

GLAD TIDINGS OF GOOD THINGS

IT SHALL BE CALLED
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Oma Sisk was born in 1905 in Madison County Alabama. Gil Carrol was born in 1899 in Bedford county, Tennessee. They met and were married in 1929. She tells of her coming to the Lord:

"I was raised up in Baptist. I bought me a bible and really started studying. I had heard of Holiness when they had meetings at the houses, but I never did get to go. I was real tore up in my mind and I went down there to a Pentacostal meeting and thought, "That might be it." I was working up there in the mill. One day I went down there to the Pentacostal meeting and this man got up there. "Now I wasn't familiar with the tongues or anything. He got up there. He started speaking in some kind of tongue. Oh, it was the awfulest sounding thing I had ever heard. It was nothing like the unknown tongue and it caused a fear to come over me. And they started talking about tongues and it made me feel so bad. Well,

Jim and Sis. Adele (Jim didn't have the Holy Ghost) they started begging me to come over there to church at BEIRNE's Ave. After awhile, Jim asked me, "I want you to tell me why you won't go over there to church? I said, "Well, I iust don't believe in the way them people act." See, I didn't know that the way old man had done was like that at BEIRNE. He said, "Why don't you go over there and SEE hcw they act." Well, I just put it off. Then Sunday mo'rnning, I really didn't know where I wanted to go. When we got down before you turn, I told Gil, "I want to go to BEIRNE AVE." So He took me over there. Oh, that done something to me. When they got down to pray, I got down to pray too. The trembling power of God came on me. When I got up, I was doing like that, I was shaking. Well, I thought it was my nerves."

At another service, Br. Willis Brown preached the Word of God. She went to the altar about four weeks. She was seeking God the same time as Sis. Lillie James, Sis. Virginia Wooten and Sis. Mae Troglen.

She rec'd the Holy Ghost on the 14th of July and as she tells it, Beirne Ave lit up."

This was in 1935.

Br. Gil didn't come to the Lord until 1968. Br. Gil was taken this past year.

She has some eighty words. Her favorite scripture is; *But continue in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them.* She says, "I believe I learned it right in the beginning.

Other of her remarks of wisdom; "Love one another."

Also; We can go over the Holy Ghost, that's all there is to it! We'll get into it, if we start trying within ourselves to take something in our hands to do it. We'd better go to the Lord in the beginning of it. With our natural minds we can not work it out.

"We are free born people and we have built-in protection."

"I have never believed in divisions. I believe if we live holiness we can get along."

"There's a lot of things now that's crept in and they're going along with it that they didn't used to."

With a happy smile she says, "I'm nearly home."

"Sis. Oma is solid and unbiased in her motto of following peace with all men. I have watched her example of peace, which seems of great importance in our divided community. I see her place everyone on equality. *The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.* This is Sis. Oma. Though her body is feeble, her spirit is very active and alive. At different times I felt like I could turn to her for the advice I needed."

"Br. Gill was a gentle, kind, and even tempered old man that rec'd the Holy Ghost in his old age. He had such a good sense of humor with a little chuckle behind every sentence. You could find a sweetness about him that is so rare. Meekness, maybe that's the word to describe his special way. That spirit that is so easy to love. With Br. Gill he was easy to love. Love was just there."

She was asked if she had pleased the Lord enough that she would hear Him say "Well done" and her reply was, "I do". I've fought a good fight. I've kept the faith. I'm still standing for the old Way."

Meetings were very good at MARKHAM on the 3rd weekend of March. Saturday night you could feel the peace of God. There were good testimonies and Br. Harold Smith read from the 15th chapter of John, on bringing forth good fruits.

Sunday morning, God blessed again and one sister said her blessing came as a surprise,

Sunday night, the Lord was with us again. There was a good feeling in the singing and God started blessing. Br. Wesley McLain from SOUTH HAVEN was with us and he talked about the zeal to come to church and when you testify to hold your head up and be glad. He said that the Lord wasn't ashamed of you, so don't be ashamed of Him. We really enjoyed his talk and was glad the Lord blessed him.

It was good to see the sisters rejoice. Sis Reta Ashley shouted all over the church. Sis. Polly Jackson was more free than we have seen her in a long time. Sis. Mildred Peacock told of the time her husband was out of work because he broke his foot, and how God helped them and put food on the table. Sis. Polly Miller was led by the Lord to lay hands on a brother that was having chest pains. God blessed everyone that testified. Some said they got help that they have needed for a long time.

We hope the Lord will keep blessing his saints here.

Sis. Gayle Ashley



Br. Elton Brazier, Br. Henry McLain (Gone) Br. Willard Wooten, Br. Hodges Moore, Br. Lloyd White, Br. Let Pendergrass (Gone), Br. Aaron Brazier (Gone) and seated, Br. Jim Mills (Gone).

Blessed are ye that sow by all waters.

PLEASANT GROVE: "Sunday night, March 1st, we had a real good meeting. The Lord blessed and it went back to the world. Different one thought about giving out meeting for Monday night, but no one did. Monday evening, Mona West (Br. Clifford's dau.) called Br. Johnny West and wanted to know if by any chance we could have meeting on Tuesday night. He in turn asked Br. Arthur McAllister about it and meeting was give out. It was good from the start. Br. Arthur and Br. Tom Kerley talked to the lost and gave altar call and within 15 minutes, Mona, now Sis. Mona had rec'd the Holy Ghost. The Lord blessed wonderfully so they gave out meeting for the following night. Wednesday night meeting started like it did before, and we had a few sisters from SKYLINE and HYTOP over. Br. Arthur and Br. Tom again talked and gave altar call. Sis. Dot Kerley was led by the Lord to talk to a girl setting on the second bench and who hadn't ever come to church. In a matter of minutes, this young lady, Sis. Terri Lands had the Holy Ghost, better known as Sis. Edith McAllister's grand daughter. On Sunday night, Br. Johnny West's sister-in-law, Lola Bea West had started to the altar and done good. So on Wednesday evening she had to go home because she got sick. We got a call Thursday morning that while she was praying at home, God had given her the Holy Ghost. She was asked how she knew she had rec'd the Holy Ghost. She replied, "Because I spoke in the unknown tongue!"

Everyone here at PLEASANT GROVE has been rejoicing over God's goodness toward us."

Br. Mitchell Drake was up preaching on "Loving one another" back in November at BIG COVE on their Wednesday evening service. He was also using "Follow peace with ALL men, and holiness without which no man shall see the Lord." That we had to live holy to get there (rec' the Lord) and how good we treated one another and if we get to Glory, we'll still have to do it.

SAND MTN: "The Lord wonderfully blessed us on the 4th weekend in February. He has been sending His children from different places to be with us and were glad. The services both Friday night and Saturday night were both good, but the Saturday night service seemed to thrill everyone's heart, for the Lord poured out His blessings exceedingly on the younger saints. God gave us new strength and encouragement. He also blessed us with a good Communion service."

Sis. Pam Whitley

Br. Eli Smith at Martling (2/3/81) about the Lord being with the people when the children of Israel came to the Red Sea. They saw the enemy coming and began to complain. God, not the people, moved a cloud between them and the enemy. God told Moses to stretch his rod out over the sea, Moses didn't do it on his own. What if the people tried to work it out themselves? God caused a wind to blow all night, and the next morning the children of Israel went through on dry land. Some said it was real shallow and they waded through. That ain't what the bible said. The enemy followed. God, not Moses or the children of Israel, hindered them. He took their chariot wheels off. After the children of Israel got across (there was 2 or 3 million of them), God let the waters back on the enemy. Br. Eli was trying to increase the faith of God's people today.

Br. Lloyds Smith has a little grandson that loves to out with him. Once when he was working on his vehicle and had it jacked up. He remembered his grandson being out there and was afraid to call him and decided to go and get him before the vehicle fell on him. But before he could get to him it fell on the child. Br. Lloyd tried to get him out as he was screaming. His son came and helped him and together they got the child clear. As Br. Lloyd held the child in his arms, he was hearing praying, "Lord, I've been trying. Now I need you, and I need you now!" He took the child in the house and began undressing him and asking him if it hurt here or there and etc? Br. Verlon, the child's dad spoke up, "I know what he wants, he wants to put his shoes back on and go out there with you." The child was alright.

Br. Dewey Barrier at OLD SARDIS was stressing the honoring of parent, the natural parent the way the bible was talking about. He proved that this was a command of God, not an opinion, or what He thought about it. He went on to say that there was no age limit and if we honored them not, we was close to or had already sinned.

He talked also on other things that defile a man. If we thought on someone and wished something bad on them, we were crowding defilement. Also our arguing with people just in our mind.

These rec'd the Holy Ghost in NASHVILLE: Br. Ed Ledbetter in last November. Br. Frankie House, Br. Ben House's grandson. (April) Br. Jeff Jones, the late Br. Jack Case's son-in-law. (May)

"One day, Sis. Karen and Glen Wright were sitting at the house with the radio on. They told on the radio that some man's house in Stevenson had burned and he had lost everything he had, and they wanted people to help him. A load fell on Sis. Karen to help that man. She said something to Glen about it and he said, "Get some things together and I'll take you up there." A lot of things kept coming to her mind and she started gathering up stuff. Glen kinda got out of patience with her and said, "Just forget it. If you're going to mess around, I'm not going to take you." So she just quit, but she got so burdened that she couldn't sleep two nights. They had given a number to call to get in touch with the man, but she didn't get the number. So she called the Stevenson Police Department and ask them if they knew about it. They said they did. She asked them if she came up there would they take her to the man, and they said they would. So she started gathering the stuff up. She got him a plate, knife and fork, pots and a pans, and all the time the Lord was telling her what to get. Told her to get some water. She got jugs of water. And told her to get some Lava soap. She got Lava soap. Told her to get a hammer. And she got a hammer. Told her to get some tacks. Had a roll of polyethene plastic and He told her to take that. Take him a sleeping bag. And some clothes, and some boots, and a lawn chair-recliner that you make a bed out of.. When she got all that, she had the trunk full. Some in the back seat. Went through town and He told her to stop and get him a ham and a chicken, and I don't know what all. Before she left the house, He told her to take him a bible, and (she had more than one bible) and told her which one to take. And so she got the bible and was gonna write in it things for somebody that was lost and didn't know the Lord, underline it. Every place that she opered to that was talking like that, letting them know the Lord loved them and so-forth was already underlined.. So, she got up there, it was real cold, and the old man had been trying to get his heater out, that had burned in the house, and he was just black and nasty. Didn't have no water, no soap, no way to clean up. He was satying in that truck and he couldn't start it because the keys burnt up in the house. And when she got that sleeping bag out, he just grabbed that sleeping bag and just carried it around, he was so thrilled to get it. She gave him the clothes and they fit. Boots fit. He didn't know what to think about her bring that water. The cop was standing there and he was amazed at the whole thing. And she gave him that hammer and he was so proud of that. He said, "I had one just like, burned up in the house. She gave him those tacks and the policeman said, Why, if

you had a tarpulin you could build you a shelter. And she said, "I brought him some plastic."

She was the only one who had come and helped him. She asked the cop, said, "Why hadn't no body helped this man? The cop told her, "He shot a man in the back."

She was the only one who came, and the Lord sent her! The Lord loved him."

#This was told by Br. Denny Moore of SCOTTS-BORO. Sis. Karen Wright is from SKYLINE and has a heart as big as the world.#



Sis. Karen with her husband, Glen and their two sons, Bobby and Ronnie.

BR. CHARLIE BROWN: *Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge... Listen! If you are talking with somebody and they are not talking with good feelings, and there is not peace in that there talking, leave that conversation alone. Why? Because it will bring strife. It will bring envy. It'll cause you to strain. Let me tell you something. Satan is coming with everything he's got. he'll make you think you're doing the right thing. He'll say "Look, this needs to be talked about."*

".....the Word of God says, If any offend not (Offend: to trip, fall, stumble) in word, the same is a perfect man. Now, Therewith curse we men. You know what cursing is? Just talk about him."

"If I tell you Br. aint any good, you better leave him alone, I'll be judged for that too brethern. You say, "But my confidnece is hurt!" You keep that to yourself. Keep that to your self!"

"He said that wisdom that is from above is first pure,, then peacefable, gentle,

EASY to be entreated, full of mercy, and good fruit. And you know what mercy will do? It'll always speak good.

I try to talk for healing. And the more I try to talk for it, the more I see into it. You might say, You're making a project out of it. I'm not making project out of it, I just know one thing, I can't talk about Br. Calvin and pray for him all at the same time.... You might say, Well I laid my hands on him. But who did you talk about yesterday or the day before or even a month ago. We've got to quit it!

Now, were going to need a lot of help in the future, in the near future. We're going to need to be healed in the near future. I don't care how much you've turned, how much confidence you've had in old Doctor....., one of these days your confidence is going to have to be in God. Don't be in the place that if you get caught on your death bed or awfully sick, be sure that your conversation and your confidence has been in the right place. Be careful what you say. Don't talk about nobody."



"The best way to live holiness is don't do no talking."

"Gossip has really got bad. It just about got out of control. Quit talking about one another!"

SKYLINE: "Br. Jr. Stephens had his first baptising on the 3rd Sunday of March. He felt led to read from the 2nd chapter of Acts, 38th verse *Then Peter said unto them "repent and be baptised every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ, for the remission of sins, and ye shall rec' the gift of the Holy Ghost."* After singing a song, praying and hearing from the Word of God, Debbie Morris who is still seeking the Lord wanted to be baptised along with the others who have already rec'd the Holy Ghost. Br. Ronnie Morris, Debbie's husband, and he's the son of Br. Ted Morris, Sis. Betty Morris, sister of Br. Bruce Gifford, Sis. Lucille Jones, daughter of Br. Granville Maynor of HYTOP, were all baptised by Br. Jr.

Sunday night at Skyline, the children of God were edified hearing the Word of God read by Br. Jr. As he talked, he stressed how important it is to have mercy on one another. The 6th chapter of Galatians is what he read. *Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such a one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted. Bear ye one anothers burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself. But let*

every man prove his own work, then shall he having rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another. For every man shall bear his own burden. Let him that is taught in the Word, communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things. Be not deceived; God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to the flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption: but he that soweth to the Spirit, shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season, we shall reap if we faint not. As we have opportunity, let us do good to all me, especially the house-hold of faith. Oh, how the Lord wonderfully blessed Br. Jr. that night. nly he could tell in his own words how good he felt. The Lord also blessed other children of God that night too. Each can tell of their own how they felt. If I were to tell it, I just might leave something out."

A sister

Sis. Jan Camp who didn't know about Holiness but worked with some that did, rec'd the Holy Ghost at VALERMOSSA SPRINGS on Jan. 25th and was baptised by Br. Melvin Brown.

Br. Jack Denson is getting around again. He was at Nila and also Gunters Mtn on Wed. nights in April and the Lord helped him. We're glad he's back in action again.

Five people have come to the Lord at HUNTSVILLE since they have been in there new church.

Sis. Wanda Rice and Br. Ronnie Cooper were married in March. Sis. Wanda is the daughter of Br. Charles Rice. Br. Ronnie is the son of Br. Jim Cooper of HUNTSVILLE. He was the 1st to rec' the Holy Ghost in their new church at ROCKY BRANCH.

Sis. Julie Scott came in church at HUNTSVILLE a very sick lady, walking with the help of a walker. The Lord worked and she left under her own strength. God still heals.

The work of righteousness shall be peace: and the the effect of righteousness, quietness and assurance forever.

MMeetings were again good in Farmington Kentucky on the 2nd weekend of March. There was a good crowd from different places and the fellowship with one another was good. They had a good number of the people from this area out on Saturday evening. The reaction was from open hostility to tears and touched hearts. Though Br. Ed Avons didn't make it. there was a death in his community, the saints done the best they could and the Lord wonderfully blessed his people. They are all looking forward to the next meeting the 5th weekend of May.

Texas

There is a saying that everything from or in Texas is big. Well, we won't dispute that, but everything has to start some where. And in Texas there is a starting of a Holiness church. Years ago, Br. Will Guffey moved there for about one year but nothing came of it. Through the years, differnt saints have move there, but they always came back east. In the early 1970's, Br. Duke Cowan had a few days meeting north of Dallas with a few other children of God, and Br. Alvin Bailey had a few services later around Bryan Texas. A woman who had been at Br. Duke's meeting, Joann Tillet, a neice to Sis. Vickie Honea of BRIARFORK (Sis. Honea is originally from Texas) rec'd the Holy Ghost at home in the west. Last Year her husband Br. James came to the Lord at the revival at BRIARFORK. Br. James and Sis. Joann Tillet and Sis. Vickie Honea now live at Princeton, a town north of Dallas, between McKinney and Farmersville on Route 380. In 1980 there were two attempts to have meetings here, but each failed as all that said they would go backed out for one reason or another. It was disheartening, for people that didn't have the Holy Ghost went way out to get prepared for the saints to come. But on the 2nd weekend of May, Br. Alvin and Sis. Flora Bailey of Lookout Mtn. came to have a few services here. Meetings were good, as meetings off like this usually are. (Sis. Charlotte Finlayson once commented, "It seems like the Lord has got a speacial blessing if you go out like this and testify!") Another couple came to be with them from the east also, and Sis. Linda Rettinger (from Big Cove) came up from where she lives in Round Rock Texas about 170 miles south of here. At the first service on Saturday evening, Br. Alvin hadn't yet arrive, but the six of them tried. The singing was pret-t-ty-y good. The praying was alright-t-t. The testimonies were good. Everyone was encouraged. Before service was over, the Lord healed Sis. Vickie who had a physical problem. Sunday morning, Br. Alvin was there and præching to these few like he was before a large crowd in a church. Meeting was good and everyone was sadden was Sis. Linda who enjoyed herself, had to leave for home. The evening service was good. The following night (Monday) the Lord's Supper was brought out and after a good meeting Br. Alvin set the supper around a table as evryone partook of it with peace and joy as they remembered the Lord's death and suffering again. During these services, Br. James who is not young in years, but in the Lord only a year old, you noticed by his quiet sound talk that he had indeed been growing in grace and knowledge of the Lord. On Tuesday the saints were heading home, but there was a presence around them that they would all be back soon, for the ones left behind are going to be having services at every opportunity. The seed of another churchs has been planted, and the bread that has been cast upon the waters is returning.

Just by chance, if any want to go out there, the job market is outstanding. The Dallas paper has want ads of every discription. Some are professional but hundreds upon hundred are for just everyday work of every sort. We are hoping some of the children of God will go and help as this new church IS being started.

We hope it ends up like everything else in Texas...BIG..

THE LAST WORD

The Word of God teaches us not to love or accept praises or honor of men.....

And (they) love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues, and greetings in the markets, and be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi. (Rabbi: my Master or title of honor) But be not ye called Rabbi: for ONE is your Master, even Christ; and ALL ye are brethern. And call no man your father upon earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven. Neither be ye called masters: for one is your master, even Christ.

But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant. And whomsoever shall exalt himself shall be abased. and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.

But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ.

Christ is the head of the church.

Let no man bequile you.... not holding the Head from which all the body..... with the increase of God.

.... for Christ is the head and above all and we all His servants together, each in his own place.



Nineteen years ago I received a letter from my mother, Sis. Evelyn Sisk. I could hardly believe what was written on that paper, I had to read the part where it said, "I rec'd the Holy Ghost Sunday night" about three times before it could sink in that she had really received the Holy Ghost. Mother had lived a rough life for so many years, I couldn't remember hearing my mother pray over two times in my whole life and I was twenty-three years old then. She and my dad would drink and go out on the town', as they would say. They both had been around holiness, but just never had turned to God's way. On May 21, 1961, in the basement of Black Oak church, God gave Mother the Holy Ghost. That night my sister and her husband decided to go to church at Black Oak. I was in church at Pleasant Grove, but our Mother and Dad were planning on going to a bar to drink and have a big time. Daddy told Mother that it looked real bad so she just more or less decided to go to church for spite. She was all dressed up, makeup and all and walked into the church just like she owned the place. Br. Henry got up and the Lord gave him the right words to say and it brought condemnation to my mom. She held on to the bench just as long as she could



Oscar and Sis. Evelyn Sisk

so she headed for the altar. Mother couldn't raise her arms up high enough to comb her hair, much less to pray, but Sis. Ruth Coffee just barely touched Mother's elbows and both arms went up over her head and in a matter of minutes Mom was speaking in tongues with the Holy Ghost. She had drunk almost all of her life but the next time she even got a smell of liquor and it made her so sick and she just looked up and praised God for taking all that away from her. Our Dad does not have the Holy Ghost but he has not drunk anything since that night to the best of my knowledge. I thank God for letting my mother live ten years longer than the doctors give her to live and also because He didn't let mother suffer or be completely down for a long period of time. He knows our needs. Thank God.

Sis. JoAnn West

On the 2nd Sunday of Feb. Br. Charlie Brown was encouraging the saints to come out and help the minister. "We need help too" he said. Not to push the young children of God out too far and then step on them.

Br. Jr. Stephens telling how Br. Frank Guffey would be out to see him if he missed service. Encouraging him to come out because he needed him.

Br. Ernie Holman telling about a dream or vision he had of a young person in a casket and some people began watching it and noticed that it still had life in it.

Sis. Evelyn McAnnally was wonderfully blessed at IDER (2nd Sun. night, Feb.) and it freed the whole meeting.



Tattlers Wagon

Once I had a tattlers wagon,
 Which behind I did pull;
 Just as fast as I could empty it,
 Some friend would fill it full.
 By and by I got so busy,
 There was little else to do,
 But still I'd meet the saints
 and sing,
 I'm Going Trough Jesus, Im
 going through.

Well, I was going through,
 And tattling as I went;
 But going through like that you know,
 Isn't worth a cent.
 I'd talk about my neighbors;
 They'd give me tattle too,
 Then we'd go to church and sing,
 Tis the old time religion
 Tis the old time religion,
 Tis the old time religion,
 It's good enough for me.

As someone testifies in church,
 Some good sister doubts,
 And others have no confidence,
 When a certain party shouts.
 Then someone hears a little lie,
 For some good reason told,
 He loads his wagon up and sings,
 I believe Jesus saves,
 And His blood washes whiter than snow.

We'd back our wagons up,
 And get another load,
 And just as soon as we could go,
 We'd start on down the road.
 And when we'd meet a passer-by,
 We stop and fret and spew,
 Then dump some poison out and sing,
 Makes me love everybody,
 Makes me love everybody,
 Makes me love everybody,
 It's good enough for me.

Folks, the thing that we should do,
 Is smash those wagons now,
 And each one bridle his own tongue,
 Let's stop this thing some how.
 Let's stop this awful tattling;
 Let's bring it to and end,
 And we can go to church and sing,
 In the sweet by and by,
 We shall meet on that beautiful
 shore.



Years ago, a missionary employed a great Chinese scholar to translate the New Testament into the Chinese language. The scholar was a Confucianst and had never heard of Christianity until this missionary had engaged him. The scholar was a painstaking person and wanted to produce a splendid translation. As he completed his work, the missionary recalled that he had not said a word to him about his soul and his need of the Saviour. Engaging the scholar on conversation, he said, "You have been a great help to me. As you translated the New Testament, has not the beauty of Christianity appealed to you? Would you not like to be a Christian?" "Yes," replied the scholar, "It does appeal to me. It is a wonderful system of ethics. I think that if I could see a Christian, I might become interested." "But," said the missionary, "I am a Christian!" "You," said the scholar, "are a Christian? Oh, no, pardon me, I don't want to offend you, but I have observed you. You are not a Christian. If I understand aright, a Christian is a follower of Jesus, and Jesus said, "A new commadment give I unto you, that you love one another. But I have listened to you talk about others who were not present, saying unkind things about them. I have watched you closely in other things, and I have had to conclude that you are not a Christian I think that if I could see a Christian, I would like to be one!" concluded the Chinese scholar.

BR. HODGES MOORE: *"..... and the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee, nor the head to the feet, I have no need of thee. Nay, much more those members of the body which seem to be more feeble are necessary. Did you hear me? And those members that which we think to less honorable, upon these we bestow more abundant honor. And our uncomely parts... Do you know what uncomely means? It's not becoming. Comely means becoming. A comely person acts just right. The uncomely person is not hardly up with that. For our comely parts have no need. But God hath tempered the body together, having give more abundant honor to that which lackeed. !!! If there hadn't a been somebody there that lack, he wouldn't have said anything about it. ... You know what it said about the "Weak" man. Him that is WEAK in the faith, recieve ye, but not to doubtful disputations. There aint a line in this book that said a word against any child of God being weak. He is defended rather. Don't doubt him, and don't dispute him. We that are strong, ought to bear the infirmities of the weak and not to please ourselves".*

"I was born in Murray County Georgia in the winter of 1935. I was raised in a religious home, and we wanted to go to church. The ways of the Lord always interested me and I enjoyed going to church, as did my four brothers and five sisters. We were poor but the Lord always seen that we got by. When I was eleven I went down to the altar and asked the Lord to forgive me and joined the church and was baptised. I can remember that when I went down to be saved of Momma jumping and praising the Lord and Daddy crying. That year I picked cotton and saved up and bought a bible from Sears and Roebuck. I carried it to church every time I went. I read it a lot. By the time I fifteen I was reading the bible and not understanding what was in there. I was wondering that there was something missing in my life, and there was things in the New Testament like, not sinning, speaking in tongues, and other things that had me in a wonder. I would underline them and ask Daddy what they meant. He was honest about it and just say, "I don't know." I even tried not to sin during this summer. I went weeks maybe a couple of months and did no sin, but it just didn't last, for I had nothing to keep me free of it. When I was nineteen years old, I came to Chattanooga to work in a bank. I went to church a lot and even taught Sunday School. But I felt like I wasn't qualified to teach someone else. I wasn't a mean girl but sin was still there. Once the preacher asked everyone that was a Christian to raise there hand. I didn't raise mine because I had condemnation on me. Every one thought I was a Christian. The preacher then gave an invitation to pray for those who wanted to rededicate their lives to the Lord. I went down and cried and prayed, but when I got up knew I wasn' changed. I went down a sinner and got up a hypocrite. On the following Wednesday evening at prayer meeting, the preacher was talking , wanting people to come down to the altar. He brought me up to the front and used me as a example a rededicated Christian. While he was doing this, my heart was condemning me, and I had them fooled. By now sin was getting a bigger hold on me. I would ask for forgiveness but all the time knowing I would go back to doing sin again.

About a year later I met Bryant who I would marry in just a few weeks. He was raised in another church (Catholic) but was now going to holiness meetings. On our first date we swapped out. I went with him where he went to church and then he went with me to where I was going. He never went with me much anymore. He told me how he had been and how he had found what he

believe would satisfy his soul. After we were married I started going with him. I wasn't sure holiness was right by some one laying hands on me or telling me this way is right. Rather it was the lives that these people lived. You could see and feel the peace and love they had. And when they preached it was what the Word of God said. I knew this was what I was looking for for several years.

Bryant was seeking the Lord. A couple of months after we were married we were at TIFTONIA. I was setting by Sis. Ester Middlebrooks when they gave altar call, and as usual Bryant went. Sis. Ester knew I claimed to be "Saved". She asked me so sweetly, "Charlotte, wouldn't you like to pray for Bryant." I got down to pray, but it wasn't for Bryant, it was for myself. I sought for God for about two months. Once during this time, the Lord let me speak in tongues. I knew it was the Lord and I started coming up until I felt somebody's cold hand on my arm. When this happened my mind got off the Lord to my arm. On the way home, Bryant was tore up, and he asked me while I didn't accept the Lord. I told him of the hand on my arm and he was amazed because he was over me and had seen that no one had even touched me. He declares to this day that know one touched me. So Satan won that battle but the war wasn't over yet.

That was the night that Bryant decided to quit fooling around and come to the Lord. He had those poor people at TIFTONIA praying almost evry night for a solid month.



Br. Braynt and Sis. Charlotte Finlayson

One day we went to see Br. Will Guffey at HIGDON Alabama. He gave out meeting for t

that night. All afternoon I would try to pray but there was nothing there. At church I couldn't pray. Bryant began speaking in tongues and they wanted me to pray again. I still couldn't pray. I got up. Bryant rec'd the Holy Ghost. They started to dismiss when Bro. Will said "Sis. Fin, don't you want to say something." I still felt nothing but I got up. I said, "If the Lord will let my tongue run (speak) one more time I believe it." It did, and I did! While I was talking my tongue started moving under the power of God and I left here. The next thing I knew, I was in Sis. Anni Lou Culpper arms. I had fell and she had caught me. I was satisfied in my soul. I knew that I had found what I had been searching for the past several years. I have never sought for or wanted anything else since that night, except that I might live more humble and obedient to Him.

Sis. Charlotte Finlayson

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Holiness: A sacred place or thing; consecrated; piety; godliness; purity, sanctity.

Mention 24 times in the Old Testament.
Mention 13 times in the New Testament.

Who is like Thee (Lord), glorious in holiness.

Thou shalt make a plate of pure gold... engraving... HOLINESS TO THE LORD.

Thou shalt make a plate of the holy crown... writing... HOLINESS TO THE LORD.

Worship the Lord in the beauty (splendor, honor) of holiness.

Singers unto the Lord... that they should praise the beauty of holiness.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of His holiness.

God sitteth upon the throne of His holiness.

...and highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness.

But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness.

In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD.



BR. CHARLIE BROWN: "If these five (Apostles, prophets, evangelist, pastors and teachers) are put in there for the perfection of the saints, they've got to love you, they've got to work with you. They've got to work for you. They've got to do all they can to lift up the church. Now I'm going to flip that right around, and you have got to be careful what you say. You have got to confidant them, and you've got to back'em up.

And man shall be as a hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land.

Until the Spirit be poured out on us from on high, and the wilderness be a fruitful field.

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... every pot in Jerusalem and in Judah shall be holiness unto the Lord.

Even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

But now be made free from sin and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.

Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

To the end He may establish your hearts, unblameable in holiness before God.

For God hath not called unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.

The woman that was deceived was in the transgression. Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety

The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness.

...that we might be partakers of His holiness.

Follow peace with all men, and holiness without which no man shall see the Lord.



This was written in a Birmingham paper some years ago after the Weems family lost a son while trying to trust God.

On July 4th, 1776, the Declaration of Independence was read and adopted by the American colonies. Thus giving us an opportunity to worship God according to our own hearts desire. This right is written in the Constitution of the United States. Since that time, many young men have fought and died to preserve this freedom.

Recently in Birmingham, Alabama, a young couple was arrested and charged with man-slaughter, because they did not call a doctor during the brief illness and death of their 12 year old son. These parents were devout members of the Holiness Church who believe in Divine healing. Basing their faith on the Bible in such scriptures as James, 5th chapter and the 4th verse. Many Pent-cotal churches all over the world teach and practice Divine healing.

The couple have received letters from all parts of the United States stating that their church teaches the same doctrine and that their members are standing behind them with their prayers. Now with the fact established that this is the faith and doctrine of these churches, has the rights of this couple to worship God according to the dictate of their own heart been invaded? Have they been denied this freedom? Has someone forgotten the Constitution of the United States or just plainly ignored it?

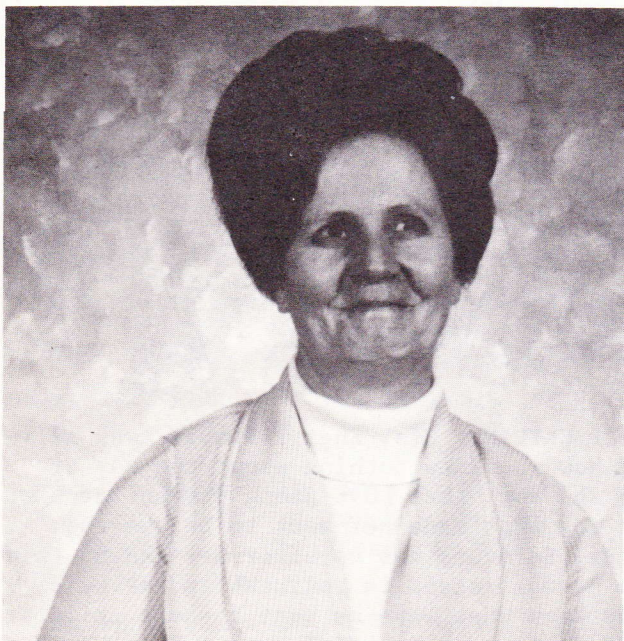
Hospitals are losing patients by the dozens every day, read the death list in the local paper, do you ever read about a doctor being arrested for man-slaughter, because of his patient dying? Of course not. People are departing from this world daily, the scripture says it is appointed unto man once to die then the judgement. So when the appointed time comes, whether we be young, old, rich or poor, we must depart from this life.

Getting back to the subject of these young parents, the father fought in many major battles in the Pacific, seeing many of his comrades go down by his side, in one particular battle almost every man in the outfit was wiped out including the famed newspaper columnist, Ernie Pyle. What was he fighting for? For the freedom to worship God according to the dictate of his own heart. This being the case, was all the hardships of the wars, all the lives that were lost, all the grief that was caused, was it all in vain or is someone just ignoring our rights just to make a name for themselves or to gain publicity for themselves.

Will the people of the United States soon have to hide out as in the olden days in order to worship God in the manner in which they believe. If this be so, then we will be living under dictatorship, with our freedom of religion gone, we can only look forward to a life most miserable while we finish our stay here on this earth.

W. F. Windsor

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Sis. Wanda Moon

Sis. Wanda Moon of Chattanooga had been in bed about six months. A few saints met in on a Wednesday morning. They prayed, they testified. They prayed again, they testified again. The Lord was there. Sis. Wanda got better, even started eating again. Her daughter-in-law, Donna, rec'd the Holy Ghost there in the living that day. It was noised abroad and crowds gathered here that day and into the night. By Friday afternoon, Sis. Wanda had slipped away in that sweet peace, known only to the children of God. How pass finding out are the Lord's ways.

Sis. Wanda was one of the old time saints. She believed in old time holiness. She would tell you just how she seen a thing in that straight forward, but peace-able way that was her trade-mark. She was never known to beat around the bush about anything. She was like what the Word of God said, Bold as a lion but harmless as a dove.

She is and will be greatly missed.

The night of April 9th found a good crowd and a good Spirit working at HYTOP. Br. Charlie Putnam of WILLIAMS COVE was talking how we say this is a good way. "Why then are we turning?" (For our help) He told how that if you had a child that got hit out in the road and the child jumped up and ran to the house across the street for help, you would say, "What in the world.....?"

Br. Buford Warren from NILA was warning about the many spirits that work among the saints and the tricks he will pull, if we'll let him.

Br. Charlie Brown also of NILA was talking about the spirit of unbelief.

Sis. Kathy Phillips of BRIAR FORK rec'd the Holy Ghost at HUTNSVILLE on the 3rd Wednesday of February.

Br. Carlton Williams, son of Sis. Mamie West and Sis. Angela Miller, daughter of Sis. Jean Miller rec'd the Holy Ghost on the 3rd Weekend of February. Br. Tom Kerley of PLEASANT GROVE was here as they ran a few nights meeting.

Br. Aaron Knight of Nashville and Sis. Renee Stephens of SCOTTSBORO were wed in April.

Br. Kenny and Sis. Jenny Fortner rec'd the Holy Ghost the same night at TIFTONIA on April 9th.

Br. Ralph and Sis. Eula Dean of ROCKY BRANCH were at Tiftonia enjoying themselves in the Lord on the 5th of February and it was good the way the Lord blessed Sis. Eula Dean.

Sorrow looks back,
Worry looks around,
But faith looks up.

Br. John and Sis. Jessie Tinker lost their son, John Larry in April.

Br. Poge Ric's daughter of ROCKY BRANCH has a rare Blood disease.

Nila got one of those "Long time seekers" on the 3rd weekend of Feb. when Br. Louis Sanders rec'd the Holy Ghost. He had been going to the altar about forty years.

Br. James Higdon, son of the late Br. Harold Higdon, rec'd the Holy Ghost at Oak Grove on Gunters Mtn on the 3rd weekend of February.

In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence: and His children shall have a place of refuge.

If God is love, then everything that is not done in love is not of God.

Br. Buddy Micheal of IDER said that we couldn't put on Charity until we "Put off," the things that displeased the Lord first.

Sis. Betty Ferguson had arthritis or something in her hip. She walked in a walker up to be prayed for. The Lord blessed a couple of saints to lay hands on her. As one did so, she raised her hands and started praising the Lord. Another did and she staggered as if to set back down, but she didn't. She walked unaided to her seat on the third bench, left side. After service, her daughter, Sis. Donna, carried the walker out as Sis. Betty walked. The next day she was still doing fine.

Br. Bill Parker of TIFTONIA said, "Hurt feelings come from pride!"

Wonderful services over the 1st weekend of Feb at NILA. Like "Old time holiness," with people out under the power of God, all over the house. Not just a circle, but two and three circles.

Br. Ben and Sis. Edith House enjoyed their 44th wedding anniversary on the 1st weekend of February.

Br. Ronnie Morris, son of Br. Ted Morris, rec'd the Holy Ghost on the 3rd weekend of February at WILLIAMS COVE.

Br. Ernie Holman telling how we must have mercy and leave the judging to the Lord. These meeting that are called on people, he said, "I don't believe in them!" (AMEN!)

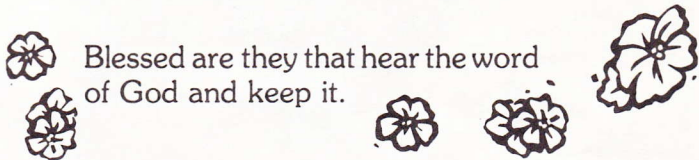
On the 3rd weekend at HYTOP, Sis. Kathy Thrower rec'd the Holy Ghost.

Good meetings over the 2nd weekend of March in Farmington Kentucky.

Br. John Gray of PLEASANT GROVE was laid off his job because of an ailment. We're looking for the good Lord to heal him.

Extra good service at SCENICLAND on Look-out Mtn on the 3rd Sunday evening of Feb.

TIFTONIA has been have some very good services. They had a sort of revival on the 2nd week of March.

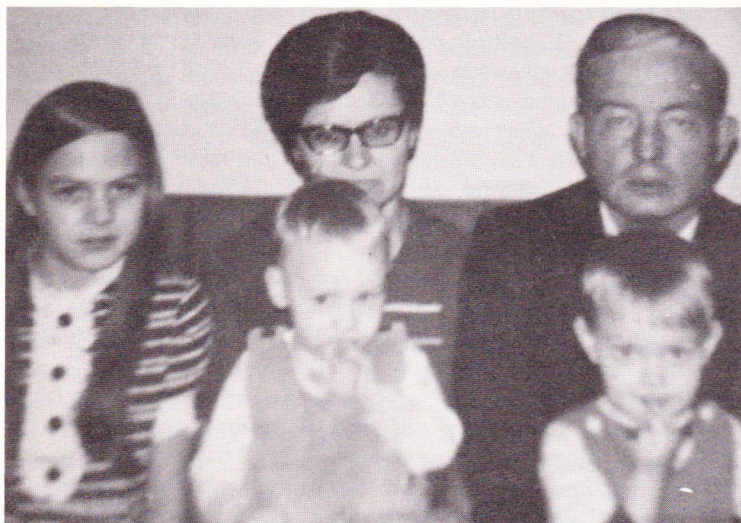
 Blessed are they that hear the word of God and keep it.

At SKYLINE, Sis. Sherri Brazier was telling how she knew nothing about the way of God and how that LOVE among the children of God was what made her want to be one too.

Br. Ed Avons was up after her and he told how he was raised in Holiness and he said, "You know what made me want to be a child of God? It was the LOVE I seen among them!"

These have gone on.....

Br. Melvin McAllister passed away, in peace, on March 15, 1981, in his 77th year. He rec'd the Holy Ghost about twenty-six years ago under the preaching of Br. Willis Brown at PLEASANT GROVE where he lived. It was here at PLEASANT GROVE during service that he was taken.



Sis. Pearl and Br. Melvin McAllister with some of his children

Sis. Bertha Maples passed away in the peace of God in her 82nd year on February 8, 1981. She came to the Lord at BEIRNE AVE under the preaching of Br. Willis Brown



Sis. Jean Moon with her mom, Sis. Bertha Maples. in wheelchair.

Sis. Bea Summerford finished her journey here on the 9th of March in her 66th year. She came to Christ at the ROCK HOUSE 45 years ago.

Sis. Wanda Moon was called away in her 48th year on March 14, 1981. She rec'd the Lord at HIGDON under the preaching of her grand-dad, Br. Will Guffey, 36 years ago.

Br. Jeff Holman, son of Br. Ted and Sis. Bobbie Holman of PLEVNA was taken in his 16th year. He came to the Lord at PLEVNA two year ago. He was a very sweet lad.

Br. Jr. Hixon of TIFTONIA was called away in his 52nd year on March 17, 1981. He rec'd the Holy Ghost over twenty year ago at SCENICLAND. He was a hymble man who loved peace.

Br. B.I. Wooten was called home in his 77th year on March 11, 1981. He rec'd the Holy Ghost at PLEASANT GROVE on Cumberland Mtn. about 56 years ago. He was from West Brow where he was responsible for church being started here years ago. His wife Sis. Pearly is still with us.



Br. B. I Wooten

Sis. Edna Dennis passed away in her 68th year on March 16, 1981. She rec'd the good Holy Ghost in 1938 at GOZA's CHAPEL. She was the only one in her family to rec' the Holy Ghost.

Sis. Evelyn D. Sisk passed away February 2, 1981 in her 77th year. She rec'd the Holy Ghost in May of 1961 in the basement of the BLACK OAK church in Indiana under Br. Henry McLain's preaching.

Br. Joe McLain passed from this life in his 70th year on March 5, 1981. He rec'd the Holy Ghost way back yonder on Gunters Mtn. at OAK GROVE.

Br. Doyle Sharp of Fort Payne passed on to the "Good Land" on March 23, 1981 in his 78th year. He came to the Lord at Ft. Payne in 1930. He was a good man, full of years, and love.

MORE BEYOND

*We only see a little of the ocean,
A few miles distant from the rocky shore,
But, oh, out there beyond — beyond the eye's horizon,
There's more — there's more!*

*We only see a little of God's loving,
A few rich treasures from His mighty store,
But, oh, out there beyond — beyond life's horizon,
There's more — there's more!*



"I was not raised in Holiness and never knew a thing about it until I married Elvin West. He was the first one ever to tell me about the Holy Ghost. He never said much about it, except that I would need it to get to heaven.

The first time in a Holiness church was well over a year ago. It was at WILLIAMS COVE during their revival week. I could not understand what was going on since I never seen people have church like that before. One thing's for sure, I felt something I never felt before.

I didn't go back to church til one Sunday in August of last year with Sis. Violet Sanders.

The Lord had put condemnation on me before that Sunday so that I had cleaned out my closets and started wearing dresses. I stopped seeing friends and all other things I use to do that was of the world.

I had called Sis. Violet a lot of times and thru her the Lord directed me in some of what I had to do. Sis. Violet didn't even know she was helping me. She had no idea I was seeking the Holy Ghost.

I went to church at BLACK OAK that first Sunday and tried to see and learn all I could about The Way of Holiness. The Lord let so much be said that helped me. I didn't go to the altar that night because I felt I had to do some great praying first.

I came home, and when I was't praying I was singing what little I could remember from some children's songs about Jesus. When I wasn't doing that, I was reading the bible, mostly the book of Matthew. Jesus told me much of what to do including how to pray.

That Tuesday night, I was in the kitchen at the table praying to God to forgive me. I was pleading with tears. All at once I felt this good feeling start at my head and go all the way to my toes. Then this voice said, "Dry your tears." After that I couldn't cry another tear. I felt good and thought I had been forgiven. To be sure I asked God for a sign, that way I would be sure. My husband Elvin hadn't been feeling real well and I asked God to let him feel better if I had been forgiven. The next day Elvin called me from work and said he did feel better. I sure was happy to hear that.

That night at church I sat on the front row. I didn't want to miss out on seeing or hearing anything. I had asked a lot of questions of Sis. Violet. I even ask what people said when they went to the altar? I didn't know one thing about The Way. All I knew was I needed the Holy Ghost more than anything else in my life. I even asked her if it was time to go to the altar.

I don't think I was on my knees very long until the Power of God put me in the floor.

At first I couldn't understand what had happened to me. Then I realized what I was feeling was God, and I really said "Glory!"

I didn't get the Holy Ghost that night, but I sure felt the power of God! I could have stayed there in the floor until next meeting time. I felt so good. I was so grateful to God that he had forgiven me and I was allowed to feel His power.

I smoked and I wasn't sure if that was one of the things I had to give up or not. And so again I began to pray and sing and read. When I asked God if it was my smoking I asked for a sign. My youngest lost her glasses. So I asked God if it was Okay to smoke would He please let us find her glasses. Well, I didn't find them, but the devil told me they wouldn't have been found anyway. I tried to stop smoking anyway, but after 18½ hours, I got some more cigarettes. I got kind of sick when I started back to smoke, but I kept on.

I went back to church that Saturday night, real sure of myself, that I was ready and in shape to get the Holy Ghost. I guess I was running a little ahead of the Lord. Needless to say, I didn't get the Holy Ghost that night. I felt sick in side, and knew I had to pray even harder when I got home. I sure did. God had been tryin' his best to tell me to stop smoking and I just couldn't seem to get a hold of it. That Saturday night I had been pleading with all my heart that He would tell me what I had to do. Whatever it was I was willing to do it. When others would get up to testify, I would pray for them. When someone would lay hands on me, I would raise my hands and say "Glory!" Finally, when I had gone to bed, it hit me, give up smoking. I got up and threw away what cigarettes I had. When I again laid down, I felt like I could say "Glory!" like I had never said it before.

I remember I was still praying all the way to church that Sunday night, that God would let me know if there was anything else I could do or give up to rec' the Holy Ghost. I was willing to do anything.

In the car on the way to church, Sis. Violet was talking and started to talk about wearing rings and such. I knew that was to me because I wore a ring my mother gave me before she died. I almost lost it once and couldn't stand it until it was found.

After I got to church, I took the ring off and decided never to wear it again if it pleased God and would help me rec' the Holy Ghost. Then a voice spoke to me and said "Give the ring to Br. Leroy (Duvall), tell him to sell it and give the money to the poor." Then the thought hit my mind, not to do that, but to give the ring to my old-

est daughter instead. the voice spoke back to me and said "I said, Give the ring to Br. Leroy, tell him to sell it and give the money to the poor!" I realized it was God speaking and I told Him I would do just as He wanted me to do.

Church started and I sang, prayed and prayed for people as they testified. This time I wanted to get up myself and testify. I asked Sis. Violet if it was Okay to testify if you didn't have the Holy Ghost? She said it was alright, so I got up.

After That, Sis. Pat asked prayer for herself because she had a bad headache. Every one got in the altar to pray for her. I started to stay in my seat, but Br. Hillary told me to get out in the altar with them and pray.

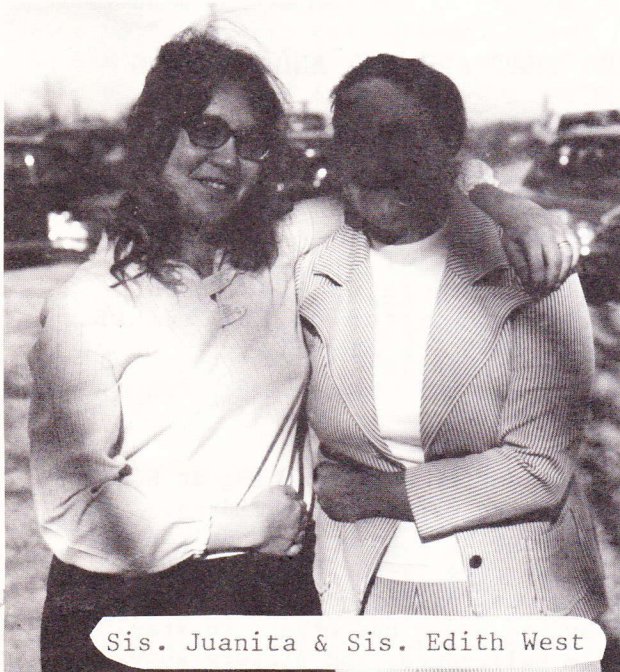
The power of God started falling and Sis Pat got okay. While we were still in the altar, Sis. Tammy came across the altar and layed hands on me. I put my hands up and started saying Glory and the power of God put me in the floor. Everyone started praying for me and soon I was speaking in tongues. I was filled with the Holy Ghost.

On January 24th, I will have the Holy Ghost five month, but it's been the best five months of my life."

Love to all
Sis. Juanita West

(P.S)

"By the way, after I stopped smoking and threw away my cigs and told the Lord I'd never smoke again, we found my little girls' glasses!"



Sis. Juanita & Sis. Edith West

" Some people eat soup louder than others, but it don't make the soup any better. It isn't how loud you shout or how high you jump, it's how straight you walk when you hit the ground that counts!"

Br.G. Henry Key of BROWN'S CHAPEL had a stroke.

Sis. Ninnie Glovers lost her husband in a car wreck.

Sis. Faye Nell Posey of SKYLINE lost her husband in an heart attack.

Quote: "While seeking for the Holy Ghost and just after they rec' the Holy Ghost, it's "Let's go to church, visit the sick, or some one in trouble."

After they have had the Holy Ghost a while, it's, "Let's go shopping, Six Flags or Smoky Mtns."

Sis. Nancy Baker rec'd the Holy Ghost at Plevna the 1st Sunday in April. She had went to church to have them pray for her because she has cancer and she was wanting them to pray for her.

Meeting started by the children of God testifying. They didn't even have first prayer until later on in the meeting. One sister had testified how the Lord healed her of cancer. Then finally they got around to first prayer. She was prayed for, but while she was being prayed for, she raised her hands, and started praying too, but she didn't rec'd the Holy Ghost then. After first prayer they turned around and gave altar call. She prayed only a few minutes and she came up speaking in tongues."

Br. Clarence Williams has been at deaths door but is slowly making a recovery again.

Br. Jim Patterson's daughter rec'd the Holy Ghost at GRASSY MTN 1st Sun eve in April.

Sis. Evelene Ikard of BRIARFORK telling of being away from the children of God: "We rented an apartment and it was upstairs. Every morning I'd get down to pray that the Lord would spare me to go back home to be with the children of God. The people we rented from lived down stairs. One day she came up and said "I thought we rented the apartment to people, not a bellowing cow!!! I hear you hollering and praying every morning."

I thank the Lord for watching over me to be with the children of God. That's what I live for."

HOW TO RAISE A CROOK....

1. Begin from infancy to give the child everything he wants. This way he will grow up to believe that the world owes him a living.
 2. When he picks up bad words, laugh at him. It will encourage him to pick up "cuter" phrases that will blow the top off your head later.
 3. Never give him any spiritual training. Wait until he is twenty-one and then let him decide for himself.
 3. Avoid the use of the word "wrong" It may develop a guilt complex. This will condition him to believe later when he is arrested for stealing a car that society is against him and he is being persecuted.
 5. Pick up anything he leaves lying around—books, shoes, clothing. Do everything for him so he will be experienced in throwing the responsibility onto others.
 6. Let him read any printed matter he can get his hands on. Be careful the silverware and drinking glasses are sterilized, but let his mind feed on garbage.
 7. Quarrel frequently in the presence of the children. Then they won't be too shocked when the home is broken up.
 8. Give the child all the spending money he wants. Never let him earn his own. Why should he have things as tough as you had them?
 9. Satisfy his every craving for food, drink, and comfort. See that every desire is gratified. Denial may lead to harmful frustrations.
 10. Take his part against the neighbors, teachers, and policemen. They are all prejudiced against your child.
 11. When he gets into real trouble, apologize for yourselves by saying, "I never could do anything with him."
 12. Prepare for a life of grief—you will have it.
- Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.
Proverbs 22:6

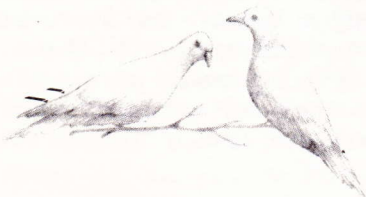


Who can find a virtuous woman?
for her price is far above rubies.
The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her,
so that he shall have no need of spoil.
She will do him good and not evil
all the days of her life.
She seeketh wool, and flax,
and worketh willingly with her hands.
She is like the merchants' ships;
she bringeth her food from afar.
She riseth also while it is yet night,
and giveth meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens.
She considereth a field, and buyeth it:
with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard.
She girdeth her loins with strength,
and strengtheneth her arms.
She perceiveth that her merchandise is good:
her candle goeth not out by night.
She layeth her hands to the spindle,
and her hands hold the distaff.
She stretcheth out her hand to the poor;
yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.
She is not afraid of the snow for her household:
for all her household are clothed with scarlet.
She maketh herself coverings of tapestry;
her clothing is silk and purple.
Her husband is known in the gates,
when he sitteth among the elders of the land.
She maketh fine linen, and selleth it;
and delivereth girdles unto the merchant.
Strength and honour are her clothing;
and 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.
Many daughters have done virtuously,
but thou excellest them all.
Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain:
but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.
Give her of the fruit of her hands;
and let her own works praise her in the gates.

OTHERS THAT ARE ILL AND NEEDING HEALING:

Sis. Sybil Bradford of HUNTSVILLE.
Sis. Carlyn Cooper of HUNTSVILLE.
Sis. Jlie Scott of HUNTSVILLE.
Sis. Gladys Brown of NILA.
Br. Lloyd White of OLD SARDIS.
Sis. Ollie Louvorn of HUNTSVILLE.
Sis. Nellie Pinkerton of HUNTSVILLE.
Sis. Lena Sanders of NILA.

Br. Paul Guffey was preaching at SCENIC-LAND on how to raise your children. (He must know what he's talking about for all his children came to the Lord and abode there) He was telling how they used to be taught by Br. Brwon and others to stay away from ball games, and picture shows. He was stressing how today the cut their girls hair, pierce their ears for ear-rings and etc. Sounds like holiness, don't it!



Jesus said, "In the world you will have tribulations, but in me you will have peace." I have known alot of troubles in my life time. I have always had a hard time. But for nearly seven years now I have come to know of trials, and I suppose I will until the day I die. I used to before I received the Holy Ghost try and figure out how I could live forever. After going to Beirnes Avenue and reading and studying the bible I found I was going to live forever. But I didn't like where I was going to be at. So I started to God and about fifteen months later I found what I needed. Thank God! Later I liked to have got in a little trouble because of my bible study. Because I seen a few things different from some of the brethern. But over all we all believe in pure Holiness. The Lord has given me some knowledge of at least a little bit of the bible and a whole lot of how to love and forebear and to get along with my brethern. Amen. I wish I could get across to the whole world about Holiness I know that when a man has his mind made up it is easy to talk of the Love of God. And how much we love the brethern, how good God has been to us. But you know, right now I feel weak, my mind is down, I am out of work, bills due, am very sick in my body. But I can truthfully say I still love God and all the brethern and this good Way. I learned a good lesson about five years ago. I had the Holy Ghost about a year or two, and I thought that Holiness people ought to be perfect. Well I got to seeing everybody's faults, and I would just talk about how I couldn't see how they could get away with that. That went along for a pretty good while, until I came across one who turned out later to be my very best friend. I was telling him one day all about it. Suddenly he turned to me and said "Br. Doug you are worse than they are". It shocked me hearing him say that to me. But he didn't stop there he went on until I felt like I didn't have not one friend in the world. But I wanted to live for God more than anything and He showed me mercy. Now, People, please don't talk about people who you think are in error or not living as good as you are. There is a good chance they are doing better than you are. Please pray for me.

Br. Doug Nance

PLEASANT GROVE has had a number come to the Lord lately: Sis. Mona West, daughter of Br. Clifford West. Sis. Terry Lands, Sis. Edith McAllister's grand-daughter. Sis. Loa Bea West, Br. Johnny West's sister-in-law. Br. Steve Golden, son of Br. James Golden of HYTOP. Br. Lloyd West, husband of Sis. Loa

Bea, Br. Johnny's borther. Sis. Treet and Hulan West, man and wife. Br. Hulan is Sis. Francis West's son. Br. Tom McAllister, Sis. Inez's son.

NILA: Sis. Faye Gullivan, Sis. Alma Sanders daughter. Sis. Carol Jones, Br. Scooter Jones daughter. Sis. Delores Stephens, Br. Eugen's daughter. Sis. Rhonda Clark, Br. Obie Clark's daughter. Sis. Angie Paradise, Br. Jimmy's daughter. These came to God at NILA.

PLEVNA: Sis. Nancy Baker, Sis. Alice George's sister. Br. Jerry Higdon.

CAVE SPRINGS: Br. Sammy Hill came to the Lord here. He was one of those long seekers.

Br. Gary Bradford of HUNTSVILLE lost his dad.

These rec'd the Holy Ghost at HUNTSVILLE: Br. Jim Benton, so-in-law of Sis. Florence Benton and sister to Sis. Shelby Jean Taylor. Br. Martin McGill, son of Br. Aubrey McGill of FYFFE.

Sis. Peggy Sue Collett, daughter of Sis. Bert Sims of CAVE SPRINGS.

Sis. Francis Cole, mother-in-law of Br. Doug Tipton.

Sis. Kathy Sims of BRIARFORK.

CORRECTION.....

In last issue it was not Sis. Hattie Smith who was ailing but Sis. Etta Hill who is still ill. Sorry Sis. Hattie (See Micah please!)

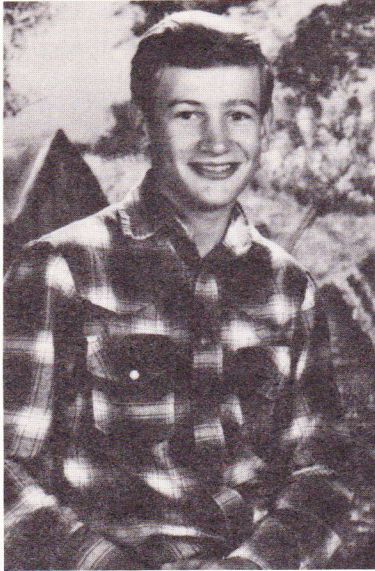
Br. Paul and Sis. Edna Smith of Grassy Mtn had their fiftieth Wedding anniverseray in May.



Br. Paul and Sis. Edna Smith



Be still, and know that I am God.



"Almost two years ago, Br. Jeff Holman's grand-dad (Br. Frank Holman) had passed away, and his body was at PLEVNA church. On the night before his funeral was to be held the next day, I happened to be staying at the church with some more of the friends and relatives; and on this night Br. Jeff, Br. Nicky Holman and a couple more young boys were also there. Over in the early morning about three A.M. I was sitting in the church and I could hear alot of talking going on out back of the church. At first I thought it was just kids carrying on a typical conversation, but that still small voice spoke and said; go out where they're at. As I went around the church, I could hear Br. Nicky talking to those lōst boys about the Lōrd; and as I drew closer I could feel the presence of God. I didn't have any idea what Br. Nicky had spoken, and as conversation had just about come to an end, I asked Br. Jeff a final question; and I said Jeff, do you ever want the Holy Ghost? He was silent for a minute, then he nodded his head yes; at this time I said then why put it off? And the Lord let me lay hands on him and I walked away and went and sat down on the front steps of the church.

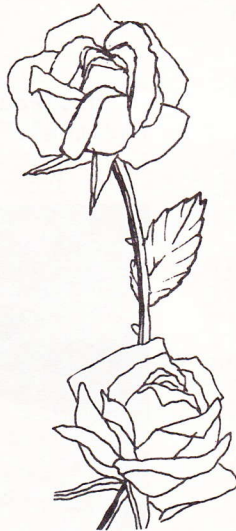
Br. Jeff was alone by himself out back of the church. Someone went back to check on him in a little while and they came back and wanted to know what we had said to Jeff, that he was in an awful shape and all tore up. I knew then God had knocked at his heart. But I guess the biggest surprise was about thirty-minutes later, Br. Jeff came around the church where I was sitting. There was no sadness then as a smile was all over his face. He said, Foster, I got the Holy Ghost. I said, you do? How do you know? He told me with all the boldness and firmness you could ask for, I spoke in tongues (Glory to God).

And the next day at his granddad's funeral that was one of the humblest and sweetest looking persons you could imagine. Thank God he's got a better place to go.

Br. Foster Posey

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REVIVAL



- BEAN CREEK: 4th Sunday of OCTOBER.
- BLACK OAK: MEMORIAL DAY week.
- BRIARFORK: 4th Sunday of July.
- CAVE SPRINGS: 2nd Sunday of June.
- ELKWOOD: MEMORIAL DAY week.
- GADSDEN: 2nd Sunday in June.
- HUNTSVILLE: 1st Sunday of June.
(Br. Paul Guffey)
- HYTOP: 3rd Sunday of June.
(Br. Paul Warren)
- IDER: 3rd Sunday in July.
(Br. Reuben Gaught)
- LOOKOUT MTN. 1st Sunday of June.
(Br. Elton Brazier)
- NASHVILLE: 4th Sunday of June.
- NOAH'S ARK: 3rd Sunday of June.
(BR. Willard Wooten & Br. Tom Kerley)
- NILA: 2nd Sunday of June.
(Br. Buford West)

- OAK GROVE: 2nd Sunday of July.
- OLD SARDIS: 1st Sunday of July.
(Br. Eugene Stephens & Br. D. Jones)
- PINEY GROVE (Lkt. Mtn): 4th Saturday eveing. (Br. Gene Smith)
- PLEASANT GROVE: 4th Sunday of June.
- PLEVNA: 2nd Sunday of August.
- RIVERTON: 3rd Sunday of June
(Br. David Jones)
- ROCK HOUSE: 1st Sunday of August:
- ROCKY BRANCH: 3rd Sunday of August.
- SCENICLAND: 3rd Sunday of June.
(Br. Chas. Willmon)
- SCOTTSBORO: 2nd Sunday of September.
- SECTION (SAND MTN): 2nd Sunday of June.
(Br. Horace Williams)
- SKYLINE: 1st Sunday of June.
(Br. Paul Warren)
- SOUTH HAVEN: Labor Day week.
- STOCKBRIDGE: 2nd Sunday in June.
- TIFTONIA: 2nd Sunday of July.
(Trusting God)
- WILLIAMS COVE: 3rd week of June.

My son is 14 years old. When he was 6 he developed what is known as leg perthes disease. That is where the joint in your hip deteriorates. He began to limp and cry with his leg alot. We took him to the doctor several times, but could not find out what was wrong with him. They finally x-rayed his hips and saw that the joint was deteriorating. He was then sent to a specialist who put him in a brace from his feet to his hip and told us that he would not be able to put any weight on that leg for about 3 years. It really broke our heart to see him in this contraption, especially when I knew I was serving a God that could do all things, I began to call on God and ask the children of God to also pray. Several times I had him prayed for at church, But it just seemed like we could not pray the prayer of faith. About 1 1/2 years after he had been in the cast I was up at, "Brown's Chapel". The Lord led Bro. Edwin Spurgeon to lay hands on him. The Lord healed him. Let me explain. At church that night there was only a few children of God there. My son was sitting in the back of the church when Bro. Edwin got up to testify. During that time my son walked up to me and asked if he could sit by me. I automatically scooted down to give him room. He had only been there a short time when the power of God fell on this Bro. and brought him around to where Mark was sitting. When his hands went on Mark I knew that was for his healing. Immediately old satan was there. He began to try to make me doubt what God had done. I began to pray. I asked the Lord if he had healed my son just to let my baby brother get the holyghost that night and I would never doubt him. And that is just what happened. Freddie did receive the holyghost and my son was healed. Til this day I have never doubted his power that cold winter night at BROWN'S CHAPEL.

When Mark was 8 another trial came on us. Mark had a convulsion and was out for 30 minutes. He was not jerking or anything. He was just lying on the bed starring at the ceiling and not moving. He was so pale. I thought he was dying. He was put in the hospital and all kinds of test were run. They couldn't find any sign of epilepsy on his brain. He was sent home. One year later he did the same thing again except this time he was out for 3 hours. We thought several times during those three hours that he would die. How heavy our hearts were. I had always heard that God did not listen to a scared prayer. And believe me we were scared. We rushed to the hospital. They could do nothing They put him on Dilatin medicine. He seemed to be doing fine but I kept praying. I truly wanted God to heal him. I asked prayer every where I went. One day at church I

felt God had done just that. I took him off his medicine and he did fine for about 2 years. And then one day he started blacking out just for about a minute at a time. I just didn't know what to think because I really felt God had healed him 2 years earlier. And Oh! How old satan jumped on me. Because I had testified so many times about how God had healed him. He wanted to make me believe that I had told a lie. I really had a trial on my hands. How I did pray for guidance and understanding. Because I just didn't understand. I didn't want to put him back on the medicine. I tried so hard to believe that he would be alright, but as time went on and he began to have more and more seizures. We knew we were going to have to do something. My husband doesn't have the holyghost. I couldn't seem to have the right kind of faith so we carried him back to the doctor and he put him back on Dilatin. But this time the medicine did not help Mark. Mark is 14 now and the Doctors have tried every kind of medicine they know of to control his zeisures but nothing works. All this time I have prayed and the children of God have praued for him. As he got older I began to pray for God to just give him salvation because each time he has one we don't know if he will live through it or not. Well on March 8, 1981 at Oak Grove Holiness church, the Lord baptised Mark with the holyghost. It was his first time to go to the altar. I was so overjoyed till all I could do was cry and laugh. I knew that If God didn't see fit to heal him now and took

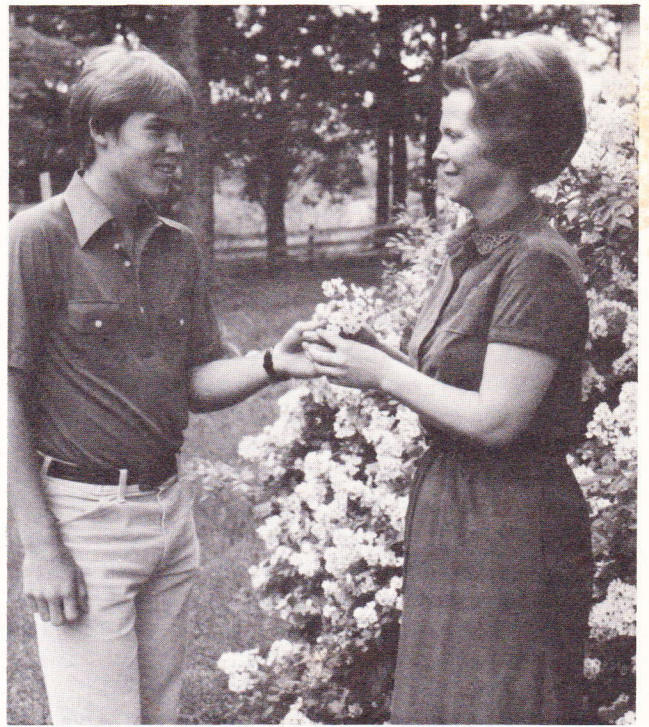


Br. Alton Willmon helping Br. Charles Willmon baptise Br. Mark.

him he was ready to go. But still if it was his will I wanted him to heal Mark..The next night at church Mark had a seizure during meeting. People prayed for him. The next night he really had a bad one. It was the worst I had seen him have since he was 8. I thought surely he was going to die. As the children Of God gathered around him he

began to come too. He looked so peaceful and bright til all I could say was "Lord your will be done". On Friday night of the same week he had seven more, two was almost fatal. He was beginning to really look weak. He was to be baptised on Sunday March 15, I so wanted him to be spared til he could be baptised. God did spare him. I can't explain what a feeling was at the baptising. It was just a peaceful humble feeling. There was such a joyous feeling when Mark went under the water. I just felt as if he was going to be alright. This is the 24th of March and Mark has still not had another seizure. Everyday that goes by that he doesn't have one I thank God. I truly believe that God will either heal our son or he has prepared him to take him. Which ever. I want his will done. If he ever comes on your mind. Please just pray for that to happen. I thank all of the Children everywhere that has been prayinh for Mark. It has really been a consolaton just knowing that we have so many friends.

Sis. Etelka Selvage



Br. Mark & Sis. Etelka, his mother

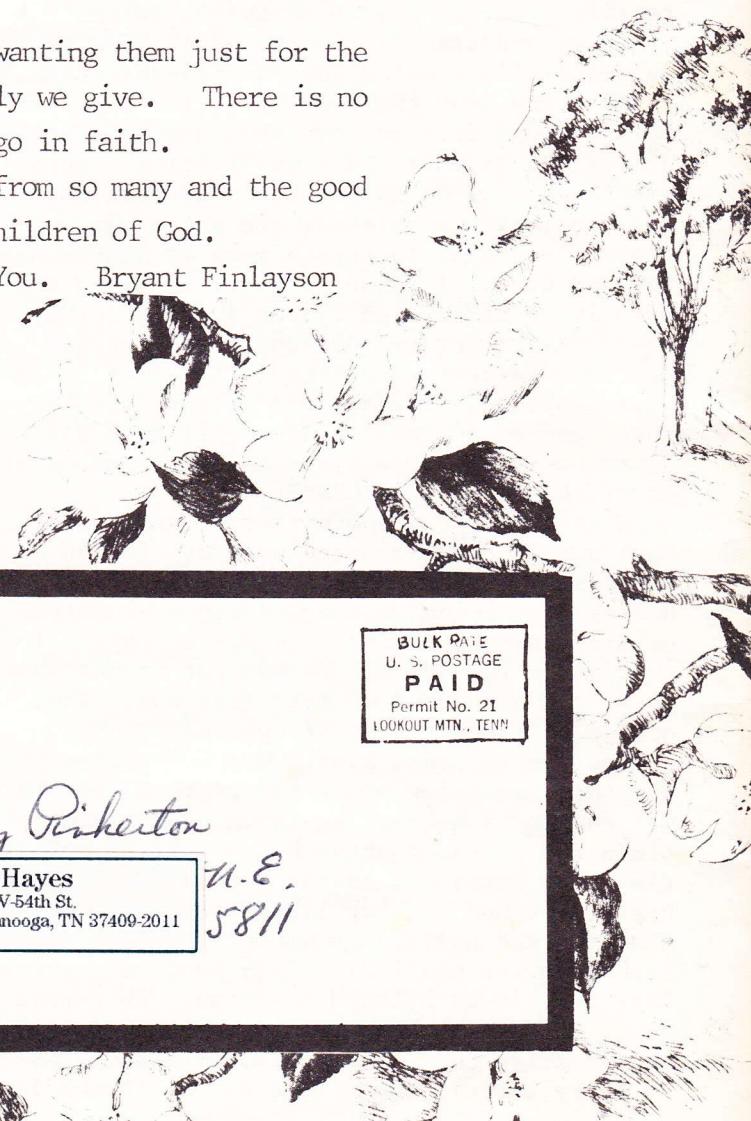
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