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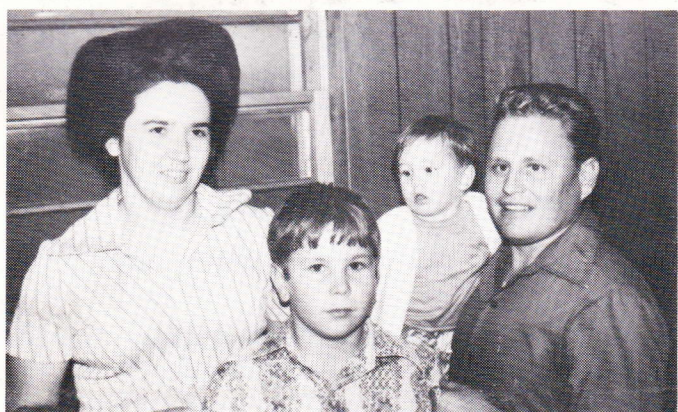
"...AS YE HAVE DONE IT UNTO ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE MY BRETHERN YE HAVE DONE IT UNTO ME."

Glory and Hallelujah are the words most suitable to described the Third Sunday evening service at ELKWOOD. At sometime or other everyone felt the Lord. Singing was the way it started and shouting is the way it ended. Bro. Pless Pinkerton was first to testify after prayer and he brought in the good edifying feeling of God. Bro. Kenneth Underwood followed him and all were blessed by God. Little Bro. Kenneth was telling of the time the Lord healed is wife of the large growth that grew up on her neck. It was so that she couldn't turn her head unless she turned her whole body but just before she was to be operated on the Lord healed her because Bro. Kenneth was pouring

house and it would soon be all over the building. Sometimes it was breaking out at two or three places at once. Sis. Nona Bro. Charles Underwood's wife, was one of many free in His spirit as she told about the Lord healing her mother Sis. Ruby Gaines. Sis. Ruby was healed only after Sis. Nona became willing to cross over to the bed and lay her hands on her as God wanted her to do. During this meeting there was one thing that seem to stand out and that was when little Sis. Linda Poole arose and starting walking to the back door (or rather that was what it looked like) but when she arrived middle ways in the back of the building the spirit of the Lord covered her up and her hands were laid on another sister and the good edifying love of God was felt everywhere.

Everyone was willing to gloryfy God and Bro. Raiford Miller Them of the time that the Lord said, "If these hold their peace (keep quite) immediatly the stones would cry out".

Before service was concluded Bro. Willard recommended an old fashion handshake and neck hugging and it lasted and lasted as



Sis. Annette and Bro. Kenneth with two of their children

his heart out for his wife who at that time was still lost without God. He did not want her to be operated on and she wasn't because the good Lord listen to his prayer. Her name is Sis. Annette now for she has since then come to God. She was not far behind her husband in praising the Lord this same evening. She still has a long sore on her arm where hot grease that had caught on fire was spilt but it didn't hinder her in testifying for her God. From here on throughout the remainder of this lengthy service it was in the hands of the Lord. The spirit of God would move at one end of the



the saints showed their love one to another. In the meantime everyone was shouting and having a good time even Bro. Willard. The brethern had to hold him up most of the time and some of the time they failed for he was seen in the floor more then once. The Lord allowed him to anoint a number of ailing saints in "The name of the Lord" as he glorying in Christ. Bro. Doug Miller who was standing in the side lines was never-the-less enjoying himself in the Lord. It was beautiful to watch Bro. Doug as the people tried to shake his hand and the spirit of God would come on him. If you have not seen the Lord move with this brother you have missed a blessing. There

were many more good testimonies like Sis. Helen Arnold and many more here when a little bit of heaven touched down at ELKWOOD.

Even after church in a dwelling house of one of the Kirkland family were a number met to take photos the Lord came in the midst and made His presence known.

Bro. Ronnie Parker (Bro. Wesley's son) was praising God not for just blessing him so good that morning at BROWN'S CHAPEL but he wanted to "praise God just for being so good to me". And praise him he did as he jumped with joy and love in the Lord. This was at SCOTTSBORO on the first Sunday evening where meeting started with good singing especially the songs, "Unseen Hand" and the old favorite "Amazing Grace". Bro. Winston McAllister did not wait until after prayer to testify about the "goodness of God". One after another of these "jewels" offered themselves to the Lord and He encouraged. Bro. Wesley Parker was telling he like this "familiar" feeling. (Love) Sis. Lubelle Culver was over in the hands of Jesus as He used her very much.

Our Lord is so wonderfully blessing His children at NOAH'S ARK. The services have been so good over the third weekend. The children of God were really rejoicing in the Lord. It seemed that to receive a blessing all one had to do was step forth. One of the brothers began singing "I'll Meet You In The Morning" and the service was free. There was so much love for each other.

The Lord truly blessed Bro. L.B. Troglen. He testified he had been having a trial on his job. His boss had been giving him a hard time and Satan had tried to get Bro. L.B. to get back at his boss and just tell him off. He thought, "No Lord I can't do that". So with love and charity he stayed quiet and the Lord repaid him with a wonderful blessing from which he received strength. But if he had done as Satan wanted him to do, he would have received weakness.

Sis. Naomi Estes testified how the Lord watched over her and took care of her while she lived in Michigan for seventeen years, with no where to go to church and not a child of God to talk with.

There are so many wonderful things that was said I know space doesn't permit to print all. We received nourishment. The Lord has been good to us, no words could ever express how good.

Sis. Loretta Lewis

The first weekend of January was very pleasant and profitable at BROWN'S CHAPEL. God blessed all three services. The Lord's supper was taken on Saturday evening. Bro. Sherrill Higdon was one among many who was happy in their King.

Most all of the meeting here are good. On the second Sunday evening it was good and it kept getting better as saint after saint offered themselves to the Lord and He helped and blessed them. Bro. James and Sis. Martha Castle are still shouting. Sis. Edith Pell, Sis. Kathy Cuzzort, Bro. Clifford Black and Sis Bowman and others in Christ were being blessed in duty. Bro. Morgan Fortner was happy as he walked and talked for the Lord. But when Bro. Collis Scott testified and remembered how the Lord brought him in, the light of God shown in this building and according to Bro. Lawrence Brown the windows of heaven opened up and



Bro. Morgan Fortner and Bro. Collis Scott

the goodness of the Father rained down on this holy ground and a number of people were helping Bro. Collis rejoice in the consolation of God. He said that this was about the best he had ever felt in the Lord and the church sure felt good with him. The holy circle was filled with God's saints having a good time in Him. It was good to see the Spirit of God move in such a lovely way.

It was indeed sad news when the daughter of Bro. Ed and Sis. Charlie Mae Saint passed away this past month, but the Lord helped lift the sorrow just a little when he gave another daughter the Holy Ghost a few evenings later. She is Sis. Paula Saint and she was redeemed by the blood of the Lamb at GRASSY MOUNTAIN on Wednesday evening of the third week.

Over the Christmas holidays Bro. John D. Inman was wonderfully blessed by the Lord at WILSON ROAD in Rossville Georgia.

Recently I was in serious need of spiritual help from the Lord. My husband Bryant and I had been praying over this matter for some time. On a particular Monday this past month I received a phone call from Bro. Billy Ray Parker saying that He and Bro. Clarence Williams would be up that evening. I was very glad to hear of this but I wondered why they were coming on such a rainy and foggy night.

After arriving they began talking the good things the Lord had done and was doing and would do for His people. After awhile Bro. Clarence was led to quote that which I needed from the Word of God;

**Casting down imaginations,
and every high thing that exalteth
itself against the knowledge
of God, and bringing into captivity
every thought to the obedience
of Christ;**

This was what I needed for it dug down in my soul and showed me how wrong my mind had been. I broke down and cried right there on the kitchen table. Since then it has yielded the peaceful fruits of righteousness. For this I thank the Lord.

Charlotte Hallway

COMFORTED BY GRACIOUS PROMISES

And it shall come to pass,
that before they call, I
will answer; and while they
are yet speaking, I will hear.

WE were called out to pray for Bro. Whitey Summerford's daughter, Sis. Debbie about 10:0'clock one morning recently. Sis. Debbie was real sick (we are proud this young sister wanted to trust God). Bro. Shirley Byrum felt like calling Bro. Buddy Louvorn's home and asking if his wife Sis. Lois would bring their son Greg over, as he had a real bad foot and had been out of school a few days already and the school was calling this family wondering whether he had been going to a doctor. He had not been for Bro. Buddy and his family believes that God will do to trust.

We then gathered at the church house with the Spirit of God gathering with us. Sis. Debbie was healed before we prayed; Bro. Buford West laid his hands on Sis. Lois and her hands went on Sis. Debbie.

From that the liberty of the Lord was there. We then prayed for the young man Greg with the Lord moving towards him. The people arose from praying and started testifying and we had a good meeting with everyone (15) telling the good things that God had done and what He will do. So Greg I understand is doing fine and back in school. We want to thank God for the things he has done for us lately.

Bro. Willis Brown

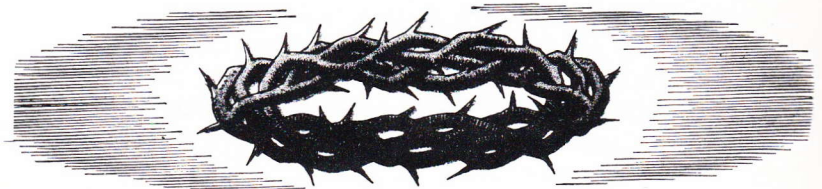
God blessed Sis. Daphney at NYLA on the first Sunday. There were more that the the Lord blessed like the Ventrus family and others but Sis. Daphney's who is from England was the topic of many a conversation at many a dinner table in this area after meeting. Her testimony was how she came to the Lord. She was good to send some of it to use in this paper but this isn't even half of it. We hope you all can hear her sometime and get to know the rest of it.



Sis. Daphney and Bro. James Mahathey and daughter

"When I first came to this country I knew nothing about holiness but I had always heard James (her husband) say Holiness was the right way. I went to BEIRNE AVE. church and I made up my mind I would not go back. But after a few weeks I went back and hearing Bro. Oakley Brown preach and being with the good children of God, I just couldn't stay away. I had to keep going. The Lord has been so good to us I'm so proud now to be one of His children. I love the Lord and all of His children.

Sis Daphney.



I'd like to thank the Lord for wonderfully blessing my family this year. It certainly has been a year to remember.

My oldest sister, Lucille Smith, received the Holy Ghost about 38 years ago. Even though my mother, Mrs. India Kirkland, did not have salvation, she took us children to church, taught us to fear God, and to love and respect the Holiness people. We felt as though we were raised in a Holiness family being around and among them all these years.

In 1965 my sister Doris Key was asking God to spare my oldest brother (Ritter "Tex"), who was dying of Leukemia (he died) when suddenly she realized she did not have any promise of tomorrow. She began begging God for salvation and she began speaking in tongues. Within five months, my husband Arnold and I came to the Lord also.

My mother India had gone to church and to the altar off and on all this time but found it hard to forsake her children and put the Lord first. February 14th 1971 at SCOTTSBORO she decided to lay all her children on the altar and seek the Lord for herself. Just as God had promised in His Word, she was given the Holy Ghost. She then began praying and asking prayer for her lost family. During HYTOP revival, she stood and asked prayer for her son George. Within a couple of weeks he was a child of God.

Since last May 6th fourteen children, in-laws and grandchildren have come to the Lord. Five within a week and two came to Christ one night together. Mama found that God could do a much better job than the best mother in the world, if He were given a chance. She highly recommends Him to others who are carrying their children or love ones on their hearts. We sincerely thank each one for every prayer that was prayed for this family.

Sis. Helen Thomas



*Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love:
therefore with loving kindness have I drawn thee.*

Bro. Bobbie Cardin has been "getting in meetings" lately and not only at his home church at SCOTTSBORO. On the third Sunday morning at PLEVNA he was praising the Lord for the time the Lord helped him out so wonderfully when he was in service in Vietnam. When he escaped the danger that had threaten them he found out, he said, that Bro. Jack Denson had asked special prayer for at that exact same time.

The Lord loves Sis. Helen and Bro. Arnold as does all the churches. At ELKWOOD in that wonderful meeting on the third Sunday evening Sis. Helen was one of the ones that God beautifully blessed as she told how she prayed for her Bro. George while he was hospitalized with a damaged brain, caused by a automobile collision. God surely listened to this sister for George who was then a lost man and almost dead is now very healthy and he is also a child of God now.

It is good to see and hear of the way the Lord has been blessing Sis. Evalene, Bro. Vernon Wright's wife, as she testifies for her God. The Lord blessed her good lately at PLEASANT GROVE and also at NYLA.

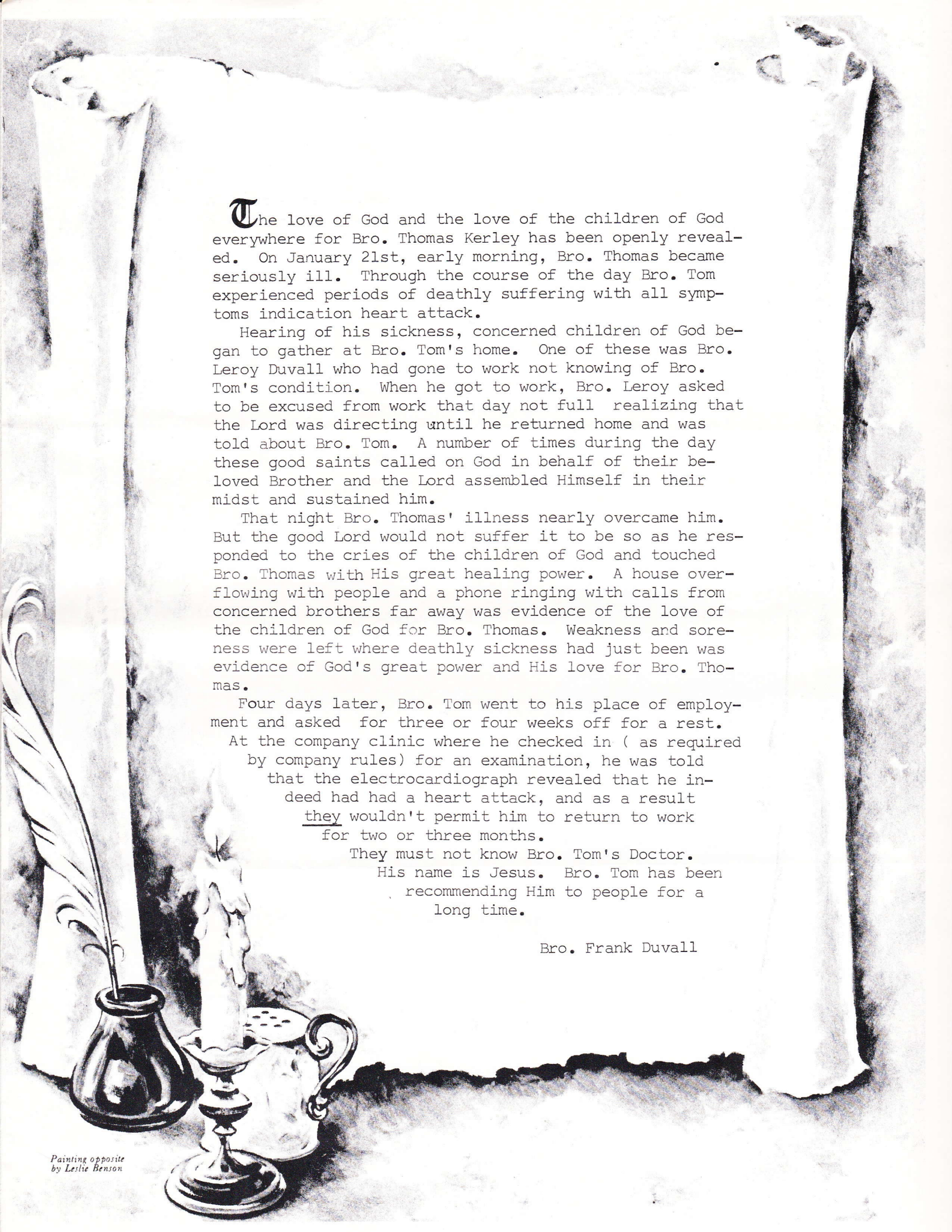
Wonderful describes the blessing received by Sis. Nancy Avons at BLACK OAK the first weekend in January. This young sister, who continuously puts her trust in the Lord,



Sis. Nancy Avons

shouted and shouted and her countenance revealed her happiness and it spilled over on the other saints here as they rejoiced with her.

Sis. Pam Flippo testified to the mercies of God as she told how the Lord healed her when she was so deathly sick in the afternoon and gradually became worse. Sis. Pam would lapse into periods of unconsciousness and over into the night became so ill that her eyesight left. Bro. James Williams was trusting in the Lord and was directed to lay hands on Sis. Pam. He then told her to open her eyes, that she would be able to see. She was able to see but her sickness remained. A number of the saints were called and as they kneeled before their God at about 2:00 O'clock in the morning ("He.... shall neither slumber nor sleep"). The prayer of faith was prayed. When the prayer started Sis. Pam wasn't conscious. When the prayer was finished Sis. Pam was healed! Glory to God.
Bro. Frank Duvall



The love of God and the love of the children of God everywhere for Bro. Thomas Kerley has been openly revealed. On January 21st, early morning, Bro. Thomas became seriously ill. Through the course of the day Bro. Tom experienced periods of deathly suffering with all symptoms indication heart attack.

Hearing of his sickness, concerned children of God began to gather at Bro. Tom's home. One of these was Bro. Leroy Duvall who had gone to work not knowing of Bro. Tom's condition. When he got to work, Bro. Leroy asked to be excused from work that day not full realizing that the Lord was directing until he returned home and was told about Bro. Tom. A number of times during the day these good saints called on God in behalf of their beloved Brother and the Lord assembled Himself in their midst and sustained him.

That night Bro. Thomas' illness nearly overcame him. But the good Lord would not suffer it to be so as he responded to the cries of the children of God and touched Bro. Thomas with His great healing power. A house overflowing with people and a phone ringing with calls from concerned brothers far away was evidence of the love of the children of God for Bro. Thomas. Weakness and soreness were left where deathly sickness had just been was evidence of God's great power and His love for Bro. Thomas.

Four days later, Bro. Tom went to his place of employment and asked for three or four weeks off for a rest.

At the company clinic where he checked in (as required by company rules) for an examination, he was told that the electrocardiograph revealed that he indeed had had a heart attack, and as a result they wouldn't permit him to return to work for two or three months.

They must not know Bro. Tom's Doctor.

His name is Jesus. Bro. Tom has been recommending Him to people for a long time.

Bro. Frank Duvall

We were overjoyed when we were blessed with visitors on the third Sunday morning of December. Bro. Bryant Finlayson and daughters from Lookout Mountain, Bro. Billy Parker from Limrock, Bro. Billy Maples from HUNTSVILLE, Bro. Charley and Sis. Gladys Brown and family, Bro. Ron and Sis. Shirley Countryman from SOUTH HAVEN were visiting and helping here. Bro. Bryant enjoyed himself and his daughter, Sis. Sandy, got such a good blessing she was so weak under the power and glory of God, she could hardly find her seat. Both of the Bro. Billys were feeling the Lord. Bro. Billy Parker was enjoying himself before the singing was even over, and he testified and also praised the Lord. Bro. Charles Cornelison another visitor from BLACK OAK was in this service and he edified as he always does. Bro. Roger and Sis. Janice Brown (Bro. Charley's children) were both in the hands of the Lord. The weather conditions were bad this morning and this caused Bro. Charley Brown to be late for they had run into a snow storm on the way over here. When it became so rough on the highway Bro. Charley said the Lord told him "Slow down and take your time" in which he did. They came in During the second song which was "I Know My Lord's Gonna Lead Me Out". You could feel the love of God all over the church and it stayed there through out the service. Bro. Charley and Sis. Gladys were happy and rejoicing all during meeting. Sis. Gladys mentioned how good she felt when she walked in the meeting house and she proved it by the way she skipped around as she praised God. She said the trip was worth all the effort they had put forth regardless of the bad weather.

I know that God has no respect of persons but as a young child of God, I've always visioned Sis. Gladys as one of the most beautiful angels of God and the busiest. A couple of years ago at SOUTH HAVEN I was watching her as she testified across the church from one end to the other. As I watched her, I was feeling the Lord so very much the Lord took my mind as I looked up she floated across the church off the floor, robed as an angel. I have not forgot seeing her this way because it was so real.

Bro. Tom Miller's mother, Sis. Belle (Bro. Doug's wife) from ELKWOOD has been a blessing to us here at MARKHAM. The Lord certainly has blessed and used her here. Her son Bro. Tom is our song leader and he is a good one.

The Lord blessed Bro. Hilra and Sis. Novella McLain here a few weeks past.

We are proud of Sis. Evelyn Jones who has edified us by her testimonies in the last few services especially when she related how pride would destroy us. Another time she testified of the body of Christ being like a puzzle and you cannot finish it if one piece is missing regardless how small it is. The Lord has been using this sister in a good way. Her husband, Bro. Duncan "Jack", edified when he was exhorting the people to testify for the Lord. He said "There are 2 kinds of spirits, one that tells us not to testify for the Lord and the other will tell you, you should. What one are you listening to? The right one or the wrong one?"

Sis. Gail Ashley was a help to us when she told of a dream she had of seeing the Locusts (Rev. 9:3) coming and she was able to walk in the midst of them and feel the peace of God for she held no fear of them. She saw also the lost people so frightened and afraid. Sis. Gail's dad, Bro. Harold Smith is still exhorting us to walk in the love and fear of God. He encourages us to be not a vessel unto dishonor but rather be a vessel unto honor and meet for the Master's use and for us to work for our God. He points us to hold onto God for He will deliver us out of all our troubles and trials and make the way for us to stand if we abide in His Word. (AMEN!)

Please continue to pray for Sis. Pat Shipinski and her daughter, Pauline. I personally plead with every Child of God, and everyone here at MARKHAM does also, ask you all to remember this sister and her daughter who needs the Lord healing. We want God to lighten her burden. I'm sure her burden is heavier then we realize.

The Lord is still good to us here at MARKHAM.

Sis. Nola Clark

Pleasant words are as a honeycomb,
sweet to the soul, and health to the bones



The fourth weekend brought new hope to the saints at SCENICLAND on Lookout Mtn. First of all the Lord blessed His Supper on Saturday night and the Children of God took it and rejoiced and washed feet as He has asked us to do in remembrance of Him. Secondly, on Sunday more help was given to these saints especially two that brought The Word of God. These were Bro. Frank Guffey and Bro. Jack Denson. The Lord dealt with these men of God with power as they freely talked of having Love more abundantly, of keeping every command of God, and staying in the middle of the stream of Godliness. Bro. Roy Guffey and different ones backed up the Word as it seemed to have been accepted by the way the Lord poured out His blessings again on Sunday night.

Bro. Wayne Williams

The Lord Jesus is blessing Sis. Ada Shafers (Bro. Gin Arnold sister) who is a cancer victim. She has felt that no one had any use for her and was asking the Lord over the first weekend to let someone hands to go on her. The Lord put Sis. Mary Jones's hands on this sister and her soul was free in Christ with her testifying that "The children of God really loves me". On the second Sunday evening here at SKYLINE Sis. Ada. was standing up for the Lord and He was blessing her when she laid hands on Bro. Jr. Stephens and the Spirit of God "struck him". When Bro. Jr. talked the Lord certainly blessed his soul.

This same evening Sis. Thelma Hensley was testifying as the saints were crying and rejoicing in God and as she circled the church she was speaking in tongues and the Lord edified.

A young brother, Bro. Danny Brewer (Bro. Charles 's son) and Sis. Shirley Miller were feeling the joy of their salvation as was others this evening.

Well I'm writing you this morning because I love you and wanted to tell you of the wonderful meetings we are having. Sunday night was one of the best meeting we have had in some time. As one sister put it, "We just had three meetings in one".

It started out with the Lord blessing each child of God as they got up including myself.

Bro. Robert (Warren) was there and after a short time he said he thought it was time to take the Lord's Supper. The power of God began to fall and the children of God began to fall behind him as he made plans to set the Supper. The Lord really continued to bless His children and we really had a time.

The women just kept shouting and praising God until everyone was just give out. An altar call was made and Sis. Viola Cain's granddaughter received the Holy Ghost. She is Sis. Francis and Bro. Charlie West's daughter, Terrie. Talk about having a good time, there was so much love among the children of God that Bro. Robert wanted to have an old time handshake. Brother, I tell you, this really stirred up the love among God's people. There was such a good feeling. They gave out meeting for last night. I came home with so much of the love of God about me I couldn't go to sleep. after 12:0'clock before I ever got to sleep. Shortly after 2:0'clock my boy awoke real sick, he almost had the croup and so much fleem was in his throat that it made him sick at his stomach. But you know I had the same God that blessed me so, to talk to. In a little while he had gone back to sleep and quit coughing. He got up and went to school as if nothing had been wrong. That's the kind of God I like to tell about.



Sis. Eva and Bro. Charles Butler

We had another wonderful meeting last night. Two really got close to the Lord but let Satan beat them out of it. There was such a good feeling, Bro. David Jones wanted to run meeting again tonight, so I hope we get another lost soul to God.

Hope to see you all real soon.

Charles L. Butler

It was indeed a blessing to receive this letter from Bro. Charles, better know as Bro. Fats. He is a big man alright but what is so good about it is he is all filled with the love of God and the saints where he attends service regular (PLEASANT GROVE) have only good pleasant words for this saint.

We are a little late with this good news but it was too good to leave out.

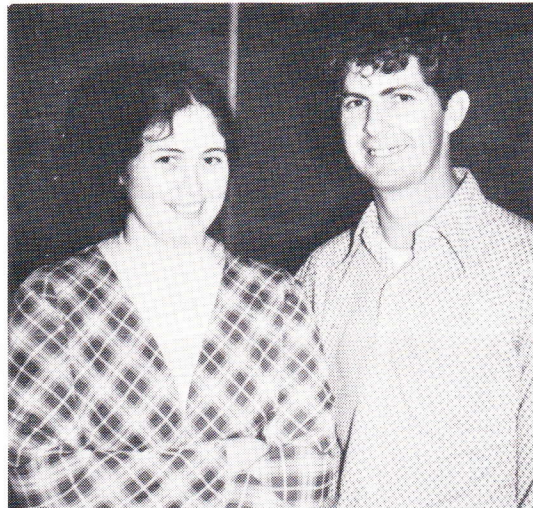
Sis. Beatrice Keeton of SKYLINE was having physical difficulties and it finally settled in her side and she was a real sick lady. She thought it being Thanksgiving day everyone would be gone but she called around for prayer in her home and just a few came. The prayer was good and the Lord heard them and healed Sis. Beatrice. He also blessed His children. Three of the saints that were happy in Christ were sisters. Sis. Mavis Rouse from WILLIAMS COVE, Sis. Romaine Rouse from the north and Sis. Donnie Cantrell who lives in Mississippi. They are the daughters of Bro. B. H. and Sis. Ruth Roberts of SKYLINE. They were so happy to see their children together and rejoicing in God. Sis. Donnie was here at SKYLINE over the Christmas holidays and as she told how good God had been to her He wonderfully blessed her and it pleased all the church. Sis. Donnie does not have the opportunity to be with the saints of God often but she really enjoys it so much when she can. When you think of this good saint, pray for her.

Bro. Will Guffey who has been ministering in the Lord's work for over sixty years still manages to be found with the saints all along. On the first Sunday morning he was present at SKYLINE and he still is talking "The Old Time Gospel" and it still sounds good to spiritual ears.

At this same service found Bro. Raymond Brewer and family present. The Lord has been good to this saint for he and most of the children of God present this day remember one of the last times he was here when he looked like a skeleton he was doing so poorly but God helped him and he is now doing very much better. His son-in-law Bro. J. P. Craig was happy in the Lord and feeling His presence as he testified and the church enjoyed him. Bro. James Earl Guffey's wife Sis. Jane was up acknowledging the truth. She caused Bro. Frank Guffey to remember her grandfather and how he also loved the truth and acknowledged it at every opportunity. He was Bro. Gripp Scott and he is mentioned often in Holiness circles even though he has been gone a long time now.

In first prayer the Lord blessed in a marvelous way toward Sis. Linda Welker and Sis. Vicie Williams who had both asked for an intercession in the saints' prayer. But the Lord didn't limit Himself only in the altar during this prayer but His spirit moved over the house and Sis. Rosie Vandiver who

was sitting in the corner in her wheelchair and was shouting and praising the Lord as she left the wheelchair behind again for awhile. This was happening at WILLIAMS COVE where the Lord was honoring His people on the third Saturday evening. The love of God was felt way before meeting started with the Lord moving and blessing some of the sisters and by the time Bro. David Maples from HUNTSVILLE came in he was a "shouting". He continued all through service as did his



Sis. Ada and Bro. David Maples

wife Sis. Ada. When Sis. Ada was being blessed by the Lord you could "feel it down in your boots". Sis. Zelda Ruth Hone was another that was feeling the Lord. Bro. Bill Price was happily telling how the Lord healed him when his foot was giving him so much trouble. It sounded good as he told how Bro. Buford West laid hands on his foot and the Lord healed it. In the meantime Bro. Buford was having a battle with the Tempter who was telling him "You laid hands on the wrong foot" but thank the Lord for proving the Wicked One a liar.

It was good to see so many of the saints happy in the Lord like Bro. Paul Simmons who was moving about in the Joy of the Lord. In the middle of this good love Bro. Duke set The Lord's Supper in which the children of God partook of. The foot washing that



was edifying and the church was happy and encouraged in showing their tender love and good-will one to another. The feeling here seemed to be "Not my feet only but my hands and my head also". The singing was delightful with the Lord giving it an uplift.

Remember



Bro. William and Sis. Janey Whitley who were both born in the year 1889. They both came to the Lord in 1912 at HYTOP. Bro. William passed away at the age of 36 and Sis. Janey left us when she was of the age of 72. The child sitting in Bro. William's lap is Sis. Bertha Turner and next to her is Herman and behind him is Bro. Clyde and sitting on mothers knees is Bro. Johnny and at the end is Sis. Irene Davis. These all reside in Fort Payne. Bro. William was a help to Bro. Cortney Thackerson at HYTOP and in CRABTREES COVE which is now deserted and overgrown with vegetation but the work that the Lord did here will never die. Bro. Charlie Houston still remembers the time the Lord healed his badly broken arm when this brother put his hands on it.

The Sunday morning service at PLEVNA was one that the saints grew in "grace and knowledge" from the word that Bro. Jack Denson, who was visiting from SCOTTSBORO, preached soberly and in all clarity. Part of his sermon was "If you keep my commandment, ask what you will and I will give it to you" as saith the Lord. He related that when God tells you to do something for a saint and you fail to do it you are not keeping His commandments. He went further and said "If God tells you to lay hand on some one, and you keep all His commandment you will obediently lay hands on that person." (It found this writer falling short of God's commands) Many of these good saints were either acknowledging the truth or backing it up. One the Lord let help hold up the truth was Sis. Faye Nell Posey from SKYLINE. She is Bro. Bub Wright's daughter and she can always edify with her testimony. Her sister Sis. Doris followed with a most edifying conversation. She told of the time that the Lord pressed Bro. Jack Denson to interrupt service to ask prayer for her (she was flying home from visiting her husband Bro. Ernie Holman) and when this happened Sis. Doris's airplane was on fire. But everything worked

out good after Bro. Jack obeyed the Lord. And this sister caused the best tender love to touch the saints heart here. Bro. Jack talked and admonished the saints to speak that which encourages the church (AMEN!) and to forsake talking the dark side. He used the scripture of the 12 spies that Moses sent out to spy out the Promise land. Ten of the men brought back discouraging news even though their God promise them that they could take this good land. But the two men Joshua and Caleb brought back the report that even though there would be problems to overcome, but it was a good land and go up and take it for God had promised it to them. These were the only two of the 600,000 people who left the land of Egypt that endured the wilderness journey and entered into the Promise land forty years later. Sis. Brazier was a help to the church here as she remembered how the Lord told her to buy some coats for a couple of children who were in need. She used her Christmas gift money to do so. It sounded like pure Holiness.

SKYLINE was blessed the Third weekend on Sunday evening with Bro. Eugene Stephens in the hands of God as he read to the lost sheep. the church was comforted

ON Wednesday evening of the first week of January Bro. Millard Guffey of BROOKLYN telephoned me. I didn't recognize his voice because of his being so concerned for his ill wife. The church had been called in for prayer three times before and she, Sis. Natalie, was still seriously ill. She was so ill that Bro. Millard did not expect her to live through the previous night. He asked me to call the churches in this area and ask for prayer for his wife and all that could be wanted for her to come to Brindley Mountain to have prayer



Bro. Millard and Sis. Natalie Guffey

with them. I did as he asked and it blessed my heart as I honored all of the churches with Bro. Millard's request. I didn't leave one church out. Many came from far away to this prayer meeting and the Love of God came with them. Some came as far away as Chattanooga and the Lord blessed wonderfully especially Bro. Roy Gaines from BEIRNE AVE and Sis. Bernie Fortner, one of the local sisters. The best part was where the prayer of faith saved the sick as God raised her up. Though she has had a trial since then she is still doing good. The feeling was so good here altar call was given before the saints left and though no one came to God these without the Lord were touched by the love that was here. Praise the Lord.

Bro. Sherrill Higdon

We heard that Bro. Sherrill was also happy in the Lord this night as was his dad, Bro. Roy. Since this evening Sis. Natalie has had a trial and more prayers have been prayed but she is still doing much better. Keep praying for her.

And another one has been reborn in Huntsville. The one that had this great honor bestowed on her is now Sister Jean Cantrell. She received the Holy Ghost Saturday evening at BEIRNE AVE and she was a very happy person. This happened after Bro. Henry was in the hands of the Lord and the Lord Jesus blessed him over the church before he gave the opportunity to pray in the altar. The Lord has been using Bro. Henry in this community to bring souls to repentance. Sis. Ruth, Bro. Roy Coffey's wife, from South Haven in Indiana "really got a blessing" as she remembered how she used to walk to church at night and bring her children with her as she trusted her God to watch over them. Sis. Ruby McKenzie says "All in all the Lord really has been blessing the people at BEIRNES."

Five children were born to Sis. Louisa Brown, three sons and two daughters. One of the girls died in infancy.

The third child, a boy, is whom I'm writing about. He was born with a physical disablement, and he grew up to be what is referred to as a midget. I can remember when he was a baby, he couldn't walk, crawl or stand up because he was born double-jointed and what some people call chalk-boned. He had no use of his legs or feet and moved across the floor by scooting in a sitting position. When at the age of three he still could not stand my mother and grandmother purposed in their heart they were going to pray until the child walked. Everyday Grandmother would come to our house and pray with Mother and they continued this until one day they seen Brother pulling up to a chair and in a short while he was walking.

Well Mother had to leave us when I was eleven years old, but we were not forsaken because my grandfather and grandmother took us, raised us, and carried us to church. They brought us up Right. I received the Holy Ghost when I was fifteen, my sister Bonnie and my brother Earl both have come to God and now it leaves one that is still lost and he is the one God helped to walk so long ago. I want everyone who reads this to pray that God will somehow draw him in because we all want him to go with us. It is going to be such a wonderful place, and I have great hopes of making it.

Love to all the children of God

Sherrill Brown

Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.

We were so glad to welcome home Sis. Mable Veal who has been in the south attending her mother who has now gone on to her reward (Sis. Emma Pierce).

The Lord has helped Bro. Lonnie Dudley who hurt his hand on his job. The moving of the Lord was all that he needed.

On the third Sunday at BLACK OAK, Bro. Roger Brown was joyfully telling how the Lord had kept his soul. It edified us as he remembered the time he made a mistake and he found no rest as the Lord chastised him and as he knew not what to do he just held unto the Lord and afterwhile He freed this young mans' soul.

They that wait upon the Lord
shall renew their strength,
They shall mount up on wings
of eagles,
They shall run and not be weary,
They shall walk and not faint.

The Lord blessed Bro. Roger very well as he was moved over this church.

Bro. Frankie Duvall was another that the Lord blessed and used to the up-building of His kingdom as he talked. He was bound in the floor, speaking in "tongues" and when he arose he was begging the saints to move for the Lord if the urge to do so was on them. He was so happy in Christ that when the Lord put his hands on a sick sister, Sis. Vivian Richards, and she later testified how God had healed her, Bro. Frankie was surprised for he didn't know that he had done this. (We here hear a lot of things on the Duvall boys and they are always good. (We are proud of them)

The Lord healed Bro. Otis McAllister over the fourth weekend and he was not backward in praising the Lord for being his help as he laid hands on the saints and they all shouted.

Bro. Rich Flemming's wife was another that the Lord healed also. When Sis. Kathy later witnessed she told how she had not sleep much in six nights.

Bro. Thomas Kerley who is still weak from his heart attack was reading from the bible while he was still seated. He exhorted the young married brethern to be "good" to their wives, not to boss them around like they had bought them. He continued with pressing the young wives to be "good" to their husbands, cook their meals, and keep the house clean. Of course that applies to us older ones to.

Sis. Pearline Dudley

P.S. It's snowing again

Brother Alvin Bailey ran a meeting at SAND MTN. from Monday through Friday during the first week of January, with different help coming every night. The meetings were wonderful and the saints were free in the Lord, especially on Friday night. It was the best I ever felt here and the saints looked so good to me. We also thank the Lord for blessing Bro. Steve Whitley and his wife. Sis. Sandra Faucett who is a new convert in the Lord and she is having a good time in Him.

Bro. Clyde Whitley

Over the first weekend their were good meetings at NOAH'S ARK RD. near Jonesboro Georgia. The saints went into the Saturday evening Lord's Supper freely and without Hesitation. There were many edifying testimonies about the goodness of God that e has shown to His people in the past. Love was to all and it was felt as you walked in the door. (We know because we did it)

This church will have a Gospel Singing on the last Saturday evening in March for the benefit of the church. The Higdon Family and the Sacred Tones and others will be singing. (If it is the Lord's will)

Directions to NOAH'S ARK RD. are:
Go south out of Atlanta on Intersate 75 to the Morrow/Jonesboro exit. Turn right on first road after leaving the ramp. Go through Jonesboro about two miles and turn left on Noah's Ark Road and the church is three miles on the left.

(And if hungary while here be sure to go and try some of Bro. L.B. Troglen's wife, Sis. Joyce's cooking. She really can cook up a mean meal.)

"And he spake also this parable unto certain who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and set all others at nought: Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as the rest of men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. I fast twice in the week; I give tithes of all that I get. But the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote his breast, saying, God, be thou merciful to me a sinner. I say unto you, This man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for every one that exalteth himself shall be humbled; but he that humbleth himself shall be exalted."



Prayer

Sis. Nannie B. Whitley of Fort Payne needs our prayers, for she is in need of help from the Lord. She can barely get around with a slipped disc in her back and an apparent heart attack.

Sis. Vicie Williams of BLACK OAK is doing better but she is still in need of our prayers

Prayer request is asked for Homer Troglen who is real ill and has been bedfast for sometime. He is the brother of the much loved, late Bro. Luther Troglen. This is asked in hopes he will get well enough to be out to church.

We are asking prayer for Bro. Farl Pell's son, Wayne, who is a complete invalid and has been doing worse of late.

Please keep remembering Bro. Morgan Fortner's daughter Annette. The little Sunshine has been having more trouble this past month.

Bro. Jack Moon from WILSON ROAD was wondering why the Lord wanted him way down here at BROOKLYN until he found Sis. Natalie Guffey was having difficulties after the Lord had so wonderfully moved toward her a few weeks before. As he sank down on his knees where she was laying the Spirit of God came in the room and though they were only four or five saints here the love of God won out and this sister was again encouraged as was all that were present.

DEAD IN CHRIST

The Lord took another of His saints, Sis. Pauline Denham from CLARK AVE in Fort Payne. She was Clyde Whitley's mother-in-law and she was in her 81st year.

Bro. John Walls was called home in his 79th year on January 19th. He was from OAK GROVE.

Sis. Juanita Lawson MCGill, the wife of J.C. McGill was carried away to be with the Lord on February 2nd. She was dwelling in the BIG COVE area.

Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

Sis. Annie Mary Sells who lives in Huntland Tennessee was in for a happy surprise recently at SKYLINE where she attends at every opportunity. A stranger to her came to church here and it turned out to be Sis. Beverly Stinett who also lives at Huntland. Now these sisters will not be so lonesome knowing they have neighbors who love the Lord also.

NOTICE

We are trying to locate a picture of Bro. John Glen (he was close to Bro. Brown) or Bro. Luther Troglen. If any has one that they would let us borrow we would appreciate it. We need one that is plain and one where you can readily tell who it is.

"He that is down needs fear no fall,
He that is low, no pride;
He that is humble ever shall
Have God to be his guide."

We Thank You All!

We are, if it's the Lord's will, moving to the NYLA community shortly. We do not know if this will interfere with putting out a months issue or not. We ask you all to pray for us and if our Lord wants it done we will do it.

We also want to continue to thank everyone for your good will and support in helping us with this paper. Your labor and love has not been in vain. It has been brought to our attention of people who knew not the Lord but upon reading how God has blessed and assisted the Holy Ghost people so wonderfully, have went out to a Holiness church and found that the Lord was indeed among them and they also have received the Holy Ghost. We feel so little to try to do anything for Christ but we do love Him and ask you all to please pray that we will carry this out to honor and lift up His holy name.

We still send this to anyone with out any cost just by contacting us .

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