

# GLAD TIDINGS OF GOOD THINGS

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It shall be called  
The way of holiness

## Hitting the Nail on the Head

Bro. Paul Simmons was exhorting the people to be positive in their testimonies concerning the Lord's healing. He said: "Back yonder in those days I was talking about (when holiness first came in the Williams Cove area), you never did hear anybody get up and say, "God touched me." You know what they'd get up and say? "God has healed me!" That's what they talked about. And I love it that way. Back over there when John sent down there to talk to Jesus. You know what the word was that He sent back. He didn't, "Go back and tell John I'm touching these people down here." ... But go tell him that the blinded eyes are being opened, the lame are made to walk and the sick are being healed and the poor have the gospel preach to them. When you say, God touched me, that gives just a little bit of a place there for a doubt. But if you get up here and tell me with a good firm voice and faith in God that God's healed me. We can build on that. You don't have to be harrassed by the devil where you don't know if you are going to be alright or not. If you've got that firmness about you that God's done the work, you're not ashamed or you're not afraid to tel people that GOD'S HEALED ME.

PLEASANT GROVE: (5/22/77) Bro. Henry McLain taught the young children of God (It applies to the old ones too) to be careful how the boys and girls act toward one another. For them to fear God and keep their hands to home, He said "I want to say to the young folk, shouting aint gonna get you to heaven, you'll just have to live holiness." He didn't leave any doubt to what he meant as did his wife Sis. Minnie who followed him in speaking. She taught the young women how to conduct them selves with the young men as did others who testified after.

THAT EVERYONE OF YOU SHOULD KNOW HOW TO POSSESS HIS VESSEL IN SANTIFICATION AND HONOR.

Bro. Youthel Brown and Sis. Debra Jean Pritchett were married at HIGDON on Saturday April 2. They are a very sweet couple who both came to the Lord here at HIGDON. Sis. Debra rec'd the Holy Ghost in June, 1974 and Bro. Youthel came to the Lord in July 1976. They both love the Lord and we all love them. We all hope the Lord will bless their marraige to His Glory and honor.



Sis. Debra and Bro. Youthel Brown

Sis. Hettie West who passed away this past month used to tell about when she first married her husband Bro. Jack. He didn't have the Holy Ghost then. Before she went to bed at night she would get down and pray. He would always try to get into bed before her and cover his head while she prayed. But her praying paid off because he later rec'd the Holy Ghost too.



Sis. Martha Sue Helton of GADSDEN tells about her first incounter with God's people:

"The first time I seen the power of the Lord on people I didn't know what to think. It was real cold in the winter of 1950 and my little boy was born with asthma or something. He'd keep me awake, I was afraid to fall asleep he would choke to death. I had lost so much sleep I was weary. I didn't know how to... I didn't know what to do. I wanted the Lord to help. I remember them talking when I was a little girl about that wicked city (Nineveh), how wicked it was. How they got into sack cloth and ashes. I thought, I didn't know no better. We had some old toe sacks sewed together, they were supposed to be like a door in the bed room. I'll never forget us burning pine knots, it was real cold. The husband he had went to hunt pine knots, you know, behind our house. We lived a long way in the ridges up there in Sand Valley. I thought of getting some ashes but they was too hot. Glory to God. I thought I'd kneel down here and ask the Lord if he's just heal my boy and I just wrapped up in that toe sack, Glory to God. And I asked the Lord, "Lord will you just help my little boy?" And it was just like a voice spoke to me and said "Why, you're not worthy!" Praise His name! And I said, "Lord, I know that I'm not..." Glory to God! I don't know what made me say it, I didn't have no idea nobody would come but I said "...but you're able to send somebody over here that is." And I thought, I was praying when the husband come in and I had tears on my face and it just made me plum aggravated and ashamed that he caught me praying. I said, "Well, I tried to pray but it didn't do no good, I know I'm not worthy. I asked the Lord to send somebody over her that was worthy." And didn't think no more about it. Well early the next morning we seen two old people that had their shoes just hanging on their feet. That's the truth, they had them tied on their feet, they were real poor. They had been on share-cropping. It was the year of the boll-weevil. They came over there and knocked on the door and wondered what in the world are they doin' out as cold as it is? What'da they want? We opened the door and told them to come on in. They said, "The Lord has worried me all night to come over here, somethings wrong." Me'n the husband, just like something took our breath away. I didn't know the great power of God. Was like something fell in our home, Praise His good name. We just couldn't speak. The husband looked a little pale and he cleared his throat and he said, "Well, the boy is sick you know." ... And I reckon that boy is the biggest one I've got now!

PINE GROVE: (Morgan County) "It is a wonderful thing to know we are serving a God that can let you know when someone in our family is going to be in trouble. This is what happened in our family a week ago and we are still praising the Lord for this. My neice has a hearing problem.

On Wednesday and Thursday night my mother dreamed three times that my neice Amy had been run over. We all began to pray that the Lord would take care of her. Well, on Friday morning at school, a bus almost hit her. Sis. Vicky Freeman was on the bus and she said that Amy didn't act like she even heard the bus. We are so thankful the Lord took care of her. Please remember her in your prayers.

Last Wednesday night we had a lot of visitors from ELKWOOD and CAVE SPRINGS. The Lord really blessed and we had a free service. (We had an elder man go to the altar for the first time. I like to encourage the older people who are praying to have faith that they can make it. My grandmother was 66 years old when she rec'd salvation and she was able to serve Him for 14 years before He called her home.

Our regular service now is on the 3rd weekend. Saturday night, Sunday, and Sunday night. We take the Communion on Sunday night if it's the Lord's will. We also have services every Wednesday night and Sunday night. I believe I speak for all the children of God when I say, We appreciate all the people that have been with us and helped us so much.

Sis. Edith Ledbetter

The 3rd weekend in May, we had three good services. The Lord blessed and some that were sick were healed. We had several visiting preachers. Bro. Duke Cowan, Bro. Delmus Davis, Bro. Erskine Webb and Bro. Eli Smith. They all brought good sermons that we needed and enjoyed. We thank God for that. We also had visitors from PLEVNA, CLAYSVILLE, ELKWOOD, GRASSY MTN, CAVE SPRINGS, and GADSDEN. The Lord blessed most of the people and were glad. We try to give our visitors liberty to obey the Lord.

If it's the Lord's will, we will have Home-Coming with dinner at our church the 3rd Sunday in July. Our revival will start that night and run through the week. We are sure looking forward to this revival.



Bro. Bobby Atchley's testimony last night was a blessing to all of us. He spoke about how the Lord made a way for him while he was in the Army. He was a conscientious objector and a lot of trials. He said there were times when he didn't know what he would say but the Lord always made a way for him. He said that he had tried the Lord and He had never let him down.

Sis. Edith Ledbetter



These signs.....

And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized 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, and they shall recover.

"There lay a big rattlesnake and he was fighting for life to get away. I seen Sis. Lillie (Wright) come around with paleness. The Lord, I seen was coming around so I began to pray. And that snake fighting. The next thing I knowed, he got stopped and was calming down. I might have rubbed him a little, but anyhow the power of God fell on Sis. Lillie and she got that rattlesnake and went across them cotton ridges, shouting, that head back speaking in tongues. Brought him right back and laid him down right in the middle of all of us. Bro. Vernon (Wright) was just a young boy then, had the Holy Ghost. And his little sis Ruth was a small girl. And boy, that snake was full of love and peace. They all handled that snake but Louise, my daughter and my boy that died. And Nolan Carden standing over yonder with big tears just rolling down his cheeks. After we quit, that snake crawled up on Bro. Vernon's slipper, there was so much peace there. That old snake felt it too." QUESTION: "Bro. Clarence, did you handle it too?" Bro. Clarence: "Yea, I'm not boasting but the Lord gave me power over it. That little old girl rubbed it's head. I remember what Bro. Floyd said, "Be careful sis, don't tempt the Lord now." He still had his head on Bro. Vernon shoe, he wouldn't even hiss at you."

Bro. Clarence Williams of PLEASANT GROVE relating about one of the times that the signs followed them.

## IN TOUCH WITH GOD

Bro. Roy Spurgeon of OAK GROVE telling at PLEASANT GROVE (4/21/77) about one of the times the Lord healed one of his daughters:

"I lived at Birmingham and I come up here in twelve or fourteen inches of snow to get my daughter who was very ill. Bro. Clifford, her fever was so high that my daddy-in-law was scared for me to carry her out, but he was good ... and I took that child and went back home. I layed her down on the couch. I was in the kitchen getting papers ready for income tax. I'd never seen anybody have convulsions. And she started and I just looked around and I seen some

thing was a happening and I went in there to see. My wife had worried with the child until she was give out and she was just a setting right at the couch where that child was. When I walked in there and just looked down, the power of the Lord just covered me up. You know, God just moved right then and healed that child. ... I don't know til today what happened. ... Bro. Gene Coffey (BEIRNES AVE), him and his wife was in the bunch that come in there. And for some reason, his wife brought the child something to eat. The child was done up a playing!!"

Bro. Willard Wooten tells of one of those "good gatherings" at BLACK OAK in days past:

"I got up there one Sunday afternoon. I guess they had a singing that Sunday afternoon at the church. About 4:30 some body came in and Bro. Lawrence and them got to shaking hands, and anyway they got to shouting and it began to catch on. Finally the house was just packed with people and it was nearly 6 o'clock and I walked in at the back of the house. They were just carrying on and having the best time. And it looked like you could just see the glory of God. I walked up and Bro. Henry met me about half way and said, "Hey Bud, you got to help me out." I said, "What's the matter?" He said, "It's nearly meeting time and this has been going on for two hours. I can't get them stopped to start meeting." I walked up in the middle of that crowd and I just barely got in the center of it when somebodys' hands went on me and I hit the floor. I don't know it might have went on for another two hours, I don't know. They began to hand little babies over into that crowd and we began to anoint them with oil and there aint no telling how many people were healed that day."

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

Bro. Billy Brewer has moved from the CAVE SPRINGS community to the SCENICLAND community on Lookout Mtn.

Sis. Vera Rice of ROCKY BRANCH is ill and very feeble.

Sis. Mattie Lou Trotman is still not healed. She needs you'als prayers.

Bro. Coy Barron of SCOTTSBORO was electrocuted at where he works. He quit breathing three times but the Lord was good to him. On the 4th Sunday evening in June the Lord healed him at SCOTTSBORO and he is getting around fine to everyone gladness.

Bro. Dewey Trotman is doing much better.



Sis. Mildred Thackerson of BLACK OAK is doing so much better.

Bro. Mitchell Drake is still doing poorly. Remember Bro. Lewis Chance and his family from BLACK OAK. They have a lot of sickness.

Sis. Kate "Aunt" Guffey of Chattanooga is still ailing. She is Bro. Doc Fortner's sister.

Bro. David McLain's wife, Sis. Billie of SCOTTBORO is doing much better lately.

Remember Sis. Marsha Freeman who lost her son (drowning) and her husband had an heart attack.

Bro. Roy Walls' wife, Sis. Faye, is in dire need of the Lord's healing.

Sis. Amy Moore is down physically. It is extra hard on them, for even though they are up in years, they like to go for the Lord all the time.

Sis. Flora Stephens of BLACK OAK is still not doing well.

Bro. Jack Denson had some trouble in his chest and arm (maybe a stroke or heart attack, makes no different with the Lord anyway) but he is doing better, though still taking kinda easy.

Bro. Pope and Sis. Vandiver are doing poorly.

Sis. Oma Roach of Chattanooga is having physical problems. Remember her.

The 3rd Sunday of April was when two came to the Lord at HIGDON. In the A.M. service, Sis. Faye McBryar, (Bro. D. Pennington's daughter) rec'd the Holy Ghost and in the evening service, Sis. Dimple Smith's son, Bro. Allen also came to the Lord.

Bro. Robert Knight, another disciple of love, went to SOUTH HAVEN rejoicing, rejoiced all the time he was there, left rejoicing, and returned home to SCENICLAND rejoicing in the Lord. Every one loves Bro. Robert. Love begets love!

On the 3rd Thursday evening at PLEASANT GROVE it was a time of little things. Everyone it seemed like was telling how the Lord had been their help in "little" problems.

One extremely good service at NYLA was on the 3rd Wednesday evening in April. When he finally made His presence known it was close to the end of the meeting but it was so peaceful and sweet in Christ. Some of the sisters were in the floor under the power of God.

Another of Sis. Margie Lamons family came to the Lord on the 4th Sunday of April at WILLIAMS COVE. She is her daughter-in-law Sis. Sue. We hope that Sis. Margie's husband Bill will realize time is running out and that he come to God too.

Bro. Elton Brazier led revival meeting at SKY-LINE during the 1st week of June. Many said it was one of the best revivals in years. Though no one came to the Lord, the church was comforted and edified.

Bro. Leonard Stapler rec'd the Holy Ghost the 1st Sunday of March at OAK GROVE.

Bro. Jr. Potter's sister-in-law rec'd the Lord at BEIRNES AVE on Saturday evening March 14, 1977.

They had a nice birthday dinner at BIG COVE on the 1st Sunday in May for Bro. Mitchell Drake.

Bro. Henry McLain has moved from Huntsville to HYTOP. He is still in poor health.

The ROCKY BRANCH church gave Bro. Mitt McAllister a birthday dinner on the 3rd Sunday in May. He was 74 years old. before it was over there was hardly a dry eye in the church. You should have heard Bro. Preston Buckner sing The Little Community Church House.



Bro. Hubert Samson, Bro. Mitt, Bro. Frank Shirley and Bro. Paul Warren.

Bro. Mitt is doing much better but he is not back like he was. Pray for him.



Bro. Walter Hill says the reason the Word of God doesn't come like it used to is that the church is not desiring it. He quotes from the Word: DESIRE THE SINCERE MILK OF THE WORD THAT YE MIGHT GROW THEREBY,



SAND MTN. The service held Monday night, May 31, was real good at Section. The leader, Bro. Bufford Trotman felt like having service that night so we met out and the Lord really blessed. It was the first time Bro. Dewey Trotman, Bro. Bufford's dad, had been to church in several weeks because of sickness. Several hands went on him and he's been feeling better. We are glad to see the Lord bless our visitors too. Sis. Pamela Turner

*You cannot hope to enjoy the harvest without laboring in the field.*



Bro. Roy Martin of HILL'S CHAPEL at CAVE SPRINGS revival on Monday night edifying as he told about his first sight of Holiness. He told of when he was lost he had to move and he had two places to move to. One was on Gurley Pike or in the Bend of Paint Rock. He didn't know anybody there on the road in the Bend but he said, "I knew most of the people on Gurley Pike. It looked like it's been good if we gone up there, but we went the other way. When we got up there, there were some people there that were kinda peculiar. Bro. Ollie, they loved one another. I didn't know anything about holiness people just what I heard. Everything I heard wasn't just right. When I got up there I began to watch them people. I could see that they had a care for one another. I could see that God was in what they was doing. I began to go around a little bit. They had meeting up there on the 3rd Sunday and sometimes to me it seem to me it would last all night. It didn't look like it bother them folks to have meeting all night. The more I looked on I began to see into it just a little bit. I thought I could but I couldn't. ... I wasn't blind or lame but He said The gospel was preached to the poor. I thought many times Bro. Titus, the man or women who gets to go to God's heaven will have to love one another. ... Not because I have to but because I've got a desire to. I believe we were founded on the rock. I believe in one place it spoke of Christ of being that Rock. ... When they got up to sing a song, you could hear them a long ways. Glory to God! (He told of seeing the Lord heal a man) ... When she laid hands on him, he got up. He didn't get up sick but a well man! It wasn't because they were walking on the water that caused me to believe in holiness. There was an old man that got ahold of the Word of God one time going up and down the aisle. ... It seemed like he preached hell so hot you could almost feel the heat. And I knew just as well where it was going to as he did. I was a blind man in the ways of God, but after that I could see. I obeyed the Word of God. A few days before I rec'd the Holy Ghost I didn't want anything to eat, I couldn't hardly sleep. The family would want to go somewhere and I was afraid. I was afraid something would happen to me. I was so sad for a few days. After I rec'd the Holy Ghost, I was so happy I couldn't talk. Tuesday and I was working at a cotton warehouse by myself. I looked up to the top of that building and I said "Lord, I'm coming to you!" It was on Sunday about 1 o'clock on 7th day of July God gave me the Holy Ghost. I had times of joy along the way, I've had times it was kinda grivous but I'm glad I held on to God. I seen the time I got down

mightly low and maybe be just going along the road or trying to pray in an old truck and just feel the good love of God. ... I was at a church one time and a man told me Comere and help us sing. I said, "I aint no good at that" He said, Well what about preaching a little for us? I said, "That takes the Lord too." I thought if I could be led by the Lord, the one who brought me out from under darkness into His marvelous light. Pray for me.

Sis. Bertie Keel was remembering old time holiness in this area years ago. She told of how they loved and helped one another. It sounded good.

Bro. Paul Stone was telling about peoples confidence not being everything. "A whole lot of people didn't have confidence in the old man. And maybe they'd kinda shunned him a bit. Back in W P A days (before World War II) We were working on the W P A then and Meeks down here a Baptist preacher was the boss. This old man was piling brush with an old forked stick. He run across a serpent. We saw the old man fooling with that serpent with that stick. We were kinds amazed at him alright. He had on a pair of work gloves on. In a little bit he reached about like this, (Bro. Paul showed how the man so slowly took off his gloves) laid them gloves down and he went down and got that serpent. That snake turned and looked like that snake was biting him all over his hand. We stood there and looked. There are a lot of holiness people today that saw it. He laid that serpent down, the serpent died and you could not see any more sign on that man's hand where the snake bit him than you can mine. ... It's not all together what people says about, where their confidence is. It's what God knows about you. If God regonizes them, you had better better do it."

At this same service there were many more good testimonies. One of these was Sis. Linda Anderton, the blind sister. If was very edifying when the Lord started blessing her as she



Sis. Linda Anderton

told how she was so thankful for the Lord "Saving my soul!" and the Lord moved her to lay hands on the young Bro. Stapler of HILL'S Chapel. And you should of seen the way the Spirit of God uses this brother. It touches your soul with a sweet gladness to see him under the power of God.



ATTALLA:(Gadsden): Communion 2nd Sat.  
nights. Mid-week service on Thurs.  
W. E. Manley  
643 Allen St.  
Attalla, Al 35954

BEIRNE AVENUE: (Huntsville): Communion  
2nd Sun. eve., mid-week servide Wed.  
night  
David Jones  
Route #2 Box 26E  
Huntsville, AL 35811

BIG COVE: Communion 1st Sun. eve., mid-  
week service We. night  
Mitchell Drake  
Route #1  
Owens Cross Roads, AL 35763

BLACK OAK: Communion 3rd Sun. eve.  
mid-week service Wed. night  
Thomas Kerley  
3319 173rd St.  
Hammond, Ind. 46323

BONDS CHAPEL: Communion 1st Sat. eve.,  
mid-week service Wed. eve.  
Marvin Bonds  
Route #4  
Albertville, AL 35950

BRIER FORK: Communion 1st Sat. night.  
mid-week service We. eve.  
Ollie Priest  
Route #1  
Hazel Green, AL 35750

BROOKLYN: Communion 4th Sat. night  
mid-week service Wed. eve.  
Millard Guffey  
Route #9  
Cullman, Al 35055

BROWNS CHAPEL: Communion 1st Sat. night  
mid-week service Wed. eve.  
Lawrence Brown  
Route #1  
Bryant, AL 35958

BRYANT: Communion on 4th Sun. Eve., mid-  
week service on Wed. eve.  
Junior Hill  
Route #1  
Bryant, Al. 35958

CAVE SPRINGS: Communion 2nd Sun. eve.  
mid-week service Thurs. night.  
Paul Stone  
Route # 1  
Owens Cross Roads, AL 35763

CLAYSVILLE: Communion 1st Sat. night  
mid-week service Wed. night  
Odell Pendergrass  
Route #6  
Guntersville, AL 35976

ELKWOOD: Communion 5th Sat. night  
mid-week service Thursday night  
Willard Wooten  
Route #1  
Taft, TN 38488

ELLERS CHAPEL: Communion 4th week, mid-  
week service Wed. night  
L. D. Blevins  
Rt. #6 Box 136  
Fort Payne, AL 35967

FORT PAYNE: Communion 1st Sat. eve., mid-  
week service Thursday night  
Clyde Whitley  
11-2 Clark Ave.  
Fort Payne, AL 35967

FYFFE: Communion 4th Sat. night., mid-  
week service Wed. night  
Charles Willmon  
Route #1  
Fyffe, AL 35971

GRASSY MOUNTAIN: Communion 4th Sat. night  
Mid-week service Wed. eve.  
Eli Smith  
Route #1  
Grant, AL 35747

HIGDON: Communion 2nd Sat. night. mid-week  
service Wed. eve.  
Paul Guffey  
Star Route  
Higdon, AL 35979

HYTOP: Communion 3rd Sun. eve. Mid-week  
service Thursday night  
Henry McLain  
Hytop Star Route  
Scottsboro, AL 35768

IDER: Communion 3rd Sat. eve. mid-week  
service Wed. night  
Alvin Bailey  
Route #1 Scenic Highway  
Lookout Mountain, TN 37350

Keel Mountain: Communion 4th Sat. eve.  
Mid-week Tues. eve.  
Duke Cowan  
Route #1 B  
Brownsboro, AL 35741

LAKEWOOD PARK: Communion 2nd Sun. eve.  
Mid-week service Wed. eve.  
Lowell Hollaway  
P. O. Box 213  
Davenport, FL 33837

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN: Communion 3rd Sun. eve.  
Mid-week service Wed. night  
E. R. Sanders  
423 Antelope Trail  
Chattanooga, TN 37415

MARKHAM: Communion 3rd Sun. eve., mid-week  
service Thurs. eve.  
Herold Smith  
9449 Birch Ave.  
Mokena, Ill. 60448

MARTLIN: Communion 3rd Sat. eve., mid-  
week service Tues. night  
W. G. Reed, Jr.  
Route #3 Box 384  
Crossville, AL 35962



MEMPHIS: Communion 3rd Sat. eve. mid-week service Tues. night.

W. D. Worley  
Star Route Box 93  
Southhaven, Miss. 38671

NASHVILLE, (Smyrna): Communion 4th Sat. eve., mid-week service Wed. eve.

Paul Warren  
2022 Harbor Dr.  
Smyrna, TN 37167

NEW MARKET: Communion 4th Sat. night

Orville Underwood  
Route #2  
New Market, AL 35761

NILA: Communion 1st Sun. eve. mid-week service Wed. eve.

Robert Warren  
Route #1  
Fackler, AL 35746

NOAH'S ARK ROAD: Communion 3rd Sat. eve., mid-week service Wed. night

J. B. Pritchett  
6466 Bimini Dr.  
Forrest Park, GA 30050

OAK GROVE(GUNTERS MTN.): Communion 3rd Sat. eve., mid-week service Wed. eve.

Roy Guffey  
Route #3  
Scottsboro, AL 35768

OLD SARDIS: Communion 2nd Sat. night, mid-week service Wed. eve.

Dewey Barrier  
Route #2  
Fort Payne, AL 35967

PINE GROVE(Lookout Mtn.): Communion 2nd Sat. Eve., mid-week service Fri. night.

Henry Walker  
Route #2  
Fort Payne, AL 35867

PINE GROVE(MORGAN COUNTY): Communion 3rd Sun. eve., mid-week service Wed. eve.

Charles Atchley  
Lacey Springs, AL 35754

PLEASANT GROVE: Communion 4th Sun. eve. mid-week service Thurs. eve.

Arthur McAllister  
Route #2  
Woodville, AL 35776

PLEVNA: Communion 3rd Sun. eve., mid-week service Wed. eve.

Elton Brazier  
Route #1  
New Market, AL 35761

RED BAY: (MISS.) Communion 1st Sat. night.

William Lindley  
Route #1 Box 303  
Belmont, Miss. 38827

ROCK HOUSE: Communion 1st Sat. Eve., Kerry Ferguson

Route #2  
Fort Payne, AL 35967

ROCKY BRANCH: Communion 3rd Sat. night. Mid-week service Wed. eve.

John (Mitt) McAllister  
Route #4  
Albertville, AL 35960

SAND MOUNTAIN (section): Communion 4th Sat. eve. Mid-week service Fri. eve.

Buford Trotman  
Route #1  
Henegar, AL 35978

SCENICLAND: Communion 4th Sat. night. Mid-week service Tues. eve.

Wayne Guffey  
Route #1 Hickory Rd.  
Lookout Mtn., TN 37350

SCOTTSBORO: Communion 2nd Sat. night, Mid-week service Tues. Eve.

Jack Denson  
704 Perry St.  
Scottsboro, AL 35768

SHELBYVILLE: Communion on 2nd Sat. eve.

R. B. Pendergrass  
Route #1 Box 401  
Shelbyville, TN 37160

SKYLINE: Communion 1st Sat. eve., mid-week service Wed. eve.

Frank Guffey  
Route #1  
Scottsboro, AL 35768

SOUTH PITTSBURG: Communion 1st Sat. eve.

Arlen House  
Route #1  
Wildwood, GA 30757

STOCKBRIDGE: Communion 4th Sat. eve.

Ramon Hall  
Rt. #3 Lot 5 Highland Village  
Stockbridge, GA 30281

TIFONIA: Communion 3rd Sat. eve. midweek Thur.

Billy Parker  
3307 Char Mac  
Chattanooga, TN 37419

VALHERMOSO SPRINGS: Communion 2nd Sat. eve.

Melvin Brown  
Rt. #3  
Somerville, AL 35670

WEST BROW: Communion 1st Sat. eve., mid-week service Wed. night.

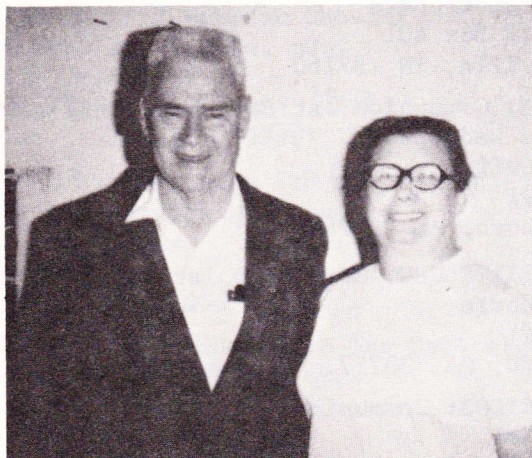
B. I. Wooten  
McFarland, Rd.  
Lookout Mtn., Tn. 37350

WILLIAMS COVE: Communion 3rd Sat. eve., mid-week service Wed. night

Horace Williams  
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KEEL MTN.: What a hallelujah time they had on the mountain on the 4th Sunday in April. It started out good and ended even better. They were shouting and there was good edifying testimonies that lifted up the Lord. Sis. Janey Maples was very happy as she told of a dream she had that greatly encouraged her. "I was real down, ... I sat through a good meeting at BIG COVE with everyone shouting and I didn't feel the "power" any where about me. I thought, O Lord, what is wrong with me? ... I tried to testify and sat back down and it seemed to get worsen then. ... At home I thought, the Lord has just forsaken me. I didn't know of anything that I had done. ... I got to praying, asking the Lord to send me something to help me. ... I fell asleep and had a dream. I saw myself laying in bed. I must have died. Then I saw myself floating through the air. I had a long white robe on. I looked down at the white robe and it was spotless. ... I gonna try to keep it that way. The Lord blessed this sister much. Many others were, "ahold" of the Lord. Sis. Francis, Bro. Harvey Rogers's wife, was thanking God for His moving toward her, for she needed His help. Her mother, Sis. Zeta Lewis (BEIRNES AVE) was remembering when Sis. Francis



Bro. Harvey and Sis. Francis Rogers

first rec'd the Holy Ghost when she was only 13 years old. She told of her having a temper before she came to God. One day after her conversion, she came running in from playing with other children asking, "Momma, does the bible say, Do unto others as you would have them do unto you?" Her mothers reply was, "Something like that. Now that's the Lord teaching you Francis!" Sis. Debbie Pendergrass was telling of the Lord teaching her from the bible. "The bible just turned up to a scripture and my eyes went right to it, THE PEACE OF GOD WHICH PASSES ALL UNDERSTANDING SHALL KEEP YOUR HEARTS AND MIND THROUGH CHRIST JESUS. She and many others were happy in the Lord. Sis. Nannie Glover and her two daughters, Sis. Ruby Ward and Sis. Sue Rainey of Big Cove edified the church. (We wish Sis. Ruby wouldn't sit down so quick) You should have seen the way the Lord blessed them. Bro. Paul Arris another from The

Cove was happy and sober as he testified to the Glory of God. Bro. Paul loves to work and pray with those without the Lord. Bro. Freddy Shanty felt and his wife were in good Spirit as they edified. She was shouting as was others like Sis. Jean Moon, Bro. David Maples, Sis. Charlotte Finlayson and others who names we didn't know. Bro. Frank and Sis. Evelyn McAnally of BRIAR FORK were enjoying themselves in Christ. And Bro. Kenneth Price was a sight to behold He was like a man "Full of new wine." The Lord bless him around this building in a wonderful way that thrilled everyones heart. ... What a meeting.

### 'God Is Able'

"When we first started here at PLEVNA, I decided I would keep my own personal record of everyone that got the Holy Ghost here. Of course this wasn't a "church book", but it was to be my own private record I kept at home. So I got my bible and found three or four blank pages in the front of it and this is what I wrote. I named our church and wrote REBUILT AND DEDICATED AUGUST 2, 1964. RECORD OF PEOPLE WHO RECIEVED THE HOLY GHOST SINCE IT'S DEDICATION. And then below it I wrote 1-2-3 and I thought to myself "Oh Lord I hope someday I'll get to see three names to match those numbers." Well, we got our first one two days later when Bro. Ralph Shockley rec'd the Holy Ghost. After that we had to wait ten months for our next one. But a few days later I picked up my bible and happened to turn past this section and Lo and behold, one of my children had got into my bible and turned to this section and below those three numbers had wrote 4-5-6-7. I found out later it was my daughter. Now I had always taught my children that they were not to bother any of daddy's private things but you know how children are. This upset me when I saw it and thought "My Lord, what have those children done now?" I sat there and looked at those numbers and thought to myself, "Lord, do I dare hope that I'll someday see the names to match all those numbers." I wasn't completely without faith but I was thinking in a small way. Well to make a long story short about a week ago Bro. Ricky Holman of the Singing Holman Family made it across and I went home and wrote his name and it was number 81. And then this scripture came to me, NOW UNTO HIM THAT IS ABLE TO DO EXCEEDING ABUNDANTLY ABOVE ALL THAT WE ASK OR THINK ACCORDING TO THE POWER THAT WORKETH IN US, UNTO HIM BE GLORY IN THE CHURCH BY JESUS CHRIST THROUGHOUT ALL AGES WORLD WITHOUT END. AMEN.

Bro. Elton Brazier



## I will trust in the covert of thy wings.

Our ten year old son Scottie was gored by a cow that the boys owned. It got him in the side and went up along his ribs into his arm pit. It was bad and bloody but we started trusting God and trying to clean it up. After we had taped it as good as we could some of the saints from TIFTONIA came in. When they entered the room they started "shouting" and the hands went on the boy. We were glad. In a little while we asked them to leave the room while we took our make-shift bandage off and Glory to God it was already going back together. Charlotte tried to clean it some more but couldn't hardly for saying, "Glory, glory, glory" very softly as her hand trembled. We were glad that God had agin been our help. The next day the County judge had a lady from welfare come out and check the child (they had tried unsuccessfully to get people to sign petition of some kind.) She had us take the child and have his side sewed up with the undertstanding WE WOULD BRING HIM BACK TOMORROW. When tomorrow came they put him in the hospital and kept him until Tuesday evening. He is doing fine now and proudly shows his two and half inch scar to all who ask. The reason we have wrote this is that many have written an called concerning him and how we were doing. We did not enjoy them taking our child, but as far as we are concerned there is still a God in heaven and he still will heal for those who will wait and lean on Him.

Bryant Finlayson

## Power of prayer

Sis. Jean Bullard of BIG COVE edified at SCENICLAND on the 3rd Monday evening when she told about the time her husband Bro. Randy was still in the Service and with out the Lord. They were station in S. Carolina and Randy had left her in a motel and told her he would return in a little while. He called in a short while and told her that everything was blocked off and they could not leave. Sis. Jean told Randy to call back in a half hour. It was down a long hall and she ran back to the room and prayed and ran back to the phone. Randy called back and said that they still couldn't leave. She told him again to call back in an half hour. She ran back to her room and prayed and ran back to the phone. When she returned to the phone Randy was there with his Sargent and they were ready to go. (The prayers of a righteous person avaieth much!)

## Lest We Forget

Covet: To desire or wish for.

Covetousness: very desirous, eager to obtain.

Let your conversation be without covetousness. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints.

Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.

He that hateth covetousness shall prolong his days.

Incline my heart, ... not to covetousness.

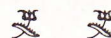
A bishop (Elder) must be, ... not covetous.

For this we know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheirance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.

But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat.

Thou shalt not covet (wish for) thy neighbors house, his wife, his manservant, his maid servant, his ox, his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbor's.

For the love of money is the root of all evil; which while some have coveted after, they have pierced themselves through with many sorrows.



"Bro. Jess Sanders passed away this spring. He rec'd the Holy Ghost in 1933 on the side of the mountain at Dry Creek on Jacobs Mtn (A branch of Cumberland mountain behind the WILLIAMS COVE church) when he was 35 years old.

He walked all over the mountains to meeting. He used to walk from WILLIAMS COVE to CRABTREE'S COVE and to HYTOP and down on Mud Creek. He really loved to go to church and he loved to work for God.

He done a lot of hard work in his life time. They lived on top of Jacobs Mtn and the only way they had getting groceries and feed up the mountain was carry it on his back.

They moved from Jacobs Mtn in 1954 to Crow Mtn and lived there ever since.

He was never real sick until five years ago. He got sick and hadn't been able to do much since. It had been about two years since he had been to church. On Tuesday before he died on Friday night, he had us to call the children of God in to sing and pray and he really enjoyed it. After he just got weaker and weaker and past away on Friday evening. He died real easy, his breath just got shorter and shorter until he was gone. What you might say, went to sleep.

Bro. Bud and

Sis. Lena Sanders



## Asleep in Christ

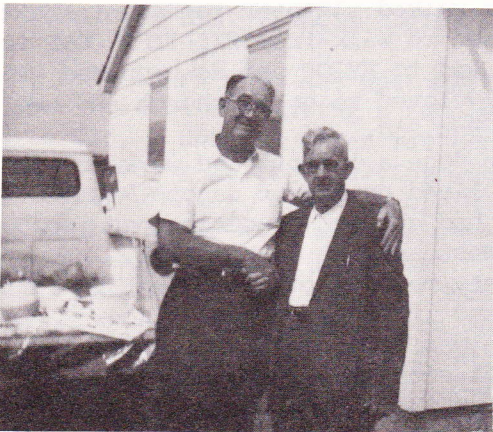
Sis. Hettie West who had been ill for some time, went to sleep in the Lord on April 13, in her 74<sup>th</sup> year. She rec'd the Holy Ghost during a revival that Bro. Will Guffey and Bro. Willis Brown held at PLEASANT GROVE in the early 1920's. She was out in the woods praying with a bunch of other sister when the Lord came in.



Bro. Jack and Sis. Hettie West (they are both resting in the Lord now.)

Bro. Leonard Payne of ROCKY BRANCH laid down the burdens of this life on the 21st of May in his 56<sup>th</sup> year. He rec'd the Holy Ghost about 35 years ago on Gunters Mtn, where he was from originally.

Bro. William B. Guffey left here in peace in his 86<sup>th</sup> year on June 14, 1977. He rec'd the Holy Ghost at OAK GROVE in 1912. All knew him for the way the Lord used him to evangelize north Alabama. He is gone but never forgotten. We'll miss you Bro. Will.



Bro. John Triggs with Bro. Will Guffey

Bro. Charlie Houston who was 74 years old was taken on May 25, 1977. He came to the Lord over 50 years ago at HYTOP. He loved to talk about "Old time holiness."

Sis. Mary Womack of OLD SARDIS was called away in sweet peace on May 8<sup>th</sup> after having served the Lord most of her 90 years. She was the sister of old Bro. John Whitley and rec'd the Holy Ghost around 1912 on Lookout Mtn up from Fort Payne.



Sis. Mary Womack

Bro. Roy Higdon finished his course in his 52<sup>nd</sup> year on June 3, 1977. He came to the Lord in 1943 on his mother's porch at HIGDON. He is Bro. Will Guffey's son-in-law. He loved singing and wrote some good gospel songs.



Bro. Roy and Sis. Ruth Higdon

Bro. William Jess Sanders went off to sleep in Christ on June 3, 1977 in his 79<sup>th</sup> year. He rec'd the Lord under Bro. Cortney Thackerson's preaching in 1921 on Jacobs Mtn.



Bro. Jess and Sis. Maude Sanders



# DEVIL-VISION

The Devil once said to his demons below,

Our work is progressing entirely to slow;  
The Holiness people stand in our way  
Since they don't believe in the show or the play  
They teach that the carnival, circus and dance,  
The tavern and honky-tonk with games of chance,  
Drinking and smoking, these things are all wrong;  
That Christians don't mix with the ungodly throng.  
They're quick to condemn everything that we do;  
To cause unbelievers to be not a few.  
They claim that these things,  
Are all of the devil,

That Christian folk live on a much higher level.  
Now fellows, their theology, while perfectly true,  
Is blocking the work we are trying to do.

We'll have to get busy and figure a plan,  
That will change their standards as fast as we can.

Now, I have a vision of what we can do;  
Hearken, I'll tell this deception to you.

Then find me a wise but degenerate man,  
Whom I can use to help work out this plan.

There's nothing so real as the thing you can see;  
The eyes and the mind and the heart will agree.

So what can be better than an object to view?  
I say it will work and convince not a few.

The home is the place for this sinful device;  
The people deceived will think it quite nice.

The world will possess it most Christians can't tell,  
That's it all of the devil and plotted in hell.

We'll sell them with pictures of the latest of news,  
And while they are looking, we'll advertise booze.

At the soul damning cigarette also they'll look,  
Until they forgot what God says in His book.

At first it will shock them, they'll seem in a haze;  
But soon they'll be hardened and continue to gaze.

We'll give them some gospel that isn't so strong,  
And a few sacred songs to string them along.

They'll take in the ads with the latest of fashions,  
And soon watch the shows that stir evil passions.

Murder and love-making scenes they'll behold;  
Until in their souls they are bitterly cold.

The "Old family altar" which once held such charm,  
Will soon lose its place without much alarm.

Praying in secret will also be lost,  
As they look at the screen without counting the cost.

The compromise preachers who don't take a stand,  
Will embrace this new vision and think it is grand.

They'll help fool the people and cause them to sin,  
By seeking this evil and taking it in.

Influence is great and this you can see,  
Just look at me fall and you'll have to agree.

It won't take too long my demons, to tell,  
That visions of Satan will populate hell.

Divorce will increase, sex crimes will abound;  
Much innocent blood will be spilled on the ground.

The home will be damned in short order I say,  
When this vision of mine comes in to stay.

Get busy, my cohorts and put this thing out;  
We'll see if the church can continue to shout.

The Holiness people who stand in the way,  
Will soon hush their crying again show and play.

We'll cover the earth with this Devil-vision

Though we'll camouflage it,  
With the name Tele-vision.  
The people will think,  
There getting a treat,  
Til the Anti-Christ comes  
And takes over his seat.  
He'll then rule the world,  
While the viewers behold,  
The face of the beast,  
To whom they are sold.  
We'll win by deception,  
This cannot fail;  
Though some holiness preachers,  
Against it will rail.

BROWNS CHAPEL: 5/1/77 Meeting on the first Sunday in May started off with a good feeling in the singing and during first prayer the Lord wonderfully blessed the saints here. There was lots of visitors which included Bro. Henry McLain and Sis. Minnie, Bro. Willard and Sis. Virginia Wooten, Bro. J.B. and Sis. Dorcas Prichett, Bro. Paul and Sis. Veda Mae Warren, and Bro. Walter and Sis. Mary Lee Higdon and a score of other visitors from far and near. Bro. Robert Knight and Pro. Jr. Baker were rejoicing before meeting was even started. Bro. Henry McLain stood up to say just a few words. He felt if everybody raised their hands the Lord would bless. They did and the Lord blessed. Sis. Debra Wright felt real good while they were singing WHEN HE REACHED DOWN HIS HAND FOR ME. (She lost her dad a few days before.) She was led to lay hands on Sis. Barbara Kilgore, she is Bro. H. B.'s wife and the Lord blessed her under his power. Bro. Harold Simmons (BEIRNES AVE) shouted and shouted. He was a sight to see. Sis. Veda Mae told about when she had back trouble. She and Bro. Paul were going to a funeral home in Scottsboro and she told him she was going to have to start staying at home, she was getting so bad. Sis. Minnie McLain was there and she told her what she had told her Husband. Sis. Minnie said, "You can't!" In just a little while she was healed by the Lord. Bro. Kenneth Underwood's wife, Sis. Annette told of the time the Lord put that fire out and then healed her of her burns. The saints really enjoyed hearing her testimony. Bro. Paul Warren was encouraging the people that God, "WILL deliver you!"... There were many more good talks and pretty singing.



# COMMUNION

"...you missed the best footwashing... The Lord is so good to us. I wish you could have been there. But you know I didn't see every thing that went on. How wonderful are the ways of God, so perfect and upright, with joy and peace in the Holy Ghost. Glory and honor on His name, I would like to bestow, because He is worthy to be praised. Well back to the footwashing. There was one sister kissing another sister's foot after she had washed it. That brought the power of God down. And another sister wanted to but didn't because she was afraid of what she would think. Well anyway, some of us didn't even know about this until the next day. Well, you can just think what we feasted on all the next week. Just to think about it brings joy to our hearts. You know God is no respecter of persons but it seems like here lately He has just blessed us so wonderful. Sometime I wonder if I'm worth it? ... Sis. Dollie Sanders

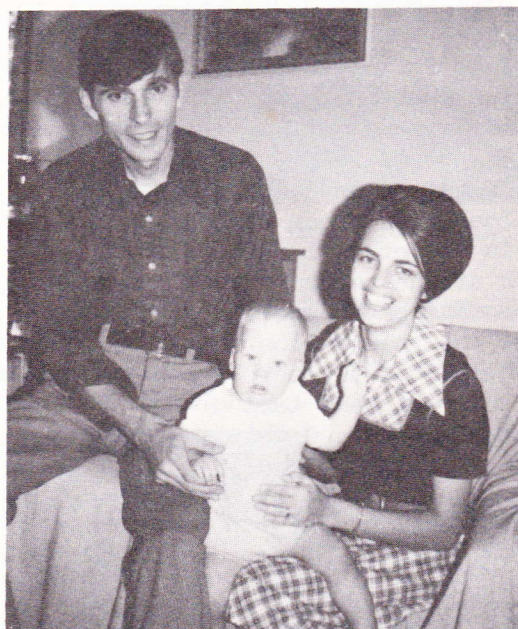
This was just part of a letter that Sis. Dollie wrote to another sister telling about one of their Communion services. We have been in some of the most edifying Lord's Supper here at NILA. We have seen these saints stay on their knees until the Lord would move and bless the Supper. These children of God still believe in "Tarrying one for another."

"It was at BLACK OAK and I hadn't had the Holy Ghost to long. Bro. Henry (McLain) was breaking the bread.(Communion). I was just sitting there, wondering if I should take it. I didn't know how I was suppose to feel. Bro. Henry just stopped everything and he turned around and said,"I want to say something, Every one in this house that's got the Holy Ghost to examine himself." And he just turned back around. That put a thought in my mind. And I said,"Lord, I aint done a thing wrong since I've had the Holy Ghost and I'm gonna take it." When it was time to wash feet, I thought, "I'm gonna just hurry up and get down there and get my shoes off." I set down there and I was about the second to wash feet. I set both feet over there just as calm, didn't feel nothing. Bro. Charles Houston was standing right beside me, and just when I set them feet over in the pan, he laid hands on me and I came up from there, right then! I shouted all over the place. Sis. Myrtle Cardin was running trying to catch me to lay hands on me. I never did go back and finish washing feet. I didn't wash nobody's feet. I didn't know what else went on. I was gone (In the Spirit)!"

This was Bro. Coleman Sanders of NILA telling about the time he was lost in the Spirit at a Lord's Supper service.

TIFTONIA: 3rd Sunday in April; On the 3rd weekend in April, Bro. Willard Wooten was at TIFTONIA. After the Sunday morning service he headed home. But after driving just a short way he turned around and drove back to TIFTONIA. The Lord poured out his blessing on His children at this meeting. From the start to the end of the service there was shouting and praising God with the greatest love. Several people were permitted to speak in other tongues and were strengthened by doing so. Bro. Hodges Moore's grand-daughter-in-law, Sis. Francis Tucker, who rec'd the Holy Ghost lately, had been wanting the Lord to prove her. She hadn't spoken in tongues since her conversion. The night before, Bro. Willard had spoke on the children of God praying until they prayed in the Holy Ghost. She said it seemed like that just stayed with her all night and day. While she was testifying the Lord let her speak in tongues again. She was a happy child of God. Sis. Shirley Brewer was telling her experience of first coming to a holiness meeting on BEIRNE AVE in Huntsville where she thought she was as good as they were. But the Lord let her know she wasn't, not until she rec'd His Spirit. Her husband, Bro. Billy, was feeling good in the Lord. Also his sister, Sis. Marie, and her husband, Bro. Gary Rich were rejoicing in

the Spirit of God.



Bro. Gary and Sis. Marie Rich and little Eric (NOAH'S ARK)

Almost everyone here was shouting and feeling good in the Lord's great love.

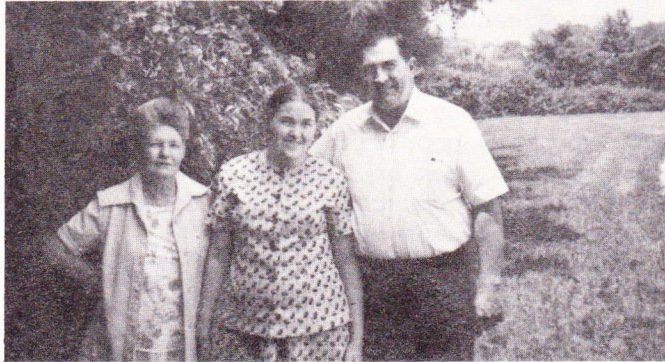


HILLS CHAPEL: "On the 3rd weekend in April the Lord blessed His saints here in the Bend at HILL'S Chapel. Meeting was good Saturday night with good testimonies and the Lord blessed His children wonderfully.

Bro. Dewey McAnnaly was testifying and exhorting us on how we should not forsake the assembling of ourselves together. That each should attend church as much as possible.

Sis. Era Hill was in the hands of God as He blessed her in laying hands on two sisters that needed help from from God.

Bro. Frank McAnnaly felt the prescence of Lord and we enjoyed hearing him testify for his Lord. The Lord blessed his wife. (Sis. Evelyn)



Sis. Evelyn, ReAnn, and Bro. Frank McAnnaly  
(BRIAR FORK)

God wonderfully blessed Bro. Howard Treece and his wife. We were glad Bro. Howard and Sis. Ethel could be with us.

On Sunday morning the Lord really blessed His saints here with Bro. Eli Smtih (GRASSY MTN) teaching us from the 13th chapter of 1st Cor., on Charity. How we ought to let Charity rule in our lives. That we be meek and gentle and able to endure all things and not to be fussing on/or with our wives/or husbands.

Sis. Era Hill said that was the best blessing she had gotten probably twenty years, so you know it must have been a good one.

On Sunday night of this great weekend, the Lord blessed some more of His saints with Communion and footwashing with Bro. Walter Hill exhorting and teaching us the Word of God. We really appreciate Bro. Walter. He is a good man and stands for a good clean Way. The Lord uses him very often to straighten us out when we get out of line a little.

A revival will begin, being the Lord's will, on Sunday night, July 3rd, here at HILL'S CHAPEL in the Bend. We invite all the Saints to come and worship with us and help get lost souls to God.

Bro. Kenneth Cooper

Bro. David Jones of BEIRNES AVE at CLAYS-VILLE during their April revival:

Bro. Jack Acklin over at home, why his folks were raised around Holiness. Bro. Jack didn't much believe in that Holy Ghost religion. About the only thing he ever done about it was make fun of it. And o-o-h-h-h, the power of God got to falling one night, they gave altar call. Bro. Bobby Smith his brother-in-law fell in the altar and began tp pray. He prayed with his eyes open looking up. Bro. Jack was there looking at him when Bro. Oakley (Brown) come around and said, "Jack, you claim to be a Christian, why don't you get down here and pray for Bobby. Don't look like he knows how to pray." Jack looked at him a minute and then fell down on his knees saying, "O Lord, save me, Lord save us all. We're all lost!" It wasn't but a little while and the old boy had the Holy Ghost. Take a man that's lost, he can find the Lord.

...GO YE INTO ALL THE WORLD. Now, he didn't say a little bitty part of the world. Now God aint no respect of persons. What it took for me to recieve the Holy Ghost, it'll take for you. It'll take the same thing. It'll take the same desire. It'll take you seeking God with all your heart. ... I remember when I started seeking the Lord there on BEIRNE AVE, I wasn't kin to nobody. That other bunch I was praying with, Oh they had kin-folks all over that house. I didn't have any kin-folks to pray for me. I had to pray for myself. When you start to God, you'll have to go for yourself. ... Old Satan said that nobodys praying for you. I quit and sorta peeked out of one eye, ... and you know what? Sure enough they wasn't! Why, their wasn't a soul praying for me but myself. I had to go back to God again. I said, "Oh Lord, God I'm coming to you again for myself. Don't care if nobodys praying for me, but Lord I'm a coming!" You know what? I felt that quickening Spirit of God. When I felt that, I knowed the Lord was close. I said, "Glory to God!" You know what? That power of God struck me and I fell backin the floor. There was a little space in there I just don't remember about. I was glorifying the Lord because I felt His presence. And I found that I was speaking in them unknown tongues. O-o-h-h-h I was speaking in tongues. I thinks to myself, "I gonna get up from here and tell them I got the Holy Ghost!" And when I started, I couldn't their were so many fellers over there. ... When I finally got up, you know what I told them. I said, "Whewuppp! I've got the Holy Ghost!!!!!"

*Thanks!*

Bro. Ed and Sis Polly Whitmire who are living in Florida want to send out a "Thank You!" to everyone for "All the things they did for us and most of all their prayers," when they lost their son this Spring.

Every life we touch is a field; everything we do and all the words we speak, are seed. What will the harvest be?



**BLACK OAK:** (4/17/77) "...we had one of the best foot washing meetings that we've had in a long time. We started off the service with wonderful singing, then a good humble prayer. I kinda listened to some one praying. They were saying over and over, "Lord, bless this service." That was what seemed to be my prayer also. The Lord sure did answer the prayers. Bro. Tom got right up, got the bible and went right into the "Lord's Supper." I believe with all my heart, the Lord led the service, as brothers and sisters got good blessings in this foot washing. I saw Sis. Sue Jane Allen with so much love and power of God on her. She was down in the floor, so weak she couldn't get up, she would try to get up and then fall back down for awhile. We had wonderful testimonies. Little Sis. Tammy Heaton really got a good blessing when she testified, the power fell and she was laying flat on her back in the floor, speaking in tongues. She was so beautiful, under the power of God. Sis. Carolyn LaHayne (SOUTH HAVEN) sure was blessed and a lot of the rest of us also, was really edified. I remember hearing Sis. Carolyn say she got thinking about hearing the sisters tell each other as they were hugging necks, that they "Love you". So she wanted to say that. When she did, she was blessed all over the house laying hands on different ones. Sis. Barbara McAllister was one of those. She got up to thank God for the hands going on her. She said she hadn't taken the Supper, but she wasn't hurt at anyone, she had been so sick and down in her mind but the Lord really blessed her. Her husband, Bro. Odie was so edified and his hands went on her as he was put to his knees. It was wonderful sight, husband and wife rejoicing together. Well, I can't get all that happened and many more were blessed of the Lord.

(5/8/77) The Lord blessed Bro. Frankie Duvall and Bro. Frankie Letson. Bro. Letson was in the floor speaking in tongues and it was edifying to all. Sis. Dot Williams and her mother\_ sis.

Vicie Cain were visiting from PLEASANT GROVE in Alabama. Sis, Dot told of "after Bro. Ed died, didn't seem like she could ever be free in the Lord again". Well, she sure was free here one more time. (Her husband Ed was one of the first one to come and work in the north from Alabama and was a help in starting the BLACK OAK church.) Many more were blessed in this service like Sis. Lisa Cornelison with her hands uplifted in praise to God, Bro. Wayne Williams (Bro. Horace's son) who was all over the place in love, Sis. Josephine Brazier was blessed more than I ever saw her. Sis Vernie Mae Chance was shouting and fell to her knees as the saints gathered around her. She told of some kids making fun of her crippled hip but she asked the Lord to "Bless them". Many more were the good testimonies and Bro. Tom preached on "Loving each other," as he read the bible.

Sis. Sheila Williams, (Bro. Wayne and Sis. Patsy Williams daughter) rec'd the Holy Ghost on the 30th of May during the revival. The revival was very good with many southern visitors.

On the 2nd week of June, Sis. Violet Sanders had most of the church "bawling" while she told of how the Lord answered her prayer in regard to her son who was dating a girl who came from a family that didn't believe there was a God. Sis. Violet prayed and prayed and prayed until this family just sold out and went away and left her son Toney alone.

Sis. Pearlina Dudley

Sis. Pearlina has wrote a lot more good things from BLACK OAK but we just lack the space for it all as well as many other churches. We know we don't get near all the good services and other things that God still does for his people but we try to put a spattering of different things from different places.

Our mailing list continues to grow and we still will send this papper freely to any who want it just by your letting us know at the address below. Please pray for us here.

Bryant Finlayson

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