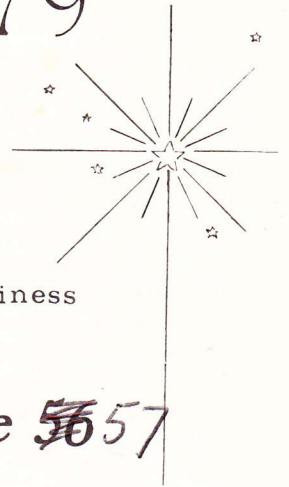


GLAD TIDINGS OF GOOD THINGS

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"On April 27th, 1964, a baby daughter was born to John and Edith Sanders, which would change their whole lives, little beknowing to us. The Lord let me know before she was born, in a dream, that something was wrong with her. I will never forget the morning the doctor came in my room and gave me the heartbreaking news, my baby had a birth defect. She had Spina biffita: she was paralyzed from the waist down. I felt like the whole world caved in on me. He gave us very little hope for her life. I already had her name picked out before I went to the hospital. She was suppose to be called Lisa. I was laying on my bed after the shock had worn off a little. It came to me, as if someone had spoken it, to call her Hope. I went home but she had to stay. I would visit her every day. Sometimes she would be asleep when I was there and how I would long to hold her in my arms. I will never forget the first day I did get to hold her. It was Mother's Day. Before I left her that day, the nurse said to me, 'Don't be alarmed when you come to visit again if you have to look at her through the glass door.' I knew they thought she would not be here long.

I had the children of God everywhere praying for her. I called the doctor and got his permission to let our other children in the hospital to see her. He gave his consent. One day and I was thinking, 'If I could just bring

her home, I would take her to church and the children of God would pray for her.' I called the doctor and asked him could I bring her home. He asked me did I think I could take care of her. I told him I believed I could. After I hung up I had a little scared feeling about it. Then I thought, 'Lord I know you can help me.' We brought her home.

I had to carry her on a pillow laying on her stomach. She was in a lot of pain and would scream when she was picked up. We started carrying her to church and the Lord would wonderfully move toward her. She got to where she wouldn't cry when I picked her up. That has been almost sixteen years ago. Hope got to the age of accountability. My heart would grieve for her. I would pray, 'Lord, don't let her die lost.' About two weeks before NILA's revival, the Lord spoke to me and told me if I would take

her to this revival He would give her the Holy Ghost. I took her and she started to the altar. Hope didn't get out in the world as most of us did, but she had to give up things that she loved just as we did. She was a fan of Elvis Presley. She had records, pictures on her walls at home. One night we came home from church and she



Sis. Hope being helped after her baptising by Br. Ray Paradise and Br. Ed Avons

Br. Ollie Priest: "I used to be a Baptist myself. I was living that as close as I could. I heard two of the preachers get together, and they were talking about something somebody had done. The one that baptised me and preached it to me and caused me to join the church before I heard about the Way of Holiness, said "Why he's a pop-eyed liar, I'll take a club to him!" I thought, "My Lord, what have I joined up with!" I knowed you had to live a better life then that. Then one day I heard a man talking about the Way of Holiness. It went in there and sunk down in my heart. I had went down there and that old man got up there with that long pale face and He really drawed the line. It looked like everything he said fell right in my lap. Then his little old wife (Br. Willis and Sis. Mammie Brown), just a little bitty thing, she'd shout up one aisle and down the other. She'd say, "Who-o-o, I got a ticket on the glory land train!" It just teared me up. I wanted one of them tickets on the glory land train. (He got it later)***

If you're here tonight and you aint got the Holy Ghost. And you are worried about if it is right or not, I want you to listen. Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God. Therefore the world knows us not, because it knew Him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be, but we know when He shall appear, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. Now we know that. We'll have to be like Him. And every man that has this hope in Him purifies himself, even as He is pure. You hear some say, "I don't believe you can live that good." Well, if you don't believe it, the bible says that the unbeliever is the one that's gonna be lost. We MUST believe the Word of God. If you don't think you can live that good, you need to go back to the altar. I'm persuaded to believe that we're gonna have to be a perfect man or women to hear the Lord say, "Well done." Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law, for sin is the transgression of the law. And you know that He was manifested to take away our sin, and in Him is no sin. If you're like Him, ther's no sin in there. There can't be sin in you. if you're like Him. Whosoever abideth in Him, sinneth not. Whosoever sinneth, hath not seen Him

nor neither known Him. Little children, let no man deceive you, he that does righteous is righteous, even as He is righteous. Now that is what the bible teaches. I didn't write that. I'm persuaded to believe we'll have to live the Word of God if we ever hear the Lord say, Well done! He that committeth sin is of the devil. Now. if ther's anybody here that thinks you can't live a life free from sin, ..He that committs sin is of the devil. Now that's pretty plain, but easy understood. And it's the Word of God. This is the scripture that won Br. Carl (McAnnally) over. He carried this scripture to his preacher. He wanted his preacher to read it, but he didn't want to read it. When he kept on at him, he said, "Why Mr Carl. everybody committs sin more or less every day." Mr. Carl said, No, I'm going where they don't committ sin. He left there and came up here and now he has made it to the Lord His preacher disputed what the bible said. He that committeth sin is of the aevil, for the devil sinneth from the begining. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested that He might destroy the works of the devil. Whosoever is born of God does not committ sin, for His seed (The Word of God) remaineth in him and he cannot sin because he is born of God. What is the seed brethern? The sower went out to sow the seed. Some of them fell among stony ground and didn't have much earth and they withered away. But some fell in good soil and sprung up and brought forth, some 30., some 60, and some 100 fold. Listen. The seed is the Word of God. If it falls into the heart of man that wants to live for God it will bring forth fruit onto Holiness and the end will be everlasting life. In this the children of God are manifested and the children of the devil. He's got children to boys. .. and the children of the devil. Whosoever doth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother. NEITHER HE THAT LOVETH NOT HIS BROTHER. Love did not come by old mother nature but it come from God. The love of God was shed abroad in out hearts by the Holy Ghost. He so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son that whosoever believe in him should not perish but have everlasting life. For this is that that you heard from the begining that you should love one another.....



Asleep in Christ

Sis, Fannie Denson and Sis. Allie Morris, sisters, were called away in peace within three days of one another. Sis. Fannie left on October 5, at the age of 83. She rec'd the Holy Ghost in Crabtree's Cove under Br. Courtney Thackerson's preaching in 1916. She was the mother of Br. Jack Denson. Sis. Allie was taken on October 8, in her 85th year. She rec'd the Holy Ghost the same year and under the same preaching as her sister.

Sis. Lula McAllister went to sleep in the Lord in her 74th year on August 17, 1979. She was the wife of the late Br. Mitt and rec'd the Holy Ghost at BONDS CHAPEL 54 years ago, at home. ROCKY BRANCH

Br. John Albert Scott passed away to sweet peace in his 66th year on November 24, 1979. He rec'd the Holy Ghost at Kelly's Chapel on Gunters Mtn 42 years ago. We will miss him much for he was a friend.

Sis. Gusty Barron finished her earthly trial on September 6, 1979 in her 70th year. She was the wife of Br. Orran Barron and rec'd the Holy Ghost at the ROCK HOUSE around 55 years ago. SCOTTSBORO

Sis. Vera "Jo Brown" Rice, wife of the late Br. Ben, was taken to glory on November 1, 1979 in her 71st year. She rec'd the Holy Ghost about 48 years ago. ROCKY BRANCH

Sis, Mildred Birdwell finished her course in peace on November 30, 1979 in her 64th year. She was the wife of Br. Aurvie and rec'd the Holy Ghost 25 years ago in Atalla. GADSDEN

Br. Gil Carroll went to sleep in Christ on December 6, 1979 in his 80th year. He rec'd the Holy Ghost at BEIRNE AVE in 1968.

Br. B.H. Roberts, in peace, left us on September 16, 1979 in his 59th year after a lengthy illness in which they held onto God. He rec'd the Holy Ghost in a pasture near Henegar, in the Spring Hill community. He was loved by all.

Sis. Venie Cain Sanders passed on to that Good Land on December 6, 1979 after a long illness. in her 52nd year. She rec'd the Holy Ghost 33 years ago at PLEASANT GROVE. BLACK OAK.

Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar
When I put out to sea,

But such a tide as moving seems asleep,
Too full for sound and foam,
When that which drew from out the
boundless deep
Turns again home.

Twilight and evening bell,
And after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
When I embark;

For tho' from out our bourne of Time and
place,
The flood may bear me far,
Ope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crost the bar.....

It is good for us to read often these words:

"But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment let us be therewith content. But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness. Fight the good fight of faith; lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses" (I Timothy 6:6-12).

Br. Buford Warren was at OLD SARDIS on the 2nd Sunday in December and the Lord blessed him to exhort the saints here who have ears to hear to a closer walk with the Lord. One thing he stressed was the need to lay up treasures in heaven and not here on earth. He reckoned with them that if they had money saved up for later times for one reason or another for them to get it out and put it to use for the Lord by giving it to the poor and when the evil day comes on us (and it don't look like it's very far away) the Lord will take care of us in that day. (AMEN!!!)

These came to the Lord at BLACK OAK: Br. Chad Clark and Br. Butch Clark, son's of Sis. Jackie Clark. Sis. Theresa Estes, dau. of Br. Grady Estes. Sis. Sharon KcKenzie, dau. of Br. Roland McKenzie. Sis. Tammie Brown, gr-dau of Br. Tom Kerley. Sis. Donna Jackson

The 3rd weekend in October found a good number of saints back at Farmington Kentucky where Sis. Edna Jones lives. They had services again in the community building. From Friday evening til Sunday they kept getting better and it reached out to the lost and caused the tears to flow. Most of the saints were from NASHVILLE and BRIAR FORK with Br. Paul Warren leading services.

Br. Waylon and Sis. Mary Womack daughter Mary Elaine was burned critically. She is thier little sunshine girl that the Lord has helped much since she has been here, about two years. Problems arose for these saints who have always tried to trust the living God, by outside people interferring, but the Lord intervned and the little sunshine girl is doing fine.



Mary Elaine Womack

BLACK OAK: (9/16/79) "We really had a good meeting Sunday night, we was permitted to take the Lord Supper. We gained strength too. I looked and saw the Lord blessing Br. Phil Allen, and his wife, Sis. Janice was blessed in the 'Footwashing."

(11/11/79) "Br. Paul and Sis. veda Mae from NASHVILLE were here and Br. Paul preached good, encourgaed us to live for God, keep holding on and after awhile we could go into that place called heaven.

We were really blessed this night singing that good old song "I'd Like To Talk It Over With Him." It seemed that heaven just opened up and the blessing fell down and seemed there were a dozen folks shouting at a time."

(11/18/79) "Sis. Edith Ingram is with us and was blessed real good. The hands went on Br. Tom Kerley who has bad eyes and he was thankful they were better. His new wife, Sis. Dot was blessed when she testified. We love her. Br. Rich Flemming started to shout and many shouted with him (me too). Folks kept testifying and shouting. Good meeting.

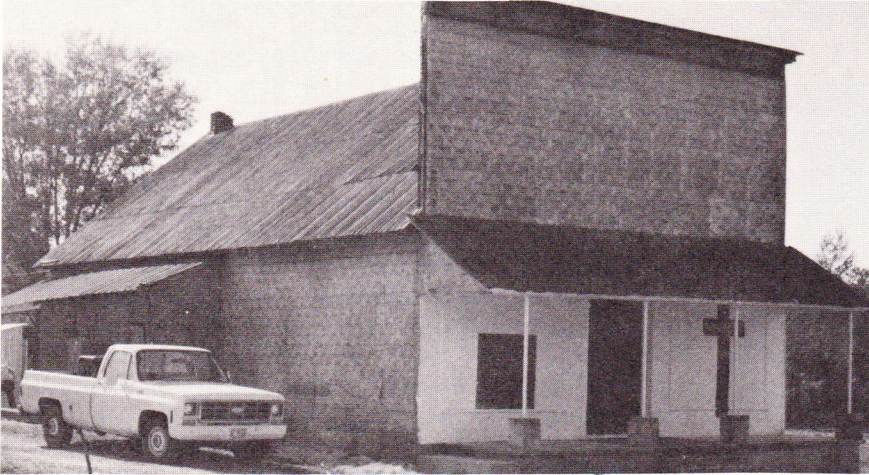
Folks are sitting up with Sis. Venie Sanders who is still bad sick."

(12/4/79) "Br. Wesley McLain came over from South Haven and helped us, reading from the bible. And the Lord blessed so many of His children here in service."

Sis. Pearline Dudley

BR. ELTON BRAZIER: "My daddy was a real poor man, had a big family. Seemed like it kept him a going all the time to keep clothes on the children and food on the table. We always seemed to have plenty to eat and something passable to wear. Mother, she would clean them up the best she could, washing and ironing, to send us out to face the world. Oh thank God! For the memories that I've got, brethern. My daddy, when he died, wasn't in much better shape. Didn't have much to leave his children. Glory to God! But that that he did leave me, of brother, it causes me to rejoice. I rather have that, then \$2000,000. He pointed me towards the goal. He said, "Son, fear God. After awhile, this life if gonna be over. We're gonna have to leave out, and we're all gonna have to stand before God!" I learnt that early, Br. Horace. You know, early in the morning, when the sun got up, and Daddy would go off to work and I get out with my play-mates and get in a whole lot of meanness. Forget about what Daddy said. But when Daddy got back home, I knew Daddy was there and I'd straighten my little trails up. Every once in awhile I couldn't keep it hid. Daddy would find out about it. He'd say "Come here son!" And I tell you, when Daddy spoke in a certain tone of voice, I knew I was a goner. Daddy wasn't a whole lot with words. When the time came to whip, I knew what it was for. There was no need for a long explanation why he was going to whip me. He was reaching for me by the time I got there. When he turned me loose, I sure was proud of it. I had taken about all I could stand, by the time he turned me loose. I just twist, and rub, and turn. Daddy would say, "Don't you do that no more! If you do, I'll give you more of the same medicine" and then turn and walk off. And while his back was turned, I'd look at him through them tears. Oh bless God! I'd think to myself, "Daddy, you are just to hard on me!" I'd see my play-mates going out and doing these things and look up and here come their dad's taking them fishing, Big buddies! Their little children didn't do no wrong. But Dady held me to the line. I didn't understand why it had to be that way. But listen brethern. The bible says, When I was child, I thought as a child, I understood as a child, I spake as child, but when I became a man, I put away childish things. When that little childish mind began to fade away and I could look back downthe trail, oh glory to God, I would like to thank God for every time Daddy reached and got me and laid it on me. It had a whole lot to do with me being here tonight (IDER). Brethern, these big fellers you see going down the road in these big fine cars, don't look with a wishful eye. After awhile, it's gonna come to and end. Jesus spoke one time, Beware of covetousness.."

BEAN CREEK is the name of the church that has been started just east of Huntland Tennessee near the railroad track and across from the creek that bears it's name.



There are only a few children of God in this area but many from many different churches have been supporting it with the hopes that the Lord will give us an open door in this area. Br. Dewayne Teet of NASHVILLE leads service when he is able. He is recuperating from a serious heart trouble.

There are six or seven families that have the Holy Ghost who are coming here and a number of the world also are seen here. There, services have steady grown better and on the 3rd Sunday and Sunday night of November found the Lord blessing very good and the saints with happy hearts as they are steadily drawing together in love.

If your desire is to see the Lord lifted up and his people strong in Him you will find the welcome mat out here at BEAN CREEK.

On the 4th Saturday evening in November they had a service here at BEAN'S CREEK that we hope is a taste of things to come here at this church. Br. Ed Avons of HY-TOP was here and preaching from 1 Corinthian concerning the children of Israel who came through the wilderness. *...all did eat the same spiritual meat; And all did drink the same spiritual drink; for they drank of that Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ. But many of them God was not well pleased: For they were overthrown in the wilderness.* In Love he pressed the young and the old to fear God, for they had not entered heaven yet. And just because we started in the faith didn't mean we had it made yet. He told how *Now these things were OUR examples, to the intent (for this reason) we should not lust after evil things as they also lusted* and were destroyed by the destroyer. He talked to the young mostly but it had its effect on the older as well. Br. Dewayne Teet stood behind the Word very Good. Br. Jr. Stephens of SKYLINE was exhorting to the same Word of God and used words from the 7th chapter of **Matthew** *..Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.* Sis Lila Guffey was there and as always she is



respected for the way she has carried herself among God's people all these years. She was behind the Word of God as much as she ever was and was pressing toward the young being careful and when they are dating to be very discreet, not to touch one another and etc. There were others testifying, some how the Word caused them to fear, others how the Word had been a help to them in times past.

It was a very good service and encouraging to see people loving the Truth.

Wise
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still
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HIM !



"...two weeks ago, Br. Carl McAnnally rec' Holy Ghost at BRIAR FORK. He sure was a happy man (8/12/79), been going to the altar for eight or nine years I think. And he is sixty years old.



Br. Carl McAnnally and Br. Ollie Priest

Well, this last Sun. morning (9/26/79) Br. Bryant's daughter, Micah, rec'd the Holyghost. I seemed like she was the happiest person I've ever seen. She jumped so high, if she'd been in a regular house, I know her head would hit the ceiling. Br. Bryant and Sis. Charlotte weren't there, but when she called them her tongue was just a running on the phone. The meeting was wonderful for the children of God before the altar call and it sure was afterward.

We really been having some wonderful meetings."

Sis. Mildred Sisk

Had a wonderful meeting at NEW MARKET on the 4th Sunday of November. The Kirklands and the Maples families were here and others from other churches and they were having a time. Br. David Jones was doing the preaching.

Br. Mike Shook and Sis. Kathy Kesler were married on November 10th.

Sis. Ileen Walls is still not doing good.

Br. Clifford West is still in bad shape.

Sis. Patty Stephns (SKYLINE) and Br. Jimmie West (PLEASANT GROVE) were married Oct. 12th.

IDER has been having some very good services this fall.

Br. Jack Denson is still having heart trouble and his wife Sis. Josephine has broke her back.

Br. Tom Kerley and Sis. Dot Williams have gotten married.

To worship God is what? To get up and make a long speech? No. That aint what the word worship means. Is it? To get up and and tell a great big story? No. That might be part of it but to worship God means to honor, adore, praise. Praise Him for what He's done for you. I'd rather say that that the Lord's in then anything in the world. And to feel that good feeling as to talk thirty minutes and Him not be in it. ...and the man that gets up and reads the Word of God, he aint nothing but just a servant, and he who gets up and quotes it is just as important as he is, just as long as he quotes it like the Word of God says. The Lord taught me something once. I work in a business and I happen to be in authority. .. The company has me have meetings, ... to go over the rules and regulations of Mr. Greene the owner. And sometimes I have a meeting and I'll be talking and saying, "I like for you to do this, and I like for you to do that,..." and "We ought to do this, and we ought to do that." But the Lord got ahold of my mind and said, "Now if you'll just read the rules, take the rules and say, Mr. Greene says, this is the way to handle a customer and etc. it'll have more bearing and more meaning if you'll leave your self out of it." Just read the rules and say Mr. Greene, ..because he's the man in owner ship. Then the Lord said, "Now when your down there, just read the Word of God, cause you didn't have nothing to do with it. You didn't write it. Just read it to Reuben and everybody else that's present and if they do not like it, they aint getting hurt at Br. Reuben, they're getting hurt at God. ... Brethern, when I get where I don't like the Word of God, I'm getting in bad shape. ... They might say, He read that a couple of weeks ago, or he mighta read that last night, but the Word of God always read the same. Every time I read the rules at the store they read the same. ...Another thing I find out in business is we have people working that have been there different lengths of time. Some twelve of thirteen years and some maybe just hired in. I find that the old one break the rules, sometimes more so than the new ones. The new one who just came in and I just got through talking to them a few days ago, you know what, they got a little bit of fear about them. They'er afraid I might come over and say, "I don't need you !" The old one is more over-confident and just does it, "His Way." And he don't change until I go back and tell that Mr. Greene don't like that, and you're breaking the rules. And they don't get mad at me. I tell them "Listen, I'm not getting on you because I don't like you. I need you. You're an employee. You make me or you break me." And that's the way I feel about this. If I tell you about it, I'm not telling you because I want to get on you, I'm telling you when Mr. Greene comes around here

he'll be happy. And if he's happy with you, he'll think I'm a good manager. And it's because you're living by the rules. So when I have a meeting it's to impress the memory of the old employees and teach the new. When a man reads the Word of God its just to refresh his memory and anybody else who needs it refreshed.

Let's listen to the Word of God and leave everybody out of it. *Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth, fornication uncleanness inordinate affections, evil concupiscence and covetousness which is idolatry. For which things the wrath of God cometh upon the children of disobedience. In which ye also walked sometimes, when ye lived in them.* Before we had the Spirit of God we done them things. We walked in them. But now He told us that, and we can't and be child of God. *But now ye have put off all of these;* When I saw the next word (*Anger*) a thought came into my mind. We'll say Yea but the bible says to Be angry and sin not. When you start talking like that, children of God, you're like Br. Reuben, you're hunting for a little mercy. You are looking for an excuse because you got angry. *Now ye have put off all these;* Let's see what the first one is. *Anger.* Now put it off! *Wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.* Now lets's just not get angry any more if we've been doing it. Let us try to put it off. Brethern, if you get aggravated at your kids, your wife or anything else, that man you work for. Just quit it! Will you? You know that boss of yours, .. he'll say, "I don't understand that feller. I've got 200 men under me but I've never seen that feller get mad." Wouldn't that be a good report. Wouldn't it be a good report if our children could say, "I've never seen Daddy angry. When he talked to me, he sit me down and say, "Now son," Do you talk to them that way, or do you get all riled up and jerk them by the arm and nearly pull there arm out of place? And say, "Now I'm gonna tell you, ...!" And start in with a little bit of wrath. Do you??? Think about it children of God. There's a right way to do it. And there's a wrong way. The Word of God tells us exactly how to do and live.

Lie not one to another. Well, I know children of God don't do that. They can't. I heard my Daddy say, he didn't have the Holy Ghost. He said, "Holiness people will tell it ninty-nine different ways before they tell you a lie about it." He knew they weren't going to tell no lie but he had got familiar with somebody who would tell it a lot of different ways before they would come clean. Children of God, just say what you mean. The Word of God said, *Let your yea be yea, and your nay be Nay.* Look them in the eye and tell it like it is. ... *Lie not one*

to another, seeing we have put off the Old man and his deeds. See! You have put him off, so don't give him the benifit by beating around the bush. Have you ever beat around the bush???

...He said, "One of these days all the churchs, God's churchs, are gonna get up there and we are all gonna merge, every one on that day." If we are gonna merge up there brother and sisters, were gonna merge down here (AMEN!!!) Let's just be happy with one another. Love everybody. If I can't get along with my wife down here, I won't get along with her up there. If I can't go to church with you down here, you think I'm gonna share heaven with you. My belief is, I've got to get along with you down here to go to heaven with you up there. ... The Word of God teaches us to esteem other better than ourselves. It says, *Charity edifies.* Charity treats everybody good. *Thinketh no evil. Seeketh not it's own.* ... when I get to talking about it (the goodness of the Lord) I get to feeling good. But when I talk that other stuff (about people) I can't even feel the Spirit of the Lord. He just backs off and lets Reuben run off at the mouth. But when I come back to the precious Word of God, you know what? I get that good feeling. ... When the Holy Ghost came in my life, I loved everybody. Wouldn't say a harm word about nobody. .. If they aint toeing the line, pray. Don't talk about them. Don't join up with them. Why, you'd help destroy them. Br. Brown used to tell of, if you pet that old spirit, it'll take up with you. Yes sir, it says, Rebuke the devil and he'll flee from you.

When you get in trouble, your answer is right here (hold the bible). I don't mind talking with you, but Br. Reuben aint got it. But where the answer will come is right here. Every bit of it. It'll leave Br. Reuben out of it. Give God the first chance to answer you. You say you trust in Him. You love Him. Give Him first chance. Get on your knees over there, ... In James it says, *If any man lack wisdom,* let him ask Br. Reuben. No-o-o! He said, *Let him ask of God who giveth to all-l-l men,* women too, little children too, *liberally.* That's free brethern. ... *and upbraideth not.* What's that mean? Your little kid walk up and ask you for something, you start scolding him, when he's trying to find out something. It says, if you *ask of God.* which, *upbraideth not,* He'll not scold you. He'll just liberally pour it out unto you. If you do that, one of these brothers or sister will get up to testify, there's no big I's or little you's, but it'll come. It'll come. It's alright to talk to somebody if you just can't be patience enough, but if then you do, pick that one that's an example. Not one that says, "I'm an Elder!" Pick that one that's a lively stone and gets in the liberty of the Lord. Before I'd pick out one that claims something, I'd pick out one that was just born in the Way, because he won't tell you

a thing about your brother or sister that's wrong. He'll be so merciful. You could say, "I'll give you a million dollars to say something about someone!" They'll say, "Why I've got the Holy Ghost, I don't say anything about anyone." Even your kin folks could not persuade you for that love that's in there. "... I've failed some place. Lord let me get back to that first love that the Word of God said, or before you remove that candlestick." *Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, ..* Do you have mercy? Or does somebody make a mistake and you start judging in your mind. You say, "I don't believe in judging a child of God." But when you start having a mind and resent them for something they've done, that's the first form of the spirit of Judging. It'll start in your mind and after awhile it'll get down here and you will say, "There aint nothing to him!" Then you've messed up. Not only did they mess up, but you messed up. Be careful. Let's have mercy. That's what the Word of God said. And I love to tell you what the Word of God said. And let me say this. I've got to the place where If God will let me say three words directed by the Spirit of God, I believe I'd get down and crawl a mile to get to do it. Because I know there'll be such a reward. It would just give me some strength. You know, I love the Lord. He's first. I believe He ought to be. I love my wife and children but I love God. *Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercy,* now here's that word, *kindness.* Put it on! If you had all you need, you wouldn't have to put it on, would you? Put it on. When I come around me, will ya? Say, Hello, Br. Reuben!" You'll make me smile. You know what you'll do? You'll make me smile automatically. That will go down in there and you'll see my face break loose. Let's just be kind one to another. The Word of God said, *Love worketh no ill to his neighbor.* (Br. Reuben proceeded to tell how he used to believe that it said, "I'll will" but after the Lord reprove him he found out it was just, "Love worketh no ill to his neighbor")

...*bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind.* It didn't say heart, it said mind. Does your mind run away with you. Is it humble or is it, "Oh, how great I feel. Be careful... Humble your mind and after awhile God will take ahold of it and put it down in your heart.

...*meekness, longsuffering.* Longsuffering. What is longsuffering? It's just what it says. It suffers long. How long is long??? The Word of God said, *After you've suffered awhile He'll make you perfect.* If you'll suffer awhile, He said, He'd make you perfect. Well, what is awhile? It could be two minutes two hours, two days, six years. It could be twenty

eight years. That man at the pool waited about thirty-eight years. But He WILL TAKE CARE of you. He won't let you down. Br. Reuben might but the Lord WILL BE THERE!

And above all these put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

These words and more were brought to TIFTONIA by the Lord through Br. Reuben Gaught of South Haven in October. The church was edified and encouraged.

On Sunday night, October 21st, at IDER, Br. Hodges Moore and Br. J.B. Prichett done some real good preaching and we had a wonderful time. The Lord sure did bless.

At OLD SARDIS, October 7th the service was real good. Br. Dewey Barrier, he done some wonderful preaching. His text was from the 24th chapter of Mathew (The last days).

FORT PAYNE church. Sis. Deborah Wafford and Br. Nelson and Sis. Vickie Waldrop came to church here. We were glad of them. Our revival was good this time, and had lots of visitors.

FYFFEE church, Br. Lawrence Brown and Br. Willard Wooten ran the revival this summer. It was good all through and the Lord blessed wonderfully. Sis. Maxine Willmon and Sis. Deborah Woffard was left out of Glad Tidings last time. Also, Bro. Nelson Waldrop rec'd the Holyghost July 22. Bro. Nelson's wife, Sis. Vickie rec'd the Holyghost Oct. 19th at about midnight at her home on Lookout Mtn., near Fort Payne."

Br. Clyde Whitley



Sis. Maurine and Br. Clyde Whitley

Had a wonderful meeting at LOOKOUT MTN on 1st Sunday (Their main weekend now) in September with Bro. Elton here talking to the lost.

Br. Vick Warren, Br. Buford's son, and Sis. Debbie Knight, Br. Bill Knight's dau were married in October.

Some new ones

HITOP: Sis. Lisa Parker, dau. of Br. Arnold and Sis. Caroline Parker (July). Br. Granville Maynor rec'd the Holy Ghost on the 3rd Sunday nite of October. He sought God for many years and some of us gave up hope of him but thank the Lord He didn't. He is still full of joy.

HIGDON: Br. David Kilgore finally accepted the Lord on the 2nd Sunday of December.

STOCKBRIDGE: Br. Luther Mills of PLEVNA rec'd the Lord here.

TIFTONIA: Sis. Judy Sims, dau-in-law to Sis. Mary Sims of Huntsville. Sis. Karen Pell and Br. Donnie Pell (man and wife), he is the son of Br. Earl Pell, one of the old timers of TIFTONIA. Sis. Vicky Cheeseman, she has been dating Br. Ken Hayes of GRASSY MTN.

BROWN'S CHAPEL: Br. Royce Cornelison, son of Br. Charles Cornelison Br. Tim Benson, son of Br. Joe Benson.

FYFFEE: Br. Aubrey McGill, wife of Sis. Joyce Gamble McGill. Br. Toney Blackwell.

BRYANT: Sis. NellieMae "Wittie" Rainey, she is up in years. Sis. Jeanette Ellis, dau. of Br. Early Key.

ELKWOOD: Br. Stanley Stinett, Br. Marvin Stinett's gr-son. Br. Jerry Edwards, son-in-law of Br. Kenneth Keel. Br. Jimmy Carpenter, Sis. Mary Ann Keel's nephew. Sis. Castle, Br. Jimmy Carpenter's mother-in-law. Br. Morris Patterson, Sis. Marie's husband. Br. Kenneth Steele, Br. Lloyd Kirkland's son-in-law.

NILA: On the 1st Sunday of September, Br. Vick Warren rec'd the Holy Ghost. That night, Br. Donald Avons rec'd the Holy Ghost. Service was very good and they took the Lord's Supper. Some went to tell Br. Ed Avons about his brother rec'ing the Holy Ghost. Several from HYTOP came with Br. Ed and the Lord's Supper was passed to them and they all had a good communion and foot washing. Br. Henry McLain was there and the Lord strengthened him. He was also back with them on Monday night.

A good revival at NILA in early October with these rec'ing the Holy Ghost. Sis. Brenda Gossett, dau-in-law to Sis. Audry Gossett. Sis. Audrey's dau, Sis. Sue Gossett. Br. Paul McGill, Sis. Renga's husband (Br. Thurmond's son). Sis. Joan Raobinson, dau of Br. Alton Stephens. Br. Dwight Stephens, son of Br. C. T Stephens. Sis. Connie Smith, Br. Ray Paradise's dau. Br. Howard Evans, Sis. Debbie's husband. And Sis. Hope Sanders who rec'd the Lord at the baptising.

Since the revival, Br. Toney Peacock, Sis. Penny's husband. And Sis. Tracey Wynn, dau.

of Sis. Jewell and Br. Jimmy Wynn.

SCOTTSBORO: Their revival produced four new children of God. Br. Jimmy Benson, bro-in-law to Br. Jimmy Black. Sis. Debbie Wells. Br. Tim Byrons, Br. Shirley Bryon's son. Br. Denny Denson, Br. Dennis Denson's son.

BURDEN ON OUR HEARTS

All the children of God in this area of the country are mourning over the tragedy that came to Br. Roger Brown of NILA. He lost his wife Patsy and his only son, Roger Jr. "Buster", in a fire that swept through their home.

Br. Roger is the son of Br. Charlie Brown. His wife was the daughter of Br. David Summerford. Please pray for these families.

Br. Elton Brazier was doing some good talking to the younger saints at SCENICLAND the 4th Sunday of August.

Br. Dewey Barrier was teaching good things at BRIAR FORK 1st Sunday in July and again on the 1st Sunday in September. They loved it.

PLEASE NOTE

For the last three or four years we have been sending some cassette tapes out to people who want them, especially those who can not be among the children of God. These tapes consist of our preachers preaching the Word of God, good testimonies, singing (Some of the big gatherings and some solos) and others of the old saints talking about Holiness and the word of God. Also we have tapes of some that have gone on like Br. Will and Br. Frank Guffey and others. If you want any, or know of anyone that would, just contact us here and we'll be glad to send them to you without charge.

The reason we have not mentioned this before, we did not have enough tapes made up, until now.

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TIFTONIA had Br. Eli Smith preaching on the 3rd Saturday of September on "The Lord's benifits."

*Bless the Lord, O my soul
And forget not all his benifits:*

*Who forgiveth all thine iniquities;
Who healeth all thy diseases;
Who redeemeth thy life from destruction;
Who crowneth thee with lovingkindness
and tender mercies;
Who satisfieth thy mouth with good
things; ...*

... and as he preached, the Lord blessed him and along the way he mentioned about the Lord raising Lazarus from the dead and how Jesus talked with Martha, Lazarus's sister:

*Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord
if thou hadst been here, my brother
had not died. But I know, that even
now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God,
God will give it thee.*

*Jesus saith unto her, THY BROTHER
SHALL RISE AGAIN.*

*Martha saith unto Him, I know that he
shall rise again in the resurrection at
the last day.*

*Jesus said unto her, I AM THE RESURRECT-
ION, AND THE LIFE: HE THAT BELIEVETH ...*

...When Br. Eli got to where Jesus said he was the resurecction, the love and power of God could be felt with him and the Word of God that he was using. It was very good. He went on and told how the Lord raised this man Lazarus from the dead and continued on with the Lord benifits.....

Br. Jr. Stevens: "Talking about the men that came back and said that they couldn't make it (referring to the spies sent out by Moses). They had that whole bunch of people discour- aged. But there were two men that encouraged the people. We could have people, and we have them today you know that get up and talk discourag- ment and have everybody discouraged. We need encouragement. We can still talk encourgement. I was at the house today and I thought, "Lord, we got to much discouragemnet now. I rather talk about that that lifts up."

I was talking about *Love, Joy and Peace*. They used to criticize Br. Henry (McLain) because he taught *Love, Joy and Peace*. We've got to have them before we can *Suffer long*. We tell people that there's *Joy* in this way. I was reading the other day in the bible. It was talking about

*your Joy being full. (These things
have I spoken unto you that my joy
might remain in you, and that your
joy might be full.) Oh for the Joy
Love of God....."*

Br. Charlie Brown telling about Br. Con Thompson:

"Br. Con Thompson had a testimony that I have never forgotton. Long years ago they called him to court in Scottsboro Alabama. When they got him down there, he had to be a witness, and he walked up there, and they told him, "Raise your right hand!" Br. Con just stood there with his hand down. And the lawyer told him, "Raise your right hand!" Br. Con said, "No sir. I don't swear." "What's the trouble you won't swear?" Br. Con said, "I don't believe in it. The bible teaches me not to swear." "Well, if that's the only thing that will knock you out of heaven, you've got it made" said the lawyer. Br. Con replied as he looked at him, "Yes sir! But I want to make sure!"



Br. Con and his wife Sis. Essie

Br. Roland McKenzie edified the church (BLACK OAK). He told when his oldest brother was a small little boy, his mother, Sis. Ruby, was seeking God at the time. His brother got out in the street and was hit by a car, broke a leg, arm and cut a blood artery behind an ear. in bad shape losing blood fast, Sis. Ruby called on God, saying, "If you'll just let that blood stop, I'll come to you God." (She been slow about going to the altar at times.) So by the time they'd gotten the little boy to the hospital, the blood had stopped.

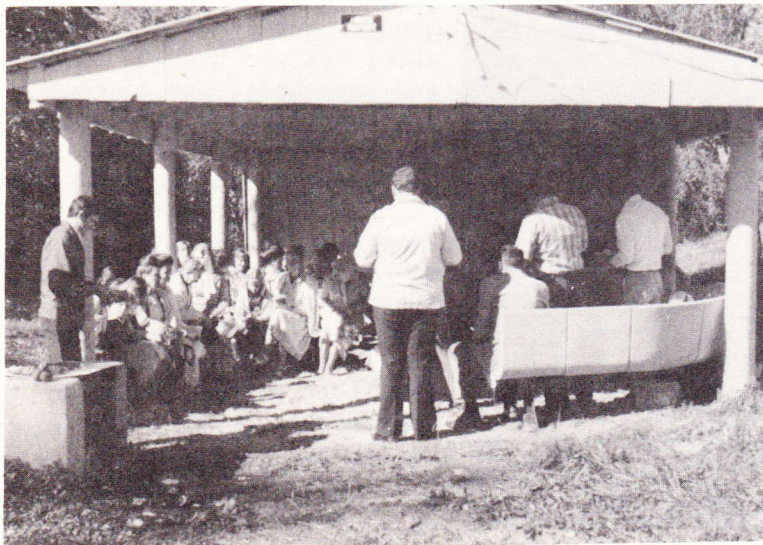
God is so merciful. He hears when an honest heart calls out to Him.

Sis. Pearline

Sis. Margie Lamons and her husband Bill are from WILLIAMS COVE but now live in Johnson City Tennessee with their two sons and their wives, Br. Randy and Sis. Nellie and Br. Rocky and Sis Carolyn. Though they come home all along (they work in construction) they have been wanting to have meetings up in this area, which is in the far northern part of Tennessee, near the Virginia and North Carolina Border. Bill who went to the trouble in this undertaking could not find a suitable building so he bought an army tent and erected it along the road in Roan Mtn, the town in the foothills of the 6,200 foot high Roan Mtn on the North Carolina border about twenty-five miles east of Johnson City. On Labor Day weekend Br. Horace Williams of WILLIAMS COVE and others from this church and LOOKOUT MTN and TIFTONIA and BRIARFORK and even Br. Preston and Sis. Laverne from Gadsden came and had meeting here with these saints. And they had a good time in the Lord. Most left after church on Sunday morning but a few were there for meeting that night. Meeting were good enough that some were encouraged to try again. And try again they did on



This is the tent as it look on Labor Day weekend.



the 2nd weekend of October. The crowd was some different but the Lord was the same. Br. Alvin Bailey of IDER came and led services, and a number of the same from IDER and LOOKOUT MTN was there. The Lord was the same but the weather was not. It was very cold and rainy and though there was some kerosene heaters and Coleman lamps most everybody was cold with wet feet, but, Oh, the spirits of everyone seemed high and the Lord blessed with many testifying about the goodness and the healing of the Lord. Before service was over they had the opportunity to prove to some of the world that came out that they weren't just talking. Over in the service as Br. Alvin Bailey was reading from the book of Acts he became deathly pale and sickly looking and began clutching his chest.

He kept trying to continue but he got worse and finally was down on his knees. Many thought and still think that he had a heart attack but he credited it to something he ate. Never the less he was out of the battle for a bit but the Lord just kept things going good and He also moved and healed Br. Alvin. The following morning the saints abandoned the tent and went next door to a small saw-dust pavilion that let the suns warm rays in. A sparkling trout stream ran just a few feet away, babbling it's way out of these beautiful mountains as the saints lifted up the Lord in word and in song. And as always, they all left for home after dismissal, some straight home and other who were not in so much of a hurry took the longer more meandering way home through these lofty moutains covered with ice and beautiful fall colors. And most had their hearts set on coming back in the Spring. Br. Alvin has said he would like to come back and run a weeks revival when the weather is warmer (amen) and the world would be more ready to show out. We hope the Lord will let him do so. Br. Horace is also ready and willing to go back.

Br. Horace Williams with Br. Rocky Lamons and Br. Floyd Williams at the tent.



We have more good news from the Johnson City area. Br. David and Sis. Betty Lou Avons of MARK-HAM in Illinois have moved here due to his job. They have their eye open for a building to have meeting in. Everyone please pray for this place that the Lord will open up to them The Way of Holiness.

Br. Alvin Bailey: "I was taught to teach our children to behave themselves when we went to the house of God, and I still believe it."

"They came out with their minds on God. They came out with love toward one another. If there was a sinner in the house, they'd either get in the altar or they got out of the way one. In my time we had a water bucket in the back of the house and they'd fall at the water bucket, they was condemned so. Now then, ... most of the time, what's happened to people, they have just about turned on one another." (Amen!)

"We need one another's help! And you can't get up with a rebuking spirit, a hawling out spirit, and help anybody. It takes the love of God to do that."

"Stand fast therefore in the liberty Christ has made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage. You know what you rec'd when you rec'd the Holy Ghost? You were set free. You were set free, not to do as everybody done, but you were set free to live holiness. You were set free to testify. You were set free to have that Love Of God down there in your heart..... That that God done for you, you hold to that! Don't go back and take up that that you had to quit to get the Holy Ghost. Thank God! Stay out of that. You will get over into the devil's territory if you do."

"You go out to the house of God and you don't know why you can't get a blessing? You've let a weight get ahold of you and you can't feel a thing.

You can get people on your mind and fuss and fuss and never open your mouth and knock yourself plumb out of a blessing. It takes a good mind to please God."

To love your neighbor as your-self. Boys. I'm gonna tell you something. There aint no use standing here and telling you I don't. I love this old flesh here. This old flesh is fifty-seven years old and it's carried me a long way. If I see something is going to hurt you, I ought to

examine myself and see if I wanted my way about it."

"You did run well. Who did hinder you that you should not obey the truth..... Is anybody hindering you tonight? If there is, I tell you what you do. If you'll go over yonder and get a mirror, you'll find out who's hindering you. ... Paul said that He Died Daily. Some people try to tell you had to quit sining daily. N-o-o that aint it! He had to get shed of his ways. His ways wasn't God ways. ... I tell you what it'll do. It'll cause people to come to the Lord. It'll cause crippled to Get Up And Walk!"



Br. Alvin and Sis. Flora Bailey
(taken on Roan Mtn.)

"... there were some people there that needed to be gotten out of there. There were some people who needed to be warned. Thought about Jesus one time, talking about him who had 100 sheep and lost one. One of them started to go out there. That is the way the devil starts. He'll start with another doctrine. I'll tell you, don't ever compromise with the devil. If you don't want them spirits to work with you, don't ever feel sorry for them. Stand fast in the liberty where with Christ has made us FREE!"

"...I would there were cut off, which trouble you. Deliver me from trouble in the children of God."

"By love serve one another. God is love. And that's

the only thing that'll get the prayer of faith done."

"If I see you strive to stand for the right thing, I'll stay with you, Thank God!

"The bible told us not to believe every spirit, but try the spirit whether it be of God or not. If you ever try the spirit, try it by The Word of God. If it'll connect up with That it'll be alright to carry along."

"... but when these folks here rec' the Holy Ghost, they will not get it on my experience. They'll rec' it because they obeyed The Word Of God!"

(Talking with a church fellow) " He said I'd like to be at you'all's church. What do I have to do to join? I said, "You go over there and seek God to give ya the Holy Ghost and we'll just take you right in!"

Women:

The Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. So God created man in His own image. And the Lord God caused a great sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept: and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof. ... and, ... made He a woman, and brought her unto the man. And Adam said, This is now bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called woman, because she was taken out of man. Therefore shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

Unto the women (After the fall of man) He said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

A foolish woman is clamorous (Clamor: a loud out cry, a noisy demand, or a complaint.)

A virtuous woman is a crown to her husband: but she that maketh ashamed is rottenness in his bones.

It is better to dwell in a corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman in a wide house.

Favour is deceitful, and beauty vain, but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.

The head of the woman is the man.

Every woman praying or prophesying, having her head uncovered, dishonoreth her head.: for that is even all one as if she were shaven. .. But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering.

That women adorn (:decorate, garnish) themselves in modest (:orderly, of good behavior) apparel (dress, costume), with shamefacedness (bashfulness toward men, reverence toward God) and sobriety (soundness of mind, self-control); not with broided (elaborate braiding), or gold, or pearls, or costly array (clothing); But (which becometh woman professing godliness) with good works.

Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.

But I suffer (permit, allow) not a woman to teach, nor usurp (dominate, take) authority over the man, but to be in silence. For Adam was first formed, than Eve. And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression. Notwithstanding (Nevertheless) she shall be saved (delivered or protected) in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.

Let your women keep silent in the churches: it is not permitted unto them to speak: but they commanded to be under obedience as also sayeth the law. ... If they will learn anything, let them ask their own husbands at home: For it is a shame for a woman to speak in the church.

The younger women marry, bear children, guide the house give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully.

The aged women be in behavior as becometh holiness, not false accuser, teachers of good things teach the younger women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discreet (self-control), chaste (Innocent, clean, pure modest) keepers at home, good obedient to their own husbands.

Ye wives, be in subjection to your own husband; that if any obey not the Word, they also may without the Word be won by the conversation (Behavior) of the wives; While they behold your chaste conversation coupled (joined) with fear. whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of the plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or putting on of apparel; But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quite spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price. For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their husbands: Even Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him Lord: whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement.

Wives must be grave, sober.

... women did change the natural use into that which is against nature.

... those women which laboured with me in the gospel

The women which hath a husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband. So then if while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress.

Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil. She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life. ... She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea she reacheth forth her hands to the needy... Strength and honor are her clothing; she shall rejoice in time to come. She openeth her mouth with wisdom, and in her tongue is the law of kindness.

She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. ... Her children arise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her. ... Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.

Let not the woman depart from her husband.

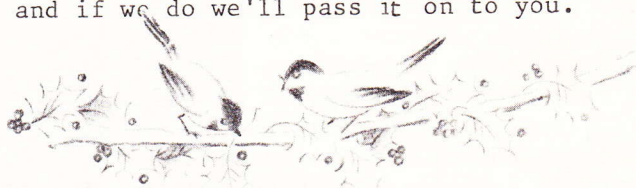
said to me, 'Get me a box. I'm packing some things'. I ask her what was she going to do, she answered and said, "Get rid all this". I asked her was she sure and she said, 'I told Him I would'. I knew right then Hope had repented. I knew how much she loved that collection and I knew it had to be the Lord for her to give it up. On Saturday night before the baptising on Sunday, Bro. Charley Brown came up to Hope and said that he had been trying to figure out a way how he was going to baptize her tomorrow. He said that he just about had it figured out. Hope said, "I had been wondering about that myself." Bro. Willis Brown was standing close by and replied, "Why just put her in a straight chair and put her straight down in the water!" She couldn't be laid over because of her birth defect. The next day after church was over I wanted to go home with Sis. Dolly Sanders. We was having the baptising in their pond. I thought it would be handy to get Hope ready there. She came outside and I told her I wanted to go home with her. She was more than pleased for us to go. She went on to ask how we was planning on baptising Hope. I said we would probably use her wheel chair but I was afraid the water would ruin it. She said what about a straight chair. I told her she would need something to hold on to. Sis. Dolly said "I have the very thing. A lawn chair". We went on over to her house. When I saw the

you under, you pray." Sis. Lillie turned to me and said "Wouldn't it be wonderful if she would come up speaking in tongues." By this time I was really feeling the Lord. Bro. Charley and Bro. Ed carried her out. They started her under, her face didn't get all the way under like it was suppose to, so Bro. Ed just took his hand and pushed her **head** back and when her face surfaced the water she was speaking in tongues. Praise God. It was the most wonderful miracle I had ever seen. I wish every soul could have seen it. I can never praise God enough. She was baptised with the Holyghost just like Jesus was. Thank God. She told Sis. Lillie, when they brought her to the bank, "I did what you told me to!" Jesus said, REPENT, BE BAPTISED AND YOU SHALL RECEIVE THE HOLYGHOST."

A happy mother,
(Sis.) Edith Sanders

Br. James "Tochie" McLain took movies of this baptising. After they were developed they show something marvelous that our eyes had not seen. There was a beam of light on Sis. Hope as she was brought speaking in tongues. Tho we tried, there is no earthly explanation for this light except it came from the excellent glory.

We hope later to get a picture of this and if we do we'll pass it on to you.



They were singing Give Me That Old Time Religion at BRYANT during a good service when Br. Hodges Moore got up and told how he noticed the song they were singing and proceeded to read from the 2nd Chapter of Acts, ...*And they continued in the apostles doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of Bread, and in prayers. And fear came upon every soul: and many signs and wonders were done by the apostles. And all that beleived were together and had all things common; And sold their possessions and goods and parted them to all men as every man had need. And they continuing daily in one accord in the temple and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart. Praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church such as should be saved.* He then asked "Do you still want to have that old time religion?"

It is food for thought.



chair, it was perfect. It had wide arms where she could hold on to and so could Bro. Charley and Bro. Ed. It seems I felt different about this baptising than any other. I couldn't hardly wait to get down to the water. Just before they carried Hope out into the water, Sis. Lillie Wright told Hope, "When they start to put

My Mother and Daddy separated when I was just a baby. My Mom and I lived with my grandparents until I was about eight years old. Then my Mom remarried and we moved to South Carolina. I didn't have any contact with my Dad. I heard he was religious, but I really didn't know that much about it. They asked for me to come and visit with them in August of '78. When I came I saw the way my Dad and Carol lived. It was a light to my eyes. I knew it was something different about them. It was the good peace and love they showed me. I had heard they were religious, but I didn't know I was about to be introduced to Holiness. I left here that summer and came back and visited Christmas. Each time a desire would set for me to do good, but I would go back into sin. I came back in February and went to church for the first time and Sis. Vanda Sullivan laid hands on me. It felt like my skin crawled. I was kinda nervous about my first time at church because I had heard alot about how Holiness people carry on. But to my surprise I found out all the other Holiness people showed that same love and peace Daddy & Carol showed. They were so common (nothing fancy) that in a little while I felt right at home. I like that country feeling. I left and went back home and right back into sin again. But this time the enjoyment wasn't there as much. It seemed like it was getting boring now. We worked things out for me so that I could come and spend the summer working for my Dad. Also, I brought a friend with me, Alan Tackett. I started making my plans to straighten up when I got down here. But I really didn't know if I was just going to do it for good or only for the summer. I got here on Saturday, June 9th and we went to church Sunday morning. I really hadn't intended to start to the Lord so soon. I thought maybe on into the summer. But the good Lord knows best and it came to me to go that morning so I hit the altar. I really didn't know how serious it was my first time, but the Lord really started to deal with me. On Sunday night I really saw I was a lost boy and nothing seemed important to me anymore. I was willing to give up anything. I had looked forward to working with Daddy and learning to operate the Backhoe but that didn't seem so important now. I wanted to give the Lord my best. I did all I knew to do and I would ask Carol, "What else can I do". She would tell me to be careful and not fall back and that would scare me because I wanted to hurry and make it. She told me that the Lord wouldn't leave me like this long. I spoke in tongues the second week I went to the altar but I just couldn't believe it. The third week I went to the altar, we were about to pray at home and a few of the children of God happened to come over. Before they left we were having prayer and I just couldn't get my mind anywhere. Alan Tackett, my friend from South Carolina, decided he would pray too. The Lord really started dealing with him so I quit praying and watched him. This was the first time he had ever prayed really hard. He prayed about an hour and rec'd the Holy Ghost. I saw how simple it was. He was the first person I ever saw receive the Holy Ghost. I believed if he could make it I could too - after all the hard praying I had done and he made it look so easy, the way he believe the Lord. The children of God asked if I wanted to pray again. I felt like I needed to but I had a discouraging spirit working with me. I got down to pray after I decided I would try again. And what do you know, after I prayed for about fifteen minutes, the good Lord gave me the Holy Ghost. That was the greatest thing that ever happened to me. I got up from there and I took off a running, I was so happy. There was joy everywhere. There was so much love.... Stanley Sisk got down and prayed until he rec'd the Holy Ghost. God really visited our home that night. We prayed and rejoiced all night. Now that I'm a Child of God my outlook on life is different. I want to

thank God for looking down on me and saving my soul. I love Him with all my heart and he's the best friend I've got.

Bro. Frankie Hereford



- 1: Br. Alan Tackett
- 2: Br. Frankie Hereford
- 3: Br. Stanley Sisk
- 4: Sis. Loretta Sisk
- 5: Br. Tim Heard



Born of a Virgin



We know that our Lord didn't teach us to remember his birth, but rather His death and His suffering. But as it is a time set apart when people do at least talk about Jesus and His lowly birth and it is a time that many families are back together and gifts are given to one another, and as the whole world is so unstable and this just might be the last Christmas, we take this opportunity to hope you all have a good and peaceful Christmas, and don't forget the poor.

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