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OF GOOD THINGS

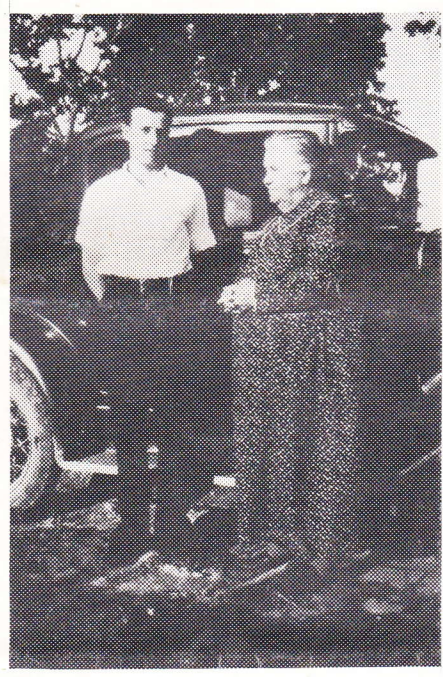
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The light of the eyes rejoiceth the heart: and a good report maketh the bones fat.

Remember



Bro. Paul and Sis. Martha Pell

This picture was taken about 1934.

Sis. Martha was affectionatly known as "Grandma" by the younger and she was one of the first in the Blake community to come to the Lord. This was about the same time as the late (and dearly missed) Bro. Jim Goza.

Bro. Rob Taylor and Bro. Jim Guffey came to this area around 1913 and ran a meeting at the Blake school house. After almost a week of work and still no sign of success, Bro. Jim wanted to head home. Bro. Rob went to the bluff and poured his heart out to the Lord and He answered with a vision. Bro. Rob saw a pair of scales with one balance pouring out into the other. Encouraged with this, meeting was continued with seven

coming to the Lord at the next service. From this the Lord started moving wonderfully here. Meetings were so good that at times they lasted all day. One that started at 10 A.M. in the morning continued throughout the day into the evening and was finally dismissed at 2 A.M. the following morning. Time and again revival services were run, one lasted for nine weeks. People were coming to the Lord right and left. One women came in the door and fell in the altar and came up speaking in tongues. One young man in the altar by the name of Billy heard his mother who was a church christian praying for him. He stopped talking to the Lord and said to his mother "Mama, you need to be praying for yourself". She was Sis. Martha in the picture and she did pray for herself and God came into her life until the Lord came after her in 1937.

Around 1910

We obtained this wonderful memory of good things from Bro. Paul Pell, as he remembered it being told to him by these old saints. If any of you all have good memories like this that you would like to share with other people send it to us here. We can't live in the past (we have our own life to live) but it lifts our hearts and sometimes brings a tear to hear how the Lord blessed and used these "Old Pilgrims".

The Fourth Sunday was a very good day for Bro. Roy Guffey. He was blessed by the Lord at SCENICLAND Sunday morning and again (better) Sunday evening. When he returned to Gunter's mtn. meeting was still going at OAK GROVE and he was blessed again here. This was also the night Bro. Andrew Holland was "free" in the Lord and all the church was so happy, here at OAK GROVE to see and feel this.

Light is sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in heart.

It was a good place to be at on the second Wednesday evening. For here at BROWN'S CHAPEL the Lord was working with His Word, edification, blessings and healing. The first prayer was where the Lord started blessing and as the service went on and The Word of God was talked The Lord continued blessing. While using the Word Bro. Lawrence Brown exhorted the church to always be willing to try to please God. He told of a time long ago when his mother, Sis. Mamie Brown had been healed after a hard illness. The Lord told her to go over the hill to visit a sister. Being she was still weak from her sickness she thought "I'll never make it up that hill". Never-the-less she said "I'll go to the hill", and when she arrive at the foot of this knoll the Lord strenghten her where she made it over all right. Bro. Lawrence again remembered the time the Lord told his dad to go to Bridgeport to preach that morning. Bro. Brown thought about how he was without any money and it would cost him to ride the ferry across the Tennessee river as he was living in Faibus at the time. But he said "Lord I'll try, I'll go to the river". As he arrived on the bank of the river a boat was starting to go across. When Bro. Brown asked the man what he would charge to take him to the other side, he recieved the answer "Nothing, get in". He Proved that the Lord wants us to TRY. It was good to hear Sis. Flossie and Bro. G. Henry Key tell how God had been their healer for over forty



Bro. G. Henry and Sis. Flossie Key

years and she was seen shouting around here some this evening. Sis. Flossie has been ailing for some time but we know God will take care of her because He is their only hope for they completly trust Him.

Sis. Mary Francis Anderson and Bro. Nimon Pell were both blessed real good by the Lord.

Prayer was exceedingly good on the second Tuesday evening at SCOTTSBORO where Bro. Jack Denson was delivered in the Lord. He had been carrying a load for a long time but the Lord lifted his burden this night. Bro. Wesley Parker's wife, Sis. Margie was very happy in Christ as she blessed everyone's heart, telling about the Lord healing her neck that she broke in an automobile accident. Bro. Billy Sadler was feeling much better. The Lord is helping this brother through a personal trial and we all are happy for him. Bro. Buddy Louvorn was blessed by the Lord and there was a sweet love with him. Bro. Hassle "Whitey" Summerford was a-moving around as he praised the Lord for blessing and keeping him. Bro. Preston Buckner from Gadsden remembered how he sought after the Lord and how He gave him of His Spirit. As more of these saints talked and sang the love of God could be felt coming into the church at SCOTTSBORO.



The singing at ROCKY BRANCH on the Friday evening of the 22nd was very good. The Lord was present as group after group sang. The BROWN'S CHAPEL Choir, The Simmons Family, The Singing Holman Family and The Sacred Tones were all good with solos coming from Sis. Diane Robinson and Sis. Connie Carrell. The church house was packed and the fellowship was good as songs like "Just As Long As Eternity Rolls", "Touring That City", "I've Been On The Mountain", "It Took A Jewel To Save This Soul Of Mine", "There'll Be No Lock On My Mansion", and many more were enjoyed by all. Sometimes it was reverently quite, other times it was rejoicing loud. All in all it was a good Friday evening singing.



The Lord has been dealing in a good way with Bro. Eugene Stephens of SKYLINE. We want him to know that we are behind with him our prayers and good will.



The Lord is still adding to the church, such as should be saved, at HIGDON. The latest is Debbie Atchley who came to the Lord on Tuesday evening of the 19th.

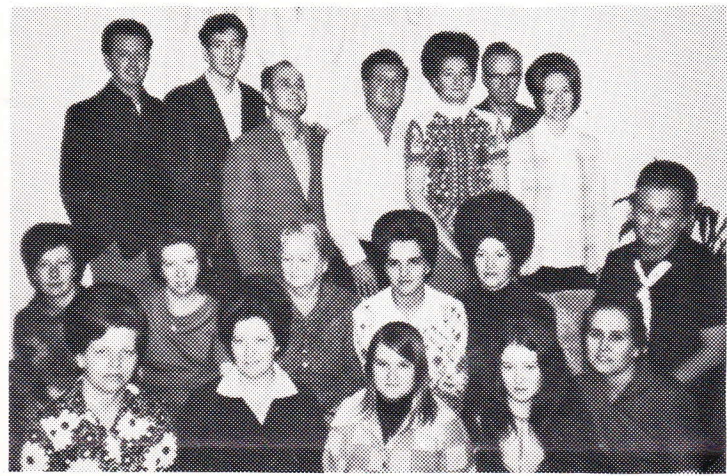


it's to you and your children

I was the first of eleven children in the Kirkland family. We lived in Athens Alabama where we attended church and Sunday school at a denominational church where my parents were members. We had heard very little about Holiness or Holy Rollers as they were called. What we did hear was not good. Regardless how I begged my Dad to go see what those Holiness people were like, his answer was "No" for he said they were low class people. We had also heard they sprayed something on one another that caused spells. At about 10 years of age we moved to Marshal County where there were a lot of these Holiness people. I would get into arguments at school with the Holiness children. Though the teacher was on my side I realize now it was very ugly and ill mannered of me and I was convinced all the more that I was right, not knowing that the teacher and I were just sinners unlearned in the ways of the Lord. As time went by and I watched these people, I found they were not as bad as I had first thought. One time I heard them preach the 16th chapter of Mark where it said "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptised shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick & they shall recover". I had only heard "he that believeth and is baptised shall be saved". I had never heard about the signs following a believer. I realised the people I had always been around thought they believed but knew nothing about the Holy Ghost. I had never heard anything like this before and it really tore me up. I had feared the Lord enough that I couldn't tell stories like some of my friends and do the things they did, but I knew I had to have that Holy Ghost before I was a real child of God and be able to go to heaven as I had always wanted to. No one but the Lord knew I began praying day and night while I was awake. Everyone stayed busy on the farm where I was raised and as I would gather the fruit and do other chores my mind and heart was on the Lord. This went on for several days. They were having services in a brush arbor and when I realized it my brothers had all gone and there was no one to walk with me and I was heart broken as I had wanted to go worse than anything. Two of my cousins came by and asked me to go to church with them. Although I was going to the Holiness meeting and they were going to the Church of Christ, I went with them saying nothing. I went with them as far as I was going and all the way they threw off on the children of God, but it didn't bother me. When I stayed at the Holiness brush arbor my cousins didn't like it and they said "We want you to go to our church tomorrow night where they don't hoop and holler". When they gave an altar call I hardly remember going up as I was really pouring my heart out to God for I had went after the Holy Ghost and when I came up speaking in tongues and shouting no one had to tell me that was it. Though it was my first time to the altar and had not seen anyone receive it, I knew I had the Holy Ghost I wanted so bad. I felt so light it seemed like I was hardly touching the ground. I was always shy but not that night, when I came to my self some of my church friends were there and they said to me I was mistaken all I had to do was join the church. I now knew they were mistaken and that they had waited to late because I was now "born again". I was fifteen at the time and it has been thirty-eight years ago. I've come a long way and I'm a grand-ma now. He aided me through many things and healed us many times in our home (I married a man who has known of God's way all his life) and I have been the only one in the family for thirty years who was a child of God..... Eight years ago my sister Doris Key was praying for our brother Ritter Kirkland who was dying of leukemia when she realized she was lost and began praying for herself and received the Holy Ghost. Then right away my brother-in-law Arnold Thomas came to the Lord. He had not heard of Holiness preached until he married my sister Helen. (she wrote some about this last month) He was a church member and had moved his letter from Mobile to Huntsville when he went to BEIRNE AVE. He couldn't understand how anyone could preach without going to college and during service he took down notes. Arnold was one who carried a book in his hands most of the time because he desired to climb high in knowledge and wisdom and he thought the BEIRNE AVE crowd were ignorant people but he kept coming back. Soon he saw that he was the one that was ignorant and he started apologizing to the Holy Ghost people. After he came to the Lord he brought his wife that way also. It seemed after four or five more years and I gave up that anymore would come this way until the Lord showed me more would come. In February of 1971 my mother India Kirkland received the Holy Ghost in SCOTTSBORO. She was the second one to come to Christ there. After giving up her children we had a new mother at sixty six. Then on June 7th of 1972 my daughter-in-law Waydene Smith was born again. On May 6th of 1973 Bennie Ruth Scarbrough, my daughter came this way and then one after another, it was wonderful. There was Peggy Kirkland on the 29th of July, Delmer

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Kirkland, Peggie's husband on the 12th of August, Pat on the 13th and her husband on the 16th. My brother, Loyd recieved the Lord on the 17th and a sister Idell Childers on the same night, five in one week.



Then Loyd's daughter Mercilla Steele, and two of my daughters, Faye McElyea and Wanda Mason came in at the last part of August. Dori's daughter, Reta recieved it the 4th of September. At this writing George Kirkland was the last one who made it to the Lord on October 25th. This was worth waiting for all these years. The Lord has been good to us, we hope we all can make it home inside those gates of pearl for that hope is all that is worth while now for night is almost here. Sis. Lucille Smith



What a meeting they had at KEEL MTN! From the start the Lord was glorified. Sis. Ada Maples was down, in the Spirit. Most of the saints felt like there was a message in this for someone, and there was. A sister told of having difficult problems with her children, which she was going about to solve, and in the wrong way. She was blessed by God while he let her learn His will. Sis. Peggy Long who felt so low before she went down in the Lord also, came up saying we must have Charity if we are to make it to Glory. The Lord blessed almost everyone in the house. The Lord let the Day of Pentecost appear to Sis. Ruby McKenzie as He said "This is the same Spirit that came at Pentecost".

The following Tuesday evening (2/19/74) the same feeling and blessings were still being poured out here by the good Lord. Bro. Duke Cowan who had been sick was certainly feeling much better and his wife was shouting and praising God also.

a testimony for the Lord

We lived in South Haven indiana. I was in a car accident. It hurt my neck and I couldn't hold my head up on my own. My head would just roll around. I wore a collar to hold my head up. We went to church one night at BLACK OAK. I asked the children of God to pray for me. And while we were praying in the altar the power of God fell and that collar just fell off and rolled out in the altar. I knew God had healed me. I picked the collar up and I never did put it back on. We usually took our children to church, but this one night we let Ron stay home. When we got home I was the first one out of the car. Ron was standing in the front door looking out. He saw I didn't have my collar on and he said, "Mama, what in the world happened?" I said, "Ron, the Lord has healed me!" And he began to cry. He said he couldn't stand to see anybody hurt or anybody die. Wess (my husband) said, "Now Margaret, whatever you do, be careful." My reply was "Wess, I know God has healed me and I've always been taught that when God heals you, you can do anything." I went about my regular work.

In less than two months Ron went to the altar in SOUTH HAVEN and God gave him the Holy Ghost.

I thank God for His healing power and for giving all three of my children the Holy Ghost

Sister Margaret Parker

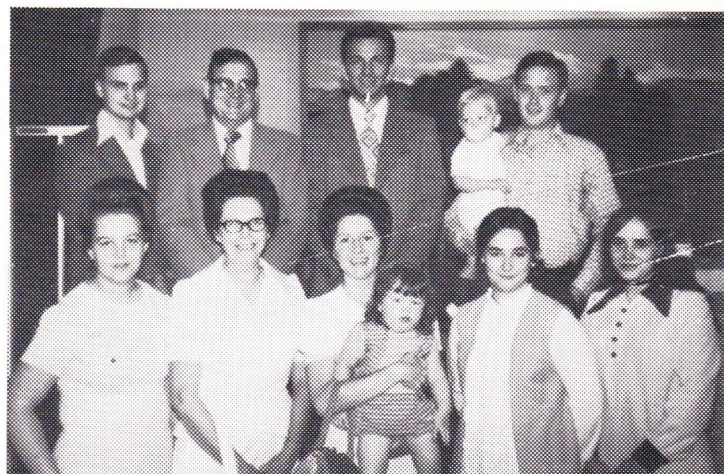
Bro. Wesley and Sis. Margaret now live at SCOTTSBORO and they can edify your soul. Bro. Wesley tells how when his wife was healed they lived where they had a steep driveway. When her neck was still broke and they got in their car to leave, her head would flop back over the seat and he would have to reach back and bring it back aright. But when the Lord healed her that was the end of all that. This sounds wonderful to us here. It seems there is no end of the marvelous wonders God has preformed for them that love Him.



Un Tuesady evening of Febuary 19th, at Sis. Lizzie Hawkins' home, the Lord gave Terry Sue Marion the Holy Ghost. She is the grand-daughter of Bro. Dewey Trotman. The ROCK HOUSE church has meeting here at Sis. Lizzie's home every Tuesday evening on account that Sis. Lizzie can't get out much by reason of her age.

The second Saturday evening found many of the SCOTTSBORO saint home, in bed with the flu (It is running rampant through north Alabama) and service was slow in lifting up, but lifting up it did as these people began remembering and telling all the wonderful things their God had done for them. Bro. Vernon Wright didn't have a very hard job as he tried to conduct service (Bro. Jack Denson and Bro. Buddy Louvorn where some that were out ill) as every one moved as the Lord permitted. Their were testimonies after testimonies of God's healing. Like Bro. James Brazier (PLEVNA) told of how God healed his wife Sis. Shirley (the late Bro. Lonzo Holland's daughter) of the dreaded cancer. Before this the doctors had given up all hope that she could live and it even looked hopeless to Bro. James, so much so that he tried his best to prepare the children for her demise. But as the Lord has so often done, when it looked like every bit of hope was gone He came on the scene and showed His great love and power by healing this good sister. Sis. Shirley's sister, Sis. Jeanette Sadler was edifying the church as she brought to mind the time she burnt herself when she was lighting a gas stove oven. She was in intense pain almost all over from the ball of flame that came out of the oven. When Sis. Shirley and Bro. James heard of this and came to where they were living and entered the house the beautiful Love Of God came in with them. In just a little bit Sis. Jeanette was easy from all pain. It was beautiful the way the Lord blessed Bro. Estle Maxwell as he told of the miracle the Lord preformed on him and his wife Sis. Dot when they were in a car wreck that left them in serious condition. It was so pretty and lest we leave some of the important details out we will not at this time tell about it in hopes that the holy family will write us all about it if they feel the Lord in doing so. While this brother was in the hands of the Lord all the church was on it's feet with the joy of God lifting their hearts as one. Saint after saint "hit the floor" repeating the good things that Christ had done that helped to establish them on their "Pligrim Journey" here in this vale of sorrow. Bro. Estle's daughter, Sis. Pam was happy as she told how the mother said "the Lord will reward you" as she helped her when she couldn't help herself. And by the way the Lord was blessing her she must surely have been well rewarded. **BRO** John L. Campbell and his wife Sis. Jewel were one of the first to move but they were enjoyed, and they also enjoyed themselves all through the service. Bro. Wayne Williams and his

wife Sis. Gail from SCENICLAND touched the saints hearts as they related how the Lord blessed them as they helped others. These two love to tell of the goodly things of God.



From left to right; Bro. Wayne and Sis. Gail Williams, Bro. Lawrence and Sis. Maude Brown, Bro. Roger and Sis. Faye Shirley with daughter, Carla, Bro. Edwin and Sis. Dean Spurgeon holding Bro. Wayne's son Timmy and Sis. Dean's sister on the end, Sis. Connie Carroll. This picture was taken last year at the BLACK OAK homecoming in Indiana.

Bro. Roger and Sis. Faye Shirley were not behind this couple in praising the Lord as Sis. Faye told the saints how God healed her daughters' head of a big knot when it was first born and Bro. Roger was happy over the way God told him he would not have to go into the Armed Forces. Sis. Faye lost some of her faith when they received his draft notice as 1-A. But Bro. Roger held on as he told his wife "I still don't believe I'll have to go". As your faith is so be it unto you and sure enough about a week later this couple received another letter from the draft board saying that he had failed his examination, without reason or any other explanation except he did not pass and years later he still has not been drafted. This brother went further and told of the time after he was first illuminated and he was having a trial and he was accusing the devil of bothering him. Bro. Roger told how he found out that it was not the devil bothering him, but it was his God chastising him. This stirred up Bro. Clarence Williams as he pleaded that we suffer chastisement from the Lord for He whipped those He loves. If we do not receive correction we are not His children.... And with many more real good words did the saints here edify one another. You could tell it was spiritually up-lifting as these Godly people enjoyed themselves.

All through this, one could see a smile break over Bro. Ernie Holman's face and a tear run down his cheek as he was gratified by the good words spoken.



At BROWN'S CHAPEL on the second Sunday evening Bro. Jr. Martin oldest son Anthony asked to be prayed for in the first prayer on account of a physical ailment that had been plagueing him for sometime. When the Lord moved toward him and healed him he turned and started seeking for the healing of his soul (he had never publicly prayed before) and within minutes Anthony's tongue was testifying back to the Father. His only problem was it came so easy he could hardly believe it but believe it he did and he is now counted among "the number".



On Monday evening of the eleventh Sis. Faye Shirley (Bro. Rogers' wife) was so happy in the Lord as she testified about "the love of God in me toward every body". As the Lord was blessing her she became unashamed in telling about a few days before the Lord helped her when she was with out help. While her husband Bro. Roger was at work one of their cows got out of the pasture. After wearing herself out trying to get it back through the gate she finally ask the Lord if He would do it for her and immediately the cow turned around and headed directly to the gate up over the hill and it stopped not until she was again in the pasture. (Doesn't this sound good!) She was at BROWN'S CHAPEL this evening.



On Sunday evening, February 10th, service started off with the Lord in charge and the singing was good. After a few songs were sung some of the seekers here made an altar call. One of these was Donna, Bro. John Roach's daughter, who prayed for a little while and returned to her seat. Again she came to the altar and this time it paid off. The Lord met her there and gave her the Holy Ghost. The joy of God was all over her as she hugged the children of God. Bro. Ben House was there when the Lord made His appearing and as he snapped a finger he said "That's the way It came on Pentecost". Tears were rolling down Bro. Arlen's (Bro. Ben's son who leads service at WILSON ROAD) as he told the lost how they must repent and clean up their lives before they can glorify God.

Bro. Bobbie House

The church here at WILSON ROAD is still happy over the way the Lord healed Bro. Joe Higdon's wife, Sis. Patsy, when she was losing so much blood at the turn of the year.

AMEN CORNER

And ye fathers provoke not your children to wrath but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord; Provoke means to stir up to action or feeling. How can we provoke our children to wrath? When you correct your child and just whip him enough to make him mad at you. You have provoked him at you. When you correct your child, first, be real kind to him, never speak ill to him and let him know why you have to correct him. Just reason it over with him in a quite way. Most of the time he will agree with you that he is worthy of correction. Never correct a child when you are upset, for when you reason with him and he agrees that he needs a whipping he may not think hard of you for correcting him. Never correct a child when he is not in the wrong. Another way you can provoke your child is to sit around and talk about someone to him (or where he can hear), of how bad they have done or how they mistreated you. That child will be provoked with a bad feeling toward the one you were talking about. We ought to teach them to love everyone.

The rod and reprove give wisdom, but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame.

Correct thy son and he shall give thee rest, yea he shall give delight unto the soul.

He that spareth his rod hateth his son, but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes.

With hold not correction from the child, for if thou beatest him with the rod he shall not die.

Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shall deliver his soul from hell.

Chasten thy son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare for his crying.

Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.

Bro. Eli Smith

The blood was pouring from Bro. Bud Barnes nose. Bloody rags were being piled in a heap as the saints started coming in late in the evening of February 11th. After many prayers and pleadings were sent up to the Lord and some saints had departed home the Lord came and stopped the flowing of Blood. One would think after losing so much of his life blood it would be quite awhile before Bro. Bud would regain his strength but Wednesday evening found him out to meeting as hearty as ever and up testifying for His God.

Have you all heard about the wonderful meeting that was run at HYTOP for a week and a half? Well, it was very good from the start. Here is how one saint that was there said it began;

“The children of God at HYTOP have been desiring that God would start giving the Holy Ghost here for a long time. We were hungering for God to send His Word to us so we could do in a way it would touch the lost souls.

On the second Sunday morning of February God was among us as Bro. Ed. Avons reached and got the Bible and was directed to read the 5th chapter of Thessalonians as the Lord blessed him. That evening Bro. Buford Warren who had been absent that morning was in the hands of God as he also read the same scripture; BUT OF THE TIMES AND SEASONS BRETHERN, YE HAVE NO NEED THAT I WRITE UNTO YOU. FOR YOURSELVES KNOW PERFECTLY THAT THE DAY OF THE LORD COMETH AS A THEIF IN THE NIGHT.....THEREFORE LET US NOT SLEEP, AS DO OTHERS: BUT LET US WATCH AND BE SOBER. Bro. Buford did not know that the Lord had also lead Bro. Ed to exhort the same words. Saints started acknowledging the truth and Bro. Bobbie Culver was blessed by God as he stated "We have heard enough to justify or condemn us. It is up to us to either take heed or turn a deaf ear". The Lord blessed marvelously and the love of God was greatly among us as we had a "handshake" that even went to the back of the house, touching both saint and sinner.

From this good love and the working of God among us, we decided to run a few nights meeting, giving it out a night at a time. God has moved toward the lost and it seems that it's "just whosoever will". This meeting last for a week and a half and two more people were baptised with the Holy Ghost.”

One came to the Lord on the fourth Saturday evening and one on Sunday morning. They are Diana Miller and Faye Campbell. Sis. Diana is the daughter of Sis. Shirley and Bro. Lem Miller of SKYLINE (they live at Estill Forks). Sis. Faye is the granddaughter of Bro. Virgil Brewer also of SKYLINE. A few night later while Sis. Faye was up testifying she mentioned that her mother said she didn't suppose she would be in Cheer Leading at school any more. Sis. Faye's answer touched the hearts of every saint, "No, I won't be a Cheer Leader in school but I'll be cheering for the Lord. ((And she is))

Another of the Lord's benefits in this meeting was how He gloriously blessed His people. On Friday evening Sis. Joan Culver arose to honor the Lord and He moved with her wonderfully. When she came up

out of the floor where all the holy saints had her "ringed in" she said, "This is like coming to the Lord all over again" as her countenance shone with a radiant glow.

How does one with a limited vocabulary put in writing all the goodness that God shew to His saints. There was Joy in the Camp through-out this revival as people stepped in the "trouble water" and the Lord touched them. Saints like Sis. Jeanette Sadler were "free" in Him. Bro. Arnold Thomas (Shouting Thomas) was a shouting, and not just once. Bro. Will Guffey was here some and he is looking good. Sis. Carolyn Parker loves the Lord and He proved it by the way He blessed her. Sis. Pearl Jones edified the saints. Bro. Ray Davis was a sight for spiritual eyes. Sis. Charlotte Finlayson came in shouting after Sis. Bonnie Jones met her at the door and layed hands on her. She took off praising the Lord and just left her husband standing there holding the baby. Bro. Virgil Brewer brought peace as he thanked His God for



Bro. Virgil Brewer with two of his sons who love the Lord. Bro. Charles is on the left and on the right is Bro. John "Jiggs".

giving him salvation. Bro. Charles his son was happy in Christ. Sis. Bobbie Avons who has a back problem was rejoicing in the Lord. We are looking for God to heal her. Sis. Annie Ruth and Sis. Charlotte Stevens were desiring to be "vessels unto honor" and The Lord blessed them. Some of the saints would talk quietly some would rejoice loudly with two or three on the floor at once but it was all good. Saints like Sis. Jewell Campbell, Sis. Dolly Sanders, Sis. Thelma Hensley, Sis. Jane Guffey, Bro. John L. Campbell, Bro. Bobby Avons, Sis. Joyce Davis, Sis. Bonnie Jones, Sis. Lena Sanders and Sis. Katherine Fortner were all overjoyed in GOD. The Lord really moved toward Sis. Beatrice Keeton and also Sis. Cleo Brewer. There were many more over in the hands of the Lord

as the church was greatly encouraged. Bro. Frank Guffey was a very good help as he was continually with them. One Wednesday evening he preached on the unruly member and the need of having it in complete control.

This was a good protracted service!

The Lord has helped His children here at NOAH'S ARK. I can recall so many that the Lord has healed. I won't ever forget Sis. Edith Cooper, how the Lord moved that cancer on her lip. Everyone really felt it was cancer. It was horrid to look at. And she went through so much pain and suffering before God healed her. I also remember one night while we were leaving church Sis. Sara Pritchett became so ill we returned into the church and prayed, asking God to help her and He did, He healed her right there and she left church smiling. Sis. Vera Case had serious stomach trouble and you know what, my Lord healed her too. Isn't it wonderful to have a Saviour like that? Bro. J.B. Pritchett came out to church the other evening with a terrible pain in his chest. It had been there all day and the day before. HE started to ask prayer but he found out Bro. Conrad Estes was real sick. He instead thought "Lord, if you'll just heal Bro. Conrad" and before prayer was over the Lord had healed Bro. J.B. and had helped Bro. Conrad also.

We are having a singing on March 30th at 8:00 P.M. We've plenty of beds here so you all come YOU'RE WELCOME. (L.L.)

One day I decided to have someone to comb my long, long hair, and put it up in those beautiful curls that so many sisters were wearing. When I did this, I really enjoyed not having to comb it until I started to take it down a few days later. I was surprised when the teasing did not come out. After working for a long while trying to comb it out without any success I became upset and cried. I went to Sis. Marie and Gary Rich's and they worked on it until the sweat was pouring from Sis. Marie's face. The next day, Saturday, two sisters worked all day, nearly, but still to no avail. After using cooking oil and V-0-5 and other conditioners were used I still had hair all matted up so a bobbie pin would not go through it. After several weeks of this my hair looked like it was ruined and some thought I was going to be bald. I was so heavy hearted because I just couldn't give up to let anyone cut my hair. Bro. Joe Medlin heard about this (cutting out the knots) and asked me to wait about that. Although I had no intention of cutting it, it was getting worse and worse. One night at church while mentioning about people wanting me to cut the hair out, Bro. J.B. Pritchett spoke up boldly, "But you won't have to". This helped me so much for I knew he wouldn't say that just to be talking. I decided if I died with my hair in this shape I would just have to die. I then recieved patience and contentment. After this the Lord preformed a miracle. While my sister was here she started picking at my hair and little pieces started to fall to the floor as everyone became excited as they gathered around and I think, Naomi, my sister cried, she was so thankful. Injust a few minutes that was all out of my hair. The Lord moved it all. You couldn't hardly tell where it had been. There was enough hair lost to cover another head but you could not tell where it had come from. I've heard others call it a miracle. Now my Lord done that for just a poor person like me.

Bro. Charles Willmon is making preparations to build a church in Fyffe. They now have found 3.6 acres of land and are in the process of buying it (It is very high). After the land is payed for they will borrow the money to build a modest church building. Some have already helped financially (which is greatly appreciated) and others have promised to help. If you would like a part in this undertaking you can contact Bro. Charles Willmon, Fyffe Ala. We are sure every little bit will be appreciated.

(Bro. Charles (We have found out) preaches the Gospel of peace and goodwill to all men and has been a help to us here in our spiritual growth in the Lord.)

Let the peace of God rule in your hearts.

Sis. Pearline Dudley from BLACK OAK had asked prayer in Glad Tidings in the Febuary issue for Sis. Oma Priest of BRIAR FORK. This month she sent us an excerpt from a letter she recieved from Sis. Oma in regards to her condition.

"My skin is looking better. It has cleared up a lot and I really do appreciate all the children of God praying for me and I know He has heard their prayers and I am so thankful for every prayer that was prayed for me".

Love to all

Sis. Oma

(We all are happy with you Sis Oma.)

There was a table spread and all the saints of the Most High feasted on the main course which was the Word of God. This was at the ROCKY BRANCH Church on the third Sunday morning. There was other delicious tidbits and dessert which were the testimonies of those who over come so far by the blood of the Lamb. Bro. Jack brought the Word using the 2nd chapter of 1st Peter; "...IF YE CALL ON THE FATHER, WHO WITHOUT RESPECT OF PERSONS JUDGEETH ACCORDING TO EVERY MAN'S WORK, PASS YOUR SOJOURNING HERE IN FEAR". He pressed the word fear and exhorted the saints with, "If you fear the Lord you will keep His commandments". Bro. Willard Wooten who led service used the same Word of God, but a different scripture; "WIVES SUBMIT YOURSELVES UNTO YOUR OWN HUSBANDS AS UNTO THE LORD, FOR THE HUSBAND IS THE HEAD OF THE WIFE AS CHRIST IS THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH", and "HUSBANDS, LOVE YOUR WIFE AS CHRIST LOVED THE CHURCH AND GAVE HIMSELF FOR IT". He used this Word as he dwelt on "submit" as being "willing" and exhorted all to be in submission to Christ as the women should be in submission to the man that "...HE MIGHT PRESENT TO HIMSELF A GLORIOUS CHURCH, NOT HAVING A SPOT, OR A WRINKLE...".



Brothers: Hubert Samson, Mitt McAllister, Robert Warren, Willard Wooten and Jack Denson

One of the outstanding testimonies was Bro. Preston Buckner of Gadsden telling of the time when he was a lost man and away from his folks in Alabama, wandering around in Texas. one day when he was real hungry as he was walking the streets a women called him over to where she was sitting in a swing on a front porch. When she asked him if he was hungry and received a affirmative answer, she fed him a good stomach filling meal to his wonderment. On returning to home in Alabama, he told his mother this incident. She was not surprise because she told Bro. Preston how she had prayed to the Lord that He

would watch over her son and not let him go hungry while he was out of her reach.

Bro. Jim Black and his wife Sis. Mary and their son, Bro. James Carl and his wife Sis. Caroline were all doing fine in the Lord.

Sis. Ginnie Rice was down, in the Spirit, as she told how the Word that was preached this day had helped her and she wanted to live by it. It was glorious the way the Lord blessed her.

Bro. Hubert Samson encouraged the church to the Way of the Lord by using the Word of God. "BE YE THEREFORE FOLLOWERS OF GOD AS DEAR CHILDREN AND WALK IN LOVE..." He used godly knowledge as he explained " I don't have to be here with Bro. Jack, walking arm in arm with him to "walk as dear children . I can do that when he is in Scottsboro and I'm here". (Amen!) This sounded "in place" as did all the saints here in this meeting. You should have seen Bro. Robert as he jumped around so very happy just to be here and to be a child of God. Bro. Mitt McAllister was happy at the first of service because so many saints showed their love for them to come and be with them.

The following evening service found Bro. Hubert again ahold of the Lord but in a greater way than he had been that morning. He likened serving the Lord to having a checking account. The more you put into it, the more you get out of it. If you have put all your time and energy into serving the Lord, when you need the Lord for some cause you can readily call on him with a good conscience, knowing you are accepted before Him.

Sis. Flora Law was happy as she testified for God. She was recalling how her God assisted them when they drove off into the lake years ago. It was edifying.

Bro. Charles Rice was covered up in God's love. One could see it and feel it.

Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

She was heard to say that she could see all the way to the back of the house. This was Bro. Rayford Miller's wife, Sis. Janie. Before many layed hands on her here at BEIRNE AVE she was having much trouble seeing. Another visitor here that the Lord blessed was Bro. Pope Vandiver and how the saints enjoyed him as the Lord blessed him all over this house. Sis. Annette Underwood received help from the Lord this day, she has been badly burned. Sis. Barbara Kilgore was so happy in her Lord too.

praising His name

How wonderful it is to think back to the time only a short while before our son Tim was born, I went to light the oven of the stove and it blew up, flames went all over me. I felt like some one burning alive. My hands and feet started drawing back to my arms and legs and I felt like they would break off. There wasn't any holiness people close by so I had Billy (my husband) to get the lady next door to come over. She had heard that by using toothpaste it would draw the burning out, but it only held it in. I asked Billy to call my sister Shirley and her husband Bro. James Brazier over, I knew they could help us pray.



Sis. Jeanette and Bro. Billy Sadler

They hurried over and when they saw my condition they knew I had to have help. Billy and James started singing a good old song and the glory of God filled the bed room. (I can't express the feeling that was there) All of a sudden God had moved, the men started looking at each other laughing and crying for what had been done before our eyes. The burning completely stopped, and my hands and feet got straightened out and we never did have to pray. Needless to say we were praising God.

Sis. Jeanette Sadler

Bro. Billy and Sis. Jeanette are from SCOTTS BORO and they both love the Lord. It is good to hear them tell of the many wonderful things the Lord has done for them since they believed.

There was another good service at BLACK OAK where the "Death and suffering" of our Lord was remembered one more time. There was help from the south this evening with brethren and sisters like Bro. Buddie Louvorn and wife, Bro. Shirley Bryum and wife, and Bro. Bobbie Cardin and his wife whose presence alone means a lot. Bro. Charley Brown and a number from his family and Bro. Reuben and Sis. Marie Gault came in late from SOUTH HAVEN but made it in time to Partake of The Lord's Supper. Many have mentioned since then that it was like "old times" when they first started meetings in the north at the Old Pix Theater over twenty years ago. Bro. Charley Brown (he was still lost) and Bro. Thomas Kerley and a very few others had brought in 13 folding chairs and they had three empty chairs. Now the three churchs number into the 100's. God has done a good work here.

Sis. Pearline Dudley sent us a sweet testimony concerning Sis. Ruby McKenzie from Huntsville. Her grand-daughter who spent the night with her was sick with a fever and she could not get to sleep. Sis. Ruby said "Get in bed with me and I'll pray for you". As she crawled in bed with her she was praying silently to the Lord. After while the child told her grand-mother "Ma Ma! You're not praying, you are just going to sleep". At this remark Sis. Ruby started talking to the Lord out loud (for the child was still sick) and in a moment they were both asleep. Upon awakening the young girl was O.K.

DEAD IN CHRIST

And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads. And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever

The wife of Bro. Henry Carter, Sis. Annie Lou Carter finished her course here on Feb. 17th in her 67th year. She was from BEIRNE AVE. in Huntsville Alabama.

Sis. Cornelia West, the wife of Bro. Clifford West, from the PLEASANT GROVE community recieved her crown on Feb. 10th.

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