

GLAD TIDINGS OF GOOD THINGS

Spring Edition



Br. Tom Kerley and wife Sis. Dot are now living at PLEASANT GROVE. They were married last fall while he was still living in Indiana. Br. Tom's eyes were failing him then, but now there are gone and he is blind. But this doesn't seem to dampen his spirit for he's still seen many places and

Br. Tom, we are all looking for the good Lord that you have served so faithfully all these years to have mercy on us and heal you.

Br. Tom, we love you and the doctrine of peace that you carry!

is still preaching The Word of God as he has been doing for so many years. His message of love and peace has not changed and he still has that same freindly smile for everyone and goodwill towards all men. He is led around some and others read for him but the saints still rejoice to see him coming.

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BR. HODGES MOORE: "I love to talk about some good, I love to talk about what would be good if we had it. I maintain by the works I see that this holiness movement that we called the highway of Holiness IS TO NATURAL. ... I don't believe theirs a man that outstripped us that if they's lived a little longer, that there was a little bit more that they'd love to saw done. I've heard them talk. ... Let me read a few verses in 2 Cor. St Paul writing to the church at Corinth. *For what man noeth the things of man save the spirit of man which is in him. Even so the things of God knoweth no man but the Spirit of God.* Until we can get in the Spirit of God, because that's the only way to worship Him, we can't worship Him nohow. ... There aint a child of God in the house but that has some requirement that I have not got.. He gave to every man according to his several ability. When He baptised me with the Holy Ghost and fire, the Word of God said that's what He would do, and He done it. Some times it looks like the fire is just flickering. If it ever goes out me and you is in a bad place. John said, *I indeed baptise you with water unto repentance but there cometh one after me who is mightier than I, He who shoes laetheth I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose, He shall baptise you with the Holy Ghost and with FIRE. It's all the same thing. It all happened the same time. ...* They asked Him(Jesus), *Wilt thou at this time restore the kingdom of Israel?* They wanted to know something that wasn't none of their business. He said, *It's not for you to know the time or season,...* *But ye shall receive POWER after that the Holy Ghost is come. SHALL!* How much did you get? They got it after the Holy Ghost, not before. How much power have we got??? Bless the Lord! I'm not trying to preach nobody out. I'm trying to shake me and you up. I aint ashamed of the Gospel of Christ because *it's the power of God, Glory, unto salvation to every one that believe.* Alright. *Now we have receive not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is of God that we might know the things that are freely given to us God.* How many things do we get? I did not say you didn't, just asked you a question. *Which things also we speak, not in the words of man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth.* What? He told them *It would Teach them all things and bring all things to their remembrance, hatsoever He had said unto them. Comparing spiritual things with spiritual. But the natural man receieveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually decerned.* If it's spiritually discerned, ther'll have to be some discerning there of Spirits to do it. One of the nine spiritual gifts. We come out here tonight, it's customary. 7:30 Wednesday night. "Not much need for me to go,

won't be many there. Sorta tired. Got to get up in the morning pretty soon. I just go over there anyhow." Set down, waiting it to get over. Do you think that man is spiritual? He's not no such of a thing! If something don't get ahold of him every once in awhile, he'll get just as natural as a peice of corn bread. You can just fool around, listen to the devil, somebody else talk, think about what you're going to do next week, something you need better then you got, you need the Lord worse then anything you have ever wanted. *The natural man receiceth not the things of the Spirit of God.* But you've fool around and aint prayed in the Holy Ghost, Jude said, *But ye beloved, keep yourselves in the love of God, Bless the Lord. Who? Didn't say the Lord would keep you. Keep yourselves in the love of God... How? Told you how. ...praying in the Holy Ghost...* KEEP YOUR SELVES IN THE LOVE OF GOD, PRAYING IN THE HOLY GHOST... *because they are spiritual discerned.* Discern means understand. You can't discern something in the Spirit, thinking, "My job is going to shut down, I don't know what in the world I'm gonna do." If you got your mind on all that, you won't be discerning much spiritual. *But he that is spiritual judgeth all things.* Did you ever see anything you can't judge? *Yet he himself is judged of no man. For who hath the mind of the Lord, that we may instrcut Him? But we have the mind of Christ.* Nearly 1900 years ago when it was wrote. Me and you wasn't there. He said they had it. Have we got it???

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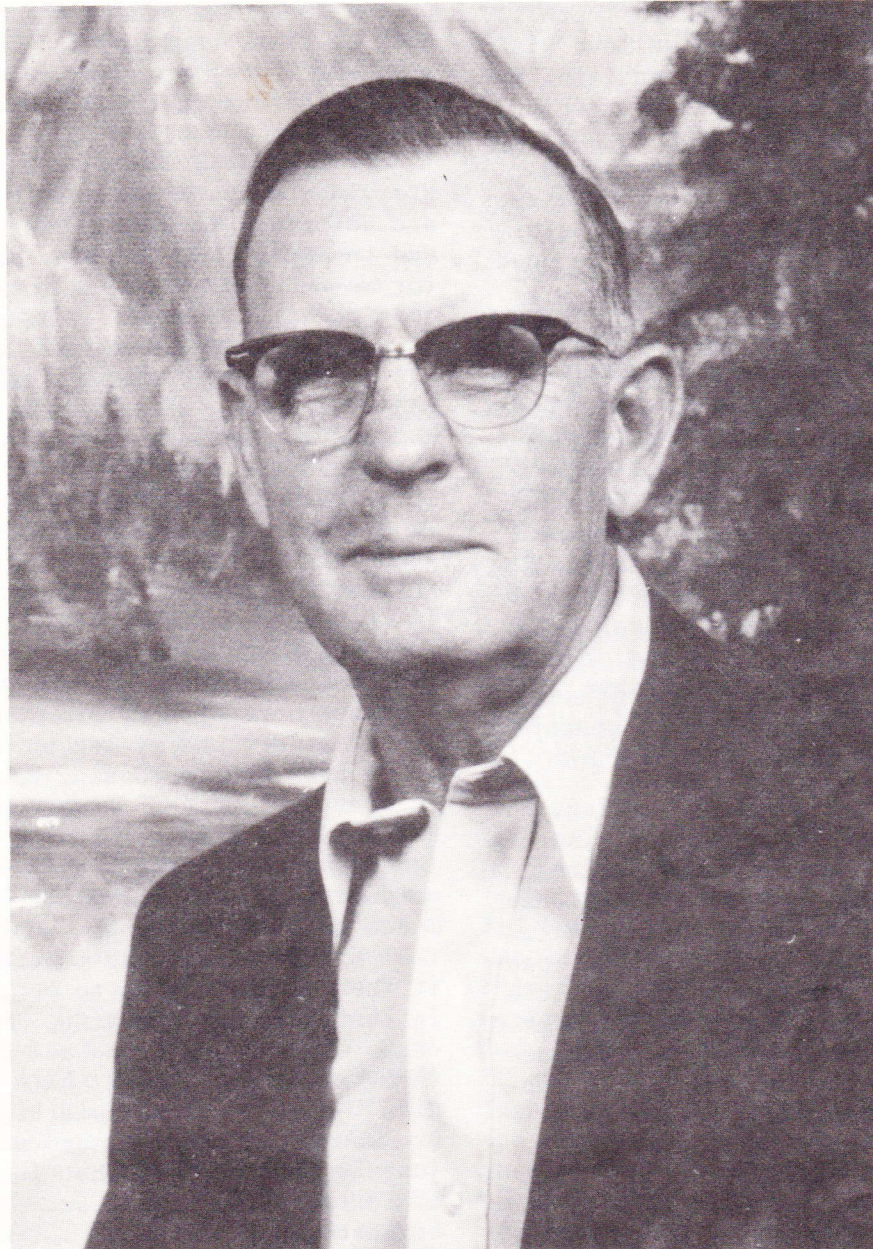
IDER was the scene of a very good service on the 3rd Sunday of May. Br. Hodges Moore was using the Word as he warned against murmuring. Br. Clarence was exhorting to the Word of God and remembering how the Lord had been His helper in the early days of his salvation. Br. Jr. Stephens was using the Word of God in charity as he talked on love good works, moderation, the signs, and much more and it upbuided the saints here. Br. Alvin Bailey who leads services here was exhorting the saints from the Word. Sis. Lillian Stephens, Sis. Martha Black and her dau, Sis. Reba, and her son Br. David were feeling the Lord. Br. Rayford Key was a moving under the Spirit. The singing was very good and that edifying love that should always be among us was having the right of way as others testified for the Lord.

Br. James Brazier: "I was thinking about all these gone on, about Dad and Br. Henry and all, and I thought about this; I've stood in a lot of lines in my life, especially in the Army. I was thinking particular how many lines I've stood in for mess hall. ... I've stood in line many a time knowing everyone else ahead of me was in there eating. I thought this morning were just in line, but there is somebody over there eating!" (Yea! At God's table)

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BRO. WALTER HILL

Br. Walter Hill is still missed by many. He was born in Paint Rock valley in 1914 to the parents, Br. Sam and Sis. Ida Stapler Hill. Was raised in the Way of Holiness. He rec'd the Holy Ghost at Mattie Manley's home in 1934. When he was 20 years old, in 1935, he married Br. Emmitt Drake's daughter, Erie who was 18 year old. She had rec'd the Lord the year before also. She had rec'd it in Feb. and he rec'd it in July. They started raising



a family and had five children. In the

This Memory

Your gentle face and patient smile,
With sadness we recall.
You had a friendly word for us,
And died beloved by all.
Your voice is gone that stilled the
Heart,
That loved us well and true.
So bitter was the trial to part
From one as good as you.
No you are not forgotten, dear
Nor will you ever be.

1940's he started taking lead of service in "The Bend. In a little while the Lord was dealing with him in the ministry. From the 1940's until his passing, he pastored at The Bend of Paint Rock, sometimes called "hill's Chapel." At one time he baptised 28 new children of God.

The scripture that he used and love the most seem to be about Cornelius, a devout man, yet one who needed the

The Holy Ghost. Br. Walter was taken in the summer of 1978 but he is not forgotten

The place still lingers in my heart,
For one I long to see.
As long as life and memory last
We will remember thee.
We miss you now, our hearts are sore.
As time goes by we miss you more.
Your loving smile, your gentle face,
No one on earth can fill.
But memories in our hearts today,
We want to linger still

Mrs. Walter Hill
& children

BR. LIGE HOLLAND: "...the main thing is to worship God in the Spirit. If we don't get in the Spirit of God, and let God have the right of way, we just don't worship God. We meet together, but the true worshiper, worships God in the Spirit and in Truth.... We love God, and we love, and we love His people, and we believe in a clean life. We are not out here offering just everything. We're here to tell you that God is holy and His son was our example, who did no sin, neither was guile (cunning, deceit or mislead) found in his mouth. An example or a pattern is something you go by. We need to serve God in true holiness.

Therefore, I give you to understand, no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed, and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord but by the Holy Ghost. Now what that means to me and you is that it is the controlling power and authority, and without the Holy Ghost controlling you, you can't say that Jesus is the Lord....

Now there are diversity of gifts but the same Spirit. Now there are differences of administrations (ministering, deaconate) but the same Lord. And there are diversities of operations (effects, workings), but it is the same God which worketh all in all. ... But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. Manifestation is you see how it's working. Now you don't tote these things around like a hump on your back. Any man who desires a spiritual gift of God can get it. Because it is given to every man to profit withal. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom. Don't you know that the bible says, If any man lack wisdom, let him ask of God. And if you lack wisdom, ... and desire it, He'll give it to you. To another, the word of knowledge by the same Spirit. It operates it all, don't it? To another faith. You say, "Why Br. Lige, I thought I had to have faith to come to God?" You did. But this is a gift of faith. By the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit. And we really need that bad, ... and if we'll desire these things, God will give it to us. To another the working of miracles. You don't see much of that do you? But that's just as much as wisdom and knowledge and healing, it's a gift of God. To another prophecy. To another discerning of spirits. I'm going to tell you one thing, that's one were lacking of. There's some of us got where we just glory in anything because we don't know the right thing from the wrong thing. It's got where we can't discern sweet from bitter. The bible said to know the spirit of truth and spirit of error. If you can discern be-

tween them Bud, you can always go the right way. ... discerning of spirits. I've never seen... the're just hatching out all over the place. There getting bold as this world. To another divers kind of tongues. You don't hear much of that. To another interpation of tongues. And none of that. And it aint because God aint got it. It's just because we aint interested enough to desire that God would work with us in that. But the old people did that. They done it. I know because I lived back there. ... We're starving to death for spiritual food. What we are doing now is were living on dollars and cents and the Spirit of God aint doing but mighty little for me and you. I'm not looking down at you, I'm just one of the boys. But all of these worketh one and the selfsame Spirit dividing to every man severally (seperately; a part) as He will. For as the body is one, and hath many members and all the members of that one body, being many are one body: SO ALSO IS CHIRST. For by one Spirit are we all baptised into one body, wheter we be Jews or Gentile, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit. For the body is not one member but MANY. If the foot shall say, because I am not the hand, I am not of the body; We need everybody. Brethern, we need that one. Brethern, how would I look out here with my arm shaped up down here where my leg, and my leg up here on my arm. That would be a pretty looking body, wouldn't it. But it aint so. ... And if the ear shall say, I am not the eye, I am not of the body Is it not therefore not of the body? Yes it is! And it needs it. ... If the whole body were the eye, where were the hearing. Wouldn't the body look real pretty if it wern't nothing but a eye? But it there and it needs to be used. Yes sir-e-e! If the whole were hearing, where were the smelling? But now hath God set the members every one them in the body, as it hath pleased Him. It didn't say, To please old Lige. If God makes Br. Doug here the leg, and made me an arm, I'm just as important as that leg is. I sure am, for it is there for a purpose. That is one of our biggest trouble today. ... We don't praise God and ask him to help us in these things. You will not even desire it. Well, don't you know that is crippling the body. And if they were all one member, where were the body? But now are they many members, yet but one body. The eye the ear the arm, the leg, everything that consitutes the body is there. Everything is there! God don't make no mistakes. And when ever it's all working it contitutes the Body of Christ. But when it aint a working, there's a limp somewhere in the body. And the eye cnot say to the hand, I have no need of thee; I don't need him no how. Let him go. Did you ever hear that expression? Yaa let him go! Brethern, that's not what the bible teaches. Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble. are necessary.

I'd like to say this to you sisters. You're just as necessary as anybody, in you're place. You boys too. And if you feel that, you can work. When I first rec'd the Holy Ghost, Br. Willis Brown was one of the most masterful man I ever seen with the bible. And when I rec'd the Holy Ghost I didn't feel like I had the knowledge he had, but I felt just as important in God as he did. Because I was a child of God. And there aint no difference in this feeling. If you get in the love of God you feel just as good as anybody does. *And those members of the body, which we think to be less honorable, upon these we bestow more abundant honor; and our uncomely parts have more abundant honor. For our comely (Well form or honorable) have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, having given more abundant honor to that part that lacked.* That was the reason I felt like I did. I was unlearned and ignorant and God just put that part that lacked to equal me with the rest of the children of God. And He just poured it on me. Bud, there wasn't any one there that felt like he had any more Holy Ghost then I did. I felt equal with them. And that's what God wants us to feel like. There aint no BIG I's and little bitty you's in this. He want you to feel like you got the Holy Ghost and you're just as important to God as anybody. Because that part that lacked to be up there, He just bestowed more honor. *That there be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same. And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it. or one member be honored, all the members rejoice with it.* Now He puts the seal on it. *Now ye are the body of Christ and members in particular.* Now when all these things happen and are working, they constitute the whole body of Christ. And Now, ...after that is completed, *Now ye are the body of Christ and members in particular,* the leg, the arm, the eye, the ear, everything, *members in particular.* ... And God hath set some in the church, *first apostles* (a messenger, one sent, ambassador) *secondarily Prohets* (an inspired speaker, forteller), *thirdly teachers* (an instructor), *after that miracles* (mighty works, deeds), that was the fourth part, *then gifts of healing,* the fifth part, and, *helps,* (releif, succor, aid) the sixth part, and *governments* (piloting, directing, to steer) the seventh part He got in there. God was fixing that thing, ... diversities of tongues (languages) the eight part that God was setting in there. They had a purpose. They were there for mine and your profit. *Are all apostles? No! Are all prophets? No! Are all teachers? No!* If they were, it just be one part of the body, wouldn't it? *Have all the gift of healing? Nope! Do all speak with tongues?* Now He's talking about the gifts of

tongues, not the witness of the Holy Ghost. No! *Do all interpit? Nope!* But there's a gift that can do it! *But covet earnestly the best gifts...and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way.* Br. Brown always stressed, "God wants to use YOU.....!" Aint if we can't be used by God, we aint no benifit to Him.

(KEEL MTN)

PRAYER OF THE GOLDEN YEARS

"BLESSED ARE THEY" ...

**Blessed are they who understand.
My faltering step and palsied hand.
Blessed are they who know that my ears today
Must strain to catch the things they say.
Blessed are they who seem to know
That my eyes are dim and my wits are slow.
Blessed are they with a cheery smile
Who stop to chat for a little while.
Blessed are they who never say,
"You've told that story twice today."
Blessed are they who know the ways
To bring back memories of yesterdays.
Blessed are they who make it known
That I'm loved, respected, and not alone.
Blessed are they who ease the days
On my journey Home, in loving ways.**



Service was good at LOOKOUT MTN on the 3rd Sunday evening of May. Br. John Roach was telling of the time he took, "A drink a living water." Br. Mutt Spurgeon was exhorting the saints to walk in the peace of God. His wife, Sis. Lona, was up shouting in the Spirit. Br. Winfred Mills was feeling the Lord as he pressed all to be lead by the Lord. Br. Hodges Moore preaching and then stirring up love as he went around shaking hands. Br. Randy Pritchett was rejoicing over the way the Lord brought him to Holiness. Sis. Wanda Moon was going and telling about the goodness of the Lord, how he healed her once when she was at death's door. On and on, the saints were testifying, and those who didn't we basking in the good love and peace that was here.

A Song:

Love ones please listen.
I think you should know,
If we meet not again,
In this world below,
If death finds me missing,
Weep not, understand.
There's a book near the bedside,
That tells where I am....

WEST BROW: "Monday night, June 16th, Bro. Billy Parker from TIFTONIA was led by the Lord to visit us. He read and talked from the 2nd Chapter of Revelations on being discouraged and how the Lord knew our works and attitudes toward one another. He said how we could have the wrong attitude and get an ill will toward one another. He was admonishing the children of God to get back to that first Love we recieved at the beginning. His message was delivered from God in the spirit of meekness and humbleness. ~~The~~ **Word of God** found some of us in being in the wrong attitude about our brothers and sisters in the Lord.

We truly hope that God will send us more of the Word of God that we need."

Bro. DEWEY BARRIER: (3rd Sunday A.M. in June)
He was reading from Colossians 3rd Chapter:

*If ye then be risen with Christ
seek those things which are above,
where Christ sitteth **on the right**
hand of God.
Set your affection on things above,
not on things on the earth.
For ye are dead, and your life is
hid with Christ in God.*

Bro. Dewey was telling, if a brother was dead and you had his body out at the church and he had an enemy to come in. Everybody else had left and his enemy came up to him and spit on him, what would that brother do? He would just lay there. That's being dead to your ways.

And he read... *teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and country music..... no!!! ... spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.*

And using, *Lie not to one another, seeing ye have put off the old man with his deeds, And have put on the new man which is renewed in knowledge...* He told that if he was out in the rain and had on his raincoat and his wife told him to come try on a new shirt, say a size 16, and he put it on over his clothes, coat and all and it didn't fit, what was the matter? He said, I needed to take off a few things and then put the shirt on and it would fit.

And he talked on not letting any filthy communication proceed out of our mouth.

"Sis. Vicie Cain was wonderfully blessed at TIFTONIA. She said she thought that if the Lord would just bless the ones she came with that she would get part of that blessing. I believe the one she came with got part of her blessing. It was good to see the Lord bless her"

A conversation between the preacher, Bro. Eli Smith and his brother Paul a singer.

Br. Eli: "I like singing When The Lord's in It."

Br. Paul: "I like preaching When The Lord's In It!"

Br. Hoyt Dalton was at BLACK OAK helping in their spring revival and he'd been up preaching. "In a little while Br. Frankie Duvall got up telling how thoughts were in his mind. Then it came to him, *Charity thinketh no evil.* And he said, "If we have charity, not only will we not do any evil, we'll not even think evil." (Amen!)

REUBEN GAULT: "I want you to know I feel at home. The children of God can worship together anywhere. ... Since I've rec'd the Holy Ghost, every place where I've ever been up until this time, I have felt at home."

*"Owe no man anything... BUT TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER. You owe that to Br. Reuben, and Br. Reuben owes that to you. For he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. Thou shalt not committ adultery. We know better than that. A child of God can't do that. Thou shalt not steal. Thou shalt not bear false witness. Brothers and sisters and friends, be careful. Don't bear no false witness. Don't beat no dos around no bush. Do not lie in hypocrisy. Let your yea be yea, and your nay, nay. For anything comes of more than that comes of evil. If you say something about somebody, you didn't have no business to do it in the start with. If you said it, just say, "Yes sir! I said it. And I sorry I said it." Some times when somebody says, "Did you say this?" And you no, where all human beings and we can't all hear alike. It's like they used to play and old game. You start at one end and say something and see how it comes out down at the other end, and it comes out reverse. It sounds a little bit familiar, sometimes real close to it but worded a little different. Maybe you said something about somebody and it gets back to them, and they come to you and say, "Did you say it?" Just because it went thru a few mouths, they didn't mean to tell the wrong tale, they didn't word it just like you said it, and you say, No, I didn't say that!" No, you didn't say that but you said the same thing. You know what you're doing? You're beating the dog around the bush. The Word of God says that in the latter times, *Some shall depart from the faith giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils, and speaking lies in hypocrisy.* You know what? You ought to be careful and say, "Yes, I said it. And I going to tell you how I said and it's a little worse than the way you heard...."*



FARMINGTON: Again on the 2nd week-end of April, the saints came to Farmington Kentucky for a weekend of services. The crowd was small on Friday evening but it was a good start. Saturday afternoon they were going to sing at the nursing home for old folks, so they decided to meet before they went. It started out with just singing, but the glory of God came down and the Lord wonderfully blessed

this crowd that had swollen to about twenty-five people. These were mostly young saints from about six different churches, and some were down under the power of God. It was something to watch the Lord bless these children of God. Afterwards they went on to the nursing home and began singing. They were in a big half circle in the lobby, and the singing just rang down the halls to the delight of these aged people. One elderly lady asked them if they believed in prayer; she was hurting. They prayed and the Lord stopped whatever was causing her pain. They sang more songs and a woman in a wheel chair started telling how she had three operations on her legs, and they had still gave her much pain, but now she said, "They have quit hurting". The peace was so real as this aged woman told this, one of the younger attendants went over through the crowd and hugged this womans neck. Oh, the love you could taste there. ... Back at church that night, more saints came in, with Bro. Alvin Bailey. Meetings were quieter but good that night and Sunday morning. As everyone left after Sunday's meeting all left feeling a little richer in God's love than before and looking forward to the next time they can come up here to have services.

Sis. Edna Jones, who is the only Holiness person living here is from the BRIAR FORK area. She is pretty young in the Lord but her zeal for the Lord is more than most old saints. She will testify to any who will let her, and goes some to the churches here and tells about the Lord and sometimes she even sings. She does a good job for the Lord.

Sis. Kathy Moore lives about forty-five miles north east of here and is in services when there is church here. They are praying for someone to come and start having meetings here all the time.



Sis. Annie Mae & Br. Frank Whitt

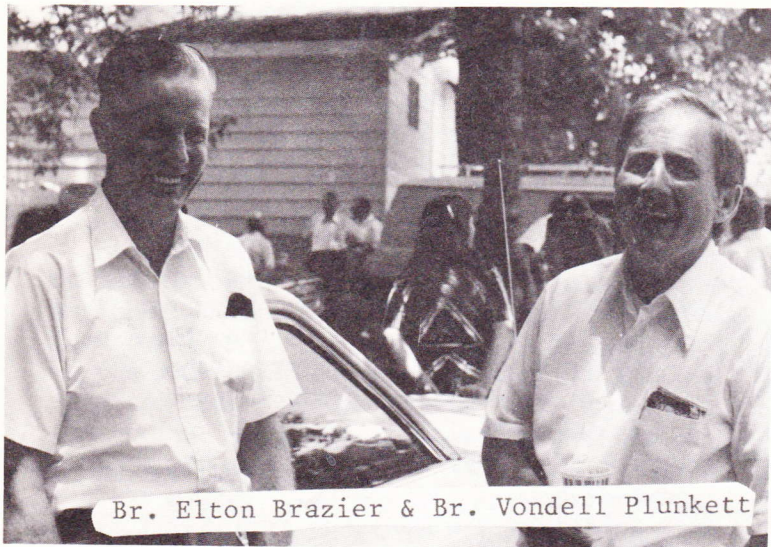
Brother Frank

An old fashion neighbor this was he,
 Kind deeds and work, he always
 gave free;
 Once a man borrowed to have
 something to eat
 But God sent help when Br. Frank
 came up the street.

There were other poor folks
 who needed a place,
 He said, "I'll work for free,"
 with a kind loving face.
 He was a friend to all and always
 the same.
 "How you doing there brother?" this
 was his name.
 Our minister carried burdens that
 made him bemoan,
 And God sent Br. Frank to which he
 could lean on;
 He carried and sawed wood to keep out
 the cold,
 Now he's walking down streets
 made of purest gold.
 He'll long be remembered by all
 family and friends,
 For God said, "Frank your labors
 shall end;"
 Eternal life he inheired when once
 he bowed his knee,
 And said, "Now Lord, this is just
 between you and me."

Br. Frank Whitt of ELKWOOD passed on in February, and was young in the Lord, but as always with righteous men, the memory of his kindness is left behind. He is not only missed by his close friends but all who knew him.

Br. Elton Brazier: "There's a time coming when the call will go out from the throne of God, "Go out Son, and get all of them that belongs to me, and bring them up here." When the call goes out, the son is going to get everyone, there might be some children of God there from the bottom of the sea. There may be some in a cave in. There might be some over there you didn't think about brethren. The Bible says, They'll come from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and set down in the kingdom of God. I don't need to think that, Me and my little bunch here in north Alabama is all there is. You know, one time and old prophet that just about decided that the Lord was in bad shape as far as servants was concerned. Why he was the only one that was left. Why, "Lord, they have tore down your altars, killed your prophets, and I'm the only one that's left! And they're after me now. Lord, you got to do something." The Lord spoke and said, "Why I've reserved to myself 7,000 who haven't bow their knee to Baal." They'll come from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south I didn't say it. Jesus said it. They might be some Russians up there. And if they got to praying to God in Russian, I wouldn't understand it, but I could feel it. When the call goes out, brethren, there won't be the first one left. This one over here that nobody had any use for, and thought he was gone, and pushed him off a little to quick, everyone that belongs to God will go. ..."



Br. Elton Brazier & Br. Vondell Plunkett

Br. Paul Warren: "They tell me, and I believe it, the difference in a righteous man and a evil man, God sends good on both of them. But the righteous man will praise Him for it and the evil man takes it that the world owes it to him. They said this man was on top of the house and he started falling. He couldn't see no way out and he said, "Lord, help me." And

about that time a nail caught him, and he said, "That's alright Lord, a nail caught me." He didn't even consider that the Lord made the way for him.

These things that we ask the Lord for that they come so simple, we ought o look up and say, "Lord, I thank you." EVERY GOOD GIFT AND EVERY PERFECT GIFT COMETH from above.

At PLEASANT GROVE, Br. Arthur McAllister started out service with a comment, "We're to natural." At this, Br. Jack Denson was ready to preach, and preach he did. His topic was the wisdom that Solomom got from the Lord and the need of spiritual wisdom today. It was spiritual food to the church. Br. Leonard West was one of those who feasted on it and it was the best he felt in about ten years.

BR. JR. STEPHENS: "Talking about the signs. It said, *These signs shall follow them that believe...* Are they following (Follow: to come or go after, to accompany, to attend) us? Are they following us today? If they aint, how can we say we are a believer in God? It said they shall follow them that believe. If they aren't a following me, I aint a believe-ing in God. Aint that the way it is? ..."

(IDER)

Br. Dewey Barrier: "... I hope this doesn't offend people, but that's just the way I come up in Holiness, trusting God in time of sickness. And if you don't, I hope it don't offend you, me talking about it. But that is what I teach and believe, God can heal our sickness. I believe if whenever we get sick, if we give God a chance, God can heal us. The people I grew up with, they started drifting out from this, some of them started resorting to medical aid, and they say, "The children took me!" I said, "What you need to do while you're not sick, tell the children what you want to do when you do get sick." If you'll let them children have a clear understanding that regardless what happens to me, I want to trust God. If them children love you like I think they do, they'll say, "Moma wants to trust God. I stand in the door, aint nobody gonna take Moma!" A lot of people who have bought Television sets have blamed it on their children. I wouldn't do it people. If I wanted a television set and I had twenty-four children, I get one and set it up there and but the fault where it needed to be. I wouldn't blame the children. I believe the MAN is one who makes the descision what comes into the house. If you bring one in and try to hide it behind your children, I'd be ashamed of it! And if I went to a doctor, I wouldn't blame my children with it.

"We told in the last issue about the Lord letting our son, Mark, walk. He was still crippled up. His shoulders drew aside, a hump was on his spine and one of his legs acted up on him. One day after this, while riding to town with Bro. John Scott to see his daughter, Sis. JoAnn, who was in the hospital, the conversation came up about Mark's condition. I surprised my own self with saying, "I'm not worried. Some day there'll be a child of God who is very weak and needs the strength and the Lord will let them lay hands on my son and he'll be healed and they will get strength." After I said that I stuck to it. I knew the Lord was going to heal him completely.

In the meantime we had a visit from my sister-in-law and her husband, Hattie Ruth and Billy. While here, she got to telling about their eight month old son, Terry, who had the disease, Cystic Fibrosis of the liver, which is hereditary. Billy had four brothers to die of it, and the way they explained it to us, the gene was dormant in Billy but had passed on to this son. Hattie told how they had taken him to the doctor every week since he had been born. While she was talking, the Holy Ghost told me, "Go read to them the promise that you have in me." All that came to mind was the praying for the sick that was in James. I read this to them and she asked that the next time we were at church to have prayer for her baby. We did, but I wasn't satisfied with it and decided that when I felt like it again I would again ask prayer for him.

I finally got a chance to take all of my family to BLACK OAK in Indiana. There was love there that night as they started church. The singing was good. Then Bro. Henry asked for prayer requests. It stands out in my mind how many request they had. I then remembered Mark and decided I would ask prayer for him. These Indiana folks didn't know about one of my children having polio. I thought that now would be a good time for the Lord to heal him, with all this love flowing here. Then I remembered Hattie's baby. I then decided to forget about Mark and ask prayer for Terry. Then my mind went back to the shape Mark was in, and I sure wanted the Lord to heal him. Then again I thought of little Terry and how the parents didn't expect him to live to be grown. I decided then to ask prayer for him instead. I still don't know why I didn't as prayer for both, but it didn't even cross my mind. All this time they are still having prayer request. Then again, Mark was my first son and he was all out of shape. I'm gonna ask prayer for him." Then, "If the Lord healed Terry, it might cause them to turn to God". Then finally, as my mind raced back to Mark, I thought

"Lord, if he grows up to be like a gnarled old oak tree, they need to know about you! I'll ask prayer for their son". I told them nothing about my son, just about the condition of Terry and the help it would be to this family. After I told this I sat back down into those soft seats they had there, and they sang that song "Oh, I tell you now, I'm going there". When they got to the chorus, they sang it over and over, and it got prettier and prettier. I was sitting in the first seat in the front by the asile, on the men's side. While they were singing (Br. James Arthur was leading) the chorus again the Holy Ghost said to me, "Bryant, got get your boy!" That's all I heard, but that was enough. I stood up and looked around. I saw two little feet sticking out in front of a bench on a red carpet floor. I started toward them because I knew it was my son. The Lord never told me what to do when I got him, just "Get your boy". When I got there, I remember kneeling down and getting my hands under his body and that was about it. I'm not that humble of a man, but the next thing I knew, I was back down one of those asiles and I was empty armed. When I turned and looked, there was a crowd in the altar and it opened just enough for me to see my son on Bro. Charlie Brown's knee. One of Bro. Charlie's hands was on his leg and the other was going down his back. Oh, the Glory of the Lord was there, that's all that mattered. When I headed across the floor, a sister by the side of my wife, Charlotte, said "Oh he's going to get the boy". She knew nothing about the boy but the Lord did. He was healed. From that day forward there was a notable change in him about everyday. His shoulders straightened up. His legs became strong. He lost the hump on his back. He is now a grown and married man.

A month or so later, we were down at my wife's folks. When we got there, a voice called me into the kitchen where it was dusky dark. It was Hattie Ruth and she told me, with tears in her eyes, that the Lord had healed Terry. They had taken him back to the doctor and he couldn't find a trace of the disease in him. He is now a grown and healthy boy!"

Bryant Finlayson

A good number of saints at NILA got power over a deadly serpent before they moved into their new building.

Br. Jack Denson and Br. Horace Williams have been going together strengthening the brethren. They are seen and many different places. At RIVERTON Br. Jack was talking about "The root of bitterness" and the Lord used him very good and Br. Horace was up behind him and with him. *By the mouth of two or three witnesses, let every word be established*

Asleep in Christ

Br. Calvin Thower of PLEASANT GROVE was called away in peace in his 83rd year on April 26, 1980. He knew the old Holines brethern but didn't rec' the Holy Ghost until about 17 years ago at BLACK OAK.



Sis. Mary and Br. Calvin Thower

Sis. Effie Mae McLain of SKYLINE was taken away in her 51st year on March 5, 1980. She rec'd the Holy Ghost at BEIRNE AVE when she was 15 years old

Sis. Bernie Fortner, wife of the late Br. Harley Fortner, finished her course here here in peace, in her 74th year. She rec'd the Holy Ghost under Br. Will Guffey's preaching over 40 years ago.

BR. MARVIN BONDS: "I was just a little boy, following my brother. He was out a hunting. And I stepped on a copperhead snake. It bit me on my right foot. I was just a small boy and it scared me, I thought I'd die. And I got to my fathers house... and he sent around and got them to come in and pray for me. And I was just suffering death with a pain that come up my leg into my thigh. I had a lot of pain. Every time a pain come up it was like a knife splitting me open. They didn't seem to get in no big hurry. Br. Mitt McAllister was there and he cured my leg three places it was swelling so bad. By that time they got there. They got down to pray for me, .. and a old brother came over and just touched me on the head, and that pain left me and I never did feel it no more.!"



Sis. Eilene Walls

Sis. Eilene Walls, wife of Br. Paul Walls, passed into that good land in her 57th year on April 14, 1980. She was baptised with the Holy Ghost in the summer of 1934 at HAPPY HILL on Sand Mtn. when she was 11 year old. She was Br. Hodges Moores daughter.

Sis, Bessie Simmons, another of the old timers to step of the stage, passed away in sweet peace in her 83rd year on June 9, 1980. She was the wife of Br. Buddie Simmons and rec'd salvation 60 years ago near the Bend of Paint Rock.

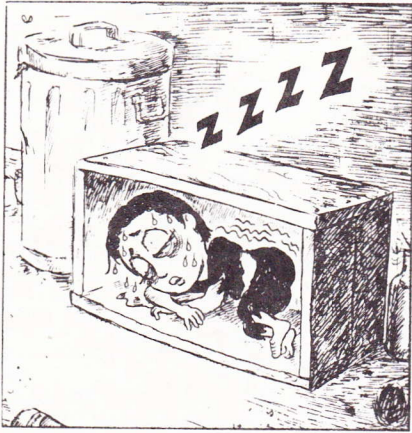
Br. Verlon Black passed away on June 14, 1980 in his 31st year. He had rec'd the Holy Ghost when he was real young at OLD SARDIS. He was the son of Br. Curtis and Sis. Fannie Black.

A real good service at SOUTH HAVEN on the 2nd Sun. of March. Sis. Mildred Peacock was real free. Br. Charley Brown was up for a few days and nights, talking a lot about loving one another.

Good meeting at SKYLINE on 1st Sun in April with neck hugging and good love everywhere. The following Wed. eve. was good with moving testimonies and the Lord belssing wonderfully, especially Sis. Nella Howell. Br. Eugen and Br. Jr. Stephens both doing good preaching.

Br. Hodges Moore: "Reputation: What people say you are. Character: What you are."

"Me and my sister were cast off's. No one didn't want us. I was four years old when my mother died. I walked up to the casket and had to get up on my tiptoes to see her. I didn't have anybody who would lift me up to see her. There I was, you know, doing the best I could. There I was, six or seven years old, going down through the city (Chattanooga). All I had was the clothes I had on, and they had holes in them.



I didn't have any shoes on my feet, you know. I was out there by myself, just wandering around. I didn't know where I was going to get my next meal from. I slept with dogs to keep warm. I'd sleep on porchs or on the ground somewhere to sleep. Maybe late at night when everybody else had done gone to bed, I would get me a dog or somewhere, you know, and try to sleep. I'd ask the Lord, "Can You help me??? Can You give me a home?" One day He heard me. I went into a resturant, she called me in there, this colored lady called me in there. She said, Honey, are you hungry?" I said, "Yes m'am!" She said, "If you will, you set down right here at this table, pick out anything that you want. Eat all you want, and I'll pay for it" She fed me, you know, and she had a long scarf on and she wrapped me up in that. Tried to do all she could. I went on out, and there I was. It was icy and snow and cold and no shoes on my feet. I'd sleep on porches to keep warm, you know, keep from freezing, doing the best I could. And one day, it seemed like the Lord spoke to me, I was down there on this porch, "If you'll just look up, I'll give you a home." ... some people come up, I done already knowed what they wanted. The Lord done told me. They walked over to where I was at and said, "Son, we come to see about getting you. We would like for you to go home with us, if you'd like to go with us." I said, "Well sure!" I went over there where my daddy worked at, and called my dad outside the gate. He walked up to my dad and told him that they wanted to give this boy a home.

"We want to know if you've got any objections?" He said, "Ya, I've got one objection. I want to sell this boy." He said. "Sir, I haven't got nothing to offer. I just want to give this boy a home he aint got." He looked at me and said, "Son, do you want to go with him?" I said, "Why sure I want do!" I went on with them people and they was good to me. They adopted me, you know. This was in 1961. About a year later it worked out where I could get my little sister. They carried us to church. Sent us to school. Then one day when I was old enough, God went to knocking at my heart. My sister who was twelve years old got sick and Mother got up and ask the children of God to pray for her. She was sick, but she was sick with the Lord. My little sister got down there on her knees, you know, and people gathered around her and Br. Will (Guffey) and the Lord led him to talk to her. He said, "Sister, if you want the Holy Ghost, you just raise them little hands and call on the Lord. You are old enough to recieve the Holy Ghost." He raised up her little hands and in about a minute she had the Holy Ghost. That really did tear me up. I thought, "Oh Lord, there's she's got the Holy Ghost. I'm into it now. I've got to walk the line. I've got to be careful." ... "she's ready to meet the Lord, ... and here I am LOST." "If You don't give me the Holy Ghost, I know where I'm going." She got the Holy Ghost on February 5th. On February 6th. Monday night, they all came back out there (HIGDON) and I'd been praying, "Lord, if you'll give me the Holy Ghost, I'll promise you anything. ... I'm lost without you." Br. Will got to reading from Revelations, about those locust, you know. It tore me up . . . I came to that altar and raised my hands up and told the Lord. I wanted the Holy Ghost. God heard my prayer. He let me speak in the unknown tongue and I witnessed to it, I said, "Lord I know that's you! "I've got the Holy Ghost" I was a happy boy. I won't ever forget that day. I'm glad that I listened to that Word of God."



Br. Randy Pritchett

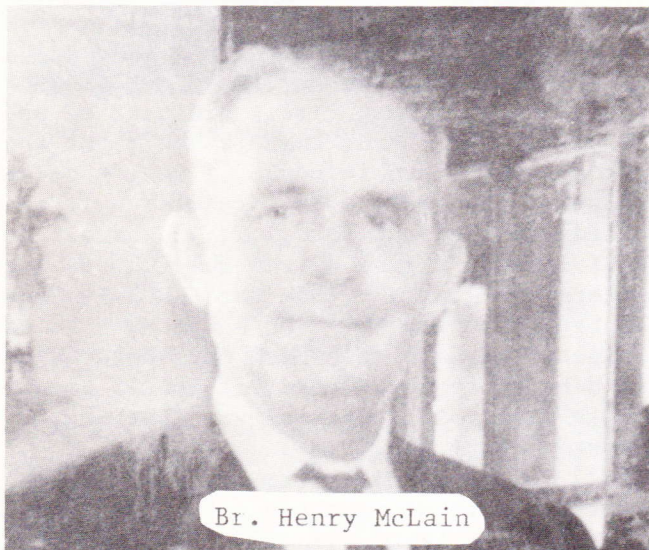
Br. Paul E. White has been ill, nigh unto death but the Lord spared him and he is recuperating well. He trusted God through it all.

Sis. Alma Sanders of NILA was raised in the Chicago area. She didn't have salvation but she was seeking for something. She married Tommy Sanders from Alabama and along about then they started having meeting up in Indiana. Here are her words: "I did everything I knew to get to God. I remember one night I prayed from the bottom of my heart... Just a few days after that they started having meeting up there. And it was right down the street from where I lived. I thought I would go down there and see how they did. You know, I went down there and I thought, "Why that looks terrible! They do not stay on one subject. You can't follow any body. I aint a coming back." But you know, something just caused me to go back. When I went back that next time Br. Hnery preached. And when he did, I thought, "Yea, now that's right!" But you know, by time I got home I thought, "But that looks so bad, it can't be right!" Something caused me to go back again and Br. Henry had to preach that same sermon. And I remember, each time I believed it just

Br. Tommy followed her. He passed away about a year and half ago full of the Holy Ghost. Now one of there seven children, Sis. Pasty, has the Holy Ghost.



Sis. Alma with James and Mary



Br. Henry McLain

a little bit longer. I remember the third time, poor Br. Henry, he was so ashamed, he turned to the brethern and apoligized and said, "I have just got to preach it again!"

And a highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.

No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk there:

When he preached it that time it sunk in my heart. I want to thank God because he had so much mercy on me..."

Sis. Alma came to the Lord after that at the old Pix theatre. Later her husband



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

A number of people have come to the Lord in Spring revival.

PLEVNA: Sis. Linda Holland, wife of Br. Rooster Holland.

Sis. Sandra Mason, daughter of Br. Sanford.
Br. Dennies George, son of Br. Billy Joe George.

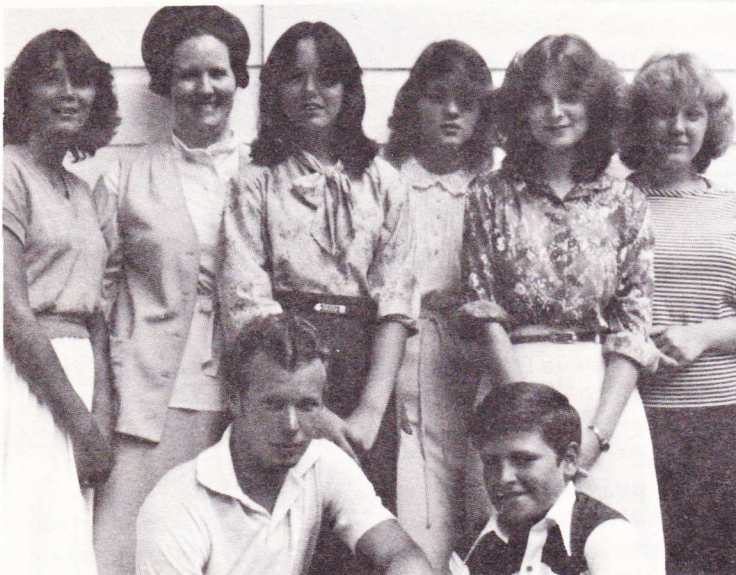
Sis. Regina White, daughter of Sis. Linda White.

Sis. Sandy Miller, daughter of Sis. Janie Miller.

Sis. Pam Atchley, daughter of Br. Jr. Atchley of Cave Springs.

Br. Ray Moore, daughter of Br. Ray Moore.

Sis. Ginger Waller, grand-daughter of Br. Pat Patterson.



Sisters: Pam Atchley, Linda Holland, Ginger Waller, Sandra Mason, Regina White, Br. Dennis George and Br. Ray Moore.

BROWN'S CHAPEL: Sis. Rennee Cole, the late Sis. Lucy Mason gr.daughter.

Sis. Regina Laney, Sis. Imogene Laney's dau.

Sis. Michelle Ray, grand-dau of Sis. Minnie Bowman.

HYTOP: (6/15 eve) Br. Dale Avons, Br. Ed's son.

Br. Rickey Smith, Br. Burton Avon's son-in-law.

Br. Dale Parker, Sis. Connie's husband.

SCENICLAND: Sis. Donita Black, Br. Clifford Black's dau-in-law.

Sis. Gail Stevens, Br. Jackie Steven's dau-in law.

ELKWOOD: Sis. Donna McElyea, dau. of Sis. Faye McElyea

Br. Anthony Simmons, Sis. Joyce Simmons' son.

Sis. Kristie Underwood, Br. Charles Underwood's daughter.

Br. Tommy Mason, Sis. Wanda Mason's son.

Sis. Connie Green, Br. Buddy Green's dau.

Br. Tommy Talent, Br. Gene Mullins' dau-

in-law.

NYLA: Br. Connie Davis, son of Sis. Vera Davis of Pleasant Grove.

Br. Leonard Brewer, Sis. Mary Ellen's husband of SKYLINE.

Br. Steve Avans, Bro. Burton Avans' son from HYTOP.

Br. Mike McAllister, son of Bro. Arthur McAllister from PLEASANT GROVE.

Br. Ricky Miller, Bro. Lem Miller's son and husband of is. Tina (Letsun) Miller. (SKYLINE)

Br. Mark McLain, Sis. Mary Ellen's son (HYTOP) and Sis. Debbie (McKenzie) McLain's husband.

Br. Keith Letsun, Bro. Curtis and Sis. Marie Letsun's son (WILLIAMS COVE)

Br. Jill Mahathey, daughter of Br. James Mahathey (Beirne Ave)

Sis. Beth Smith of SKYLINE has been home from Idaho for some time but she is now in Germany.

Br. Cagle of CLAYSVILLE lost a daughter in a car wreck.

Sis. Mattie Lou Trotman is still in bad shape.

Br. James Hester of PLEVNA has serious heart trouble and can't get around much.

Br. "Shorty" Summerford of OLD SARDIS lost a son, Kenneth "Billy" in a motorcyle accident.

Sis. Pearline Dudley of BLACK OAK is still very ill.

A very good revival at ELKWOOD with good love through out.

Br. Hodges Moore rented the Scottsboro Armory on the 13th of June and with some good singing preached the Way of Holiness by the Word of God.

Br. Vernon Wright has been ill.

Br. Jack Denson and Br. Willard Wooten are still having health problems.

Sis. Margie Wright rec'd the Holy Ghost at Russelville May 4th.

A wonderful meeting at BRIAR FORK the 1st weekend of May.

Sis Olivia and Mr Edward Sadler celebrated the 63rd Wedding anniversary May 26. He is 84 and she is 77.

Br. Reuben Gaught was seen at quite a few churches in the south in early June.

Br. John L Campbell of NILA is doing much better.

Sis. Estelle White of Old Sardis has been very ill.

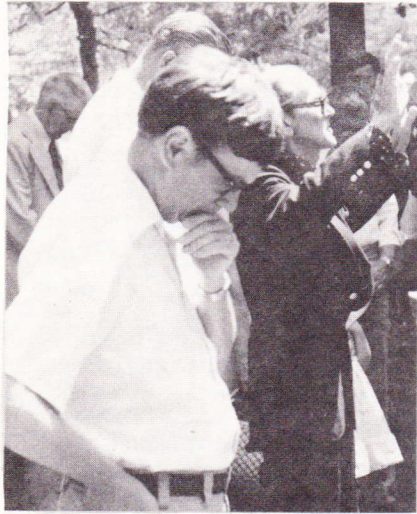
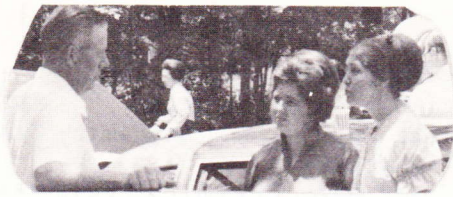
February of 1979 I came down with double pneumonia. One night I was real bad off and Mom and Daddy thought I wasn't going to make it through the night. I had a battle in my mind to go to the doctor or trust the Lord. I have never been to a doctor before. I did decide that I would probably have a better chance if I tried to trust the Lord. I was lost but I knew the Lord could heal me as he had many times before. I promised the Lord I would go to Him if He would spare my life. I was sick for almost three weeks, but I finally got alright. I was happy that the Lord spared my life because I knew where I would spend eternity if the Lord took me then. I went around with such a heavy burden on me. I could laugh and carry on but inside my heart was heavy. I had that burden of sin on my life. I was never a "mean" girl, but if God took me I would go down with all the crooks, murderers and all those "bad" people. For six months after I got alright I went to the altar. For six months I was a pretty miserable girl. But one day I saw I didn't want to go any further without God in my life. I thought the Lord would never look at me again. After all it had



been six months and I still hadn't kept that promise I made. About a week before I rec'd the Holy Ghost I went into Bro. Billy's office and got out his bible. It opened up to

the scripture, "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest". Oh, how I wanted that rest for my soul. Sis. Carol Hereford called on Saturday and I talked with her a few minutes. I was so disheartened and thought I would never make it but she said "You Can make it". The Lord must of sent that because it helped me so much. I began then to have faith that I could make it. Right then I started in praying. I was suppose to be cleaning house but every now and then I would slip out to the garage, away from everybody and pray. I was talking to the Lord and asking Him to let me know what to do and to put me in a shape to get really serious about Him. The second time I was out there I could tell that the Lord was listening to me. That made me happy. A few times I would scoot everything in my closet to one side and pray there. Continuously I had a prayer in my heart. Oh, how I wanted the Holy Ghost. Sis. Carolyn (Cricket) Hill called and asked me if I would go to Briar Fork with her daughter Sylvia, to show her the way. Sylvia was seeking the Lord then, too. I didn't want to go all that much and at the time I didn't even know her, but because she asked me to, I did. Sylvia had been praying "good" and they thought she might receive the Holy Ghost if she went down there. Well, that night I went to sleep praying. I sure did want the Lord to look at me. When I woke up in the night I was still praying. The next day at church the service was so good and how I longed to be with the children of God rejoicing. When altar call was given, just as I figured, almost everybody was praying for Sylvia but I got my mind on God. I remember saying "Lord I want the Holy Ghost, too". Then the Lord started looking at me. I was repenting! I was tired of Micah's ways and I wanted the Lord to take over. It wasn't long and the power of God was all over me. So many times before the Lord had helped me but for some reason I wouldn't continue seeking Him then. But that day, August 26, 1979, I wanted the Holy Ghost more than anything in the world. It seemed I was reaching up to get a hold on the Lord. The harder I prayed the closer to Him I would get. I could tell He was drawing to me too. It wasn't long 'til He was right there and it seems like I just got a hold on Him. I felt like I was hugging the Lord. I meant to hold on until He blessed me with the Holy Ghost. This time I wasn't disappointed, because He gave me the Holy Ghost that day. I thank Him for it and I love Him so much. I found out that God's Word is true because the day I sought Him with my WHOLE heart he was there. I love you, Lord. Now I just want to live for Jesus, 'cause that's all that matters.

Sis. Micah Finlayson



Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God. How beautiful it must have sounded when it was spoken by our Lord almost 2,000 years ago in a far away mountain in a place called Galilee. Today it still sounds beautiful, but it is more beautiful when it is in action. In early June on another mountain in north Georgia, Lookout Mtn, some ministers came preaching and walking in that peace, and causing the churches in this area to come together. When you watched and heard Br. Elton Brazier of PLEVNA and Br. Reuben Gaught of SOUTH HAVEN talking and walking and working in the peace of the Gospel, in faith one could hear the prophets Isaiah's word's, *How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace. Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice TOGETHER SHALL THEY SING: for they shall SEE EYE TO EYE...* Br. Elton came on the last Wenesday of May and stayed until Sunday morning after the home coming, Br. Reuben came on Saturday evening and stayed the rest of the revival, thru Wenesday eveing of the following week. Saints from all the churches on the mountain were here all thru the meetings, and they were all rejoicing in the Lord together. In about every service there were children of God from nine or ten different churchs. It was good, it was peaceful, it was edifying. This was a true revival. The saints were revived up and many were blessed in the Lord. Many were encouraged to *Follow peace WITH ALL MEN and HOLINESS without which no man shall see the Lord.*



Children

Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord:
and the fruit of the womb is His reward.

As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man;
so are children of the youth.

Happy is the man that hath his quiver full
of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they
shall speak with the enemies in the gate.

Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the
sides of thy house: thy children like olive
plants round about thy table.

Behold, that thus shall the man be blessed
that feareth the Lord.

For He hath strengthened the bars of thy
gates; He hath blessed thy children within
thee.

Children's children are the crown of old
men; and the glory of children are their
fathers.

Hear ye children, the instruction of a
father, and attend to know understanding.

Children, obey your parents in the Lord:
for this is right.

Honour thy father and mother; which is
the first commandment with promise; that
it may be well with thee, and that thou
mayest live long on the earth.

Even a child is known by his doings,
whether his work be pure, and whether it
be right.

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

Foolishness is bound in the heart of a
child; but the rod of correction shall drive
it far from him.

Withhold not correction from a child: for
if thou beatest him with a rod, he shall not
die.

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

The rod and reproof giveth wisdom: but a
child left to himself bringeth his mother to
shame.

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

...from a child, thou hast known the holy
scriptures, which are able to make thee wise
unto salvation.....

For whom the Lord loveth He correcteth;
even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

A wise son maketh a glad father; but a fool-
ish son is the heaviness of his mother.

He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but
he that loveth him chasteneth betimes (Early
at a task, seek diligently).

Chasten thy son why their is hope, and let
not thy soul spare for his crying.

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