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### *The Truth Is Marching On!*

When the gospel truth first came to man in the morning age of time,  
And its golden rays of light and truth on earth began to shine,  
Old Satan then became alarmed, with all his wicked throng,  
And tried to crush it to the earth, but still it's marching on.

When Satan's kingdom was assailed by Michael's angel band,  
The dragon with his mighty host against him took his stand.  
And they the truth in fury fought with many millions strong,  
But by the mighty hand of God, the truth kept marching on.

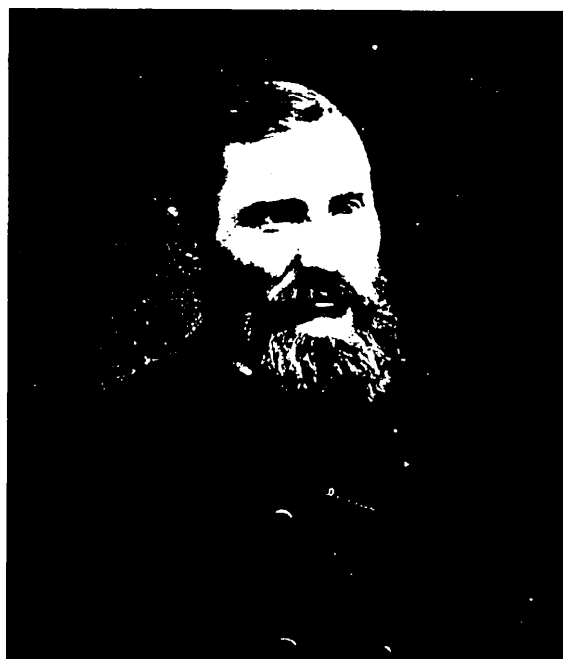
The beast then took the dragon's seat and came upon the scene,  
And with the sword his army left a bloody crimson stream,  
And fifty million saints or more to the martyr's stake had gone,  
And when they thought they had prevailed, the truth kept marching on.

The image of the beast then came to scatter and deceive,  
And hide the precious truth of God that we have long believed.  
His efforts failed, although he fought and labored hard and long,  
But still the precious truth we love is truly marching on.

So Gog and Magog then appeared in Armageddon's heights  
To fight against the saints of God out in the "evening light."

The battle now is raging hot with truth against the wrong,  
And when the smoke has cleared away, 'twill still be marching on.

—W. M. Pettigrew



**D. S. WARNER**

(1842—1895)

The name of D. S. Warner can never be erased from the memory of thousands of people. Long will his kind words of advice and admonition be remembered. Although his spirit has long since departed, yet his words, and the fruits of his labor continue to live in the hearts of men, and will so continue until time shall be no more. Through his efforts to save fallen man, thousands have been pointed to the One in whom they sought and found deliverance.

Sin never dragged him down so far in degradation as it did many others, but while yet in early manhood he sought and found the Savior. Feeling that God had chosen him to carry the gospel to others, shortly after his conversion he entered the ministry; and ever after, until his death, his voice sounded forth the tidings of full salvation.

He served the Lord faithfully, and was true to the covenant he made with the Lord. At the time he surrendered everything to his dear Father in heaven, he wrote in his journal the covenant that was made. The words written down on that day were also recorded in heaven, and never did he swerve from that solemn vow. The following is an extract from his journal at that date of December 13, 1877:

"I do most joyfully yield myself entirely to be thine, O God. Therefore, this soul which thou hast made in thine own image is placed wholly in thy hands. Do with it as seemeth good. This mind shall think only for thy glory and the promotion of thy cause. This will is thy will, O God; the spirit within this body is now thine; do with it as thou wilt in life and death. This body is thy temple forever; these hands only to work for thee; these eyes to see thy adorable works and thy holy law; this tongue and these lips to speak only holiness unto the Lord; these ears to hear thy voice alone; these feet to walk only in thy ways; and all my being is now and forever thine."

Down at the foot of the cross was where he longed to be, and much of his time was spent in communion with his Savior. Through the careful study of the Word, he began to see the evils of sectarianism, and to realize that God never intended for His children to be divided. He saw the body of Christ, the true church, and felt that he must break loose from all institutions of men. Being then a member of the so-called Church of God, or Wine-brennerians, he felt that he no longer could find a home with them, so boldly stepped out and declared his freedom in Christ Jesus.

God blessed him in the step he had taken, and he faltered not in crying out against the evils of sectarian confusion. He could not endorse their creeds, and he proved by the Word that they were wrong, and that the so-called churches constituted spiritual Babylon, and exhorted all God's children to come out of her, lest they be partakers of her plagues. This was a wonderful stroke and came like a thunderbolt from heaven upon them. The devil and all the false religions became stirred with prejudice, and they moved with envy against him for preaching a doctrine which they thought was new. Although it was as old as the Bible, yet they did not understand it.

Through this act was heaped upon him much bitter persecution, yet he never faltered nor turned back, knowing that under him were the "everlasting arms."

He now stood free from all the bondage and yokes of men, and realized that he was a member of the church that Jesus shed His blood to purchase. It was then that he could fully realize the import of these words which in after years he put in verse:

Church of God, thou spotless virgin,  
Church of Christ, for whom He died;  
Thou hast known no human founder,  
Jesus bought thee for His bride.

Sanctified by God the Father,  
Built by Jesus Christ the Son,  
Tempered by the Holy Spirit,  
Like the Holy Three in One.

Church of God, in heaven written,  
Thine the risen life of Christ,  
And the treasures to thee given,  
Never, never can be priced.  
Far above this world's confusion,  
Walking close by Jesus' side,  
Leaning on His loving bosom,  
Is the church, His chosen bride.

His mind was much drawn out to literary work, and he felt that God could be glorified through the use of his pen. A short time previous to the year of 1880 he became connected with a paper known as the "Herald of Gospel Freedom." Shortly afterwards, this paper was consolidated with another paper of the same gospel principles, and the paper thus formed was called *The Gospel Trumpet*. With tongue and pen he thundered forth the truth against all institutions and doctrines of men, and set forth the Church of God. He taught that men must be holy and pure in heart, and that this could only be obtained through sanctification, as a second definite work of grace, subsequent to regeneration. As fast as God revealed the truth to him, he did not hesitate to tell it to others.

He labored faithfully for the salvation of men's souls. The salvation which he so much enjoyed he wanted others to have a part in also. His pen gave forth the expression of his heart in words like these: "Salvation is more to be desired than all the glory and pleasure that the highest honors of earth can yield."

Many beautiful songs were produced by his pen, and though they have been sung for years yet they never seem to grow old, and no doubt will be sung for years to come. He was also the author of a number of books and tracts of various kinds. God used him in a wonderful manner in this way, and through the reading of his inspired writings many were brought to the knowledge of the Savior.

He could not always stay with those who loved him, so on the 12th of December, 1895, God called him to that Home above, having lived 53 years, 5 months and 13 days. He was sick only a few days, and it seemed that God was through with him here, and those that were left behind had to resign to His will. At the news of his death many hearts were laden with sorrow.

The funeral services, conducted by Bro. Wm. G. Schell, were held on the campground near Grand Junction, Mich., and he was laid to rest near his home where he last lived. Bro. Charles E. Orr wrote a 23-verse poem in his memory which was read at his funeral service.

—From "Familiar Names and Faces" by N. H. Byrum

The demands of the flesh are keeping many so busy attending the needs of the body that they have but little time to care for the soul. —C. E. Orr

## Winning Souls To Christ

It is written: "He that winneth souls is wise." (Proverbs 11:30.) By this statement we understand that he who would win souls to Christ must have wisdom. According to the dictionary, wisdom is the quality of being wise; the faculty of making the best use of knowledge. Also we understand that knowledge is the fact of knowing, having the mind illuminated. The soul-winner must have his mind illuminated, "For the Lord giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding." (Proverbs 2:6).

If we give the more earnest heed to what we have heard from the lips of God through His Word, and obey what we hear, we will have wisdom and understanding from above as to how to go about the business of soul-winning. This will put us in a position to work in harmony with the Holy Spirit, the Administrator of the will of God in this dispensation, being anointed by Him, and having a burden for the lost. Since the plan of salvation was finished on the cross, the Holy Spirit has the most important part to carry out in the work of soul-winning. Jesus said, "And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment," speaking of the work of the Holy Spirit. Webster defines the word "reprove": to condemn; to disapprove; to convict. The Holy Spirit draws men to Christ. Jesus said, "No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him." (John 6:44.) This is accomplished by the Holy Spirit. He convicts and convinces men of their sins.

We, His saints, also have a part in bringing souls to Christ. In order to understand our part, let us look into the Word. The soul-winners of the morning Church are our examples. John the Baptist introduced Jesus to a sinning world when he cried out, "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." (John 1:29.) The Jews understood what a blood sacrifice represented. John introduced them to the Lamb which was to be sacrificed for the sins of all mankind.

Jesus said, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." (John 12:32.) If souls are to be won to the Lord, we must lift up Christ to them, bring them into contact with Christ. We find Peter doing this on the Day of Pentecost. He preached Christ, and Him crucified, telling the Jews, "Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ." (Acts 2:36.) Upon hearing this, they cried out, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" Peter's answer was, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." (vs. 37b, 38b). It was not Peter's duty to tell them "in order to be saved, ye must confess to the public that ye rejected, condemned and sanctioned the crucifixion of Christ, the Saviour of the lost world." Doubtless

they did this later, for we hear Brother Paul, who was at one time one of the greatest persecutors of the saints, making his confession after the Spirit of God dealt with him, bringing these things to his mind which he must confess. He wrote, "For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the Church of God and wasted it." (Gal. 1:13).

Every would-be soul-winner should fully understand his part in leading men to the place where they see their need of being saved through the blood of Jesus Christ.

—H. P. Huskey

## The Promised Mediator

A mediator is a person who serves as an intermediary to reconcile a difference.

In Galatians 3:17-19 we read, "And this I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect. For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise. Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator." Christ was and is that precious mediator. In Gal. 3:24, 25 we read, "Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith. But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster." We know and hear about our great Mediator and High Priest. Our Lord and Saviour was both. Yes, thank God, He is today at the right hand of the Father interceding for all mankind.

In ancient Israel, Aaron and his sons were the priests. (Numbers 3:10). In the New Testament, the priestly functions are vested in Christ, to whom all may draw near. Hebrews 4:16, "Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need."

Man changes, banks fail and go broke, and great nations have fallen and come to naught, but in Hebrews 7:24-26 we read from God's Word, "This man [Jesus Christ], because he continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood. Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them. For such an high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens." Let us look at Christ, our Saviour. He is our intercessor to God, the Father. He is holy and He did no sin. He loves all mankind, regardless of color, or origin. This is my High Priest. I can trust Him. He was never defiled with any earthly wrong. His love for mankind is higher than the heavens and deeper than the sea. He was obedient until death, then arose and ever liveth to intercede for humanity. There never was and never will be another mediator like Him.

—Mildred Kingsley

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## EDITORIALS

With the arrival of this autumn season we again make a special effort, by the blessings of the Lord and the co-operation of our readers, to reach many more thousands of people with the pure gospel message. The summer is ended, the campmeeting season is past, and millions of souls are not saved. Shall we fold our hands and wait for another convenient season to reach the perishing? No! "Every second, sad to tell, counts another soul in hell," the poet wrote. "Dreadful sight to see them bound in sin's dark pall. What in life we all may do, can but save a very few, yet the blessed Saviour shed His blood for all."

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Very soon, we are anticipating several thousand new names and addresses through this special three months' subscription offer which will have to be processed and typed on wrappers. In the Lord's Printshop, He could use additional consecrated typists, proof readers, and helpers in the mailing department. Who will answer the call of God?

The "Bible Lessons" and the "The Beautiful Way" papers for the fourth quarter, 1973, (for use in Sunday school classes) were put in the mail on Sept. 12. The "Bible Lessons" are now all gone, and we could not fill some late orders. We urge all who order lessons and papers by the quarter to get your order to this office at least 30 days before the beginning of the quarter. Otherwise, we may not be able to fill orders on later dates.

We appreciate the concern and sacrifice of Bro. George Hammond of Kenosha, Wisc., who drove down here and helped us in the shop during the second week of September. He helped to get out the "Bible Lessons" and reprinted a number of tracts which were out of stock. May the Lord bless and reward him in a special way.

Printing paper is in short supply, but we are thankful to report that our last mill shipment of 5,000

pounds arrived on the scheduled delivery date—September 20. In the month of September we received over 10,000 pounds of paper which cost more than \$2,000.00. The price of paper continues to climb along with almost everything else on the market. In spite of much higher costs, our subscription rates remain the same as they have been for 25 years.

By the blessings of the Lord, this monthly periodical is in its 51st year of publication. Now, as always, this paper stands committed to the vital Bible truths which brought forth this "evening light" restoration movement of the Church of God in fulfillment of Bible prophecy—those same truths which were taught and practiced prior to the "landslide apostasy" of 1910-17.

It is sad but true that not one of the various groups which has split from the "Trumpet" movement since 1910 has been willing to accept the original Bible truths of the pioneer reformers. Each group has taken with it the leaven of compromise and apostasy, and as the Scripture says, a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump. At present one of the larger groups is propagating another false doctrine—the anti-cleansing heresy (no cleansing in sanctification). This false teaching strikes right at the vital foundation of God's plan of salvation. The pioneer ministers met this anti-cleansing heresy in the year of 1898, and boldly denounced it. In my private library is a book of 493 pages, entitled "Bible Proofs of a Second Work of Grace" by D. S. Warner. Published in 1878, this book sets forth the Bible truths on this subject. We solemnly warn all the saints against this anti-cleansing heresy. Give no ear to it, lest you be deceived.

We are sorry to advise that the clothbound reprint edition of "Birth of a Reformation" by A. L. Byers is out of stock, and it may be a few months before we can get it reprinted. If you desire a copy, we would accept your order for the price of \$4.50, postpaid, to be mailed when it is ready.

On Sept. 20, my sister, Marie Miles, took the plane to Phoenix, Arizona, to attend the wedding of our nephew, Dennis Pruitt, which was an event of Saturday, Sept. 22. Her plan was to go on to California with my sister, Mary Embly and her husband, Elvin, to visit relatives and friends, and to return to the office by October first. We trust the Lord to keep her well and make her a blessing to those she contacts.

We welcome Sister Vera Forbes from Pacoima, Calif. to the Guthrie congregation. She is the mother of Sister Sylvia Busbee, whose husband, Bro. Leslie Busbee, is our pastor here at Guthrie. They attended part of the Pacoima, Calif. campmeeting, following which they used a rental truck to move her possessions to Guthrie. Sister Forbes, who will be 80 years old on September 27, and whom we have known for 56 years, has an apartment near her daughter, Sylvia and

family. Her life and labors for the Lord over the years are appreciated, and may He bless her in body and soul in a special way during her remaining days. Her mailing address is 1110 W. Noble, Guthrie, Oklahoma 73044.

Sister Geneva Ray, who helps us with the proof reading and operates the paper folder each month, has gone this week to Indiana to visit her aged mother and other relatives.

Those who attended the campmeetings at Pa-coima and Fresno, Calif., have given excellent reports of those services. May the church ever move forward to meet the challenges of this wicked generation.

On Sept. 17, Sister Opal Kelly phoned us from Kingfisher, Okla., stating that she was on her way back to her mission station at Ojos Negros, Baja Cfa., Mexico, and desired prayer for a safe trip. The Lord had provided her a new pick-up truck and camper for use in that Mexico mission field. We trust she arrived safely, and that the Lord will prosper her labors.

Our sincere sympathy is expressed to Sister Eunice Taylor whose beloved husband, John B. Taylor, passed away at Clovis, N. Mexico on Aug. 29, 1973, at the age of 81 years after a long illness. She reported that at the last he hummed gospel songs, prayed and praised the Lord. She had hope that he was ready to go. May God comfort the family.

This writer had known John Taylor ever since the summer of 1929. I worked under him when he was boss of the paving gang that completed the last leg of the concrete pavement on Highway 33 east of Guthrie, Okla. Since that time, I have visited several times in their home at Clovis. Sister Taylor is not well and needs prayer for healing. Her address is R. 3, Box 38, Clovis, New Mexico 88101.

Sister Katherine Williams, minister of Oklahoma City, left by bus on Sept. 19 for Northport, Ala. and N. Carolina to help in meetings. We pray the Lord to bless and prosper her labors in His great cause.

Bro. Curtis Williams of Kentucky began a revival meeting on Sunday, Sept. 23, at Sapulpa, Okla., where Bro. Richard Madden is the pastor. The week before this date, Bro. Madden held a meeting at the Zion Hill Chapel, Louin, Miss.

Beginning on Sept. 18, Bro. O. C. Porter of Guthrie gave his chart lectures on the Book of Revelation at the chapel in Coffeyville, Kansas.

Word has just been received that Sister Alpha Baldrige of East Point, Ky. departed to be with the Lord on Sept. 17, 1973. She had been in a nursing home for some time. Bro. and Sister Curtis Williams visited her a few days before her departure, and found her much afflicted in body, but praising the Lord for victory in her soul. May her son, Dale, and other

relatives, be comforted with the knowledge that she is now at rest with the Lord.

Our co-workers, Brother Randall and Sister June Flynn and family, moved in August to their home at 1220 W. Washington, five blocks from the office, in Guthrie. They are in the process of doing more work on the house and yard, but it will be nice when it is finished.

We are very thankful to the Lord for how he undertook for Bro. Audie Sorrell of Thayer, Mo. who was badly injured when a truck tire, with which he was working, exploded.

Appreciation is hereby expressed to others who have answered the call of the Lord to work with us in this gospel publishing effort. Sister Roberta Hightower volunteered her services and began working about the first of September. She prepares the noon meal for the workers, and helps in the bindery and mailing departments. She is adapting nicely as a willing worker. Sister Patricia Huskey is in high school, but she volunteered to come after school each day and help a couple of hours. She seems to enjoy doing whatever there is to be done. Sister Carol Lasiter helps part-time, preparing master copy for "The Beautiful Way" paper and proof reading. May the Lord continue to bless and reward each one of these, as well as all the other faithful co-workers.

Our sincere thanks are extended to all our readers who have so faithfully helped by your offerings to get out more gospel literature. It is our great pleasure to be "workers together" with you and the Lord for precious souls. —Lawrence D. Pruitt

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Sister Ethel Chrisman was born on Oct. 29, 1889, at Sticklerville, Mo., and departed this life to be with the Lord from Enid, Okla., on August 27, 1973, at the age of 83 years.

In 1902, she came with her parents to Oklahoma where they homesteaded a farm near Beaver.

On July 23, 1907, she was married to Nova Lee Chrisman at Beaver, Okla. To this union fifteen children were born. Her husband, three daughters and a son preceded her in death.

Sister Chrisman believed the gospel and was saved into the Church of God before she was married—about 16 or 17 years of age.

Survivors include five daughters, Mrs. Sylvester (Marella) Arnold, Mrs. Zula Pellow, Mrs. Everett (Earnestine) Henderson, Mrs. John (Florence) Sisk, all of Enid, Okla., and Mrs. Harold (Opal) Calder, Baker, Oregon; six sons, Delbert, Sam, Dee and L. D., all of Enid, Okla., Bill of McLouth, Kansas and Paul of Tongonoxie, Kans.; two brothers, Wilbert Husted of East Liverpool, Ohio, and Gilbert Husted of Knowles, Okla.; a sister, Mrs. Mersa



Green, Stillwater, Okla.; 37 grandchildren, 60 great-grandchildren, nine great, great, grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted at the Hininger-Allen Funeral Chapel, Enid, Oklahoma, by Bro. Curtis Williams and Bro. Willie Murphey. Burial was in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery at Meno, Oklahoma.

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to all the relatives in their bereavement, and may our Lord speak the words of consolation in their loss which is heaven's gain.

—Lawrence Pruitt

Bro. Guy Littrell was born on June 29, 1880, and entered into eternal rest from Pacoima, Calif., on July 25, 1973, at the age of 93 years.

For some time Bro. Littrell had been in ill health at the Church Home in Pacoima, California. He suffered a stroke and passed away within a few days.

Funeral services were conducted in Berkeley, Calif., by Mr. Rodney A. McCoy, and interment was made in the Sunset View Cemetery, Berkeley, Calif., to await the general resurrection.

His daughter, Rachel Alforno, wrote a note of thanks to the Church for their love and concern for her beloved father during his lifetime.

For many years, Bro. Littrell was a reader of the literature and a supporter of this gospel publishing work. We will miss those contacts, for he is now at rest with his Lord and Saviour, and his works do follow him. May our heavenly Father comfort and sustain the bereaved relatives.

—Lawrence Pruitt

#### Note of Thanks

I wish to thank all who sent me the lovely cards and letters of sympathy I received after the loss of my dear mother, O. K. Myers. Somehow we failed to put in the obituary that mother had two great, great grandchildren. Though I miss her sorely, I rejoice she has gained her crown and is now with her Saviour. I am looking forward to meeting her again in that Heavenly Country.

Christian love, —Sister Grace Jones

#### OHIO STATE CAMPMEETING REPORT

Another state campmeeting, held in Akron, Ohio, July 6th through the 15th, was truly a blessing to all that attended. The gospel was preached by the standard of the Word of God—a complete gospel for the complete salvation of souls, and divine healing for the body. The attendance was above normal. Beside the many cities and localities of Ohio, there were ten states represented.

We really appreciated all that attended, and all the prayers, gifts, and offerings. May our Lord richly bless each one, is our prayer. —Sister Hazel A. Clark, Pastor

Thanks also from Bro. Darnell Abbage, C. M. Sec.; Sister Ladolia Fuller, Church Sec.; and Sister Lavern Shaw, Sunday School Sec.

#### REPORT OF BOLEY, OKLA. CAMPMEETING

We thank the Lord for the wonderful campmeeting He blessed us with in Boley, Okla. The attendance was very good, perhaps the largest on the campground in Boley for years. Several states were represented. We were very thankful for the out-of-state ministers and their companions who camped on the grounds. . . . We appre-

ciated Bro. and Sister Kenneth Probst being with us and the benches they brought to help us seat the people.

May the dear Lord reward each one richly for your labor of love in the meeting. The old-time truth was preached under the anointing of the Holy Spirit. A number of souls sought the Lord for spiritual help.

On Tuesday afternoon it seemed the Lord especially anointed the service. His presence was lowered in our midst, and, oh, how our hearts did rejoice in shouts and praises to God! It was wonderful! The ordinance service was very precious.

A number of saints testified that this was their first time at the Boley campmeeting and how much they enjoyed it. The spirit of the meeting was so precious, and we could feel the presence of the Lord so near and His saints were so dear. Praise the Lord!

On the last Sunday the crowd was so large that there wasn't space enough under the tabernacle to seat them all. Some seated themselves under the shade trees listening to the old-time truth preached in its fullness.

Again, we want to thank one and all for coming and helping in the battle against sin. We give the Lord all the praise and honor. "The battle is the Lord's!"

—Sister Katherine Williams

#### WICHITA, KANSAS AUTUMN MEETING

The annual fall meeting of the Church of God at Wichita, Kansas, will be held Oct. 26 to Nov. 4, 1973, Lord willing. The chapel is located at 1701 North Ash.

You are welcomed and urged to attend this gospel meeting. We are looking to the Lord to burden the ministers of His choosing to come and deliver the Word. Do pray with us that there will be a break-through this time and that the procrastinators will give up and get saved in this meeting.

For further information, contact the pastor, Bro. Lewis Williams, at 2643 N. Spruce, Wichita, Kansas 67219, telephone 316-264-8481.

—By Shirley Knight

#### ALL-DAY MEETINGS AT DAYTON, OHIO

The congregation of the Church of God at 622 Tyron Avenue, Dayton, Ohio, will resume their all-day meetings on the second Sunday in October, which is the 14th, and continue these all-day services on the second Sunday of each month.

All lovers of the old-time truth in the Northeast are urged to attend these services.

For further information, contact Brother William A. McCoy, 5252 Wadsworth Road, Dayton, Ohio 45414.

#### WEEK-END MEETING AT DOVER, OKLA.

Lord willing, there will be a week-end meeting at Dover, Okla., beginning on Friday night, Nov. 9th through the 11th, 1973. On Saturday night, Nov. 10, there will be special singing. "Come before his presence with singing." Psalm 100:2. All-day services will be held on Sunday. Services will begin each night at 7:30 p. m.

We extend a hearty welcome to all. "Come now and let us reason together." Come, praying the Lord to anoint the services, and that the old-time truth will be preached under the unction of the Holy Spirit, that our souls will be refreshed from heaven, and that souls will be born into the kingdom of God.

For further information, contact Bro. Marion Caldwell, R. 1, Dover, Okla., 73734, phone 405-828-4439, or Sister Katherine Williams, 905 N. E. 15th St., Oklahoma City, Okla., 73104, phone 405-235-2270.

### REVIVAL IN GOULDS, FLA.

The saints at Goulds, Fla. extend a hearty welcome to all to attend the annual fall revival to be held there, Lord willing, from Sunday, Nov. 18 to Sunday, Nov. 25, 1973. Pray much that the Holy Spirit will anoint in all these services.

For further information, contact the pastor, Bro. H. H. Hargrave, 22345 S. W. 117 Place, Goulds, Fla., 33170, telephone 305-247-4102.

### OREGON ASSEMBLY AT JEFFERSON

The annual Oregon assembly meeting of the Church of God will convene in Jefferson, Oregon on November 2 and continue through November 11, 1973, Lord willing. Those who come by bus from either north or south should come to Albany, Oregon if traveling on an express bus. Some on the local schedules come through Jefferson. If you travel by train, get off at Salem as trains do not stop in Albany. When you arrive, phone 928-7223 or 327-2855 and someone will pick you up at the station.

The meeting is financed by free-will offerings only and the ministers who work in the meeting are supplied by the same means. We urge all saints and lovers of the truth throughout the Northwest to attend this meeting. There are cabins and a dormitory available on the camp ground, and also a limited number of places available in the saints' homes. All who come will be cared for.

We are expecting several ministers to be present who will be able to preach and teach God's Word with the inspiration and anointing of the Holy Spirit. The truth of the gospel will be expounded in a way that all souls may be enlightened, instructed, edified, built up and strengthened. Let every one come with a true purpose of heart to do good and to receive good.

We will be looking forward to seeing you at the meeting. Yours and His in the Master's service,

—Ostis B. and Evelyn Wilson  
6505 N. E. Sunset Dr., Albany, Oregon 97321

### FUND FOR NEW EVANGELISTIC TRUCK

Kansas—Dear saints scattered abroad: Greetings of love in Jesus' dear name. We are happy in the Lord and count Him faithful to His promises.

Just recently, the Lord healed me (Inez) of poison oak which I had for several weeks, and it was so infected that I couldn't wear hose or shoes. It was wonderful to see the rapid change it made from day to day. Praise be to our almighty and loving God! We want to lift Him up with our lives to those about us.

We are thankful for the good reports we receive from Bro. and Sister Samons from time to time in regard to the tent meetings this summer. We were happy to be in the one at Green Bank, W. Va., and felt richly blessed of the Lord. We were enriched in our souls to meet the dear saints there. We feel this tent evangelistic work is a very profitable and needful effort. May the Lord bless those who have labored so faithfully with it under some trying circumstances, as the truck is over 14 years old and re-

quires a lot of repairs. If each one could see the places, mountains, hills, and curves it has traveled, one wouldn't wonder why it is about worn out. We are starting a new-truck fund. We have in mind a 1-ton cab and chassis with dual wheels, automatic transmission, air conditioner and heater, power brakes, also tinted glass, if not objectionable. We would welcome any suggestions. We would be glad if brethren in various places would inquire as to the prices on a new truck where you are living. Let us hear from you.

The last word from Bro. and Sister Samons is that they had several meetings in mind if the weather permits. Do remember them in prayer.

In reading the "Birth of the Reformation," our hearts have been challenged to a greater battle for truth and right, but we must handle the Word skillfully in righteousness. A love for souls must be our utmost motive. All because we do not love them, millions fill the heathen grave right here in America. May the Lord help us to show forth to the world that God's love is abiding in us. Pray for us.

Yours, in the effort for souls,

—Ralph M. and Inez Beisly

(Please forward your free-will offering for this worthy project in the gospel work to the Secretary-treasurer of the Church of God National Missionary Fund, Brother Ralph M. Beisly, whose address is: 407 Eldridge, Coffeyville, Kansas 67337.—Editor)

### BOOKS DESIRED

"Scripture Readings and Sermon Outlines" by R. R. Byrum; also "The Cream of My Life's Work" by H. M. Riggle.

If anyone has these books for sale, write to the undersigned, stating condition of the books and price desired.

—Donald Dellenbaugh,  
215 S. Maple, Guthrie, Okla. 73044

### Prayer Requests

N. Y.—"Pray for the healing of arthritis and cataracts on my eyes." —Jocie Blanchard

Miss.—"Pray that I will be reinstated in the class room. . . I lost my job through the integration. . . I have five years before my retirement." —Tannie Jackson

La.—"I have two brothers who are bothered with heart trouble. Pray for them." —Mrs. N. P. Futch

Va.—Remember Sister Nannie Connell. She is having some hard trials, and also is burdened for her loved ones.

Oregon—"I have been sorely afflicted for two months with what seems to be arthritis. I suffer with my right arm and shoulder. . . I can hardly walk. . . My left ankle is always swollen. . . I am looking to God to heal me." —Grace Jones

Minn.—"Pray for us in affliction." —Fern Schrier

Fla.—"Pray for my daughter who is not well." —Elizabeth McNair

Mo.—Remember Bro. and Sister Asa Gibson in prayer. Both are up in years and have afflictions. They are fully trusting in the Lord.

Okla.—Remember Sister Herman Kelly for the healing of her eyes. She is a worker for God and needs her health.

Oklahoma.—Sister Lizzie Jordan has some special requests. She loves the Lord.

Illinois.—“I have a prayer request for Brother Alvan F. Foster. . . . He has been suffering since Sunday [Sept. 9th]. . . . He has been cramping across his stomach.”

—E. Sanders

Tenn.—“Someone gave me a copy of the ‘Faith and Victory’ paper. . . . I read the testimonies of healing. I would like to request prayer for my healing. In May, they rushed me to the hospital for an emergency operation. When they cut me, they found I had a malignant tumor. . . . I stay sick. . . . I know Jesus healed all manner of diseases when on earth. He is just the same today. Please pray for me.”

—Mrs. Lela Brawner

Mo.—“I have been having some [afflictions]. I need prayer.”

—Sister Mamie Butcher

Dear ones, if you are in the battle of affliction, look up to Jesus. Rebuke that affliction in Jesus’ name. Ask the Lord to give you faith. Jesus told the man who had a son with a dumb spirit, “If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.” The father cried out with earnestness and tears, “Lord, I believe; help thou my unbelief.” Jesus did help his faith and the child was healed. Mark 9:21-27.

When I had a heart attack and was in distress in Louisiana this April, I called the saints to come and pray for me. After prayer was offered, Sister Probst said, as she arose from her knees, “As your faith is, so be it unto you.” These were the words of Jesus. They struck home to me. I knew that I needed to exercise faith and not to depend so much on others to do so. I began to do so, and in a few days I was well and able to take the plane home. Faith is the key, dear ones. Be encouraged to continue fighting doubts and fears though the enemy may try to hold the affliction upon you. Victory is yours in Jesus’ name.

—Sister Marie Miles

## Foreign Field Reports



### MISSION REPORT FROM INDIA

Kerala, S. India (Aug. 22)—Beloved Bro. Pruitt and other dear saints in America: Greetings again in the precious name of Jesus Christ.

Thank you very much for your letter of Aug. 3, and the enclosures were noted with much gratitude. Though I could not attend the National campmeeting [at Monark Springs, Mo.] this time, the church in India prayed much for the blessings and profit of the meeting. We were glad to have the good report of that campmeeting. Praise the Lord! May Heaven open the way for me to attend the campmeetings there from next May onward. Surely, everything will be ready before that time.

Yes, brother, undoubtedly we are living in the closing days of time, as the world of mankind is getting so wicked as at the time of Noah and as at the time of Lot in Sodom. “The earth also was corrupt before God and the earth was filled with violence. And God looked upon the earth . . . , and said unto Noah, the end of all flesh is come before me. . . .” (Genesis 6:11-13). The Apostle Peter advises the saints in 1 Peter 4:7, “But the end of all things is at hand; be ye therefore sober and watch unto prayer.”

There is a national festival in Kerala in the second week of September. God willing, we plan to conduct short meetings at different places during that time. How con-

venient it would be if we had a van! If the Lord helps, I wish to publish a few more tracts to distribute abroad.

In India, famine is increasing day by day. The price is increasing on rice, wheat and all other food. We pray much to God to save us from this severe famine. Your prayers are requested for the poor believers and workers in India at this time.

I hope you and your sister are getting better from your illnesses through divine healing.

Your younger Brother in Christ, —John Varghese

### LETTER FROM MEXICAN MISSIONARY

Valle de la Trinidad, Mexico (Aug. 23)—Bro. Pruitt and Sister Miles: By the blood of the new covenant, I greet you today in the precious Name which is above all names. I trust that all are enjoying the peace of God in their hearts. We are very thankful to God that He has kept us in peace and without falling.

I am very thankful to God for the pickup truck that He gave to us this summer. I do trust that Sister Opal Kelly will have a better one. Today, I have had the problem of getting plates for it. I can walk . . . until they obtain temporary ones for me. . . . Pray for me. I need grace from God for every day.

I know you have a lot of work to do there, but it was made very clear to me just how much work you have to do when I was there in August. Keep faithful to God. I think about the prophet Daniel. He had much work, too, but he prayed three times a day. God gives us showers of grace when we pray and confess our great need.

My dear brothers, life is very short and eternity is before us. Let us keep going forward, faithful, happy, with faith and perseverance. Please read Habakkuk 3: 17, 19. Verse 19 is something that inspires us to walk in the heights with God.

Today, I am a little sad in my heart because a person who has heard the gospel for a long time is still walking in darkness. Pray for him and for others.

God blessed me greatly in the days I was in Coahuila. Three persons were saved—one man of 68 years and his 26-year-old son. It was real precious. An aunt of my wife’s, who is near death from cancer of the liver, was saved when the Lord touched her heart. I thought God might send me to stay in that place. Perhaps in the future God will permit me to raise up a work of God there. Please pray much for them that they will stay faithful to God. . . .

Please greet all who love the truth of God and guard His commandments.

With Christian love,

—Tomas Mendoza

### LETTER FROM INTERIOR MEXICO

Michoacan, Mexico (Aug. 26)—Brethren: We salute all of you in the precious name of Christ. We hope everyone is well. Thank the Lord, we are well.

I now answer your letter which was written to me the 16th of July. [That letter arrived after he had left for the campmeetings at Ojos Negros, Mexico, and at Monark Springs, Mo.]

On our trip home from the States, God helped us much in every way. We found everyone well.

May God fill you with His great love for all the saints. Greetings to all our brethren in Christ. Pray much for us.

Your Brother,

—Irineo Rama



### CHAPEL COMPLETED AT UKPOM, NIGERIA

Pastor Ben E. Udoka is in the center with dark clothing. To his right is Bro. B. E. A. Inyang who is afflicted with a stroke. To his left is Elder E. B. Inyang, Bro. B. U. Udeme and Evang. S. U. Udo, minister in charge of the Ukpom congregation.

### NIGERIAN MISSION REPORT

Southeast State, Nigeria (Sept. 3)—Dear Bro. Pruitt, co-workers in the Printshop, and saints everywhere: We salute you in the matchless name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, who loved us and gave His dear life on the cross at Calvary for our redemption.

We received yours of August 3, together with the enclosures, with thanks. . . .

The gospel work in this country is advancing. The last Sunday in August, I inspected the work at Ukpom Edem Inyang and was pleased to meet with the saints there. Bro. B. E. A. Inyang is afflicted with a stroke. Pray for him and others there. The saints completed the roof on their chapel with lumber and zinc sheets. . . . A number of congregations are in the process of building similar chapels for God's glory, so remember all in prayer that they will complete their aim.

On Sunday, Sept. 2, we observed the Lord's Supper at Ikot Ebak. . . . Pastor J. U. Etuk administered the Lord's Supper, preceded by the ordinance of feet-washing, to 184 communicants.

The packages of Efik tracts, posted in April, arrived for our free distribution. We pray that Jehovah God will supply the materials to extend His gospel to those in darkness. . . .

Be assured of our continued prayers and love.

Yours in Christ, —Pastor Ben E. Udoka

### From The Mail Box . . .

Ark.—Dear Sister Marie, co-workers and saints scattered abroad, greetings of Christian love: I do thank and praise God through Jesus, our Saviour, for this rich and precious salvation. Praise the Lord!

The sectarian churches have closed their doors on prayer meetings. This grieved me so much until I pleaded to the Lord to help me get a house to house prayer service started, so at my request, we have seven attending. We are praying the Lord to draw others. The world needs, more than anything else, to repent and pray as never be-

fore. Will you pray that God will send others to our little prayer band? . . .

Yours in the one holy family, —Cherry R. Alba

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Calif.—Dear Bro. Pruitt: My wife died last October and I live alone. I am 90 years old, and I still sing, and even preach sometimes. God has been good to me.

Your Brother in Christ, —A. D. Seaton

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W. Va.—Dear Bro. Lawrence: We are still pressing on in this life and more encouraged each day, as we see the hand of the Lord work in so many ways for our own good.

We pray this finds you well and your faith stronger in the Lord each day. We are so thankful for your lives and your labors for the Lord. Truly, the publishing house has been a blessing to the saints . . . and an encouragement to many in darkness. Surely there are still honest souls out in the world who are looking for that ray of hope in this troubled and unsettled world. May the Lord help us to reach every hungry soul.

Our little group here at Green Bank is doing fine. It is wonderful to see each one so hungry for the truth and desiring to live more for our Lord each day. The Lord blessed us with a good tent meeting this summer. Many saints from other parts of the country came to help and encourage us in the meeting. Our heart rejoices now as we think of the love and kindness of God's people. Surely we understand why the Word says they are like a city on a hill that cannot be hid.

Bro. Lawrence, we are still without a minister here, but the Lord blesses us by sending some of His laborers every few weeks to keep us encouraged, and we are praying that soon He will send us a minister to help in this new work.

Most of us here attended Bro. Samons' tent meeting at Newton, W. Va., the last week of August. The attendance was good, and many saints came and helped in the meeting. We are looking to the Lord to raise up a work in that part of West Virginia. . . .

Please pray for us and the work here, as we will be praying for you.

Your Brother in Christ, —James White

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Miss.—Dear Brother Pruitt and workers at the Print Shop: I truly appreciate the great work you are doing in getting the gospel to this sin-darkened world through the printed page. I pray God to give you strength, and supply the means to continue this effort for the cause of Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

Continue to send me the "Faith and Victory," and pray for me and my loved ones that God will have His way in our lives. . . .

Yours in the service of the Lord,

—Mrs. Olen Williamson

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Wisconsin—Dear Sister Marie and those at the Printshop: Once again we are enclosing a check for the work in Mexico from the congregation here.

I am truly thankful for the Lord's goodness to me and for the prayers of the saints who have so faithfully stood by me during that terrible suffering. I am now free from pain, but still have some stiffness. Yesterday, for the first time, I was able to kneel in prayer again. I did miss that during the long siege of illness. I have been able the last month to minister in the pulpit again. The first Sunday I gave the message I also had 12 here for dinner and got along real well. Leslie Adams and family were here from Missouri that Sunday.

We have visited some of the isolated saints in this part of the state, too, in the last month. I tire quite easily, but by lying down on the back car seat some, I get along well.

We did enjoy having Brother and Sister Probst and Bro. Hammond with us and their good messages. I heard the morning messages by tape, for at that time I was unable to be out to service. We had all the evening services here in our home.

Sister Marie, we are remembering you and Brother Lawrence and trust the Lord will restore you both to health again. I have some special burdens for prayer.

Yours in Christian love, —Sister Frank Dietrich

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Mich.—Dear ones in Christ: I am sending \$1.00 for the paper for three years. I could never tell what this paper means to me. It is like our old "Gospel Trumpet" of years ago.

Will you folks at the office have special prayer for me?

Yours in Christ, —Mrs. Nettie A. Farison

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Calif.—Dear Sister Marie and co-workers: Greetings in the precious love of Jesus.

I enjoyed the wonderful campmeeting at Pacoima, Calif. Good messages came from the throne of God. The songs were anointed by the Holy Spirit in a special way. God was there and souls got saved. Bodies were healed. I received much encouragement and help to my body. Praise the Lord!

In the lovely name of Jesus, —Sister Opal Williams

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## Testimonies and Answers to Prayer



Mich.—Dear saints everywhere: I am so grateful to all for holding me up in prayer to our wonderful Healer, Jesus Christ, when I was so sick with the flu and a stroke. I was unconscious and couldn't pray for myself. The dear saints didn't let me down. Several of the ministers and their good wives came to visit me and pray for me. I didn't know any of them were here, but the good Lord knew, and heard and answered prayer. My prayer is for each one. May God bless each one of them abundantly and enable them to work in the harvest of the Lord and glean in many souls.

I ask all to continue to pray that I will be made strong in my limbs so I can walk. I go in a wheelchair. May God bless all the saints everywhere.

Christian love to all, —Ether Hines

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Okla.—Dear Bro. Pruitt: I want to thank you and the saints there who prayed for me when I was so sick and phoned my urgent request. Thank God for answering prayer. I had an attack like that four years ago and it left me with a partial stroke, but thank God, when the dizziness and rapid heart beat left me this time, it left no ill effects like the other one did. I give God the praise for help in the time of my distress.

May God bless all of you. Pray for me as I do for you.

Yours in Christ, —Sister R. C. Wadley

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Fla.—Dear workers at the Printshop and all the dear saints scattered abroad: I am so happy to say that through the mighty name of Jesus I have overcome and mean to walk carefully before Him in this life in order to live with Him eternally when this fleeting life is over.

I had a great battle with the devil under an accusation, but I committed it all into the hands of my loving Father and He helped me to gain the victory. Praise the Lord!

After this, I was afflicted with the flu, but the Lord gave me a healing touch. Then I had trouble with my back. The saints prayed, and the Lord gave healing.

My sister, E. B. McNair, came the last of July to live with me, for which I am glad, as I had lived alone and got lonesome at times.

I am so glad to be saved from a miserable life in sin. So many people don't seem to care where their souls will live in eternity. They seem so unconcerned about their souls, and this includes my children. My heart goes out in pity for these precious souls for whom Jesus shed His blood on that cruel cross. Let us pray earnestly that the Lord will command the devil to take his hands off and break down their stubborn wills, so they can repent and be saved.

We are thankful that my sister and I were privileged to attend the revival meeting at Swainsboro, Ga., the last week of August. [Bro. Herschel Hargrave of Goulds, Fla. held the meeting.] The Lord blessed with a good attendance. The Word went forth in power and purity. Some were at the altar for help and a few testified to salvation. . . .

Sister Marie, I was happy to receive your letter saying that you are able to be back in the office working for the Lord, getting out the Word of truth to a perishing world. We are yet praying for Bro. Lawrence and all others who are afflicted. What a mighty God we serve!

Yours in Christian love, —Sister M. B. Savage

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Arkansas—Dear ones at the printshop, holy greetings in Jesus' precious name. I do enjoy the "Faith and Victory" papers so very much, as the testimonies and exhortations help me to trust in God more and to go deeper with Him.

I do thank you all for your prayers. My sister wrote you last year to pray for me. I was in a terrible condition, but our Saviour was so good to me. He reached down in His mercy and lifted me up. I am so thankful to Him for my healing, and for saving my soul a few years ago. I will forever praise His name! . . .

Yours in Christ Jesus, —Sister Naomi Green

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Kentucky—Dear ones in Christ: We feel led of the Lord to tell of God's goodness to us. The trials have been many, but He has been so good to us through them all.

First of all, we will mention the leadings of the Lord in devoting more time to the gospel work. My husband quit his secular work in June, 1967, having just financed a new car six months previous to quitting his job. It seemed to us a big step to take, as we were also making house payments, but our God is "big," too, and was more than an equal to every temporal need. As we look back, it all seems like a miracle how God has worked in our behalf. We have never missed a payment on anything because of insufficient finances. All praise to our God!

In 1972, our car motor (having 146,000 miles on it) completely tore up enroute to the Hammond, La. campmeeting. The car was pulled by a wrecker to a service station. Some had mentioned to us that our work would soon end, as they knew how worn out the car was, but at this point the Lord supplied us with a 1962 Nova to finish our trip, and a few months later, with a new Maverick, so the Lord not only supplied one car, but two! How true the Scripture is that our Lord is able to do exceeding abundantly above all we can ask or think!

Also, we humbly thank our God for the love and mercy shown to us at the birth of our second child, Rita Fern. And, too, we appreciate the prayers of the saints. I have the Rh blood factor, and the doctor informed us our first child would likely be normal, but there was a great risk that the Rh factor would cause abnormality in our second child. Our dear daughter, the second child, is also perfectly normal and she had no unfavorable Rh reactions in her blood. There is no need to turn to the arm of flesh. Our God is still on the throne. Praise His name for it all!

We wanted to testify to the wonderful power and love of God, and we know He is blessing others, too.

At this time, we have an urgent request and desire the prayers of the saints. Yours in His service,

—Bro. and Sister Gordon Humphrey

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Wisconsin—Dear Sister Marie: May the Lord bless you and the workers who brought my case before the Lord. I have been having rheumatoid arthritis and other weaknesses in my body that really made life miserable for the last several years. As time went by, it became worse in spite of asking for my healing. When I asked for prayer, I was getting very low. The enemy kept buffeting with his lies at a high rate, but thanks be to God, when you all got under the burden to lift it to the Lord, healing came—real healing! How I do love the Lord, and will keep on until He calls me Home! Now I can walk and work, doing my own housework and gardening. With short rest periods, I can keep on all day. I sleep well at night also, and feel rested in the morning. What a wonderful God we serve! All praise and glory be to His name!

How wonderful to be able to trust God who cares for us and wants us saved from damnation and hell! Yes, there is a real hell, even if people talk it down and try to make a myth of it when they talk! They don't care to think of a thing that makes them feel uneasy.

I'm sure there is little time left for this world, and it is high time for all of us to be on our toes, ready for whatever may come. The coming of the Lord will be quick, giving no one a chance to repent when the end comes. What a great company will be calling as the five, foolish virgins, "Open unto us," but it will be too late. Many strange things are happening already, but few are willing to believe God's Word. . . .

May the Lord bless you all and fill your hearts with more zeal for Him.

Your Sister in Jesus, —Mrs. Florence Knoll

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Mo.—Dear ones at the printshop and saints scattered abroad: Greetings of holy love in Jesus' precious name! Our hearts are encouraged to keep humble and submissive to our dear Lord, and follow on to please Him from day to day.

Yes, we find the enemy roaring, trying to scare and frighten us, but thank God, we can be hid in the cleft of the Rock, which is Christ Jesus—the safest shelter.

We have served the Lord for many years, and we find the Lord standing by us to safely carry us through each year. As long as we are faithful, He will be faithful.

The Lord has done wonderful things for us this year already, and we are expecting Him to do more for us as long as we prove true, and by His grace we mean to be true to the end.

While at the Myrtle, Mo. campmeeting, one morning when I arose, I took a severe sharp pain under my left shoulder blade. (I had been having hurting and soreness all in my left side for quite some time previous to this, so the devil began to paint some very dark pictures to me

when I had this severe pain to hit me.) The pain stayed, and it was very hard for me to move or even breathe. I did not go to the morning service, as I wasn't able to ride in the car. My husband came after the lunch hour and brought some ministers to pray for me. They had earnest prayer, and anointed me as the Word says. The Lord inspired my faith. I accepted healing, got up by faith, and the Lord so marvelously healed me instantly. My heart went up in praise to God, and we had a rejoicing time in the Lord. Praise His sweet name! We went to services that afternoon and were able to sing and enjoy the meeting.

Then while at the Blackford, Ky. campmeeting, the old enemy came against me and I was having great suffering in that left side. I was really sick with it, and the old enemy tried to scare me and tell me I was in a real serious condition. Again, we called for the ministers to pray and anoint, and the Lord again came to my rescue and brought me out. The enemy kept trying my faith, but in Jesus' dear name, I kept resisting and the Lord stood by me and brought me through. All praise be to our dear Lord! How we do love Him and adore Him! We thank the Lord for the victory and courage He gives us.

We thank Him for permitting us to be in the Monark Springs, Mo., Myrtle, Mo., and Blackford, Ky. campmeetings and to enjoy the good Word of God that went forth from the pulpit in all these meetings. The Word was rich to our souls and we want to keep His Word in our hearts that we may be enriched in our souls day by day.

Be of good courage. He is faithful!

Your fellow laborer, —Sister Murphy (Natalie) Allen

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Oregon—Dear Sister Miles: I felt impressed to write about our son's healing. Last November, one week after his first birthday, I was cooking steak in the electric skillet. I had pushed it back on the cabinet with the cord on the back side. I went about my other duties. I heard a loud noise in the kitchen. I ran to see what it was. George was lying on the floor with the meat, skillet and grease on top of him. It had been simmering for about one hour, so you know it was hot. George never did cry out. He just lay there. I grabbed him up and called for Earl. We got his clothes off and washed the grease off. We saw where it had burned the top of his head, the right side of his forehead, ear, cheek, neck, right arm, shoulder and back. We called mother and Coquette Elwell for prayer, and she called others. Mother called back and said she didn't have a car to come then, but would come later. Coquette came over. By that time his neck was so blistered that it was as big as his cheek. His face was also blistered. Coquette said she would go after mother. It is 46 miles one way. By the time they got back (about two hours after he was burned), the Lord had touched George. He cried for two hours and then went to sleep. The saints were good to stand behind us in prayer. Bro. and Sister Ostis Wilson came down to see us. It really did encourage us because by that time George had gotten over his shock and I was up all night with him. It was just about 3 or 4 hours after he got burned that the blisters went away. Sister Virginia Taylor said she was going to pray that nothing would be left to show where he got burned. Anita Hutchinson said in June that she has prayed every night for George. The Lord has heard and answered prayer. You can't tell where he was burned on the face, neck or arms. One spot on his head has already grown hair back on it. There is one spot left a little larger than a quarter. I found a few more hairs growing in it the other day. I believe that God is going to have that spot completely covered with hair.

I thank and praise God for what He did for us at that time. People say God doesn't perform miracles, but that is exactly what God did for us.

We are encouraged to live for Him, come what may. He has been so good to see us through everything. Remember us in prayer.

Christian love, —Earl and Violet Watson

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La.—Dear Sister Marie and saints everywhere: Greetings of love in the precious name of Jesus. We trust this finds you all encouraged in the Lord. We surely are. God has been so real to us since we have been married. He has worked several real miracles for us, for which we are so thankful.

For about four months after we were married, Bob had to work the third shift. This was during the time I was staying with my ill sister-in-law [Juanita Williamson] during the day. It was really inconvenient for him to be on third shift, so we all started praying the Lord would work it out for him to get on the day shift. I knew we were praying for a seeming impossibility because there were no openings on days. A few days after requesting prayer at church about it, a man we least expected put in his two weeks' notice. There were others who had been working there a lot longer who would like to have had the job, but they called Bob in and asked if he wanted it. We felt that was a direct answer to prayer and we were so grateful for it.

Before we were married, Bob had had several attacks with his heart. Two were pretty severe and left him very weak. One day, when he was anointed and prayed for, God touched his body and he hasn't had any more trouble with his heart. I marvel at how God has blessed him physically. He has more strength now and feels better than he has felt for a long time. That was another direct answer to prayer.

I would also like to relate our most recent answer to prayer. About two months ago, I had gone to town. On the way, I had started putting my wrist watch on when, for some reason, I had to stop, so I just put the watch in my lap. Well, I forgot about it, and at my first stop I dropped it as I got out of the car. We were preparing to go on a trip, and it wasn't until the next morning when we were leaving, that I missed my watch. I rushed back to where I thought I had lost it, but it wasn't there. One reason I was so upset about losing it was because it was my engagement watch. I had cashed Bob's check that day, and I told him I would rather have lost the money than my watch. Of course, he didn't agree to that!

I put the notice of the loss of my watch on the radio for two days and no one called. I figured I had seen that watch for the last time. I did pray about it quite a bit and requested prayer at church, but it seemed so impossible that I would ever get it back since no one had responded when I reported the loss on the radio.

One day while I was doing dishes, I was feeling so bad about losing my watch when suddenly the thought came to me, "Ye have not because ye asked not." I began to think about it and reason of how impossible it would be to find it since it had already been lost for over two months. Then the Scripture came to me, "With God nothing shall be impossible." After that, I felt like the Lord really was talking to me, so right there I decided to just launch out on faith, believing the Lord knew where the watch was and could make the individual return it. At prayer meeting the next night, I put in a special unspoken request. I don't know if any of you have ever had this experience before or not, but even though I felt like I would get the watch back, still I drew back from

expressing my feelings to everyone—just in case I didn't get it back!! See how the devil works? He will try to the very last to hinder faith in any way he can, but, thank the Lord, he is a defeated foe. The more I thought about it, the more I felt guilty for not really launching out on faith. As they were dismissing, I explained my request and how I was expecting to get the watch back. Everyone really got under the burden with me about it.

The next Friday, while I was in town, a lady suggested that I put a notice in the local newspaper. We are subscribers to that paper, but I had never noticed the "Lost and Found" column. As I went to have them put it in, I prayed, "Lord, I am going the last step I know to go. You know who has that watch. Cause them not only to see it in the paper, but also be willing to give it up."

A couple of days later, I was working in the yard when the thought came to me, "Well, you haven't gotten your watch back yet." No one was around so I just began singing out loud, "Oh, yes the answer's on the way, this I know. Jesus said it, I believe it, and it's so. . . ." The enemy couldn't stand to hear a song like that, so he had to go.

Several days later, just after I had finished praying, the phone rang. A lady was calling and wanted to know who I was. Then she asked, "Have you lost anything?" I could hardly control my tears until she hung up. Her husband had started to get out of his truck in town the day I had lost the watch. When he looked down on the ground, he found the watch. How easily he could have run over it! The lady told me they weren't subscribers to the paper and very seldom bought one, but for some reason her husband "just happened" not to be very busy one day and decided to read the paper! It would have been a blessing enough had they been regular readers of the paper, but for it to work out the way it did was almost more than I could comprehend. They asked why we didn't put the notice over the radio because they usually have theirs on all day every day. Why they didn't hear it when I put it on, I don't know. We can now see why the Lord made us wait for an answer, though. Had we gotten it back the next day after losing it, we would have missed the lesson the Lord had for us on faith.

We are serving a living God—One who cares for each one of us and is able to do "exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think. . . ." Have faith in God!

Pray for us. Our greatest aim in life is to be true and faithful to God.

—Bob and Irma Sallee

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Ala.—Dear Sister Marie, I greet you in Jesus' name: I am so thankful today that the dear Lord saved my soul and put me in the strait and narrow way. . . . I do love all of God's dear children, and long to help and comfort them in any way I can. My daily prayer is that God will comfort and draw His children close to Him and heal their bodies, and that lost souls would come unto Him, be born again and have the joy and peace in their hearts which God is waiting to give them.

I praise God today for His goodness to us all. I thank God for healing your body so you can serve Him a while longer, as I know you are doing a good work for Him. We are praying for Bro. Lawrence that God would heal him so he may be better able to work for Him. . . .

Continue to pray with us that God would send a minister our way. The fields are white and ready for harvest, and the laborers are few. We are burdened for this part of the country, as we live here and know so many that need the dear Lord in their lives. . . .

In Christian love,

—Sister Pearlene Whitson



## Should Mothers Work?

No. The reason mothers should not work away from their home is because it is not God's plan for them to be away from their children. In Titus 2: 3-5, it tells us, "The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things; that they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed." In 1 Timothy 5:14, the Bible says, "I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, give no occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully." Neither of these scriptures mentions the need of a mother to work outside her home.

In my own life I find it a full time responsibility caring for my husband and four children and providing them a clean, comfortable home, a place where they can escape the pressures of their outside jobs, school, etc. "Keepers at home" means to preside over the dwelling place of her family, and to "guide the house" means to direct or lead the household or members living in the house. A mother can not do a good job of presiding over her home if she is not there. She can not direct her children if she is not there. Proverbs 22:6 tells us, "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." The care of the home and the training and care of children are the mother's responsibilities and no one else's. To provide for the family and to help in the care and training of the children are the husband's responsibilities. 1 Timothy 5:8 says, "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel." If your husband is at all able, he should be providing for his family, and you as the mother should do the best you can with what your husband provides.

Now there are occasional circumstances where a mother may have to work. If she be widowed, or if her husband should be disabled and completely unable to work, then she may have to become the provider for her family, in which case God will bless and help her. But if your husband is able to provide, then you as a mother, should stay home and care for it and your children, and "... be content with such things as ye have ..." (Hebrews 13:5). She should not constantly be wanting fancier homes, cars, nicer clothes, etc., but being content with what your husband has been able to provide at that time.

As fathers and mothers, we have to work together. A husband and father should do his best for his family. "So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church." (Ephesians 5:28, 29). And the wife and mother should "... see that she reverence her

husband." (Ephesians 5:33). In other words, she should respect him and truly appreciate his efforts to provide for her and their children. A mother can have a very rewarding life at home if she will be content in the role God meant for her and not let herself be deceived into thinking it is better somewhere else.

—Sister Elaine Doolittle

## A Prayer of Praise

We thank Thee, Lord, for new-born day, for sun and air we breathe. . . . We kneel and pray this morning hour, we're glad, Lord, to believe. . . . You made this world for our delight, its beauty and pleasures rare. . . . The beautiful trees, the deep blue sea, are a touch of heavenly fare. . . . We thank Thee, Lord, for ears to hear the songs of feathered friends . . . and eyes to see their beauty rare that bless our souls no end . . . For pastures green and cattle there that browse near flowing stream . . . the moon and stars that light our way while others gently dream. . . . Thou art the God of this old world, whose hand hath made all things . . . our life and all that we possess, to you this day we bring. . . . Our hearts give thanks for chill of night and grace of freshened rest . . . the summer sun that warms our way and brings out nature's best. . . . We thank Thee for the power to choose the higher things of life . . . and grace to call on Thee when in the midst of battle strife. . . . For Thou art everywhere and hear our sighs and know our cares . . . and give us grace to carry on the burdens that we bear. . . . The friends in life you give us here to share our journey, too, . . . but most of all, the saints in light who serve and cherish You. . . . A place to worship Thee while here—a place of common prayer . . . that we might fellowship with those who know Thy loving care. . . . We're grateful for the memories of days that have gone by . . . of faithful servants who have gone to meet Thee in the sky. . . . The little ones you've given us to love and show the Way . . . and how they bless our souls and lives, when You they do obey. . . . Their zest for life has sometimes proved a testing of our love . . . but we're so glad we could commit them to our God above. . . . And patiently did wait on Thee and praise Thee for Thy care . . . when we were weak or could not see the way that we must share. . . . Their cheerful smiles, their spirits filled with youthful energy . . . were Thine own way of blessing us with their vitality. . . . We shall not fail to lift our prayers for leaders of our land . . . that we might keep our freedom and enable us to stand . . . against the wiles of wicked men o'er other people's lives . . . who know not Thee nor Thy great love, but whom the devil drives. . . . Oh, how we thank Thee, Lord of all, for Thy salvation free . . . that we no longer Satan-bound nor slaves of sin need be . . . for Thy great peace within our hearts and our eternal life . . . the joy we know while here below will shine o'er all the strife!

—A. E. Harmon

Special Offer—Ten names for three months for \$1.00