left this reformation? We are not starting a new movement, but in the love of Jesus are doing what we can to perpetuate the old movement that was brought in by D. S. Warner and his associates. We love these old time truths today. They are clear Bible teachings.

Satan is doing what he can to bring the world into this movement. It is only to look around a little to know how he is succeeding in many places. We are not warring and fighting, but praying and pleading and teaching in the love of Jesus the good old-time truths of this reformation that brought us out of sin. sectarianism and the world. We love this reformation. We love it in its old-time teaching. We do not want it dressed up in some new style of dress that you cannot tell it from the world. And now we appeal to all honest saints, all who love the old-time truths of this reformation to join us in endeavoring to preserve the simplicity and purity of this glorious reform. There are many who are not willing to bow to the goddess of this world. They do not want these worldly innovations brought into this pure movement. They love God, they love His Word, they love those dear reformers who sacrificed and gave their lives for the pure, plain, simple teaching of this blessed reformation. Let us unite our efforts in upholding those glorious truths and keep this reformation moving on in her purity and power. -C. E. Orr

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# Holiness and the Sanctified Experience

"For the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are."

We are taught to "be filled with the Spirit" (the Holy Spirit). Eph. 5:18. In the days before the coming of the Holy Spirit to dwell in our hearts, Jesus said unto His disciples, when speaking to them of the coming of the Spirit of Truth (the Holy Spirit), "He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you." John 14:17.

The disciples were told "to tarry" (to wait) for the fulfillment of the promise of the Holy Spirit until his coming, when they should be "endued with power from on high." Luke 24:49.

Peter explained to the Jews that "the promise [the Holy Spirit] is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call." Acts 2:39. Jesus stated that this promise would be fulfilled. John 14:26. When Peter said, "Ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost," (Acts 2:38) he meant that they should receive the Holy Spirit, for the gift of the Father, which was promised, is the Holy Spirit.

When we receive the gift (the Holy Ghost), he purifies (sanctifies) our "hearts by faith," (Acts 15:9) for he is the sanctifier, "being sanctified by the Holy Ghost." Rom. 15:16.

Jesus said, "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?" Luke 11:13.

In the light of these Scriptures it appears to me that we should stress the point of seeking for the Holy Spirit (to be filled with His fullness) instead of seeking for that which takes place after we receive Him. Some teach the justified to seek for holiness. This is common among the sects, for in sectism the full light of the "evening time" of the gospel day has not been received and taught. Those who have been sanctified by the Holy Ghost are perfected in holiness. 2 Cor. 7:1. Holiness is the state of being made holy; and we must be living holy lives before we can hope to reach the sanctified experience. Rom. 12:1, 2.

Dear brethren, let us teach the redeemed to seek to be filled with the Holy Spirit, the One who is able to perfect holiness in their lives. —H. P. Huskey

#### **BEWARE OF DOPE AND DRUGS!**

Our young people face a serious problem today. There are dope peddlers watching to get the innocent or unsuspecting young person on dope. Parents need to be on the alert as well as young people. One mother, whose child had become involved with drugs and fringes said, "Tell them [the parents] to take nothing for granted. They must be certain, dead sure, what their children are doing." Many times when it is discovered that young people are on dope it is too late to help. Many have been committed to state institutions where they show little or no signs of improvement. God can deliver, but the innocent must be warned to beware.

—M. Miles

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## **EDITORIALS**

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As in past years, the "Faith and Victory" paper will not be issued for the month of August. The workers will have some time off from their regular duties here to attend the various campmeetings. However, some of us will be here at the Office to fill orders for literature, take care of the correspondence, etc. May the Lord bless all these consecrated co-workers who are freely giving their time and talents to publish the gospel message to a perishing world. Their reward will be great in heaven, besides the many benefits that accompany salvation in this life. There is power in the printed word, and the Church is reaching more souls by means of the gospel literature than any other way. Let us all continue to be "workers together" with God in fulfilling His command to carry the gospel to "every creature."

The Bible Lessons for August will be mailed to all who receive rolls of papers for their Sunday Schools. If any other subscriber wants the August lessons, please let us know, and we will mail them to you.

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Sister Sharon Watkins, who works in the mailing department of the Lord's Print Shop, left by bus on June 9 via California to visit her parents in Oregon. While there she will attend the campmeeting at Jefferson, Ore., and perhaps other campmeetings during the summer.

Our readers are kindly reminded again to use the zip code numbers on all their mail. You can secure the numbers for any address by asking for it at your postoffice. The use of this number tends toward faster and more efficient handling of the mail. Please get into the habit of always writing your zip code number with your address, and also of securing the number for every address which you send to this office. By Jan. 1, 1967 all our second-class mail must be zip coded, and must be bundled and sacked in zip code numerical sequence. We will certainly appreciate your co-operation in this matter.

The Church of God campmeeting at Tulsa, Okla. and Holly Hill, S. Carolina are now (June 3 to 12) in progress, and with the Lord's blessings others will follow throughout the summer at various locations over the country. We pray that the Holy Spirit, the Executive Officer of the Church, will anoint richly in every meeting for the preaching of His Word, send deep conviction on the unsaved, that many souls will be "born again" and sanctified and bodies healed through the

prayer of faith. May the Church carry a soul-burden and travail in prayer for the lost. Jesus said, "No man can come to me, except the Father which sent me draw him." John 6:44. The penitent sinner must seek the Lord "while he may be found," and call upon "him while he is near." The gospel prophet entreats: "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon." Isa. 55:7. What a gracious promise of salvation to all those who abide in "the shadow of death!"

Bro. and Sister Ray Key recently came to the Golden Rule Home at Shawnee, Okla. from Hammond, La. Though their stay may be temporary, it was felt that the change would be good at this time. As Sister Key is improving, we thank the Lord for answering prayer. May we continue to petition the Lord for her need, as well as all the aged saints at the Home.

On May 28 Bro. and Sister Donald Sharp and family moved from Guthrie, Okla. to Coffeyville, Kansas where he is taking the oversight of the congregation. His wife, whose maiden name was Lois Whipple, formerly worked, before her marriage, for a number of years here at the Lord's Print Shop. They have four children. For some years they have been in the Guthrie congregation and we will certainly miss them. Bro. Sharp is a young minister and this is his first pastorate. We pray that the Lord will bless them with an abundance of divine wisdom and grace in their new field of labor. Not many young people are dedicating their lives to the Master's service in these days, and we surely ought to encourage and support those who are moving out in God's great cause.

"Be not conformed to this world" is still a scriptural injunction. (Rom. 12:2) Holiness demands a life of nonconformity to the world. The beloved John writes: "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." 1 John 2:15. The pioneer ministers of this "evening light" reformation were also greatly concerned about personal piety, and they were not content with a general definition of "worldliness." They were specific and named particular practices which were considered worldly and were to be avoided by the saints. It can be shown that they did not set up their own standard, as some claim, but their teachings were firmly based on the Scriptures. Drinking of tea and coffee is wrong because they contain a habit-forming drug which is harmful to the body. Likewise, the use of alcoholic beverages and tobacco in any form is injurious to the body. "If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy: for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." 1 Corinthians 3:17.

Outward adornments of dress are condemned in the scriptures, such as the wearing of "gold, or pearls, or costly array." Plainness of dress and "modest apparel" is the New Testament standard. Read 1 Tim. 2:9; 1 Peter 3:3-5. Adornment of the person, such as rings, beads, bracelets, neckties, gold watches, rouge, lipstick, lace and ruffles, is an indication of vanity and pride which is "not of the Father, but is of the world." Immodest dress would include short skirts, low necklines, short sleeves, tight clothing, slacks, and the ungodly "shorts." It seems that socalled Christian America is reverting to heathenism at a rapid pace by way of "undress"-women and men, too. Indecent dress and nudity are common sights. It is certainly a shame upon professed Christianity. If Sodom was worse than the present sinful world, no wonder that it vexed Lot's righteous soul from day to day. God's wrath is being reserved unto the final day of judgment, which may not be far in the future, when the flames of vengeance will break forth upon this sin-laden world.

Long hair is the glory of the woman, and she should not bob or cut her hair. Read 1 Cor. 11:15. The stylish hair-dos are vanity, and not becoming to saints. One who has been "transformed by the entire renewal" of his mind and heart will not care to conform to this sinful world. The desire and "want to" has been removed. But it is difficult or impossible for one who has not been "transformed" or has lost his contact with God to produce a holy life of non-conformity to the world. No matter how much definite teaching and preaching goes forth, they will follow their carnal nature, "sow to the flesh and reap corruption."

The truly "transformed" soul will not care for worldly amusements and entertainment, professional ball games, fights, television, shows, carnivals, fairs, and banquets. Read 1 Tim. 5:16; 1 Peter 4:3. He has found a greater treasure far above the vanity of this transitory world. His delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night. That does not mean that he does not enjoy and appreciate the natural beauties and marvelous works of God's creation, but it only serves to increase his praise and adoration to his Creator. He had found that "one pearl of great price," and "went and sold all that he had." Reader, have you "sold" out?

Transformation of the heart will cause one to discern the evil in joining unions, secret societies, worldly organizations and denominations where he would be yoked together with unbelievers. 2 Cor. 6: 14-18. God's people are in the world, but not of the world. The holy city of God is on Mt. Zion far above the world.

When ministers deal out the Word of God in generalities, and when the trumpet makes an "uncertain sound," the movement is sure to drift with the tide of the world. God has "set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day nor night." Isa. 62:6. Every minister called of God should have it fixed and settled like the gospel prophet in these words: "For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth." Isaiah 62:1.

Jesus Christ, the Founder of the Church, is the Prince of peace. The doctrine of non-resistance (Matt. 5:39) and non-participation in military service (Matt. 26:52) is firmly based on numerous scriptures in the New Testament. Historical records show clearly that a non-resistant, non-military spirit prevailed in the early church for about three centuries. In A. D. 306 it was Constantine, emperor of the Roman Empire, who first accepted the military spirit into nominal Christianity, but the Church that Jesus built upon the Rock proclaims peace and love instead of hate and war.

One may ask, "What is the Christian's attitude toward war?" The negative attitude is to refuse to participate in military service in any form or to aid in the war effort, and on the positive side, to renounce war and work for its elimination by teaching and living the gospel of Christ which alone brings peace and good will to man. Constructive non-resistance means overcoming evil with good.

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The 6th month, the 6th day and the 66th year of the 20th century (6-6-66)—this date will not be all 6's until the expiration of another 100 years. The events on this date three years ago are brought afresh to my memory. My dear father, Fred Pruitt, was called in his 82nd year from an active literature and pulpit ministry to eternal rest from his earthly labors, but "his works do follow him." He began editing this paper in 1923 and it is now in its 44th year. Though his passing has been keenly felt in the gospel work, yet God has upheld the remaining workers and furnished the grace and courage to carry on and expand the gospel publishing activities. After we have done all that the Lord commanded us to do, then we must acknowledge that we are "unprofitable servants." Oh, how much we must depend upon the Lord for divine wisdom and guidance! We solicit your continued prayers and co-operation in the work of the Lord.

May the blessings of our heavenly Father rest upon every reader until we greet you again in the September issue.

—L. D. P.

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# **Prayer Requests**

FAITH PUB. HOUSE, P. O. BOX 713, Guthrie, Okla. 73044

Alabama—Dear Sister Miles, greetings in the name of the Lord: I am asking for all the saints' prayers, which I know can help me. I am sick with my throat, heart, and gallbladder trouble. I have to work hard in the field, trying to make a living. Pray that the Lord will heal me, strengthen my body and strengthen me spiritually.

Thank you and may the good Lord bless every one of you.

—Sister Elizabeth Mickens

Ohio-"Stroke, palsy, deafness, 86 years old." Geo. Hassinger.

Okla.—"Cyst under tongue and looks like it is connected to the floor of his mouth."—Nadine Robertson's baby boy, born May 1, 1966. (very touching)

Calif.—Growth on arm, unspoken request.—Ada Leach Pa.—Sister Campbell pulled the muscles and ligaments in her arm.

Mo.—Sister Bessie Sorrell needs a permanent healing touch to her body.

Calif.—Sister H. Francisco needs complete healing. Ark.—Colon trouble, more faith.—Pearl Steele

Tenn.—Brother in hospital, needs salvation.—Sister Dillinger.

Calif.—Needs healing to her body.—Gladys Eubanks
A mother wrote a letter pleading for prayer for her
daughter who is only 17 and plans to marry a divorced
man with two children when she is 18 years old. "They
seem to devise many schemes to see each other. I have
no other help but God and the saints."

Another mother wrote for prayer about her son who is expecting to marry a girl who is divorced.

My granddaughter, Connie Miles, has a leader in her neck and shoulder that has given her some trouble since birth but recently she has been troubled with it greatly. It has swollen and causes pain. We know that God can heal and take care of this condition. I surely desire your prayers for her.

Pray for lost souls and for the many campmeetings in progress and those that will start later.

There are many more requests. God is answering prayer. One wrote some time ago that she wanted to be saved more than anything else. She wrote later that God had saved her. She wanted prayer that she would grow stronger in the Lord. She also needs healing to her body.

—Sister Marie Miles

#### PLANS FOR EVANGELISTIC TENT WORK

Dear Saints scattered abroad: We greet you one and all with a heart full of love. Surely we have so much to be thankful for, but most of all for the spiritual blessings that the Lord daily blesses us with. Surely, He is the Lily of the valley, the bright and morning star, the fairest of ten thousand to our souls. Thanks be to our God!

We are thankful for the saints of God-there are no other people like them, and we want to always be numbered with them and see others brought in. We feel it would be well to let you know concerning the plans made by Bro. Martin Samons in the tent evangelistic effort. He tells us in a recent letter that the Lord is working things out in a wonderful way. He says that it seems like everything fell right in place. Surely that is the way it works when the divine Hand is leading the way. He is to start a meeting in Charlestown, Ind. on the 17th of June, Lord willing. It will be right on Route 3, just in the north end of town. Anyone coming from the west can take Route 50 from St. Louis to Route 3, then go south. Just as you enter Charlestown you will be able to see the tent. Let us all be agreed that God will bestow special anointing by the Holy Spirit upon those who will be ministering in song, prayer and preaching.

He is scheduled for a meeting at Paintsville, Kentucky after the close of this meeting in Indiana. Anyone living in driving distance should try to attend these meetings. Surely your souls will be blessed.

If we cannot go, we can hold them up in prayer and financial support, and have a part in the vineyard of the Lord. May the Lord bless each and every one who has helped to support this effort to reach lost and dying souls. Jesus said, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he would send forth laborers into his harvest." Luke 10:2. Again in Matt. 28:19, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." We all have

a responsibility to God and His work upon the earth. You pray for us that we will fill our place in the Body to please Him.

Our Christian love, —Bro. and Sis. Ralph M. Beisly 407 Eldridge St., Coffeyville, Kansas

(Editor's note: Please send your offerings for the support of these evangelistic tent meetings in new fields directly to Bro. Ralph Beisly who is the treasurer of the National Missionary Fund.)

# **OBITUARIES**



Sister Ophelia Phebe Jeffery, daughter of James and Eliza Smith, was born April 7, 1889 at Hugo, Okla. and departed this life April 6, 1966 at the age of 76 years, 11 months and 29 days. She professed a hope in Christ at a very early age. In 1961 she met and united with the saints of God. Here she remained, faithful to the end.

In 1903 she was married to L. D. Jeffery. To this union six children were born. Her husband and one son preceded her in death.

She leaves to mourn her departing her mother, Mrs. Eliza Harris, Tulsa, Okla., three daughters, Mrs. Nina Lee Barnett, Morris, Okla., Mrs. Leontine Stalling, Okmulgee, Okla., Mrs. Clementine Friday of Wichita, Kansas; one step-daughter, Mrs. Ida Washington, Los Angeles, Calif., two sons, Ester J. Jeffery, Coolidge, Ariz., Charles Jeffery, Spiro, Okla.; three step-sons, Frank Jeffery, Tulsa Okla., Sam Jeffery, Shreveport, La., and Willie Jeffery of Wasco, Calif.; four sisters, two brothers, 31 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren, a host of other relatives, saints and friends.

Funeral services were conducted by Bro. Woodrow Warren, assisted by Bro. Lewis Williams and others.

Lizzie Jones was born in Macon County, Alabama, on May 11, 1875, the daughter of Isaiah and Mary Ann Battle, and departed this life March 3, 1966 at the age of 90 years, 2 months and 8 days.

She was united in holy matrimony to Bud Jackson Jones. To this union four daughters and two sons were born. Her husband and one son preceded her in death.

Many years ago the Jones family moved to Boley, Oklahoma. There Sister Jones was saved under the ministry of Elder Henry Robinson. She worked faithfully as deaconess and mother in the Boley congregation for a number of years. She lived in Oklahoma City for more than a decade before moving to Los Angeles eleven years ago. Her declining years and her afflictions were taken very patiently and she trusted the Lord to the end, often expressing a desire to go Home to be with the Lord. Our loss is heaven's gain, but we humbly submit to the will of the Lord.

She is survived by four daughters; Leona, Minnie Ola, and Australia of Los Angeles, and Mary Anna of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and one son, Allison, of Los Angeles; four grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, and a host of relatives, saints and friends.

The funeral services were conducted by Bro. Isaac Chandler and others.

Lula G. (Parker) Mason was born July 17, 1895 to Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Parker in Lee County, Miss. and departed this life May 19, 1966 at Bristow, Okla.

Lula Parker was united in marriage to Tilmon Mason on March 14, 1915. To this union were born ten children, four of whom preceded her in death. She was saved in early youth in the Church of God and remained faithful until death. She was a devoted wife and mother.

She leaves to mourn, her husband, Tilmon Mason, Sr., two sons, Clifford of Bristow, Tilmon, Jr. of Wichita, Kansas; four daughters, Henryetta Crawford of Bristow, Okla., Viola Williams and Earnestine Gates of Wichita, Kansas, and Bernice Jackson of Bristow, Okla; 28 grand-children, 11 great grandchildren, a sister, Mrs. Nettie Carey of Tulsa, Okla., and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted by Bro. Lewis Williams and Bro. W. Warren. Texts: Eccl. 3:1, 2; 2 Timothy 4:6-8.

Clarence N. Davis was born Feb. 2, 1890 to Narcissus and Michael Davis at Conway, Ark., and departed this life on April 7, 1966.

In 1919 he was united in holy matrimony to Minnie Perkins.

Leaving to mourn his passing are five daughters, Narcissus Parker, Salina, Kansas, Margaret Bright, Pasadena, Calif., Mable Jones, Betty Louise Arnold, Joyce Duhon, all of Okla. City; five sons, Clarence, Pasadena, Calif., Volmer, Moty, Garland, and James, all of Okla. City; a sister, Sarah Kinchion, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted by Bro. Herman Kelley, assisted by Sister Katherine Williams and Bro. Murl Eddens.

Myrtle M. Bishop was born June 15, 1874 and passed away June 3, 1966 at San Gabriel, Calif. at the age of 92.

Mother Bishop fell on May 17 and broke her hip at the ball and socket. She had the best of care during the remaining 17 days of her life.

Mother Bishop was known by many, as she was one of the pioneers of the Reformation. She lived a life of devotion to her God.

She was buried in Inglewood Park Cemetery, Bro. Paul Lawson officiating.

#### OKLA. CITY MEETING REPORT

The Okla. City Spring Meeting, 800 N. E. 3rd St., has come and gone. It was an extra good meeting, well attended and good attention to the gospel. All through the meeting the sweet spirit of unity was manifested. There was a real outpouring of the Spirit from the first day until the last. The Word was preached with anointing. Some were saved, others healed, and many of the saints received spiritual help.

We do appreciate everyone who attended the meeting. Ministers present were Bro. Isaac Chandler, Bakersfield, Calif., Bro. Bowman, Bro. Lewis Williams, and Sister Jessie Douglas of Wichita, Kansas, Bro. Clifford Wilson and Sister Marie Miles of Guthrie, Bro. Archie Souder, and Sister Katherine Williams, Okla. City. (Sister Bessie Gordon of Wichita, Kansas was in the City but not able to attend on account of her health. Pray for her healing.)

Many expressed that they were still feasting on the wonderful messages and teaching we received. Bro. Chandler sat and taught on Friday which was very enlightening. Pray for the work here that God will continue to bless.

We, the congregation at 800 N. E. 3rd, Okla. City, feel it would be God's will to have an all-day meeting the first Sunday of each month. The next all-day service will be on July 3. We invite all to come and be with us on these days.

—Sister Ophelia Campbell, Secretary, Bro. Herman Kelley, Pastor

# Campmeeting Dates for 1966

Following are the dates for the remaining Church of God campmeetings for this year of 1966.

Hoffman, Okla.—June 17 to 26.

Jefferson, Oregon-June 24 to July 3.

Sister Bea Spaur, Pastor, Box 254, Jefferson, Ore. Phone AC 503-327-2855.

General Southern—Hammond, La.—June 24 to July 8.
For further information, write or call T. H. Coffey, P. O. Box 1177, Hammond, La. 70401, telephone area code 504—345-2412.

California State-Pacoima, Calif.-July 8 to 17.

For further information, contact Bro. O. B. Wilson, 12312 Osborne Place, Pacoima, Calif.

Missouri State-Myrtle, Mo.-July 8 to 17.

Akron, Ohio-July 8 to 17.

National Campmeeting—Neosho (Monark Springs), Mo. July 22 to 31.

Oklahoma State-Guthrie, Okla.-August 5 to 14.

Bakersfield, Calif.—August 5 to 14.

For further information, contact Bro. I. C. Chandler, 415 11th St., Bakersfield, Calif.

Boley, Okla.-August 19 to 28.

Dover, Oklahoma-September 2 to 11.

# **Campmeeting Notices**

#### FOURTH CAMPMEETING IN MEXICO

The fourth annual campmeeting in El Alamo, Baja Mexico will be held, Lord willing, July 1 through July 4, 1966. We are again looking forward to a rich outpouring of God's blessings on the meeting and earnestly solicit your prayers for its success.

—Harland Smith 317 E. Cucamonga Ave., Claremont, Calif.

#### MISSOURI STATE CAMPMEETING

The Church of God Missouri State campmeeting will be held at Myrtle, Mo. on July 8 to 17, 1966, the Lord willing.

We cordially invite all the saints everywhere and all others who may be interested in the truth to attend this meeting. There will be ministers of the Lord's choosing, to proclaim the truth.

The meeting will be run on the free will offering plan. All will be cared for. Bring your own bedding, pillows, linens if possible, as it gets very cool sometimes.

Those coming by bus or train, come to Thayer, Mo. or Pocahontas, Ark. Call Bro. Alsia Sorrell, WE 8-2482, or Bro. Thurman Sorrell, WE 8-2483, and someone will come after you. For further information, write the above at Myrtle, Mo.

Special Notice: There will be work days on the Myrtle, Mo. campground on the 2nd and 4th of July, in preparation for the campmeeting. If anyone wishes to come at any other time to work, there will be work to do, and you will be welcomed and your work appreciated.

-Murphy Allen

#### AKRON, OHIO CAMPMEETING

The annual campmeeting of the Church of God at Akron, Ohio will convene July 8 through 17, 1966. This is our second campmeeting on this camp site. The Lord provided the building here in the East. We are thankful to all that are led of the Lord in helping make it a possibility. We are also praising our Lord for the addition of showers for the brethren in the basement of the assembly hall this year.

This meeting will be supported by free will offerings, such as all meals, lodgings and transportation from bus or train. There is a parking space for trailers also.

All are welcome.

We are praying for ministerial help. Workers of the Lord, pray with us. For further information, write Bro. Adolph Robinson, 900 Peerless Ave., Akron Ohio. The parsonage phone is 724-5683, church phone 762-8622.

—Sister Hazel Clark, Pastor 544 Van Everett St., Akron, Ohio

#### 29th NATIONAL CAMPMEETING

The National Campmeeting of the Church of God will be held, the Lord willing, on the saints' campground at Monark Springs (Neosho), Mo. July 22 through July 31, 1966.

Well do we remember our first campmeeting on these grounds, and how our hearts did rejoice, and are still rejoicing to have found the saints of God. Of course, we are expecting to see all the saints there that can possibly be there, but dear ones, those of you who have never been to one of these campmeetings, we especially invite you to come and be with us. We will be happy to have you. There will be four services daily, in addition to children's meeting in the morning and young peoples' meeting in the early evening.

As in previous years, lodging and meals will be provided on the grounds. The usual fee of \$5.00 will be charged for tents with an additional \$1.00 for cot and mattress. Space in the dormitories will be \$2.00 for each person. All meals are served on free-will offering plan. All that can, please bring your bed sheets and covers. Also bring wraps, as we never know when it might turn real cool.

Let us all come to this meeting expecting to receive a real blessing to our souls and to be a blessing to all others. God will send His Spirit-filled ministers to bring the Word to us. As we are instructed in His Word, we like to know those who labor among us.

Those coming by train or by bus will come to Neosho as the campground is five miles east of Neosho. You will find it necessary to take a cab to the grounds, or call GRover 472-6427, which is out of Granby, Mo. and someone will come after you. All who can, please come. God is still on His throne and He will provide.

Special work days on the National campground at Monark Springs, Mo. will be on July 2 and 4. Much work needs to be done. Remember the dates and plan to come. This is your meeting, and the Lord will bless your efforts.

We would appreciate receiving your orders for tents and cots as soon as possible. Please send all orders to Ralph M. Beisly, 407 Eldridge St., Coffeyville, Kans. 67337.

#### OKLAHOMA STATE CAMPMEETING

The Oklahoma State campmeeting will be held, Lord willing, August 5 to 14, 1966 on the corner of Sixth and W. Warner Streets, Guthrie, Okla.

The tabernacle was dismantled last summer after the campmeeting. Then a flood in September disrupted plans to enlarge the chapel for campmeeting use. So this campmeeting will be held in the present chapel, and hope that it will accommodate all who come.

This will be the 32nd annual State campmeeting on these grounds. A hearty welcome is extended to all, and provisions will be made to care for everyone. The dining hall and dormitories are on the grounds. Expenses will be met by free-will offerings. Send contributions of food or money to Bro. M. A. Davis, Rt. 4, Guthrie, Okla.

Come praying for a profitable meeting and the salva-

tion of souls.

#### BOLEY, OKLA. CAMPMEETING

The Church of God campmeeting at Boley, Okla. will be held Aug. 19 through 28, 1966, Lord willing. All are welcome to come. For further information contact Sister Katherine Williams, Pastor, 1453 N. E. 9th St., Okla. City, Okla. 72117. Ph. CE 2-7706.

—Sis. Ora Spears

#### DOVER, OKLA. CAMPMEETING

The Church of God campmeeting at Dover, Okla. will be held on Sept. 2 to 11, 1966, Lord willing.

As usual, the meeting will be supported on the freewill offering plan. Sleeping quarters and dining hall are on the grounds. Ministers will be present to preach the Word. A hearty welcome is extended to all to attend this campmeeting. For further information, contact Bro. Henry Caldwell, Rt. 1, Box 76, Dover, Okla.

#### NIGERIAN MISSIONARY REPORT

Under the date of June 3 Bro. B. U. Etuk, native minister of the Church of God mission in Nigeria, writes that the mission work is progressing and the Lord is adding souls to their number almost daily. He expressed a real concern for the 32 new congregations which had been added to the mission because the distance was so great that it was difficult to reach them all regularly. Each congregation has a minister in charge, but they need much definite Scriptural instructions on many subjects of Christian living and doctrine.

With this cover letter Bro. Etuk enclosed the type-written report of the mission activities for the month of May written by the secretary, Bro. Nse Umanah. A summary follows:

On Sunday, May 8, a general service was held, but the place was not stated. In the Sunday school Bro. Brownson E. A. Inyang spoke to the group of about 100 to clear up the minds of those who were confused about a fancied future millennial reign on earth. The scriptures he used were very definite and clear on the subject. In the morning service Bro. Brownson U. Ekpene delivered a message on feeding the Church of God as Jesus instructed Peter, saying, "Feed my lambs, ... feed my sheen."

On most Sundays some of the ministers at the main mission travel to outlying stations, but on this third Sunday of May they all remained at their home mission for worship services.

On the fourth Sunday of May they visited the congregation at Nya Odiong. Bro. John J. Udo taught the Sunday school. Bro. Ben E. Udoka preached on the subject, "Newness of Life in Christ." Text: 2 Cor. 5:17. In this group there were 82 people.

On the fifth Sunday of May all the ministers worshipped at their home stations.

In words of appreciation to the Lord, Brother Nse Umanah announced the birth of a son on April 7, 1966, named Godwin Nse. Congratulations are in order, and we pray that the parents will be granted grace and wis-

dom to rear this boy in the "nurture and admonition of the Lord."

On behalf of the entire mission they are appealing for fervent prayer for their brothers and sisters in Benin City where Bro. D. U. E. Enu is the pastor, as well as for the Ikot Ekpene area, the Ukanefun area, and the Opobo area. These are the new stations they are contemplating to reach whenever possible.

Their other very urgent request for prayer, as repeated in most every letter, is for the Lord of the harvest to send "dependable and qualified" resident missionaries from America to teach them. May the Church at large remember this request daily at the throne of God until He calls and sends the gospel workers to fill this great need on the Nigerian mission field. If we delay, will they say as one of old, "No man cared for my soul?"

"Go, my brother, o'er the ocean,
Leave behind all earthly dross,
Prove to God thy life's devotion,
Lift the banner of his cross.
Jesus left his home in glory,
Died to set the captives free:
Go and tell the wondrous story,
Bear the message o'er the sea."

As a service to our readers and the Church, we maintain a separate Missionary Fund here at the Office to relay missionary offerings to the foreign fields. Some 25 native missionaries are now being supported each month from this fund. Through the summer months let us not forget the daily needs of these foreign native missionaries, and the Lord of the harvest will bless you accordingly.

—Lawrence Pruitt

#### MISSIONARY REPORT FROM INDIA

In a letter dated May 17 Bro. Verghese, the native minister of the Church of God in India, reported that they were still very busy constructing the new chapel at Karikam. The masonry walls are completed, and they wanted to get the tiled roof on before the heavy monsoon rains began. Because of a sudden rise in the prices of building materials, they are praying for another \$300 which will be required to purchase the essential items in order to finish the chapel. They are going ahead by faith that the Lord will supply this amount.

Bro. Verghese has translated some choice tracts, which we sent him, into the native language, and they are ready to be printed. He also has expressed a desire to establish a publishing center in Kerala State, S. India for the publication of gospel literature, and perhaps a Malayalam periodical. Let us pray that the Lord's will be carried out in this matter, and that the pure gospel of Christ will be spread far and wide over the country of India's millions.

Let us not slack our efforts to "bring in the golden sheaves." Millions are perishing in the "regions beyond."

"Why stand ye all day idle?
The laborers are so few,
The harvest is increasing,
And there's so much to do;
The Master calls for workers,
Then, brother, hear the cry,
Go quickly join the reapers,
And in His service die!"

-Lawrence Pruitt

#### **TESTIMONIES**



Calif.—Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord, we send greetings in Jesus' dear name: He has been so good to me and by His grace I intend to trust and serve Him all my days.

There had been something wrong with my stomach for quite awhile and a week or so ago it got so bad I could hardly eat anything. When I would swallow a bite of food the hurting would be intense and feel like a big lump or bubble of air high in my stomach, and if I didn't eat, my stomach would cramp and hurt. Late one evening I got very sick. We were praying all this time, but I seemed to get worse and got sick at my stomach, but nothing would come up except water. My husband came in the bathroom where I was and laid his hand on me and prayed, and the dear Lord took all the suffering away and I slept well all night, and the next morning I could eat without pain. Thank the Lord! I have had a few tests since then, but I believe the Lord has healed me.

Last August we had a bad car accident on the canyon road going to Bakersfield. My jaw was broken in several places. We were bruised, but no other bones were broken. The Lord was good to us. A nurse was just ahead of us and came back and stayed with us until the ambulance came. We could have both been killed as a hit-and-run driver knocked our car out of control, and we hit the solid mountain. My husband was pinned in and they had to use an iron bar to release him. Campmeeting had just begun in Bakersfield, so we had lots of prayers going up for us, and we felt His hand on us. My face was crooked for awhile, but thank the dear Lord, it is just about normal now.

Pray for us that we may always live to please Him. Your sister in the Lord, —Mrs. F. E. Doolittle

La.—Dear Bro. Lawrence: greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who is our Savior, Sanctifier, Healer, and Keeper. The Lord has been so good to us, that we cannot begin to praise Him enough for all that He has done for us. It truly is a pleasure to serve the Lord. We have received so many blessings, both physically and spiritually, in the last few weeks.

The Lord permitted us to pass through quite a severe test a few weeks ago in an affliction upon my bodysomething I had never before experienced. symptoms, and from what others said, I suppose that I had kidney stones. I had several extremely painful attacks, but the Lord was merciful and came to my rescue each time and touched me and gave relief from the suffering. But sometimes our heavenly Father permits us to stay in the "heated furnace" of affliction or trials until we have made the complete consecration to His will in our hearts and lives. Then, as in our own case, the healing touch will come, and one will receive a two-fold blessinghealing of the body and a wonderful blessing of the soul and spirit. We truly thank and praise our God for healing and we can testify that He is a divine healer to all those who will trust Him and serve Him, and will have their faith anchored in Him.

My soul can surely say, as David, in Psalm 103:1-5, "Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases: who redeemeth thy life from destruction: who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies; Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagles." Praise the Lord!

We are much encouraged to press on, and our determination is fixed and settled to go all the way with our Lord. We want to stand ready for service in whatever way the Lord can see fit to use us.

Pray for us that we will be all the Lord would have us to be in every way.

Yours in Christ, —Bob Forbes

Kentucky—Dear Bro. Lawrence, co-workers and all the saints scattered abroad: We send our love and greetings in the precious name of Jesus.

We are glad to report that we have victory over death, hell and the grave, and are much encouraged to press the battle on, looking forward to the crown awaiting us at the end of this Christian race.

We have desired for quite some time to send in our testimony of how good and gracious God has been to us. We have had a number of trials, but we thank and praise God for them, as we feel they have been for our spiritual benefit and for the furtherance of the gospel. We are living in a time when the devil is turned loose on the saints of God it seems, but as the Apestle Paul said, "We are more than conquerors through him that loved us."

We hear people say many times, "We don't see the miracles today like there used to be." This statement usually comes from those who have lost their vision or their vision has become darkened because of their spiritual weakness. May God stir our hearts to dig down to the place with God where we can see the hand of God working today as in the days of old.

We could scarcely tell of all of the many wonderful healings we have seen God perform in our own home. In the few years we have been living for Him we have seen Him heal pneumonia, meningitis, high fever, whooping cough, a severe throat condition and a bad case of pin worms. Our son, Curtis, was born with a severe affliction and was instantly healed after a number of days. God healed a broken thumb and many other things we could mention. Surely we have much to be thankful for, as the writer said, "O that men would praise the Lord for his goodness unto the children of men!"

We want to take this opportunity to thank all the saints for their prayers during our recent sickness. May God richly bless each of you for the love and concern you have shown to us.

Christian love, —Curtis and Burnice Williams Clearfield. Ky.

Ky.—Dear Saints of God: Just a line or so to say how thankful I am that God is not dead! I know he is alive, for He heard and answered my prayer. I was sick with the flu and so weak I couldn't stand up except for only a few minutes at a time. I prayed for strength and for God to restore me to good health. He heard, and to this day I am amazed at how fast my strength returned. I know it was through the healing power of God. I will continue to praise His holy name.

Enclosed find a small amount of money to help you in your work. I know that through the printed page more and more people are reached. I promised God that if He would heal me of the flu I would testify through your paper of His mercy and power.

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Please pray for me, for I suffer from dizzy spells.

Your Sister in Christ,

—Wilma Horsley

Ohio—Dear Bro. Lawrence and laborers in the vineyard of the Lord, we send greetings of love to each of you: I feel the Lord has burdened me to write my testimony concerning a very serious illness which afflicted me May 4, 1966. (Many are the afflictions of the righteous but the Lord delivers them out of them all.) My affliction was double pneumonia. On May 2 I had slight pains in my back. I went to work but was unable to report the next day. I spent most of the night calling on the Lord in earnest prayer. The pains seemed to be moving in my chest right near my heart. I knew it would take God to heal me. The enemy was there trying to hinder but I resisted any thought or suggestion which he presented. I was standing on God's Word as it is written, "If ye abide in me and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you." I had called several of the saints to be agreed in prayer with me.

Jer. 17:7 says, "Blessed is the man who trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is." My trust was fully in the Lord. I was determined that nothing would separate me from the love of God. Through all my suffering and pain I still claimed the healing. I took it by faith. I never stayed in bed. I continued to drive my car and worked on the car. I knew by faith I would be healed. I am happy to report victory over the affliction over sin and the devil. Jesus has truly been a wonderful Savior to us, and we're so glad we ever learned to serve Him. We are serving a living God who will never leave us nor forsake us.

Please pray that I'll ever be true in the service of the Lord. —Bro. Theophilus A. Jones, Jr.

Ore.-Dear Ones, I have a testimony for the Lord. I was helping a neighbor push a pickup truck back into the lane. It had run out of gas. There was water on the highway and my feet slipped somehow. I landed flat on my back and bumped my head on something that caused a lump to raise up on it. It did not hurt me any that I can see, only made my head feel tender where this bump is. It does not feel sore now very much and I believe it has gone down somewhat, too. The first thing I thought to do was to take it to the Lord and ask Him not to let it do me any harm, now or later. Oh, I do praise His wonderful name! I was able to get up and run to the house and pray to Him even before I took off my wet muddy clothes. I have not felt any ill effects so far from it. The dark purple black and blue spots on my legs are healing fast. "All things work together for good to them that love God." I thought of this Scripture as I remembered afterward that my neck gave a click or snap sound and I felt it too, when my head was bumped. Ever since then I have not had any catch in the right side of it like I had been having. That same day your calendar Scriptrue read: "Cast not away your confidence which hath great recompense of reward." That helped me so much in confidence in the Lord that He had heard my prayer.

Please send me the book, "The Birth of a Reformation—Life and Labors of D. S. Warner" for \$4.00 and you keep the remainder for whatever need you see best to use it for.

Your sister, —Vivian Williams

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Ohio—Dear Sister Marie: I send love to you and all the dear saints everywhere. I thank God for His love and tender mercies unto me. I am glad that Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever.

I was afflicted in body recently and God came to my rescue. I promised Him I would write and tell what He had done for me. My head began hurting me at work. By the time I started driving home I became worse. My daughter drove part of the way home for me. I was too sick to pray the way I wanted to, so I told the Lord about the prayers that I had already sent up when things were going well. I thank Him that He did bless me. I got up and called for prayer. By the time I got back in bed I was worse. I prayed earnestly and thought on the

blood of Jesus. When all else fails, the blood of Christ will stand. The Lord gave me part of a song, "Is the God of heaven weak as man or can His promise fail?" He began to touch me and perhaps within two hours or so, I was eating my supper. Thank God for his goodness to me. I desire your prayers,

—Annie Stills

Okla.—Dear Ones, greetings in the precious name of Jesus, the One who gave His life for me that I might be saved from my sins, not in them, but from them. Praise the Lord for this!

It is nearly midnight, but sleep doesn't come. It keeps coming to my mind about a dear girl I visited in the hospital today. She had been there a week, and her husband took her home while we were there. She was near a mental breakdown. She had called her mother on the phone some time before, crying and saying she wanted to be saved, but was not willing to pay the price. She wanted to talk to a saint minister but knew he would tell her she would have to give up her husband as he has a living companion. She wasn't willing. After being in the hospital for a few days, the doctor convinced her that her trouble was from too much worry. She had lost a baby some time ago and he convinced her she has grieved too much over this. Oh, how sad! She has two other children. Will she pay the price or be lost—lost forever?

Then another dear girl, reared in the truth, but married to a second husband, is in much trouble, unhappy and trying to live for the Lord. Will she be deceived and be lost—lost forever?

Then we think of those reared in the truth who backslide and go out and marry someone in the world. Then after the honeymoon is over, trouble comes and they desire to turn to the Lord. The companion opposes the truth, and the training of the children in the truth to trust God for healing. Oh, how sad! If that one does get saved, there will be much trials and persecutions and sometimes are not allowed to even go to meeting. Will they be able to have grace to live for the Lord through all these things, or will they be lost?

Dear ones, I am personally acquainted with these conditions of which I write. How can we help them make heaven? How can we help others avoid the same awful mistakes?

I do feel like warning all or anyone who might be about to get into one of these traps to reconsider. Think now before it is too late.

I'm thanking the Lord for all He has been to us. He surely did show Himself strong in healing my dear mother and I can never cease to praise Him. Truly it pays to trust the Lord. She was so sweet in her suffering and that made it precious to care for her. Truly the saints and our dear pastor were a blessing to us during this heavy trial. We thank the Lord for them.

Thank the Lord we can be more than conquerors through Him that loved us. Rom. 8:37.

Love to all the saints, —Sister Frances Perkins

Calif.—Dear Sister Miles and all the dear saints: I promised God if He would answer my request which I put in that I would write my testimony for the "Faith and Victory" paper. Praise the Lord, He did answer it. All praise be to our God for hearing and answering prayer! I truly thank Him for it, and all the prayers He has answered in the past.

I am happy in the Lord, and glad that I am saved. My determination is to serve and trust the Lord until He calls me Home. It means so much to trust the Lord in these sinful days. But God has grace to keep us, and He will take care of His children. We must be careful how we live, as we know that no sin can enter God's heaven.

Still pray for a growth on my shoulder. I know God can heal anything. Pray also for my unsaved family.

Your Sister,

—Ada Leach

# Be Not Empty, But Be Filled

Jesus said in Matt. 12:43-45, "When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and finding none. Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished. Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first."

It is a very important thing for a person who is delivered from the power of the devil and his works to replace the sins of his life with the fruits of righteousness. Satan will seek to enter once more into our hearts, but will be unable to do so if we are filled with the graces and divine presence of the Lord. A person can quit sin and the world, but unless these things are replaced by the treasures of spiritual life and the fruits of the Spirit, Satan has a good advantage of repossession and that of a much worse nature. The capacities of a person's mind and heart are not so constructed to endure the state of emptiness. We are going to be filled with something and we should take heed that we fill our lives with good things as well as emptying ourselves of evil things. David testified in Psalm 40:2, 3 that the Lord not only brought him up and out of an horrible pit, but he said He "set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings, and He hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God."

We do stress the importance of departing from evil and being delivered from the power of sin, but are we aware of the need of being filled with these things that are acceptable in His sight? "Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, [for what purpose] perfecting holiness in the fear of God." 2 Cor. 7:1. There is, therefore, a negative side and a positive side. Both are important. To try to put on the Christ-life without putting off the life of sin would be like putting a piece of new cloth into an old garment, which Jesus said would not work. Matt. 9:16. And, on the other hand, to put off sin and fail to put on the works of faith and love revealed in the Bible will miss the mark, also. Herein lies the secret of success and the cause for many people's failure.

In Ephesians 4:22-32 are several such entreaties concerning putting off the old man and putting on the new man. Ver. 25 says, "Wherefore, putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbor: for we are members one of another." Verse 29: "Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace to the hearers." When we cease speak-

ing evil and deceit, are we to be silent? No, but as these scriptures reveal, we are to employ our tongue as an instrument for godly edification. Verse 28: "Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth." Surely we would not want to steal, but how about obeying the latter part of this verse? Verse 31, 32, "Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: and be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." Can you see the thought in these scriptures?

In Colossians 3 we find another discourse on things to empty out and things to be filled with. "But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth." Ver. 8. But what are we to fill and replace these things with? "Put on, therefore, as the elect of God... bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts . . . Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom . . ." Oh, how needful it is for us to be filled with these things!

Ephesians 5:17, 18 tells us. "Wherefore, be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit." We must put aside and deny the wisdom of the world, but are we to be unwise, that is, without any wisdom at all? No! But we are to be filled with that wisdom which will help us to understand what the will of the Lord is. And while the world revels in excess of wine and folly, we can drink of the wine of the Holy Spirit. There are many things that our Saviour wants us to have as well as things that He desires that we deny. Let us be diligent that our vision not only comprehends the things that we are to empty out, but also the things that we are to be filled with. A Christian that does not replace things lost with things gained for Christ will be a poor influence for the name of the Lord. So many draw back from seeking the Lord with respect to all they must give up or lose, but it is because they have no vision of what gain will be theirs for such a surrender. As the song says, "Leave your sins for the blood to cover, there's honey in the rock for you!"

For the benefit of the young people, here is a suggestive list of things which can help fill one's time for the Lord:

- 1. Be reading a good book: biography, missionary, or spiritual subjects, as "The Pilgrim's Progress."
- 2. Memorize our songs and sing a lot. When a phrase of song is Scripture, write the reference of Scripture by it.
- 3. Always carry a Bible to services. Follow the minister with every Scripture. Mark the outstanding ones.

- 4. Begin a regular habit of Bible reading and prayer every day. Pray out loud. If it is not convenient, find a place.
- 5. Do every phase of work well. If still in school, strive to get good grades; better them as you are able. Be faithful to do all the subject requires. Always prove to your teacher or employer that you are an honest worker, never wasting any time.
- 6. Look about to find every opportunity to do something for others, and even to do things hidden from the praise of everyone except God. Give, and learn the secret early.
- 7. Make home the sweetest place to spend the times of life, endeavoring to help your parents in everything that will make this possible.
- 8. Be looking to the Lord continually about a testimony for the times offered in services; a precious thought, an enlightening of a Scripture, or an inspiring experience.
  - 9. Take on responsibilities as they are offered.

-Leslie and Sylvia Busbee

#### CHRIST IN THE HEART

Impressions made on the mind in youth are never removed. There is a stone in the British Museum in London said to be as hard as any steel, and no impression could be made on it, yet there is an impression on it of a little bird's foot. There was a time when it was soft and plastic. Youth is the time when impressions are made never to be eradicated.

A late preacher once met a little boy on the street. He said, "Matthew, my lad, you remember there was Matthew the publican, and he left all, rose up and followed Jesus. Do you think, Matthew, you will do the same?"

He also met a little girl, and said, "Christina, you have got Christ in your name, have you got Christ in your heart?" Christina never forgot that.

#### **BIBLE STUDY**

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#### July 3, 1966

#### GOD'S RIGHT TO COMMAND

Printed Portion Ex. 20:1; Lev. 18:1-5; Hosea 11:1, 3, 4a John 14:10, 15; Matt. 24:35.

Ex. 20:1 And God spake all these words, saying,

2 I am the Lord thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

Lev. 18:1 And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, 2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto ther

- 2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, I am the Lord your God.
- 3 After the doings of the land of Egypt, wherein ye dwelt, shall ye not do: and after the doings of the land of Canaan, whither I bring you, shall ye not do: neither shall ye walk in their ordinances.
- 4 Ye shall do my judgments, and keep mine ordinances, to walk therein: I am the Lord your God.
- 5 Ye shall therefore keep my statutes, and my judgments: which if a man do, he shall live in them: I am the Lord.

Hosea 11:1 When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt.

- 3 I taught Ephraim also to go, taking them by their arms: but they knew not that I healed them.
- 4a I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of love:

John 14:10 Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

Matt. 24:35 Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.

Memory Verse: If ye love me, keep my commandments. John 14:15.

Practical Truth: If we obey God it will bring us joy and eternal life; to disobey, sorrow and eternal death.

#### COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

When God created man, He put within him a soul, for which he is responsible to God. God also gave him the right of choice as to whether he wanted to serve God or not. God's laws are just, true, and perfect. He has a right to command because He is our Creator, Keeper, and Redeemer.

Our lesson is taken from the Law, prophets, gospels, and the Epistles. God has declared "I am the Lord thy God." Jesus has declared, "the words that I speak unto you" are from the Father, our God. Jesus tells us that if we love Him, we will obey His words. We trust that the Holy Spirit will thunder into every heart the truth that when this old world is on fire and the Heavens and earth are dissolved that we will stand before God in the judgment and meet all the Word of God. Oh, how important it is that we keep them today and be ready in that great day to meet our God. Today God's love is reaching out to every person.

Egypt is a type of sin and the bondage that it brings. God delivered the Israelites and brought them into the land of Canaan which flowed with milk and honey. God did not want them to make their home in the wilderness which is a type of justification, but they were to rest and live in Canaan. He called Israel his child and loved them. He drew them by cords of love. Today He is the same to us.

#### July 10, 1966

#### SUPREME LOYALTY TO GOD

Printed Portion Ex. 20:3; 1 Kings 18:17-21; Matt. 4:8-10; Mark 12:28

Ex. 20:3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

- 1 Kings 18:17 And it came to pass, when Ahab saw Elijah, that Ahab said unto him, Art thou he that troubleth Israel?
- 18 And he answered, I have not troubled Israel; but thou, and thy father's house, in that ye have forsaken the commandments of the Lord, and thou hast followed Baalim.
- 19 Now therefore send, and gather to me all Israel unto mount Carmel, and the prophets of Baal four hundred and fifty, and the prophets of the groves four hundred, which eat at Jezebel's table.
- 20 So Ahab sent unto all the children of Israel, and gathered the prophets together unto mount Carmel.
- 21 And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? If the Lord be God,

follow him: but if Baal, then follow him. And the people answered him not a word.

Matt. 4:8 Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them;

9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.

10 Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

Mark 12:28 And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment of all?

Memory Verse: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment. Mark 12:30.

Practical Truth: When we truly love God with all our our heart and stand up for His laws, we prove our loyalty to Him.

#### COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

Today many are halting between two opinions. So many are turning away from the true and living God. In years past many believed in God and that the Bible was His Word, even if they did not live accordingly. But today many are discrediting these facts. They are turning to other gods which are science, materialism, and other isms. But God still thunders from heaven today as He did to the Israelites at Mt. Sinai, "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." Jesus reaffirms this truth by telling us that "the Lord our God is one Lord" and we should love Him with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. This is the first commandment.

The devil is trying today to get us to turn away from having faith in God just as he worked on Jesus. We notice that the devil just offered Jesus literal "things" if he would serve him. Those literal "things" that were offered will all perish. That is all the devil has to offer today to you and me. But thank God, we, too, can overcome him by using the Word of God, just as Jesus did. We know that the eternal jewels of heaven are enduring. They will never perish. The apostle Paul has told us that "the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal." 2 Cor. 4:18. Praise the Lord for a vision of riches that will last forever if we love and serve our God.

#### July 17, 1966

#### TRUE WORSHIP OF GOD

Printed Portion ..... Ex. 20:4-6; John 4:7-10, 19-23

Ex. 20:4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth:

- 5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;
- 6 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.
- John 4:7 There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give me to drink.
- 8 (For his disciples were gone away unto the city to buy meat.)

- 9 Then saith the woman of Samaria unto him, How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria? for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans.
- 10 Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.
- 19 The woman saith unto him, Sir, I perceive that thou are a prophet.
- 20 Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.
- 21 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father.
- 22 Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews.
- 23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

Memory Verse: God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. John 4:24.

Practical Truth: We must worship God from our hearts and in the Spirit.

#### COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

Our lesson today is the second commandment given to the Israelites by God on Mt. Sinai. We are commanded to worship God and to serve Him only. We are not to have idols, which would be anything that we love more than God, or that comes between us and God. Many will let loved ones, friends, watching T. V., money or many other things keep them from worshipping God only. In worshipping God, we, the children of God, bring our deepest emotions or feelings together into love for our God. We have a great love, adoration, helplessness, and faith with thanksgiving when we kneel before our God in prayer or in an attitude of worship. Worship comes from the heart. "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." Our soul is in tune with heaven. The Spirit of God plays upon our heart strings as we humble ourselves before God. We look into the glory world. We are lifted into the realms of the unseen beauties of heaven. The things of this world fade away. We seek eternal glories that Paul said could not be uttered. How sweet is the communion with our God in true worship. We drink from a river of life that is hidden from the world. It is a well of water springing up in our soul. Praise the Lord. Nothing in this world can compare to it. Let the praises of God continually be in your soul and mind.

#### July 24, 1966

#### SINCERITY BEFORE GOD

Printed Portion Ex. 20:7; Matt. 5:33-37; Mark 7:5-8; Titus 1:16

Ex. 20:7 Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

Matt. 5:33 Again, ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old time, Thou shalt not forswear thyself, but perform unto the Lord thine oaths:

- 34 But I say unto you, Swear not at all; neither by heaven; for it is God's throne:
- 35 Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great king.

- 36 Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black.
- 37 But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay; for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil.

Mark 7:5 Then the Pharisees and scribes asked him, Why walk not thy disciples according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashen hands?

- 6 He answered and said unto them, Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.
- 7 Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.
- 8 For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do.

Titus 1:16 They profess that they know God, but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

Memory Verse: And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say? Luke 6:46.

Practical Truth: It is important to honor and respect God. Sham words and lives will not be accepted.

#### COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

Our lesson is about the third commandment. If we take the Lord's name in vain or live a life of sham we will be held guilty before God. A person who claims to love God and then does not obey Him is living a vain life, a life of sham.

Jesus reaffirms God's law and says in verse 34, "Swear not at all." There is so much profanity in the world today. It is sad indeed to hear the precious name of God and our Lord and Saviour used in such terrible oaths and with such anger. Why do people use God's name when they get angry? It is because the devil hates God and causes them to do it. Why don't they use just any word? The devil is in direct conflict with God. He wants God to be cursed. He wants God's great name to be brought down low and degraded. He wants the most cruel, vulgar, wicked and lowest men to curse God and use His great and mighty name in the most degrading way. But God, whose love is great, permits them to do so. He continues to send the rain on the just and unjust. He continues to show mercy and holds out his arms of love to them.

Jesus taught about those who were hypocrites and how they say they love God but it is only with their lips. Their hearts were full of corruptness. Dear ones, God wants us to be sincere. He wants us to love him with all our hearts. It has been said of some, "Your actions speak so loudly that we cannot hear what you say."

#### July 31, 1966

#### THE LORD'S DAY

Printed Portion Ex. 20:8-11; Luke 6:6-11; John 5:16-18

- Ex. 20:8 Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. 9 Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:
- 10 But the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:
- 11 For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

Luke 6:6 And it came to pass also on another sabbath, that he entered into the synagogue and taught: and there was a man whose right hand was withered.

- 7 And the scribes and Pharisees watched him, whether he would heal on the sabbath day; that they might find an accusation against him.
- 8 But he knew their thoughts, and said to the man which had the withered hand, Rise up, and stand forth in the midst. And he arose and stood forth.
- 9 Then said Jesus unto them, I will ask you one thing; Is it lawful on the sabbath days to do good, or to do evil? to save life, or to destroy it?
- 10 And looking round about upon them all, he said unto the man, Stretch forth thy hand. And he did so: and his hand was restored whole as the other.
- 11 And they were filled with madness: and communed one with another what they might do to Jesus.
- John 5:16 And therefore did the Jews persecute Jesus, and sought to slay him, because he had done these things on the sabbath day.
- 17 But Jesus answered them, My Father worketh hitherto, and I work.
- 18 Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill him, because he not only had broken the sabbath, but said also that God was his Father, making himself equal with God.

Memory Verse: I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet. Revelation 1:10.

Practical Truth: Jesus came to fulfill the Sabbath, which means that he gives us perfect, complete rest to our souls. The Lord's Day which is Sunday is kept in memory of Jesus' resurrection.

#### COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

The Sabbath was binding upon the Israelites as a "sign" between them and God in memory of their deliverance from Egypt. (Ex. 31:14-17) There was a severe penalty upon all who did any labor on this day. Some teach we are to keep Saturday or the Sabbath today in the same literal sense because it was a commandment of God. Paul teaches us that the ordinances, holy days, new moon, "sabbath days, which are a shadow of things to come" were "nailed to his cross." Col. 2:14-17. They were taken away. The early morning New Testament church did not keep the Sabbath or Saturday, but met together on Sunday, the Lord's Day or the first day of the week in memory of Jesus' resurrection. We read in John 20:19 where the disciples were met together and Jesus appeared to them. Then eight days later they had met together and He appeared to them again. (ver. 26) ("After eight days" is Bible language which meant a week later just as "after the third day" Jesus arose which meant the third day. See Bible authorities.) Fifty-nine years later they were meeting on "the first day of the week." (Acts 20:7.) See 1 Cor. 16:2 where Paul instructed the church to take up their offering on Sunday, the first day of the week. Our memory verse was written 66 years after Jesus' resurrection. Today we are still meeting together for worship on Sunday in memory of Jesus' resurrection.

The Sabbath means "rest." It is a type of the everlasting rest that we find in Christ to our soul for every day. Heb. 4:1-11; Matt. 11:28. It is also a type of the eternal rest of the soul of those who have departed. "They may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them." Rev. 14:13. Jesus was the "Lord of the Sabbath" and He could change it from a literal rest to the spiritual rest of the soul.

—Sister Marie Miles