

GLAD THINGS

of good things



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There was a singing at BLACK OAK on the fifth Saturday night (29th). Bro. Jimmy Stillwell asked that everyone trust the Lord for one of the singers, Bro. Jimmy Mosmer, for he was sick. After they had started another song, the Spirit of the Lord moved in the back of the house on Bro. Charles Houston, and he made his way up front and layed his hands on Bro. Jimmy and the Lord moved and they had a good singing. The Lord's love was everywhere.....

The next afternoon there was a singing at SOUTH HAVEN. Bro. Paul Warren exhorted everyone to "let the Lord have His way," and they did. One of the singers, Bro. Jimmy Stillwell, was telling about getting in the right way, and then began singing when Bro. Henry McLain arose and stated if anyone wanted to find the right way to come up and the saints would pray with them.....Larry LaHane a young man who until just recently knew nothing about the Lord, came at Bro. Henry's invitation and gave his heart to the Lord, and the Lord filled him with the Holy Ghost. (Since then he has married Sis. Carolyn Brown, daughter of Bro. Charlie and Sis. Gladys Brown.)

On Tuesday night Sis. Ruby McKenzie's daughter-in-law, Sue, was born again. Sis. Sue is the wife of Bro. Harold McKenzie who received the Holy Ghost at SOUTH HAVEN in January.

There was another who made it right with the Lord on the Saturday night following, (May 6th). These saints had made up an offering to help Bro. Henry McLain, as they do all ministers of the gospel. Bro. Odie McCallister was telling the saints how proud he was that the saints had a good heart in assisting other people when the Lord started blessing him and his hands went on Sandra Houston, (she had been seeking the Lord for a while) and she started to cry. At

this Bro. Billy Williams arose and started to tell how the Lord gave him the good Holy Ghost and his hands also went of Sandra. When this happened she raised her hands and commence to praise the Lord and she was filled with the Holy Ghost.

Bro. Charles Cornelison's wife, Sis. Sylvia was sick until some of the saints met at their house and the Lord moved and blessed everyone present and healed Sis. Sylbia. Bro. James Williams said "if the Lord didn't bless everyone, I didn't know it," he was feeling so good.

Andrew Hester, the son of the late Sis. Essie Hester, is now one of the sons of God. The Lord gave him the Holy Ghost on the first Wednesday night (May 3) at ROCKY BRANCH. The Lord has been healing here also. Bro. Andrew's sister, Sis. Sue Shell, had a son who was 4 years old and couldn't talk. This sister asked the saints to pray for him on the 1st weekend and he is already talking and saying new words continually..... Sis. Sue has been a child of God for about one year.

Dona Pepper, who is not a child of God (yet), but who is seeking the Lord was healed of a skin cancer on her nose. The saints at ROCKY BRANCH prayed for the Lord to heal her one week and the next week the cancer was gone.

Everyone is telling of the good meetings they are having and the good help the Lord has been sending them.

On the 3rd Saturday night they had a wonderful meeting. Sis. Bernie Fortner and her children were present and the Lord blessed this family, wonderful. Sis. Bernie, Sis. Ruby, Sis. Mattie Mae, Sis Elizabeth Bro. Homer and his wife, Sis. Katherine,

(the Lord had this sister bound in the Spirit) and Bro. Morgan were all rejoicing in the goodness of the Lord.....and this makes our hearts glad!

Sis. Lealer Cushen, and old saint from FREE HOME, has been down in her back and she could not even raise her arms. They prayed for her and she is now testifying how the good Lord healed her one more time. This Sis. has been serving the Lord since 1914 and she has been trusting her savior all these years. The Lord healed her of a heart attack and many, many other illnesses.....It gladdens our heart to hear how these old ones have come down through the battles of time and they still are holding to the Lord with all their hearts. It encourages us to pattern ourselves likewise.

The saints at SOUTH PITTSBURG, ran a meeting the week of the first. From the beginning of the services the Lord was in it, blessing and encouraging everyone in their main services over the weekend and all through the week. One of the visitors that the Lord blessed and used to edify the church was Sis. Charlotte Finlayson. She told of the time her husband came in from work one day and told her to make ready to go to Indiana that weekend. She replied she couldn't because the boys didn't have sufficient clothes to wear. Her husband said that it didn't matter they were going and just do the best she could. The next day she looked and searched through all her pieces of material to find something big enough to make a pair of trousers for the boys, and all to no avail. The largest piece was way too small to be of any use. Feeling cast down she quit searching for cloth and went back to her regular housework. In a little while the Holy Ghost spoke to her and said, "Go look in the closet." When she did this, the first thing she saw was the same piece of material that she had tried every way to fit the pattern to. Sis. Charlotte took this same piece down again and laid it out on the table and unfolded it and she had more than enough to make the pants (somehow the cloun was bigger). When she seen this the Holy Ghost said one more thing. He said, "I will supply your needs".....Also Bro. Jack Case was telling the lost to "prepare the way

of the Lord and make straight paths for your feet", and the Lord honored his words with his presence.

Bro. Robert Fortner, (son of Bro. Doc Fortner) lifted up the saints heart one night here telling of the time he found that his daughter was blind in one of her eyes. He started asking prayer for her. One night after one of these prayers on the way home this child exclaimed, "I can see Daddy", and sure enough the Lord had healed her! This same brother went on to tell of how his son was born with a crippled eye and the Lord healed him, also. On Friday morning Joan Spurgeon, wife of Anthony Spurgeon who is also seeking the Lord, received the Holy Ghost.....Bro. Lawrence Brown and Bro. Dewey Barrier were here during the week and the church really appreciated them both for they edified them in the truth.

Bro. Henry has been up from Florida and he is still telling it like it is, "Peace, Love and Joy, against such there is no law". He has been to BLACK OAK, SOUTH HAVEN, (three recieved the Holy Ghost in the north while he was there), OAK GROVE (Gunters Mountain), PLEASANT GROVE, HIGDON, BIG COVE and HUNTSVILLE. Everywhere he has been he has pleaded with the Lord's saints to be at peace among themselves.



At one of these meetings he told of the time when he was just a lad and was very sickly with asthma. His people didn't have any use for the Way of Holiness and at every chance they put the Way down. Bro. Henry's sickness became worse and he took to the bed with hard chills. His "Papa" (George) finally said to have the Holiness people come and pray for Henry.

Bros. Homer, Jim and Will Guffey and Bro. Tom Perry came in and prayed. Bro. Henry said that he saw Bro. Homer get out a little bottle, (he didn't know then what it was), of oil and pour some in his hands and the Spirit of the Lord brought him over across the room and his hands went on him and immediately he was healed. He jumped out of the bed and ran outside to play. The saints were still inside praising the Lord.

Bro. Henry has now returned to Florida and we will miss him until he is again in our midst encouraging us in the "peace of God that passeth all understanding."

Sis. Rhonda Putnam from LAKE PARK in Florida, was down in her back for over two weeks. After the church prayed for her the Lord healed her. Sis. Rhonda is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Wesley McLain.

Bro. Tommy Lemley's child fell from a grocery cart and caused a serious head concussion. The child slept too much and stayed nauseated. They brought this baby to church the 1st weekend and ask God's people to pray for it. Now the child is doing fine.

There are glad tidings still coming from the BUFORD HIGHWAY church in Atlanta, especially over the first weekend. There were a large number of visitors present and everyone was feeling the freedom of the Lord. They didn't get a chance to even have regular prayer on Saturday night. The saints started telling about the goodness of the Lord at the start of service. They were able to remember the Lord's death and suffering again. Bro. J. B. Pritchett was telling of how it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be when our Lord returns (surely it's not far off) and gave the lost a chance to pray. Sis. Elzea Sealy's daughter, Connie Adams, received the Holy Ghost. Needless to say the saints of the Lord that were here were greatly encouraged.

Bro. Henry McLain will be here on the first weekend of June, if it is the Lord's will.

The friends and neighbors of Bro. Lawrence Brown gave him a surprise birthday supper at his home in the Bryant Community.

A large crowd gathered bringing presents and all kinds of delicious dishes of food. The atmosphere was very pleasant and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. Everyone was glad to see Bro. Will Guffey and Sis. Flossie out and feeling good. We like to not have found out Bro. Lawrence's age....(55). It was good to be here. What stands out above everything though, was overhearing a group of sisters present testifying of a miracle the Lord had done for three good sisters. It happened on this wise.

Mr. Henshaw, (from BIG COVE) and his two daughters, Sisters Faye Lohenitz and Birdie Stapler and his daughter-in-law, Sis. Fumiko Henshaw, (she is the Japanese woman that the Lord gave the Holy Ghost to in Florida), were flying by jet from Florida to Huntsville. They were scheduled to arrive at Huntsville at 3:00 p.m. But before they could land the huge jet liner, the plane's landing gear was found to be disabled and they were forced to go to Montgomery to crash land there. Mr. Henshaw was made to sit in the forepart of the airplane because of his age. The three sisters were made to sit about middle ways back in the plane. Everyone was made to prepare to crash land by removing all shoes, false teeth and etc. When the jet approached the Montgomery airport they were turned away because they also were not able to handle belly landing. They were now sent to Atlanta. These three sisters were by now calling on the Lord. They were especially concerned about Mr. Henshaw, because he was with out the Lord, and none knew if they would leave the big jet alive. The emergency crews at the Atlanta airfield had the runway covered with foam (it is suppose to help keep fires at a minimum). They were all prepared for the crash landing. Just before the landing took place (these sisters were still praying) word came over the loud speakers that they were heading back to Huntsville the landing gear was now working fine....We want to thank the Lord for his goodness and mercy! When these people stepped off the plane they headed straight for the BIG COVE church and they were just in time for meeting. Of course when they started telling what the mighty Lord had done, everyone was over come with the joy of the Lord. Bro Mitchell Drake rejoiced and praised the Lord and then rejoiced some more.

Our hearts have been lifted up in just repeating what we heard about this incident for "who is like our God and who can work after this sort."

You can hear good edifying testimonies at SCOTTSBORO of late. On the second Sunday night Bro. Virgil Medley and Bro. Morgan Fortner were feeling the goodness of the Lord, and were telling the saints about it. Also Sis. Betty Ruth McAllister (wife of Bro. Winston McAllister) and Sis. Gusta Barron were also being a blessing to the children of God. Bro. Frank Guffey had been preaching on the necessity of praying more and praying until you was in touch with God. Sis. Gusta arose and told of how when she first came to the Lord how she prayed. She prayed until her husband changed and came to the Lord. It sounded real good.

REMEMBER

A child of God let us use this picture. We believe it will bring back sweet memories from yesteryear to a lot of saints.



In the back row from left to right: Bro. Jim Goza, Bro. Henry McLain, Bro. Sam Bates and Bro Willis Brown. In front Bro. Oakley Brown and Bro. LeRoy Duvall.

The Lord has been good to the saints at Scenicland all along. Bro. Lawrence Brown and Bro. Dewey Barrier have been visiting here and the Lord has been helping them. The Sunday night of the 3rd weekend Sis. Louise Harris was free in the Spirit of the Lord and all the good saints here praised the Lord

with her.

Bro. Wayne and Sis. Sandra Guffey who are stationed in Belgium are on Lookout Mountain for a two week leave. The Lord has been blessing them since they have been home. They were overheard to say "it is good just to be close to the children of God".....Amen!

DEATHS

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."

Sister Beulah Faye McAllister, wife of Bro. Raymond McAllister. The daughter of Bro. Robert Warren. She lived in the PLEASANT GROVE community.

Sister Coredilla Roberson. She was the daughter of the late Henry Miller from the Hytop community. She lived at Section, Ala.

We have recieved another annonymous letter from a person thats lost and is asking the children of God to pray for them. We pass this on to you all and hope it will be of help to this person.

REVIVALS

CAVE SPRINGS: starting the 2nd Sunday in June. The Sunday morning service will be followed with dinner on the ground and a singing afterwards. Bro. Jack Case will assist in this meeting.

ELKWOOD: starts the 1st Saturday night, June 3rd.

OLD SARDIS: starting on the 2nd Sunday in June. Time: 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

SOUTH HAVEN: starts on the 2nd Sunday in June.

WILLIAMS COVE: starts on the 3rd Sunday in June.

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN: Homecoming the 1st Sunday in June. Dinner on the grounds with singing afterwards. Special singing groups will be present.

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