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"Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." (Heb. 12:14)

"Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city." (Rev. 22:14)

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REVIVAL
By Glenn Griffith

(Continued from last month)

We need a revival right there in the gate. The test of discipleship is not in talent. The test of discipleship is not in preaching, nor in oratory, nor in singing and all that. They all fit in. But the test of discipleship is in the gate of travail. If we miss it there, we have missed it everywhere. In that place a church is born. In that place a soul is born. As we enter in, it does two things. It not only gets conviction on that crowd out there, but it helps me, it deepens me, gives me a clearer conception of the eternal city, gives me a firmer footing on the Rock of Ages, gives me a little firmer grasp on the promises, until we can get to the place where we say, "I just know, I feel like God wants to melt us up and give us the victory;" until we can take the atmosphere like a fan and fan away the chaff. Lord, I don't know what somebody else is going to do, but I know what I am going to do. God can give us a revival. I believe He is incarnate.

The final thing. I don't believe there is going to be a world-wide revival. Maybe that is a poor prophecy. I don't believe it. I don't believe in the Latter Day Rain people. I don't believe in

their doctrines. I just believe it is going to get worse and worse, wicked men deceiving themselves and being deceived. I believe wherever we are we can generate a revival if we will pay the price. We can't stand in the gap or in the judgment for some other group, some other man, some other woman, some other boy or girl. We can stand there clean. We can do our best to generate a revival. God is going to save the folks we pray for and will heal the people we have prayed for. Everybody is not going this way. Holiness is not any more popular now than it was then on the cross. They are not going to receive it like they are receiving it now days. They must go through that same old fashioned channel just like they did back there when the thing started.

I am going from Dan to Beersheba, unburdening my heart. You can say what you please. God is expecting us to have a revival. The Blood has never lost its power, and the Holy Ghost is just as faithful and I have just as much sense as I ever had. I trust I have a little more. I don't care what condition the world is in. I want God to get me to the place where I can really believe Him and pay the price. He is the answer to this mixed up generation right today. I believe God can do something for this generation as He did for any other generation. The only thing is He needs some folks that will humble themselves.

We are going to have to humble ourselves a little more than any other generation because we are more prosperous, we are farther down the line of Jesus' day, we have reached the acme as far as science is concerned. We are built upon a superficial proposition and for God to find men and women to take the way with the Holy Ghost, it is going to be hard on you. I don't mean we are traveling any other route, but we are living in a realm where we are naturally proud. If we are going to have a revival like we ought to have and must have, we are going to have to become as near like the early church as we can.

I am just opening up, but you take the Scripture in the Acts of the Apostles where it says folks brought their sick and laid them in the street and prayed that the shadow might fall upon them. What could your shadow do? Then Paul said, I think it is in the 4th chapter, 2nd Corinthians, "I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus Christ that I may manifest his life in my mortal flesh." That doesn't sound like chaff does it? That doesn't sound like malting excuses for a lot of things. It was the reason why they had revivals like that. Here was this fellow, I read it the other day, where Peter went in where Talitha was dead. She was dead. Peter put them all out and shut the door and went in and called on God, and he opened the door in a little bit and said, Come in, folks. When they came back, Talitha arose. He presented her to them alive. Does that sound like a fairy tale to you folks? Those are the things that make the difference between old fashioned second blessing burden and just the way we are traveling now.

A fellow told me the other day they had a revival in a certain place and 10 days after revival (Over 10,000 were saved in this revival), he and 600 preachers made a canvass with their group over town. They could not find one out of that group that had said they were saved that ever made themselves known to any church, ever joined any society. They couldn't find a one. Now beloved, here is what I am trying to say. Those 10,000 are going to be harder to fool the next time, and when old fashioned preachers, like I believe you boys and girls are going to be that are called to preach; when you go out to win that soul, it will be harder than if nobody ever preached to them. We ought to cut our swath clean while we are cutting and have one or two get through than have 500 cry a little. It will cost prayer, it will cost us something.

I thought I would tell you something this morning. I know that I am a long way from success in my life, but I know some things across the church that taught me God in the degree that I do, when problems came. I know that little church where I was pastor, they said nobody could ever have a revival, nobody could ever take anybody into the church. I was too ignorant. I didn't even hardly know the relation between the Old and New Testament. I never had read the Bible through, yet. But I knew this--that prayer and fasting could bring things to pass. That was my plan. That was my outline. I suppose for the seven years I have been pastor, 2 days every week, sometimes 3, I spent without food and water that I might get God. It wasn't a sad life. God said, Get up in Street Meeting. They told me I would go to jail. No, I didn't go to jail. There are a lot of things the devil will tell you to scare you. If God could get some folks determined they are going to have a revival. I'll tell you if God could get folks that determined -- God can help you to have it. I don't know how many meals you have missed. You can't pray unless you fast. I don't mean leave off the donut, leave off the dessert. You are going to have to do without your meals, not because somebody else is doing it. Make up your mind you are going to take that solitary walk.

Those things that you see, you will find, are the things that will make you holy. Get to the place where you touch a Holy God. A lot of things when you go without food, God takes you there and you walk in a strange land where most folks don't go, people never understand, where you drink of a spring that has never been drunk from before. God reveals Himself to the ones that want His will.

You have read that Scripture-Not everyone that says Lord, Lord shall enter into heaven. Why, Lord, haven't we had great revivals? Haven't we done this? He will say, I never knew you. You weren't doing my work. You just got them into the church, the physical church.

I tell you, God is looking for some folks to live in that undercurrent place where the tree has been planted, the roots are in the water, where you can give your life for somebody else's life. I know as well as I am standing here this morning that it never fails. Never. Never. You tell God something and keep your word with Him and God will never fail you. He will never do it. I am so sick and tired of commonplace religion I don't know what to do. I am ashamed of myself. I tell you, folks, there is so much sham and so much lightness. We can't do it unless we do it the hard way and if you are not willing to go God's way in there, then get out of the picture because this is going to be terrific. It is not going to get any easier to preach old fashioned holiness. It is going to get harder. You are going to have more persecution than Glenn Griffith had. God called you for this hour. He knew He could mold you and you could stand the test. You are going to suffer. We may suffer physically. I don't know. What are we going to do? Are we going to fizzle out and be as other institutions are or is this little group one that God can count on.

There is one sad thing I left out. Jesus went back the third time and never woke them up again. He went that third time and said, "Sleep on Now." To me that would be the awfulest words He ever pronounced. "Go ahead, now. I take my hands off. Do what you want to do. Run your program. Go ahead." He said, "The Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners."

Have you been praying, children, secretly? God knows when you have been praying and fasting in the public. But that is not where He makes the soul; not where He brings revivals. He

brings revivals in that intercessory crowd out in the secret place where God can shape you up and sift you over, cull this out and mark that out. Lot of times it will be when you won't know it, God gets the glory, but the multitudes will be fed from your life and you didn't think you had anything to offer. God will bless you.

I don't know if something is bothering you--the general situation of this world. There is only one thing to do. Go to God. There is only One way I~ know we can mount the storm and bridge the gap and keep the glory down and that is if God can find enough of His people that will really pray and fast and mind God and walk in the light. He can solve a lot of things, give us the victory. The flags will still be waving when the sun goes down. We can't solve things by legislation. You can't have revivals that way. You can get on your knees before God and let Him go through your heart--all doors are open to every room of your soul--and God will come. I wonder out in this group if somebody would like to come, not just raising the hands, God wants you to be an intercessor.

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GENERAL CONFERENCE

The third General Conference of The Bible Missionary Church will convene at Wichita, Kansas, June 21 - June 26. Sunday June 21 will be devoted entirely as a day of worship to the Lord. In the morning service there will be a communion service. Rev. Glenn Griffith, General Moderator will be preaching. In the evening service, Rev. Elbert Dodd, General Moderator will be preaching. There will also be an afternoon service. The business sessions will begin Monday morning, June 22. All the services will be at the Kansas State Holiness association camp ground. All our people and our friends everywhere axe invited to attend these services. Join us in prayer that God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost may be honored and glorified in this conference.

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EDITORIAL

By Spencer Johnson

ATTITUDES OF HOLINESS

"Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things." (I Cor. 13:4-11).

No phase of holiness wields as forceful an influence or is of greater importance than the attitudes of a holy life. Attitudes do not always readily appear on the surface. Sometimes it takes months and years to see and evaluate the attitudes of our fellow beings and often we are slow in discerning our own attitudes, but when attitudes are fully revealed, they are an infallible index to character for attitudes come from the roots and motives of the heart.

Attitudes have great bearing on influence because they are the fountains from which relationships spring. One's exterior life may be spotless and he may speak and write ever so true but if his attitudes are wrong his admonitions will fall unheeded for the flow of his influence is corrupted and his influence is corrupted and spoiled. Nothing in all the world is more repulsive than a sour, bitter profession of holiness. Attitudes reflect the quality of a man's spirit.

The holy man has an attitude of unassumed humility. He affects no airs and does not feel that he has learned all that there is to be learned. He is open for new light. His ideas and suggestions can be set aside or thrown out and he does not go up the miff tree but presses on his holy way with a contagious courage.

An attitude of deep, holy joy which is not marred by persecution nor blotted out by disappointments characterizes the experience of holiness. Also, the holy heart hates and abhors sin while at the same time is filled with compassionate love for the sinner. Such a love enlarges one's vision until he is willing to pay any price to bring men to God.

The holy man has an attitude of magnanimity. Such an attitude does not seek revenge nor rejoice in the downfall of his enemy. Though the mind may be incapable of forgetting that a wrong act or attitude transpired his heart does not remember to hold it against the one who did it for he is quick to forgive and carries no grudge. Holiness never stoops to retaliate. Like the moon that stays in its orbit and keeps on sending its soft rays of light upon the angry dog that barks at it, so the sanctified soul keeps on in the path of righteousness and blesses those who would curse.

A magnanimous attitude makes a man respect the rights and opinions of others, and, even though he may not agree, he will cooperate in the cause of God. A pure heart does not necessarily mean that one's head will always agree with his fellows. The unity of holiness is that of purpose and love rather than that of method. Holiness does not destroy individuality in men nor independency in thinking. It is only a peevish, childish disposition that cries when it pipes in the market place and men do not dance. Paul said, "when I became a man I put away childish things."

The Bible records some instances where sanctified men disagreed without breaking fellowship or "dividing up the spoils." Barnabas and Paul disagreed strongly over John Mark but both men had the Holy Ghost and in later years Paul expresses his high regard for Barnabas by recommending Mark as son to Barnabas and he requests the company of Mark declaring that he is profitable to him in the gospel. Paul withstood Peter to the face but Peter still spoke tenderly of Paul as "our beloved brother Paul." And Paul still cooperated with Peter.

A magnanimous attitude appreciates the labors of others and does not seek to interfere with the field and designated task of one's fellows. It makes one trustful rather than suspicious and does not seek to infringe upon the jurisdiction of another. Just as the commanders of the European and

Asiatic theaters of the world war respected the jurisdiction and judgment of each other and trusted each battle field to the complete command of their designated subordinates, so holiness enables one to have an attitude of cooperation that makes holy team work possible in the home and in the church.

A magnanimous attitude is an unselfish one. "Charity seeketh not her own." A selfish man defeats his own purpose for when we become stingy with God, then God shuts off His flow of blessings. "God loveth a cheerful giver." Jesus said, "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." (Luke 6:38) A very successful salesman said that people will pay about any amount of down payment on the purchase of desired merchandise that the salesman asks. That is the way it works with God. He will give as much as our liberality requires of Him. "He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly." (II Cor. 9:6).

Recently, I heard of a pastor who said that he left his former church relationship and joined another church because he wanted to get away from budgets. And he has not given anything to the support of the district or general work of the church which he has joined, though his personal salary is larger than it was before. Poor man! His vision compasses only his little local program. He will always be troubled by the fear that he will not make it financially and possibly be haunted by the dread of the poor house to his dying day.

Thank God! The magnanimous soul has found that it is just as cheap to go first class with God. The boy who gave all his loaves and fishes got back twelve baskets full! No man can out give God. "He which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully." (II Cor. 9:6) Glory! The holy soul has put away the childish things of revenge, retaliation, and selfishness and become a man in Christ Jesus.

Holiness also gives one an attitude of boldness. He is not afraid to suffer long and he is kind for he knows that God must prevail and that the wicked will suffer eternal torment. It is only the fearful who is always agitating for his cause. The agitator does not like to show his hand. He sits back in the shadows and makes the bullets and stirs others up to fire them for him. Like the monkey that finagled the cat into raking the chestnuts out of the fire, he seldom exposes his paw. The agitator is fearful that his cause will be lost therefore he must keep things in a turmoil. The holy man is calm and possessed, knowing that truth and righteousness always triumph in the end. He has no fear of defeat. He may lose a few battles but he is assured that God and holiness will ultimately win the war of the ages. The holy person does not agitate and stir up suspicion against his brother for love 'thinketh no evil.' Love "rejoices in the truth." Because of this attitude the holy man ever looks for the best in his brethren.

Furthermore, holiness gives one an attitude of persevering hope. Love "beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things." Disappointments may come but the holy man dings close to God and continues on with Him. Fiery trials and subtle temptations may beset his way, yet he pursues the path of righteousness. Sore and severe burdens may devolve upon him from unexpected sources while darkness may surround him as he walks the treacherous unknown trail before him but he presses on. He may cry like Job, "Oh that I knew where I might find him!

Behold, I go forward, but he is not there; and backward, but I cannot perceive him: On the left hand, where he doth work, but I cannot behold him: he hideth himself on the right hand, that I cannot see him: But he knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold. My foot hath held his steps, his way have I kept, and not declined." (Job 23:3-11) Faith like this will not fail and hope maketh not ashamed. The holy heart does not lose hope for his trust is in the living God. The holy man may not always be able to sing in the long dark tunnel but his confidence never wavers in God and he will go through regardless of the cost.

"Tho' the garden lies before me,
And the scornful judgment hall,
Tho' the gloom of deepest mid-night,
Settles round me like a pall,
Darkness can affright me never;
From Thy presence shadows flee.
And IF thou wilt guide me ever,
Jesus, I'll go thro' with Thee."

"Tho' the earth may rock and tremble,
Tho' the sun may hide its face,
Tho' my foes be strong and ruthless,
Still I dare to trust Thy grace
Tho' the cross my path o'er shadow,
Thou didst bear it once for me;
And what-e'er the pain or peril,
Jesus, I'll go through with Thee.

"When the conflict here is ended,
And the weary journey done;
When the last grim foe is conquered,
And the final vict'ry won;
When the pearly gates swing open,
And an entrance full and free
Shall be granted to the victors,
Jesus, I'll go thro' with Thee."

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GOD NEEDS MEN

God needs men to climb the mountains!

God needs men to ford the streams!

Men with fire in their spirits--

Men with empires in their dreams

Men who move like soldiers--marching!

Men who aren't afraid of war!

Men who'll live or die for Jesus,

As our fathers here-to-for.

Men with eyes like steel--and noble!

Men who speak the truth, and die!

Men who walk within the furnace,

Ne'er complain, nor ask HIM why!

These make fodder for the cannon!

These make kindling for the flame!

Men who walk among life's ashes,
Head erect, and faith the same!

]Men who match the tracks of Jesus!
Men who pattern after Paul!
Men who hear the call of duty,
And respond, by giving all!

Men whose conscience can't be purchased!
Your friend indeed, when you're not there!
When the teeth of foes are gnashing--
You feel twice a millionaire!

Let me be this man, Oh, let me,
Qualify from day to day!
Faltering flesh--but soul immortal!
Face like flint, and on my way!

--L. S. Boardman

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THE PURPOSE OF SANCTIFICATION

By Elbert Dodd

Scripture -- Rom. 12:1-2 -- I beseech you therefore brethren, by the mercies of God that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service, and be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God.

I Thess. 5:23--And the very God of Peace sanctify you wholly: and I pray God your whole spirit, and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

God looked at His creation, and called it very good, but the master piece of this creation was man. The Psalmist David said "He is fearfully and wonderfully made." We get some conception of what man is when we see how God created him with faculties that are capable of God-consciousness, and cravings and longings that are eternal.

The Body was created for man's soul to dwell in, and to be the Temple of the Living God.

Man sinned in the garden, and it affected the whole of man, especially was the body affected. All the sufferings, and sorrows of the flesh is because of Sin.

Sin dwells in the heart or soul of man, and has always caused the body of man all of its troubles.

Men try various ways to get rid of sin. Some punish their bodies, take the flagellants of the Philippines, they whip themselves, and have others whip their bodies trying to get rid of sin. You may cut the body to pieces but it will not get rid of the Sin Principle. As wonderful as fasting is to the soul, you cannot fast sin out, some have almost starved themselves to death, yet they found the old man of sin still on hand.

Some teach the suppression of the Old Man, hold him down, control him. But Paul said, he must be put off, eradicated, destroyed.

The carnal mind is an outlaw, he is not subject to the law of God neither indeed can be. You may dress the old man up, and train him, but he is still the old man of sin, and the only hope to get rid of him is to be sanctified wholly by the Baptism with the Holy Ghost and Fire.

What is a sanctified body? It is a body that is saved and cleansed from all sin, and its appetites and passions brought under control of the Holy Ghost.

A sanctified body is a dedicated body -- all of its members and faculties are dedicated to God.

Take the Tongue -- while it is a small member of the body, yet when it is in the clutches of the old man it can be a deadly member. James 3:5 -- Even so the tongue is a little member and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth.

And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature: and it is set on fire of hell. Then verse 8 -- James says, "But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil full of deadly poison." Surely this is the picture of the unsanctified tongue. A sanctified tongue is one that is saved not only from falsehood in every form, but from gossip, slander, and evil surmises. In Deuteronomy we read, "There shall not go up and down the land, a tale bearer." The "shall not" here is just as binding as the "thou shalt not kill or steal."

Oh, the havoc that can be wrought by a word from a slanderous tongue: a word of slander is dropped and the reputation and influence of some child of God or Christian worker is ruined, the cause of God hindered, and perhaps many souls lost forever.

But a sanctified tongue is saved from all this, praise God. When one gets rid of carnality, he is sanctified both soul and body.

A sanctified body means pure eyes that refuse to gaze on an impure object. If you study the history of the fall you will find, Eve fell through what she saw through the eyes.

Some of the most awful sins that have ever been committed commenced by a look. Eve saw the tree, and "it was pleasant to the eye." This is where sin was born. When an unholy object becomes pleasing to the mind and is permitted to remain until it forms a mental image picture, it is then that sin is injected. We can see but not look.

The great moral havoc that is abroad in our land, much of it is because of what men and women, boys and girls are seeing, on billboards, in ungodly magazines, on the screen in the show and in the home. One of the greatest curses that has ever come to the home, is when the TV was set in the home. We talk of controlling it, we just as well talk of controlling a rattlesnake in the home. The FBI claims that crime increased 8 per cent in 1958 over 1957, and most of it was among our youth. The TV is not the only carrier of evil pictures, the news stands are lined with magazines and papers that are an abomination to the pure eye. Christians, we must cry out against ungodly literature, as well as the movie and the TV. A sanctified body, will guard his eyes. Jesus said if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out. When sin is out of the heart, then one is careful to protect his eyes. Lot looked in the direction of Sodom, until the lure of the city got hold of him, then he pitched his tent toward Sodom, and journeyed to Sodom, finally moved into Sodom. God help His people to not look.

A sanctified body is one whose ears are dedicated to God, they have lost all desire for gossip. A person who is sanctified will not lend his ears to listen to a slanderous report and feel inwardly tickled. May we as sanctified people also guard our ears.

Last, a sanctified body is one that dresses the body for the glory of God. It will never use God's temple for a show room, it will not paint its cheeks like a Jezebel, or as do the worldlings, neither will it unduly expose its purpose to the eyes of a gainsaying, unholy hearted world. But it will robe its self in modest apparel. I Tim. 2:9-10 -- In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair or gold, or pearls or costly array; But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.

The whole purpose of Holiness is to fix the human soul, body and spirit where one can live holy in this world, and inherit a home in a better world.

Sanctification through the blood of Jesus is the only cure for sin. No man can live without sin, as long as he has it in his heart. But when he is sanctified, and all sin is destroyed, by the grace of God one can live blameless, and holy before God. Luke 1:73-75 The oath which he swore to our father Abraham, that he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies might serve him without fear in holiness and righteousness BEFORE HIM, all the days of our life.

Praise God for Holiness. Praise God for complete deliverance from all sin. It is not hard to live right when one has been DELIVERED FROM ALL SIN, THROUGH THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS.

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CHRIST IS EXPELLED

Mark Fakkema, in "The Christian Teacher"

State School Superintendent Pollack of New Jersey has sent out a directive that from now on no more likeness of Christ, and no more Christian hymns are to be in evidence at Christmas

time in the public schools of this so-called Christian State. The New Jersey State Legislature has passed an anti-discrimination (antiChrist) law which will render all Christmas observances illegal by 1958.

Observances of the birth of our Lord have also been outlawed in Sierra Madre, California, and Lake View, Illinois. Images of the Christ Child are not to be exhibited, and the singing of carols to His honor prohibited by law.

Where, in school, God the Son is expelled; His Father must likewise be removed from the halls of tax supported schools. The Attorney-General Pat Brown, of California, has ruled that God cannot be mentioned in the classroom. Consistent with this ruling one of the schools in California has instructed its Librarian to examine all books in the school library and remove from circulation those books that mention God.

If God is turned out of school, His Law must follow. The Ten Commandments have been condemned as undesirable instructional material by the board of education in New Hyde, Long Island, New York. This ruling has been upheld by the New York State Commissioner of education.

With the anti-Christ spirit abroad, let us honor and adore the Christ of God in our Christian homes and Christian schools. As our secular school authorities increasingly build a school program without Christ, may, in our school program, the words of Christ be increasingly verified: "Without me ye can do nothing." -- This article was taken from the April 15, 1958 issue of the "Free-Methodist."

Editor's Note: Pat Brown is now Governor of California. There are some who think that he is a possible candidate for the Presidency. It looks like our only hope is for each local church to provide Christian Education for our children.

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"LORD, PLEASE BE ADVISED"
Robert J. Baker, South Bend, Ind.

Lord I've been in sort of a fix. There's something I've wanted to discuss with you, yet I've been a bit reluctant to do so. I suppose that sounds sort of dumb, but that's the way it is. Now tonight I'm going to cross this little Rubicon of mine and spend all of my prayer time getting this matter straightened out with you. I'm putting off all my prayer requests for twenty-four hours and I plan to concentrate on this thing that is bothering me for a couple of years. And I'm not alone, Lord, because I know it's a thing that bothers a flock of other people. Now, they don't say that it bothers them. They wouldn't put it in words for anything, yet I know, (and, of course, You know too) that this problem is eating away inside of them. You don't have to verbalize this problem to know that it is there.

Coming to the point right off, Lord, it's about the matter of the second coming of Your Son Jesus Christ. Now, God, I know He's coming again. That's Scriptural. And I think it's going to be a good thing.

But there is one thing about it that bothers me. I don't want to sound too forward, or too ungrateful, but I've been doing some thinking about it, God, and I wonder if You would mind holding it off a bit.

Now Lord, please don't jump to any conclusions. Let me explain. I'm in favor of the second coming. Yes, Sir, Lord. I vote for it. But, Lord, does it have to be real soon? Let me tell you why I think it should be put off for a while.

As you know Father, things have been going pretty good for us down here on this earth. We Christians are getting along real good. Personally, I'm doing all right. I'm on my feet, sort of "over the hump," as the expression goes. From here on in, things look pretty good. Oh, I know some folks talk about a recession, unemployment, etc., but I'm fixed up so that I believe I can weather them. I've got a bit of money tucked away in savings and government bonds (Those bonds, Lord, pay good interest and they're as good as gold. I like to be secure, Lord. By the way, those bonds don't mature right away and that also has some bearing on this point that I am trying to make.) Frankly, now I'd like a little more time (at least 40 years yet) to enjoy some of these things.

Just for example, take this new car of mine. I don't want to sound proud, but it is a nice car, a 59 model. It's all paid for and a real pleasure to drive. I'd kind of hate to leave it. I'm not sure what kind of transportation will be available in heaven, but this down here is hard to beat. I got the big model this year, Lord, because we often go for a drive on Sunday afternoon and it pays to have a heavier car if you do much traveling. When a car is paid for a person ought to be entitled to use it and get his money out of it.

The same goes for our home, Lord. That's nearly paid for too. We've really scraped and saved to reduce that mortgage. That's one of the reasons why we couldn't tithe, I'm sure that You will agree that it's proper to pay your debts and that's what we've tried to do. So with the house and the car we've got quite an investment in Elkhart County. We can't help but be concerned about that investment. Lord, I hope this doesn't sound too selfish, but will we get any compensation in heaven for what we leave behind on this earth? Now, I know that there will be rewards in heaven, but I was wondering if you had any plans for reimbursing us for things we will have to leave behind when Christ returns? I hope that there is no harm in asking. Like I say, if things continued as they are now for another 40 years, I believe that I'd be a little less involved and tied down.

Another thing that bears on the issue is this matter of educational entertainment. You see, I'm close to the college and it offers a lecture series, plus many other fine features. (Of course, Lord, you know that I'm a college graduate and appreciate the finer things of life.) It's mighty convenient down here below to hear and see some of the very best items and personages in the field of entertainment. And with the addition of this new TV station in South Bend we will be able to pull in four different programs without a bit of trouble. There's something worth while every evening either to see or hear.

And Chicago is a mere two hours by the toll road, so that brings another large area within the range of our visitation and exploration. I would make it clear, however, Lord that we take in only the best. But what is it going to be like without some of these things? I know that there will be

singing in heaven, but that seems like pretty limited fare. I don't mean to say that I can't give up some of these things. Lord, you know that I can. But still they are awfully nice. It's a wonderful world and age that we are living in.

I would sure like to put my children through college. I've got a college education myself (pardon me if I mentioned that before) and would like them to have one too. It pays off. Research shows that colleges make more than those with just a high school education. Now, I know that it won't take 40 years to see them through college, but shouldn't they have some time to get established and enjoy life a little?

I hope that this doesn't sound like I'm trying to run your business. I don't mean to be too outspoken, but lots of other folks think the same as I do. I'm just putting my thoughts into words and I shouldn't be blamed for that.

You see, Lord, this world isn't really such a bad place. Things have changed a lot in the last 2000 years since your Son was here, Now it's not a heaven on earth but things are a lot more comfortable since Jesus walked the trails of Galilee and Judea.

Medical and hospital care is just one illustration of the above. It's wonderful what can be done for the human body. We've got drugs and medicines and therapy that almost make it a pleasure to get sick. The life expectancy of the average person is nearly 80 so that means I've still got about 30 years coming. Old-age pensions and social security brighten even the declining years of a person's life. Lord, it seems only fair that I ought to enjoy those years too. I've paid a lot into social security.

Now, God, I hope that you don't get me wrong. I don't want to sound materialistic or self-centered. It's just that I've got a question in my mind about the future. This earth is offering a person a lot of security and enjoyment. It's tangible. I can lay my hands on it. It's real. I sure hope that you understand what I'm getting at. Certainly we want your Son to come back again. But, Lord, do you think that it's advisable just now? Things are so nice here, and we're getting along so well. Maybe later, Lord, it might work out better.

Father, this prayer is longer than I intended, but it takes a lot of words to explain a person's thinking on a delicate subject like this. I don't want to be misunderstood . . . Excuse me, Lord, but I've got to quit. My favorite TV program is just coming on. Amen. -- From The Gospel Witness

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"THE FIELD OF BLOOD"

By Joe Wilson

"Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders,

"Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What is that to us? see thou to that.

"And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself,

"And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood.

"And they took council, and bought with them the potters field, to bury strangers in.

"Wherefore that field was called the field of blood, unto this day." (Matt. 27:3-8)

Jesus Christ had been sold off because of ecclesiastical ego. The church officials of the Synagogue became aware of what effect Jesus would have on their ministry if they were to admit that He was the one spoken of by the prophets of old.

There seems to be a plague of anti-tradition seen when one contends for the Old Paths spoken of in Jeremiah 6:16. "Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the way, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for Tour soul."

I recently visited some student friends at a well known holiness school of higher education. If there is any one place where the plague spoken of is more prevalent than another it surely is in the educational institutions. My heart was grieved during my visit upon seeing such a persistent acceptance of liberalism gone to seed.

I was told, upon contending for radical holiness such as was set down by our church, fathers, that there is now a fuller concept of holiness in the modern day school of learning than that which was in the hearts and understanding of the previous generations. A fuller concept of holiness according to this new enlightenment shows virtue in attending bowling alleys, owning a television, having skating parties, bobbing the hair, etc.

The chief priests knew they could not directly disobey the law and put the silver pieces in the treasury that they received back from the hands of Judas. (v. 6) They got their heads together however, and decided their purpose could be accomplished in a round-about way by spending the blood money for their own personal gain in purchasing the potters field. Men in authority, if they are able to talk smooth enough, can lead people into believing a thing whether it be good or evil. The evil can be made to seem quite legitimate by this smooth philosophy, alongside the good that might be taught. I am referring especially to my own experience in being dealt with through four years of educational training in a holiness college. There were, of course, some educational advantages received which were very timely and helpful, of which I am grateful for today. On these advantages we cast no reflection.

The first thing we were told upon entering college was to throw all of our beliefs and convictions of the old-fashioned stripe out the window and begin s o m e reflective observation through objective thinking. This objectivity would be all right if it were based on the eternal truths of God's Word rather than from a mere rational standpoint with no revelation of a standard to live by. Many a young person has entered their training with firm, God-given convictions, which

produced standards, only to realize through the vain philosophy taught that these convictions seemed no longer imperative to their salvation. It is no wonder the field was called the "field of blood." God only, knows how many young people have been buried in this field of blood because of the cunning devices of men.

A few weeks ago I was talking to a former schoolmate about his convictions in regard to the standard of holiness. I knew him upon entering school as a person with stern convictions against worldliness, believing in the old-fashioned way. Therefore I was interested in knowing why he could now have a television, attend bowling alleys, sanction bobbed hair, etc., whereas a few years ago it would have become a grave mark of backsliding to partake of such things. Before I go farther I would like to say that I can sympathize with any young person who has been caught in the clutches of compromise through liberalistic teaching. I am thankful to our Lord that He pulled me out of the fire when He did. Otherwise I would still have the odorous smoke of liberalism tainting my garments. I rode along beside others that were swayed and driven off the highway of true holiness because of the blind leaders leading the blind. Only through God's mercy and the route of repentance was I led back to that highway.

My friend and I had a lengthy discussion on the underlying reasons responsible for his about-face on convictions that were at one time vital to him. He was anxious to point out the fact that what he used to hold to as convictions now seem no more than mere ideas and notions he had acquired before entering college. This tends to be the inevitable consequence suffered in the hearts of those entering into the field of education in the holiness colleges. God alone knows how many young people have succumbed under devil drawn plans to demolish experiential holiness in the hearts of this younger generation.

May God help us to realize the difference between notions and convictions. When God's Word points out sin in action leaving us with scripture to rely upon, the line then is clearly drawn between a notion and a conviction. A notion has no scriptural foundation.

If the sin of television remained in the category of notions why did God's Word say, "Set no evil thing before thine eyes." Also in 1st Thess. 5:21 we are told to "abstain from all appearance of evil." With 95% of TV being nothing but shame and wickedness how could these scriptures not be referring to this awful Devil inspired invention. I was told that standing against bobbed hair has no scriptural backing. Why did Paul even take time to mention about long hair being a woman's glory if it mattered not that it be cut (I Cor., oh. 11)? Yes, when we have a scriptural truth to live by it no longer can be classed as a notion, but necessarily becomes a conviction and remains as such. The Devil has no doubt been pleased with the way people have disregarded God's Holy Word. Don't forget my friend, God inspired His Word, which includes the words, "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." I John 2:15

If we are going to exist as a church with a challenge, our message to the world must be scriptural holiness rather than theoretical holiness. The challenge we have been given is to keep the anointing of God upon our church without falling into the hands of compromise as other movements have done in the past. This will determine our destiny before God as achieving the field of blessing, or being buried in the "field of Blood." In Matt. 27:7 we find that the potter's

field was purchased to bury strangers in. Those who fail to "contend for the faith once delivered .to the saints," become strangers to God and are provided with their own burial site in the field of blood. This ground will be occupied, I fear, with friends who could once sing the song with meaning and sincerity, "Friendship with Jesus, fellowship divine; Oh what blessed, sweet, communion, Jesus is a friend of mine." Today they are strangers to the ONE who made this fellowship possible. We will need the old-fashioned gospel light to shine in dark places if we intend to close the gate leading to the "FIELD OF BLOOD."

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CHEER THE PATH FOR MOTHER

Mrs. Paul E. King

Cheer the path for mother, drop flowers on the way,
Such as tiny "Forget-me-nots" of kind words every day.
Tell her that you love her, for she's got a heart most true:
And she loves to hear her children tell her that they love her too.

When she sat beside your bedside, patiently the whole night long,
And gently stroked your fevered brow, and softly sang a song,
You could see the teardrops falling, down her saintly angel face,
As she prayerfully entrusted you into His keeping grace.

You remember when some trial had pressed strong, and hard to bear,
How in mannish tones you told her, and she went to God in prayer:
And you knelt right down beside her. Then as tears began to flow
Mother touched the hem of Jesus, and her face was all aglow.

May I refresh it in your memory, that your cares are her cares too,
So if you love her, tell her, for her heart beats always true.
Do not speak harsh words to mother.
Unkind words will break her heart,
Hasty, nasty and ugly phrases, make the tear drops start.

If unkindly she's been treated, and you know you did her wrong,
You'll regret it when she's gone, friend,
You'll regret your whole life long.
When her hair has turned to silver, and her vision very dim--
Soon the Lord may say, "Enough now," and He'll call her home to Him.

As she silently lays sleeping, with a casket as her bed,
The haunting, undying voice of Conscience,-- then will fill your life with dread.
Cheer the path for mother, help lighten every load,
Plant beautiful fragrant flowers to blossom down her road.

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UNAWARE!

Kenneth H. Fay

"It was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered to the saints. For there are certain men crept in unawares." Jude 3-4.

Ever read of Pirates and plunders? I have. A British Man O' War lies anchored off harbor some distance. On shore in the shadows, a small band of men prepare to take that vessel. Stripped to the waist, their hair tied securely at the back, they cautiously, quietly enter the water; not a ripple is made! Slowly, hand over hand they stroke for the vessel. While moonlight floods the bay, these keep in the shadows and at times submerge to hide identity. The ship is circled, and at a given signal they scale its sides.

Atop -- the watch paces the deck. For a moment his back is turned. A man springs over the rail and speeds to the shadows of the mast. The Watch retraces his steps, when suddenly -- out of the darkness a hand clasps his mouth, and a swift and powerful thrust is made from the other with the glittering knife! The victim slumps slowly to the deck. The same is repeated about the ship. Now -one has the wheel, another the masts, another the ropes! Anchor is lifted and the mighty vessel moves for open water. A Watchman, some distance over is aroused. "What goes here? Strange this is! Ah! all's well -- she's her Majesty's all right! There-- atop is her royal flag a flyin' high -all's well!" But, alas, fellow Seaman, she is not her Majesty's at all, but a PIRATE vessel sporting her MAJESTY'S FLAG!!

So it is! True Holiness has been PIRATED! Surprise attack! A hand! A stab! A lift of old anchors, and OLD SHIP ZION is plunging for the open waters of compromise, while flying to the world her flag of pretense, "Holiness Unto The Lord"! Beware beloved! Liberal Pirates may be sailing your Zion into the Open Sea of Compromise, Worldliness, and Hell! The old flag of Holiness may be lowered, and replaced with the Skull and Crossbones of LIBERALISM! Startling! Not very pretty! But true! Beware!

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FOREIGN MISSIONS

THE LITTLE BROWN CHILDREN IN GUATEMALA

By Mrs. Roy Keene

"Let the little ones come unto me." Over and over these words went through my mind as we stood among the group of children. We had just arrived at one of the outstations perhaps five minutes before and in that time more than forty people had gathered around us. The children looked at us with big wondering hungry eyes. We looked at them for we had never seen such a tattered filthy group. Dirty-dirty-dirty! How I wanted a pail of water, some soap and a wash rag! I looked at them and thought how thrilled I was because they had a chapel in their village. Indeed it was not

much--another mud hut with dirt floor (cost \$15.) but it was God's house. One of the native pastors lives in this village and so the group that surrounded us has a chance.

The physical dirt and filth was repulsive but the physical dies and is gone but oh, the spiritual stains need a washing! I looked at those precious little brown lads and lassies and thought, "I wish I could tell you about the Master and how He loved you so." We glanced around us at the mud huts from which they had come. We had been in several of those huts. We knew about the dirt floor and straw mat beds. We looked at them and wished that we could tell the people that the Father was building mansions up there.

When we drove off the children waved their little hands and yelled, "Adios-adios-adios" and then tore off down the road after us and followed us as far as they could.

Thank God, our missionaries reached that village! Those children will have a chance to hear about the love of God. But as we traveled back towards Jalapa we thought of village after village where the groups of children haven't heard, where no mud chapel stands and where no native pastor lives. Our missionaries are giving all their strength and time and efforts and yet they can't reach them all. And yet Jesus said, "Let the little ones come and forbid them not."

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CAMP MEETING IN GUATEMALA

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Pumpelly and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Keene have just returned from the camp meeting in Guatemala. God mightily used Brother Pumpelly and gave them a great camp. There were more people attending and seeking and finding God than in any previous years. We praise God for this. There are some needs and some things that we could all pray about for the Missionaries and the field there.

First pray that God will give the missionaries strength. They are short handed. So few to do so many things. Pray that God will give them strength, and health. Brother and Sister Paul Reiff have Amoebae. They have to take medicine about every so often to try to kill it down but they will not be able to get completely rid of it. It weakens them but they are able to carry on. Also one of their little girls has some strange kind of worms that the Doctors in that country do not know what to do with. She sometimes draws double with pain. Please pray earnestly that God will heal this child and that He will touch Brother and Sister Paul Reiff. They are wonderful missionaries and are being mightily used of God. The following are some of their needs:

1. They need a number of small accordions to be used by the native preachers as they try to evangelize the remote villages.

2. 1 large size paper cutter. 1 adding machine. Several filing cabinets.

3. They need a large amount of Drip Dry Yard good dress materials. This would mean much time saved for the missionaries in ironing, etc.

4. Also they need \$2500.00 to purchase an adjoining property to the Mission station which is very much needed for the expansion of the school.

Perhaps some of the ladies in some of our churches could help supply some of these needs as a missionary project. Miss Leta Keith is now in the states because of the illness of her mother. She will be returning to Guatemala soon. She could take any or all of these articles back with her on her tourist card and that way there would be little or no customs duty to pay on them. If you shipped them direct to Guatemala the customs duty would possibly be more than the articles are worth. Of course any money should be sent to the General Treasurer, Rev. L. P. Roberts, 1915 S. Perry Way, Denver, Colo., and marked for the purpose that it is intended. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Keene, 3613 Ernest St., Lake Charles, La., will be in contact with Sister Leta Keith before she goes back to the field. You may send any supplies to them and they will see that she gets them in time to take them to the field. Pray about these needs.

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ALL FOR JESUS

By Ina Moyer

In the fifth chapter of the book of Luke, the 27th and 28th verses we read "And after these things He went forth and saw a publican, named Levi, sitting at the receipt of custom. And He said unto him, Follow me. And he left all and rose up and followed Him."

In Georgetown, British Guiana, nine months ago, I met a young lady named Joan Sanmoogan. She was so full of life, and I was attracted to her at once. It seemed she was a real Christian. But I soon learned that for four years she had been struggling along, trying to be a Christian. One day up and the next day down. But at last she has left ALL and is following Jesus. Let me tell you about Joan and how the Holy Ghost is blessing her life since she put herself, her family, and her friends, and ambitions on the altar.

She was one of those cases that you would pray with one day and feel sure that she really meant it and victory was hers. Then the very next day the look of joy would be gone and you'd begin all over, telling her that God was no respecter of persons, and there was complete victory for her if she would pay the price. It went on like that for weeks and then when Brother Griffith was here in April, Joan fell at the altar. She prayed earnestly and arose with her face shining. On Sunday morning, while he preached on "Lovest Thou Me More Than These," she answered the call to preach the gospel, while sitting in the congregation. This time I felt sure she would stand fast in her new found liberty. Then the devil began to fight her over that call to preach. I gave her every illustration I could think of how God had stood by me as a woman preacher. But it wasn't long until Joan was down again.

Every day she came to see me, pouring out her heart and saying there was no use trying. She couldn't be a Christian. So many times she had tried and failed -- just take her name off the books and forget her. My heart was moved with a compassion I cannot explain. I knew it was a trick of the devil and told her so. In her own words and so sadly she would answer, "God doesn't have any use for a thing like me. Then I would tell her again that His blood, yes the precious blood

of Jesus, would go deeper than the stain of sin had gone. There was hope and we would not give up until she had prayed clear through. It went on like this for weeks, until at times she did almost look hopeless. Night after night I prayed long and earnestly for Joan. Only God could help her. Then one Friday noon while in prayer and fasting she began to pray, and confess and open her heart to God. She was wonderfully saved and a short time later gloriously sanctified.

Her testimony is like a blaze of fire--she glows with a Heavenly radiance as she tells how for so long she failed to pay the price but now has such glorious freedom. Her life and testimony has cost her a real price. She is from an ungodly home and many, many times she is refused food to eat, all because she has taken this old fashioned way. When I offer her food she'll just look at me and say, "You know God is really good, I don't ever miss the food." She's often on a "FORCED DIET" all for JESUS. Oh, brother, sister if that wouldn't make you shout, I don't know what would. She never knows if they'll let her in the house when she returns home from street service or church. If the door is opened she is ready for anything, such as a lash with a cane which she takes, "All for Jesus." They are doing their very best to try her out and see if she means to follow Him at any cost. This week they took away her bed and she sleeps on the floor. ALL FOR JESUS. Makes me wonder what I've done for HIM. Lord help me, it looks like I've had a life of ease, compared to that.

This is just one of many examples of our young people. But space fails me now to tell you of Sybil Pollard, Ruby Nurse, Mary Veira, Yvonne Mansfield, Cecelia Nurse, Eunice and Leland all recent converts of the last few weeks. All saved out of the deepest of sin and walking in the light of old fashioned holiness. And many of them suffering severe persecution, "ALL FOR JESUS.

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LISTEN TO JOAN'S TESTIMONY

I'm glad that I can truly say Jesus means everything to me. I love Him today with all of my heart. Since I've settled the question, I've found no regret. I've found His grace is all sufficient for every test. He just supplies my every need so wonderfully. I just feel like shouting PRAISE THE LORD over and over again when I think of His goodness to me. I've determined in my heart to live for Him and tell the world that Jesus satisfies the longing and fills that empty, aching void in the heart. Praise the Lord. -- Joan Sanmoogan

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BEGGING Ina Moyer

I've never been a beggar on the street, But this morning I am coming to every one of you in America as a real beggar. Before leaving that "SUMPTUOUS" land I said I'd never ask for one thing and in one way I meant it. For myself I ask nothing but today I'm asking -- I'm pleading u yes I'M begging.

Last Monday night we stood in the open air across from Bourda market. My eyes fell upon a little lady sitting on an old wooden box. Her eyes held a far away look -so sad, and now and then she bent her head low upon her knees. She lifted her hand for prayer. Praying I made my way to her side and led her to an altar under the open skies -- just a table with a bed of rocks to kneel upon and there she fell at the feet of Jesus, weeping bitterly. She confessed her sins and then as she arose to her feet I asked for her name and address. Again those bitter tears as she told me she had no home, but lived just under the tent. "Tell me lady, what do you mean by the tent," and where is the tent? The tent I learned was just an open faced building across the street. No bed, no table, no wardrobe and little food.

My bed was hard that night and food doesn't taste the same. Neither am I ashamed to tell you I cried nearly all night long, as I prayed for these, who have little hope in this life and fast perishing in the night with no hope of eternal life, and yet so FEW who really CARE for their souls. She's one among thousands, but I earnestly prayed for a way to help her.

The next day we took her some food. It is now Sunday morning. All through the night the Lord and I walked together side by side. He led me to a Jericho road where a man lay by the roadside, stripped of his raiment, wounded and half dead. The preacher, who could preach SERMONS, passed by, but didn't do one thing. He was no good only in the pulpit where he could say, YOU DO, but did nothing himself. The church member came by -- he could give a little testimony in church but outside he just couldn't TALK. OH GOD, wake us up in this critical hour is my earnest prayer. Thank God for the SAMARITAN, who had heart-felt religion, that went beyond his head and his lips. He had compassion.

By the time we had walked together most of the night, I tell you God had given me an answer. This morning I went to my own fast diminishing wardrobe, took out another dress, my one and only hat (NO SACRIFICE, GLORY TO GOD) fixed a nice lunch and was on my way.

While delivering my little bundle, I saw another' lady sitting all alone and made my way to her. In a few minutes she was pouring out her distressed heart. As a young girl in a Methodist church she had known to serve God. A young man, waiting to marry her professed to get religion. She married him and her life is one of real heartache. He deserted her.

I cannot tell you the deep longing of my heart and the cry of my soul for these people. Everywhere you look--they are there, longing for a way out of their darkness. America, I am begging you with all of my heart to give out of thy bountiful store. Not money I'm asking for that -- you must give that. But I'M thinking of your wardrobes. Those changeable suits of apparel. And I'm asking for part of YOUR WARDROBE. And DON'T send your OLD WORN OUT garments. Send some of those you like. Go to that closet get down on your knees and don't send one thing until you pray. Yes, I'm begging and God is asking, "What will you do today?"

Editor's Note: Those wishing to send clothing etc., may send packages to: Rev. Lyle Moyer, Box 802, British Guiana, S. A. Please pray about these needs.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

A CALL TO PRAYER

In a few weeks now, if Jesus tarries, we will be gathering from all parts of the nation and some from other countries to meet at Wichita, Kansas for the third General Conference of the Bible Missionary Church. It will behoove us to come prayed up and at our best for God. It would be well if our people and our friends everywhere would set aside some days for prayer and fasting in behalf of these days in conference.

Pray that God will give health to our people and traveling mercies to all who may endeavor to come. The Devil would like to destroy our physical bodies or hinder our usefulness by accidents, etc. We have no people to lose.

Also pray that God will anoint the preachers who will be preaching in the services. Pray that the business sessions and the committee meetings may be owned and blessed and directed of God.

Above all pray that the Holy Ghost will be pleased to come mightily upon us all and melt us up until anything that might hinder the unity of the Spirit will be burned away as dross. We must have the blessed Holy Ghost upon the conference. In view of the brevity of life and the length of eternity and the perishing millions yet unreached in the great white harvest fields of the world, and in view of the nearness of the coming of Jesus, pray that God will give us all the vision and the burden and that He will send us out from the conference a mighty, holy, united, aggressive, compassionate band to thrust in the sickle and reap the harvest before the storm of the tribulation breaks on the world. Multitudes in this country are counting on us. The youth of our church are depending on us. Our faithful missionaries are looking to us. The poor sin benighted heathen are waiting for us. Pray that God will give our leaders the wisdom to chart our course so that we may do the most for God in the short time that we have. We desire that the conference will glorify and honour God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost. To this end we earnestly solicit your prayers. -- The Editor

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CORRECTION

In the March issue of The Missionary Revivalist we ran a report from the California - Arizona District. Due to an oversight in typing the editor omitted one whole line, in listing the churches and the names of the pastors. It should have read, Rev. Gene Arnett, pastor at Santa Cruz, California. Brother Arnett is doing a wonderful work there and I am very sorry for this mistake that I made.

Also, Brother Wayne States, District Moderator tells us that Rev. & Mrs. Robert H. (Bob) Fleming have accepted the pastorate of our church at National City, California. Brother and Sister Fleming were pastors at our Church in Greeley, Colorado. We have not learned yet who the new pastor is at Greeley. -- The Editor

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SOUTHEAST DISTRICT CONFERENCE AND CAMP MEETING

The Southeast District Conference and Camp Meeting will be held in Birmingham, Alabama, (Pleasant Grove Community) July 3-12. Rev. E. Dodd, General Moderator for Conference. Workers for Camp: Rev. E. Dodd and Rev. H. B. Huffman; Clyde Dilly and wife, Special Singers. For further information write Rev. Auxford Myers, District Moderator, 1405 - 5th Avenue, Jasper, Alabama.

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Editor's note: Anything written by Brother H. A. Erdmann is good. This book will be a blessing to your soul.

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NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE AND CAMP

The North Central District Conference will be held at the Delaware County Camp Ground, July 29 - 30, 1959. Rev. Glenn Griffith, General Moderator, will be in charge. The Camp Ground is located six miles southeast of Muncie, Indiana, on highway 35.

The Delaware County Camp Meeting will be held July 30 through August 9, at the Camp Ground six miles southeast of Muncie, Indiana, on highway 35. Rev. Glenn Griffith, Rev. Victor Glenn, Troy and Margaret Cook will be the workers. Meals will be served in the dining room for free will offering. We have dormitory and trailer space for all who wish to attend. Please make your reservations early. For information, write Roy Lewis, R. R. 1, Albany, Ind.

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MISSOURI - KANSAS DISTRICT CAMP & CONFERENCE

July 11th through 19th at Sheltering Heights Bible Camp 8 miles south of Springfield, Missouri Workers: Glenn Griffith and J. E. Ray. Singers: Troy and Margaret Cook. accommodations for everyone. For information write: W. E. Carlton, Box 523, Lebanon, Mo.

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NORTHWEST CAMP AND CONFERENCE

The Conference and Camp Meeting of the Northwest District will be held at Midway church and camp grounds, July 27 - Aug. 2. General Moderator in charge will be Brother Elbert Dodd, and he and J. E. Cook and wife, and the Clyde Dilleys will be evangelists and singers. The Conference will be held July 28-29. Opening service will be Monday night, July 27th. For information write: A. L. Turner, Dist. Moderator, Route 2, Nampa, Idaho.

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SOUTHWEST DISTRICT CONFERENCE AND CAMP

June 2 - 12 -- Duncan, Oklahoma -- Glenn Griffith, presiding General Moderator for Conference. Camp evangelists: H. B. Huffman and Spencer Johnson -- Singer: Clyde Dilly For information Write: Rev. J. E. Cook, Dist. Moderator, Box 727, Duncan, Oklahoma.

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LOUISIANA - SOUTH TEXAS DISTRICT CAMP MEETING AND CONFERENCE

June 5 - 14 -- Camp Ground, Deridder, Louisiana. Workers: Glenn Griffith and Elbert Dodd, preachers -- Troy and Margaret Cook, Singers Accommodations for everyone. For information write: Rev. B. M. Loftin, Moderator, 804 Azalea, Lake Charles, La.

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Rev. George Hawthorne, a fine Wesleyan Methodist Brother from the Allegheny Conference has a Music store. He has anything in musical instruments, Pianos, Organs and

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MEMBERSHIP OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

"The General Conference shall be composed of elders and lay delegates from each church elected thereto by the local churches of the Bible Missionary Church; the General Moderators; the General Church Secretary; the General Treasurer; and any other General Officers of the Church.

The District Conferences shall be entitled to representation in the General Conference as follows: All elders and two laymen from each Church in the Conference of fifty or fewer members and the final major part of fifty members.

The right of a lay delegate-elect to the General Conference to represent the District Conference electing him shall be vacated in case he shall move his church membership to some local church on another Conference District prior to the convening of the General Conference." (Paragraph 70, Manual of The Bible Missionary Church.) Licensed Ministers, though members of the District Conference, are not members of the General Conference unless they have been elected to represent a church as a lay delegate.

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HELP WANTED

A godly woman or two with a saved and sanctified experience who will be housemother over our girls here at the Beulah Mountain Children's Home. They must belong to the Bible Missionary Church and feel a definite call. We believe the call of the Lord into His work can be as definite and plain as the call and salvation to the soul. So pray through first and let us hear from you, please. -- Mr. J. C. Gomilla, Mgr., Beulah Mt.. Children's Home, Beulah Heights, Ky.

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CHURCH NEWS

AMES, IOWA

On March 22nd we were privileged to have Brother Don Hughes, a student from our Bible Missionary Institute, preach in the morning and evening services. Brother Hughes would be a blessing to any church. He is a man of prayer and has a vision of the lost. In the morning service God's Spirit came so sweetly upon us as we sang. The testimony service was so precious and we enjoyed Sister Margaret Cook's testimony of the working of our Lord at the Bible School. In the evening service Brother Hughes preached with such a compassionate spirit and closed the service by asking a group to all sing "Amazing Grace" and to shake hands. Such a flood of God's love just settled on our people as we sang and shook hands. Tears were streaming from the faces of many.

God has been so good to us and has supplied every need. Praise His name. -- Mrs. Glenn Eddy,
Reporter

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NEW BIBLE MISSIONARY

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smith, members of our church in Little Rock, Ark., are the parents of a baby girl. Her name is Sherry Lynn. Mrs. Smith is the former Miss Royalene Schultz.

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SERMON AGAINST JEWELRY LANDS MINISTER IN COURT

A three week revival meeting was conducted by Rev. Frank Baldwin as the preacher and Rev. and Mrs. Edward Bell as the song evangelists, at the Guisetown Bethany Church (Nondenominational), near Newville, Penna. Brother M. E. Foltz was serving as pastor. During the meeting there were several folk who came to the mourners bench to confess all their sins. During the confession some threw off all their jewelry. It was gathered up and handed to the pastor Brother Foltz for keeping until he could visit them and find out how they wanted him to dispose of the rings.

In the mean time one of the young lady's father had the pastor arrested and charged with stealing diamond rings and watches. After the Pennsylvania State Police had taken Brother Foltz to jail, the people of God fell on their knees and began to pray until God was moved. Brother H. B. Huffman, our district Moderator, came and acted as lawyer for Brother Foltz. The judge of course found Brother Foltz not guilty and exonerated him. The good Brethren in Christ in that area came and stood with our brethren and took them into their homes to care for them.

Before the meeting came to a close Brother Foltz was notified that he would no longer be the pastor of the Nondenominational Church because he stood behind the preaching on the Blood and Second Blessing Holiness.

While the meeting was in progress, Hank Snow came to town to put on a dance. Over 1000 lustful people attended his dance and not one finger was lifted against him, but let a few get saved and clean up and the preacher lands in jail!

Editor's Note: Sounds like old times doesn't it? Praise God for some preachers that can stir the devil. There are none better in the evangelistic field than Brother Frank Baldwin. He preaches with a sweet spirit. Also Brother and Sister Bell are good folk and sing the glory down. Brother M. E. Foltz is one of God's good holy men. I have been in his home. There are none better than Brother and Sister Foltz. God bless them. It looks like as a result of it all we may get a good strong church over in that community near Newville, Pa. Glory!

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SULPHUR, LOUISIANA

Our church at Sulphur has finished their new building enough that they have moved in. Rev. Gary Smith is the pastor and God is blessing.

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CHANDLER, OKLAHOMA

Rev. Tony Ross and the good people of the Chandler Church pledged \$1000.00 for missions on April 5th. These good folk are faithful to send in their percentages for the district and general work of the church each month. Also, the Sunday School gives the offering one Sunday a month to Missions and one Sunday a month to the Children's Home. The \$1000.00 missionary offering was extra above all this. No wonder God is blessing them so. They are going to have to build more Sunday School rooms. The glory is on their services.

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KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON

A man of God has been in our midst. Rev. Glenn Griffith, founder and General Moderator of Our church, gave us a few days (March 19-22) for a revival. We planned two services a day and three on Sunday. What wonderful days they were, as we listened to God's man preach the Word from a full and burdened heart. Souls sought God in nearly every service. One night a young man rushed to the altar before Brother Griffith was through preaching, and soon the altar was lined. These few days were like a camp meeting to our Kennewick church. Souls were saved and sanctified, and the saints blessed and edified.

We have found hungry people in near and distant cities. These came in to feed on the good things from the Lord.

Brother and Sister Crane and Esther Crowe had charge of the music. God used these good people to sing the glory down. It was wonderful.

God has been helping us in this needy mission field. Our good people have helped us bombard the skies for souls and victory. We press on to greater heights in Him. We praise the Lord for old-time, heartfelt salvation.

We want to thank God for a spirit-filled leader whose godly and tender ministry and counsel leads us on in God's good way to that eternal city. -- Carl & Alma Kinzler, pastors

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BIBLE MISSIONARY CHURCH, CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI

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The above picture shows the church that Brother W: E. Carlton, District Moderator and some of the folk purchased. The house in the back of the church is the parsonage. Brother Harry McElrath has moved in as pastor and is getting to a good start in the work there. If you have friends that you would like for him to contact there then write him at 1012 South Ellis Street, Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

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BIBLE MISSIONARY CHURCH, CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE',

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Recently, Brother W. M. Tidwell and our people at Chattanooga sold the church that they first bought because it was not in a desirable location. They have purchased the beautiful church shown in this picture, also a nice six room parsonage in a wonderful location. Praise God for this victory!

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BROTHER ELBERT DODD WRITES

It was my privilege to have a week's tour with Brother H. B. Huffman and Brother L. P. Roberts touring the Tri-State District--

The Tri-State district covers more territory than any other one district. There are 50 million souls within its boundaries---

God blessed in the services, Brother Roberts preached the gospel with anointing, and Brother Huffman the district moderator drove the car, boosted, and stood by the speakers. We had good services, and raised some home mission money to help in the great work of the Lord in that great section.

Also it was my privilege to dedicate our Osage church, where Brother White and his fine people have worked and sacrificed. God met with us, and there was a wonderful spirit throughout the service.

Then Brother Alvin Cottle took me in his car to the East Central District preacher's meeting and holiness convention. The services were held in the Salisbury church, where Brother Frazier is the pastor. We have a nice cement block church, with a nice Sunday School annex at Salisbury. Brother Alvin Cottle and I were the speakers at this meeting, God met with us in a wonderful way, the closing service was one long to be remembered because of the presence of God.

Brother E. T. Harris is the district moderator of this great section, he has a burden for the work as few men have, and God is helping him out there, and the people seem to have a vision.

We visited all the churches, and on the last Sunday afternoon, we had a rally at Greensboro, with Brother Patton, and his people. We had a wonderful crowd, and a good time in the Lord.

During March the 18-19 Rev. W. M. Tidwell, and myself were the speakers for the South Central District preacher's meeting and holiness convention--The services were held with our church at Columbia, Tenn., where Rev. H. L. Ray, and his people royally entertained us. God met with us, and we were all blessed and encouraged.

This is a wonderful section to work in Tenn., Alabama, Florida, and Mississippi make up the territory for this district. Brother Myers, is our district moderator, although he is the pastor of our Jasper church, he carries a burden for this section of our great nation. The harvest is ripe, the laborers are few, but God has called us out, and given us this day.

Brother J. E. Ray, our business manager for our school was down for the Thursday services. He brought us a stirring message that gave us a new vision of the school and its great work and need. -- E. Dodd

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BIBLE MISSIONARY CHURCH, DUNCAN, OKLA.

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The Bible Missionary Church of Duncan, Oklahoma dedicated its church property on its third birthday, February 26, 1959. The above picture represents the sacrifice and vision of its people. The evaluation, including five acres of land, a \$2,000.00 camp meeting tabernacle and the church annex (Not all shown in the picture) and the interior furnishings, is in excess of \$50,000.00.

The auditorium was filled by the attendance at the dedication service. Visiting church delegations traveled as far as 275 miles. There were approximately twenty preachers present, three from other denominations. No one will soon forget the message by Rev. Elbert Dodd from the text: "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this." Also it was a solemn moment at the close of the service when Brother Dodd gave the Board and congregation the charge never to let a preacher preach a compromise gospel from this pulpit.

God has wonderfully helped the people to enlarge their vision to include others, giving thousands to missions. They gave \$1,500.00 for missions on Easter Sunday. They have given over a thousand dollars to our school at Rock Island, Ill. and hundreds to Home Missions in the organization and establishing of new churches. Pray for us that we will keep true to the mission of the church, that we feel God has called us out to accomplish. -- J. E. Cook, Reporter

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WHITHER BOUND?

By Belle Staples

But not only does the Book tell of the glorious country that lies just beyond the Sea; but our Captain, in wondrous, condescending love and mercy, sits down by us and tells us Himself of its beauties, and He lets us look through a glass that brings it near; and oh, sailor, on the sinking ship, if you could see what we can see, you would not wonder that we sing and shout for joy. Shall I tell you just a little of what our Guide Book tells us, and what our Captain whispers, and what we see of that fair country, through the glass?

No storms ever beat upon its shining strands. None ever say they are sick, no funeral processions are ever seen there. Not a trace of sin or its blighting effects is there. No tears ever fall, for God Himself wipes them all away. There is no night there; but all is one continuous, everlasting glorious day, and "the Lord God and the Lamb are the light thereof." He who is our glorious Pilot over life's sea is also King of that country, and in His hallowed presence there is fullness of joy and "at His right hand there are pleasures forevermore." He dwells among His own, feeds them, and "leads them unto living fountains of waters." -- Belle Staples

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