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A year has past since we put out the last Glad Tidings paper. We did not quit printing it, but rather put it on a shelf for awhile. Part for financial and part for spiritual reasons.

The spiritual reason being; we needed time for a breather, or more of a re-evaluation period...In the last decade there has been so many new things cropping up among the saints that we were not taught of by the old preachers or by the written word of God, and of late it has been increasing at such a swift pace, it weighted our hearts down, until we could not put out a paper representing the Way of Holiness without partiality. The cause has not been removed but our part has been taken care of, Charity being our biggest helper. We cannot help what other teach and believe, but we can watch our own door-

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And the Lord said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them.

And Moses went up into the mount... And the glory of the Lord abode upon the mount Sinai

And Moses turned and went down from the mount, and the two tables of the testimony were in his hand: the tables were written on both sides; on the one side and on the other were they written.

The tables were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, graven upon the tables.

As soon as he came nigh unto the camp, that he saw the calf (An idol) and the dancing: and Moses anger waxed hot, and he cast the tables out of his hands, and brake them beneath the mount....

The Lord said unto Moses, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first: and I will write upon these tables the words that were in the first tables, which thou brakest.

And he hewed two tables of stone like unto the first, and Moses rose up early in the morning, and went up unto mount Sinai, as the Lord had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tables of stone.

And he was there with the Lord forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread nor drink water. And He wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the ten commandments.

steps and earnestly contend for the faith that was once delivered to the saints, as the Lord lets us.

Also, the financial part has also been taken care of, so-o-o-, here we go again, back in the battle, and we need your prayers and support as we again try to send out glad tidings.

As always, we will try to put out this paper, without fear or favor. Its sole aim is to lift up the Lord rather than man.

If you have any good things that will do this, we would appreciate you sending it to us.

We mail Glad Tidings to all who but ask for it and it is without in charge. We do this for the Lord and not for monetary gain. He told us to go work and whatever is right I will pay. That is good enough for us.

Br. Bryant Finlayson

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When Moses came down from the mount Sinai with the two tables of testimony in Moses hand, when he came down from the mount, that Moses wist not that his face shone while he talked with Him.

The Ten Commandments

I am the Lord thy God. Thou shalt have none other gods before me.

Thou shalt not make thee any graven image, or likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the waters beneath the earth.

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.

Keep the sabbath day to sanctify it. Six days shalt thou labor and do all thine work.

Honour thy father and thy mother, as the Lord thy God has commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged.

Thou shalt not kill.

Neither shalt thou commit adultery.

Neither shalt thou steal.

Neither shalt thou bear false witness against thy neighbor.

Neither shalt thou desire thy neighbor's wife, neither shalt thou covet thy neighbor's house, his field, or his manservant or his maid servant, his ox, or his ass, or any thing that is thy neighbour's.

This was recorded at the HIGDON church in 1970:

Br. Paul Guffey: "Every child of God in the house will heartily agree if people commit fornication they are bound for hell. But you don't hear much about what hatred and such, it will send a man down and much as the other will.

Somebody will say, "Well, I don't hate them. I just don't like them." I believe I can prove to you that hate is disliking someone. It behoves us to be careful.

If there's something I do that you don't like, you've still got to stay where you can like me.

It got to where about all you hear that sends people to hell is what I said, but children of God, there is plenty of other things that's going to get people. All of these things (The seventeen works of the flesh that was written in Galatian) and such like these. There happens to be seventeen things that will send people to hell, and such like."

Br. Charles Willmon: "We're always talking about one or two things things as Br. Paul was saying, that will get us. There's a lot of things..., and there's a lot of things that will lead into one of the works of the flesh. That's where the trouble is. We won't do the big things, but we'll do all the little things around it and get so close... and the Word of God will begin to come and it will gouge us so that we are uncomfortable. If you would get just right, you would be comfortable. But if you don't, He said the cover aint long enough, it aint wide enough and you're just a picking and a pulling... If the cover aint long enough this way, I pull it up and my feet will stick out. Then I'll pull it down and my head will be uncovered. You can't hide yourselves..... afraid God will show you up.

This I say then, walk in the Spirit and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh, and these are contrary one to another. There's some wanting to do this, and some wanting to do that. You say, "Well, I've got the Holy Ghost!" That's good that we have got it. But ther's people that have had it that aint got it now. But if ye be led by the Spirit ye are not under the law. Now the wors of the

flesh are manifest which are these: ADULTERY; Well, we hear of it a lot. We know what that means. FORNICATION: That's the one we turn everybody down for. UNCLEANNES; Have you heard anybody going away for uncleanness? LASCIVIOUSNESS; A desire we don't have business having... I can get such a desire to do wrong that I can commit firnication and nevr have nothing to do with anybody. The bible says I can... IDOLARTY, WITCHCRAFT, HATRED; Br. Paul told you what hatred was. VARIANCE; Just varying, just varying little things, varying from what we started with. How many people that I dearly love will let and vary off from what you started with. And you say, "I wouldn't say nothing about it you'll hurt their feelings and they'll go away from God," most of you here are my kinfolks. If you see me going off into something, and you think Br. Bill might follow me, Tell me I am wrong!!! ...we go to funerals and they bring folks in that we aint got a bit of hope of. And we make out like they are alright, and somebody sitting there listening to it, and they don't know what to think... And we've preached in the stand that you couldn't do that.

EMULATION; if I've ever seen a time when emulation is around us it's here. ... people jealous of one another. Trying to gett ahead of one another.... Excel. Get ahead. Trying to overrrun. Get up on the top limb and push some body down. If that aint emulation....

WRATH; STRIFE; Just striving with one another. Pulling against one another. Try to push another down.

SEDITION: When you start to speak against the goverment of the church you are leading into sedition. ... railing against the goverment and traditon of the church, and I might want to change it, but I can't do it. I might get me little bunch to change it and that's where were at. We got so many little bunchs and we've chnaged so much, we don't hardly know what these old brothern started with. We just went ahead.

HERESIES; ... ENVYING; ...you can get envy against a man over something naturally and it'll cause you to go away from God.

MURDERS; DRUNKNESS; Now heres one that stays with me so long is REVELING; It's got to where nearly everyone of us will particapate in it. I know it used didn't go on. If I understnad it, it

is just a big feast and a hurrah time without God being anywhere in it. I remember the time when or protracted services started on Gunter's Mtn when I was a little boy, you might see some tears running down somebody's cheek, but you didn't see no big hurrah going on. I'd look around and Momma and Daddy didn't look just like they did. You just look forward to it just like you did Christmas.

There's some thing that worry me. There's some things I know we didn't start with that's happening around. And we being to partake of it, and were afraid to say anything about it, afraid we'll hurt some of their folks.

REVELING and such like and such like as I have told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God."

Br. Will Guffey;(HIGDON 1970)

"This won't be edifying to folks who don't know anything about it.

We got a lot of folks today, claiming Holiness, just as drunk... Hollering and screaming at everything that comes along just running up, whoo, whoo. Calling it the power of God. It aint no such a thing. The time has come that we've got to be sober-minded men and women.

When they (old timers) preached the Word of God, the world fell at our feet and rec'd the Holy Ghost. You know why there aint as many seeking the Lord now? They've heard you say too much about good children of God.

I know what Holiness is! *It's Follow peace with all men and Holiness with out which no man shall see the Lord.* Well, let's do that. And if we do that we'll have to turn around and shake hands with him. But in place of that, they'll get a little squad off together and talk about the old time Way. I'm tore to pieces because them spirits have taken over among the people of God. we're trying to prove what a power we are, and what I can do..

The bible will hold it good, to be content with such things as ye have.

For the Gospel to be preached by the Spirit of God, and take man out of it.

People have went TO FAR with these singings. They have GONE TO FAR with it!!! They got to where they can't actually have a singing unless they got a piano or some whicky, whicky, whicky.

They just got to have it. They didn't have any when we used to sing, How Firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord. There wasn't a guitar in the house. There wasn't a organ in the house. There wasn't a piano in the house. It's bringing in trouble. It bringing in style. It's bringing in Pride in the sight of God. I'm telling you the facts from the bottom of my heart. *Any man that seemeth to be wise among you, let him become a fool that he may be wise.* Brethern, we need wise men. Not what brothers have done, but what God wants done.

If God puts my hands on you..., it will be done decently and in order. They run all over the house and lay hands on you, knock your glasses off and break them. Fall over in your lap. God never done it! If you were led by the Spirit of God you would have never done it. They used to drag them out in the floor(sick) and they would hold their hands back, and when they would touch you, it would be like lumps of ice. And the power would fall, and they'd be off the floor, clapping their hands, gloryfying God. They were healed. They did not have half the house laying hands on. They was healed.

The all mighty dollar has slipped in. The love of it is the root of all evil. If you got any money, have a little sense and use it to the glory of God. If you can't use it that way, quit making money.

Brethern, talking about healing. If we keep the commandments, the healing is there. It takes the Holy Ghost to do it. You can lay hands on me...that won't heal me. But if God just touches me, the hand that God put on there, I'll be healed.

We've got brethern today who's houses are full of rotten television and it's an abomination. There's more evil in it then in any one thing I ever saw. It shows fornication from the time they are six years old until the time they are grown. There they are, just sitting there in the dark, "Keep that light off I want to see this program." You go in their houses, they barely shake hands with you. They say "Sit down Br. Will, we're watching this program and it'll soon be off." If it aint so, you get up and say I lied about it. I'm commanded to rebuke you sharply. It's an abomination in the sight of God. You got folks here in

the nouse who'll say, "I don't feel a bit bad about it." I know you don't. But it's about time you did. Brethern you can get used to anything.

These young folks aint a bit afraid to tell you.... If the world stands ten more years, You aint ever gonna call yourself organise church of God. But you sure do love the precepts of it. You're following right along in it. The next thing you know...

I can prove to you that God almighty will give you over to tell a lie. And then you'll say, "I believe that man, that was the power of God on him." And he told a lie.

Br. Walter Hill (HIGDON 1970)

"I believe it's real necessary that people know the law of God. To know what we can an can't do. There's a line drawn. People can go just so far...

Today, they'll leave their love one and marry again, and just go on... Brethern, that don't make it right. It said we was bound by the law to our wives as long as they liveth. I still believe the Word of God. It don't matter to me how much you carry some body along, when the bible reads them out, they are out!

The bible said, a contentous man, we have none such custom neither the churches of God. Well, what are we doing. We have people going along with contention. They are going aside and drwing people after them. They say, "I'm living right." But the bible is against it. The bible said *follow peace with all men and Holiness without which no man shall see the Lord.* If you do that, I'll go along with you.

I wish to God that people could just move back to the old landmark that we started from. You know what people done when they first started out in The Way of Holiness? When they got sick, they just depended on the Lord. Today in the day were in they have got Baptist hospital. It looks like they are going to have to put up a Holiness hospital. People keep a moving from that we started with. I know that people don't like this to much, but the bible is right. It says over here in the book of James *If there be any sick among you, let them call for the elders of the church, praying over them, anointing them with oil, and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall*

raise them up. Do we still believe in that? A lot of times the people you think are the best, the next thing you know, the end up in the hospital. I'm just telling you how people started back yonder. No wonder there is no more power then there is among us. Brethern, we come to far from where we started

I'm ashamed that people can't agree and get along. But if you've got contentious men among you can't agree with them. You can't do nothing but let them have their way. After a while they'll skip on out. Move on out. Somebody will say, "I don't like that." I don't care if you do or not brethern! Thank God, the Word of God is right. A contentious man is just grumbling and a growling all the time. After awhile they'll pull a half a dozen to the side and be gone and start someting else where they can do what they want to. Have you ever seen them? I have.

Let us lay aside every weight and the sin that doth so easily beset us. A sin is somthing that the people of God don't do. But if you get weighted down, you're fixing to commit a sin, if you don't get way from it. You go along weighted down with everything that comes along, just getting you something to satisfy you, you go right back into sin. You got to many weights. He told us to lay them aside.

When the Word of God is handed down it is suppose to edify. When we come to the place it don't edify, we better begin to hunt. We'd better ebgin to see what's wrong. The Word of God has always edified me.

When I first rec'd the Holy Ghost... I was hunting with a man that had the Holy Ghost and lost it. And the brothers came to me and talk to me. They said, "I don't believe you ought to keep that man's company." I kinda pinched me to start with. Then I considered it, and I said, "Well, they are odler in the Lord then I am." I took it just as they said it. ... Watch keep ing the wrong company. If we worship with somebody that's fussing all time that is goona run in our minds and terrify you. I'd rather ride by myself forty miles to work, then go with a man that couldn't go without cursing. The bible teaches us to shun the appearance of evil. If we don't shun these things, they are going to get ahold of us. After awhile we'll begin to partake of them things.

My son Despise not the chastening of the Lord, nor faint not when thou art rebuked of Him. For whom the Lord loves He chasteneth, and scorgeth every son He receiveth. Everybody who rec's the Holy Ghost is going to be chastened. I heard of a man...who rec'd the Holy Ghost, and felt like he was something. He said, "I wish the Lord would try me" He thought he was up on top, and had faith to stand anything. Wasn't but a few days after that he cut his leg cutting wood. It got to looking pretty bad and his folks didn't believe in Holiness and they begin ti say.. you'd better do someting for it. He went to the doctor. He wasn't as strong as he thought he was. We ought not to feel that way. The bible said; *He that thinketh he stand, take heed lest he fall.*

The man of God... you won't have to tell him nothing. There's been a lot of messes made by someone telling him something. He tryin to get up with something on his mind, trying to find somebody. Præch somebody out. But you just be led by the Holy Ghost.. Just leave the man alone, let the Spirit make manifest. It'll come in season and be just exactly right.

I would to God that Holiness people could get to where we would be just as one. If I believe one thing and you something else and teach something else it's gonna keep a cross among the people...."

IN BIBLE TIMES. . .

ELIJAH

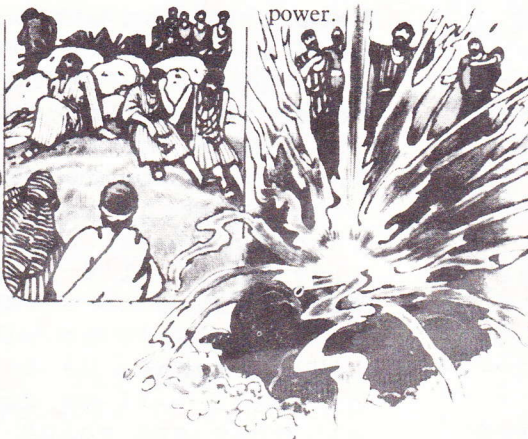
Elijah's first assignment as prophet was to tell King Ahab that God was sending three years of drought. Elijah went into hiding on God's orders.

After three years Elijah summoned Ahab and the prophets of Baal, a heathen god, to a public challenge to show which God was true and real.

Baal's followers failed to make their god send fire from heaven. When Elijah prayed, God sent fire and the Israelites were convinced of his power.

Ahab's wife, Jezebel, planned to kill Elijah and he fled for his life to the mountains. There God spoke to him and assured him of his protection.

God told Elijah to appoint Elisha to succeed him as prophet. One day when they were walking together, horses and a chariot of fire came between them and Elijah was taken up to heaven in a whirlwind.



Br. Denny Moore: "How easy we are to get bluffed out. You know that's all the devil is. He is just a big bluff. He aint got near the power that God's got. And you know what? God likes a bunch of odds. They say, "The odds are against you." God likes it that way. He likes to take just one against the whole multitude of the devil's people and do something great. Elijah... there were four hundred and fifty prophets that Baal had. Elijah told them, "let's just let God be God, the one who answers by fire." They built this altar, and they cut themselves and cried out trying to get Baal to answer. I can just picture Elijah. I don't believe he was a bit worried. He told them, "Cry aloud, maybe he's gone on a trip." God likes them kind of odds. He takes the weak things of the world to confound the mighty.

Peter- and them, they were just fisherman. It amazed them people that them unlearn men could do what they were doing. And God would like to take us and prove what we are.

Sometimes we quit just a little bit short. Just a little bit more pressing and we will get over there. The children of Isreal were right there just ready to go over into the land of promise, but the devil bluffed them out of it. They could have went, but it was just a bluff. God had told them he would drive them people out. The devil got them to looking and just bluffed them out.

But if God be for you, who can be against you? "



Br. Harold and Sis. Ree Smith

I got up that morning and went to work feeling pretty good. Over in the day I got in pretty bad shape. The doctor at the plant rushed me to the hospital. They later told me my right lung was in bad shape and they

had to take out half of it. The doctor sent in a lung doctor to talk to me. He told me that on Tuesday they were going to take out half of my lung.

Ree called my brothers and my daughter from Alabama. But on Sunday the children of God gathered in my room and began talking to me about the ways of the Lord. They told me they didn't believe they would take my lung out. After they left, I was laying in the bed thinking about what the children of God had told me. So I said, "Lord, if the saints of God don't believe they will take my lung out, let me get ahold something so I can believe you."

On Tuesday they carried me to surgery and looked in side of my lung. The doctor came to the waiting room and told Ree that my lung was real good. Nothing wrong inside of it.

I'm real proud of God's children and how they stand by you in time of trouble.... I still got my lung and God to thank for it. Praise His name.

Br. Harold Smith

(MARKHAM)

BR. HODGES MOORE: "There's seven of them. Add to your faith, virtue; and to virtue knowledge; And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. You know how it reads, but I'm gonna stop on the first one. *Virtue*. To make it clear, there are two kinds. A woman can be a virtuous woman, and not even have the Holy Ghost. But that that He want me and you to add, was something that would get something done for God. That's what went out of Jesus when that woman touched the hem of His garment. Listen to what it is. *Virtue*: Active power or strength; power to produce a certain thing. How much have we GOT? How much have we GOT?

Virtue healed that woman that touched the hem of Jesus's garment. I believe that's the virtue that he wanted me and you to have. How much have we got???

You lay hands on somebody and you say, "You have got the promise." I don't know if you have or not. Laying hands on them don't give you no promise. What gives you the promise is if you are healed, you got the signs following somebody. They have had people lay hands on them when they were sick and they were as bad off after they left as before

they came. You say, "You ought not to have told it." I've told it anyhow.

The bible didn't say the "Signs" would follow them that lay on hands. It will follow them that believe. God bless your heart!

You can pat a feller on the head, and fuzz his hair up all day, and it aint worth a dime if you done it your-self. I want you to be careful that you don't do it your-self.

I know what I'm a talking about. *These signs shall follow them, ... Who???* *Them that believe.* The results is that sick man getting up and walking off.

"Oh, oh, Br. Hodges, wait a minute." If God almighty told you to lay hands on him, he WILL BE HEALED.

There's a possibility... One feller (In the bible) began to mend.

The apostles. Do you know what happened when they laid hands on folks? Phillip was and evangelist. He was in Samaria. The apostles heard that Samaria had rec'd the Word. They sent down there, Peter and John. What did they do? THEY LAID HANDS ON THEM AND THEY DIDN'T GO BACK TO THEIR SEAT, THEY SPOKE in tongues. What do they do when you lay hands on them. Do they go back to their seat and wait til next Wednesday night??? What's the matter??? What in the world is the matter?

"Br. Don Childers rec'd the Holy Ghost at PLEVNA in '82 he has been a happy man, enjoyinh his salvation. He has had so much joy and love that he didn't know existed. He knew nothing of Holiness until he married into the Kirkland family.

He was in an auto accident while living up north that left his back injured. He had pinched nerves and severe headaches for years. He took stuff for it about everyday until he rec'd the Holy Ghost., then he flushed it all down the commode and trusted the Lord. He seldom ever has a headache now. He goes about the country to church, making long trips and setting thru services like anyone else.



Br. Don and Sis. Idell Childers

He is so thankful that he came to the Lord in time and now wants everyone else to have the good Holy Ghost too.

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Sis. Anelle Howell and Br. Arlene Stephens of SKYLINE were married this March. They had their mates die years ago.

BRIARFORK is again having meetings and some good ones at that.

Br. Shelly Summerford of FYFFE is in very bad health.

There has been a large number of people falling away from the Lord. This is not glad tidings, but the effect it has had on most of us is more of the fear of God and a more determination to please the Lord and to make it all the way; *But he that shall endure unto the END the same shall be saved.*

Sis. Anita and Br. Curtis Mason of GADSDEN had the officals take their sick three year old daughter away from them. At the present she is back with her parents. (More on this later)

There are number of Holiness families in the process of moving to Florida in the LAKEWOOD PARK area.

Sis. Lena Sanders is still in serious illness.

Br. Clarence Williams still stays close to his bed.

A wonderful Lord's Supper at TIFTONIA on the 3rd weekend of March.

Some saints north of Atlanta are having services at VILLA RICA, and some of them are very good. They are about fifty miles from the other churches.

Sis. Betty Faye McAllister is still in bad health.

Sis. Ollie Early of BRYANT is in real poor health. She is one of the oldest sisters left among us.

Br. Jack Denson: "A tree when it grows gets it's substance from the roots or it will die. Today, if we don't get a hold of God in prayer, and get some spiritual experience in that, we'll die.

Testifying won't do it. Prayer will get you places you have never been. You can see things that you have never seen. You young folks need to keep on praying. Pray. Then the testifying will automactically come .Pray....."

Br. Wallace Vaughn was telling about the Queen of England, Elisabeth was in Scotland and took walks with some children without any guards. Once while doing this it came up a rain and she went to a house to borrow an umbrella. The lady had two, an old one and a new one. Not knowing this was the Queen, she lent her the old one. In doing so she missed her chance to do something for the Queen. Remember how the Lord taught, that as we did to the least, we did to Him and also how some had entertained angels unaware.

"Father where shall I work today,"
 ...and my love flowed warm and free.
 Then He pointed out a humble spot,
 And said, "Tend that for Me."
 I answered quickly, "Oh, no not that!
 Why no one would ever see.
 No matter how well my work was done;
 Not that little place for me!"

The Word He spoke, it was not stern;
 He answered me tenderly:
 "Ah, little one, search thine heart;
 Art thou working for them or me?
 Nazareth was a little place, ,
 And so was Galilee."



BR. SHIRLEY BYRUM:

"I thought I knew how to get the Holy Ghost. I found out I couldn't even do that without God helping me do it. But when Br. Mutt was talking, I got ahold of something I knowed was right. I didn't have to call my mama to ask

my mama and daddy if that was God. I knowed I had a hold of Him. They told me to do just like I was at home and if I was at home this is what I would be doing. *Herein is my Father glorified*, Ah, I remember the first time I glorified Him. Do you remember the first time you glorified Him? If you glorify God, you'll bring heaven down. God will get a hold of you and every body will know that's God a hold of you. *Herein is my Father glorified*, if we make Him happy, He'll make us happy. You people in the back of the house, if you ever glorify God, He'll give His Spirit to you. *Herein is my Father glorified*, that you bear much fruit. What kind of fruit was He talking about? He was talking about that love that old man was talking about. You get a little bit of love and something else will set up. When love starts dying, hate starts taking over... *So shall ye be my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you.* Stay in my love whenever you want to? No!!! *Continue in my love. If you keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love.* Now ther's a way to get out of His love. *Even as I have kept my Fathers commandments and abide in His love. These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you.* Now, He wasn't talking about "Our joy." He was talking about Jesus's joy. He was saying, if you do what I tell you, I'll be happy with you. Now listen, *And that your joy might be---half full?* You don't get the Spirit of Jesus and hide it. And the spirit of anything is what causes it to act like it acts.

This is what was on my mind when Br. Mutt was up. I believe I heard you say, This is my commandment, that ye love one another, as I have loved you. He died for me. What did He do for you?

Now listen. *Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.* What did He command us? Love one another like I loved you. What about that?

Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servants knoweth not what his Lord doeth: But I have called you friends; For all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you...

If you talk bad about me to my back, and good about me to my face, your in hypocrisy. And that kind of prayer won't get noting down from heaven. Now listen, *Ye have not chosen me. We didn't have nothing to do with it, did we? Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you and ordained you, to what???* *To bring forth fruit.* Love joy peace. You can get up here and jump on these people in the back of the house all you want to and they'll not come in. You get that love and He'll draw them in. *And bring forth fruit and that your fruit should remain:...* *Whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, He may give it you. These things I command you, that ye love one another.*

When I rec'd the Holy Ghost, I got a hold of love and I got to feeling so much of that, I told the Lord "I'm ready to die..." and I did, I died. And I was born into the family of God.

If you aint got no fuit in your life, don't tell nobody else what to do...

I don't know a whole lot, but I know when the Lord is thru with me. The Lord didn't say it would take all night to do something. He made the whole world in six days, and everything in it. It don't take the Lord a long time to get it done!"

Br. "Mutt" Rowan Spurgeon; "When people ask us to pray for them, the next time we hear from them, are we looking for them to be better? According to God's Word, if we keep his commandments, ask what we will and it will done unto us. If we ask the Lord to heal somebody, we ought to look for that to happen.

If there ever was a time that the people needs God among them, it's now.

There's things going on among us that we rec' weakness over. ... We've got to love one another. I believe we'll find in the bible, let love...let love be without dissimulation. **Even** a poor old ignorant thing like me knows what that means. It means; let it be real. Br Denny, I tell you here I love you, when I get on the other mountain, I'll say, "I love that feller." There's a lot of things going on that God aint in. But there's a few things that's going on that God loves.

"It's true that music can make the dog howl, but we never heard where it made him give up stealing chickens."

"We have been having some wonderful meetings here at SKYLINE. The Lord has given strength to so many that have needed it for so long"

Br. Bruce Brazier, Br. Elton's son, rec'd the Holy Ghost here last summer. Also Sis. Bridget, Br. Floyd William's daughter. And Br. J.C. McGill, husband of Sis. Margie (Guffey) McGill.

At ROCKY BRANCH, Sis. Vollie Falcomine rec'd the Holy Ghost last winter. She is Sis. Eula Dean sister. Also Sis. Dianne's husband, Br. Allen Warren, and Br. Dean Ragon, Br. J.W.s son, and Sis. Melony Walls, Br. Jerry Walls' girl, and Br. Darrell Rice, Sis. Martha Nell's son, and Br. Mark Long, Br. Bobbie's son, and Br. Bobbie's wife, Sis. Betty rec'd the Lord at OAK GROVE on Gunters Mtn, and Sis. Patricia McLure, Br. Jim McLure's daughter, and Sis. Tammy Golden, Br. Morgan Golden's grand-daughter.

Br. Hubert Sampson's grand-daughter, Sis. Lori Scott, rec'd the Holy Ghost at HUNTSVILLE. Also at HUNTSVILLE, Sis. Bernie Fortner's daughter-in-law, Sis. Betty Fortner came to the Lord.

The new ones at PLEASANT GROVE are:

Br. Bruce West; Son of Br. Leonard.
Br. Rodney Hall; son of Br. Harvey.
Br. Dewayne Dalton; son of Sis. Brenda.
Br. Shannon Jones; Son of Br. Roger Jones of SYLINE.
Sis. Pearl McAllister; wife of Br. Thomas.

NILA: These are the ones that have received the Holy Ghost here:

Sis. Kathy Jones	Br. Bradford Jones
Sis. Darlene Sanders	Sis. Ginnie Marcum
Sis. Frieda Stephens	Br. Danny Brady
Br. Sam Sullivan	Sis. Janice Brady
Sis. Sandy Porch	Br. Steven Swain
Br. Raymond Arnold	Sis. Wanda Sanders
Br. Jay Porch	Br. Terry Jones
Sis. Becky Swain	Br. Tim Sanders
Br. Neal Clark	Br. Jeff Walls.
Sis. Michelle Satterfield	

SMYRNA:

Br. Leslie Coffey	Br. Jerry McGill
Sis. Tonia Sanchez	Sis. Tracey Jones
Sis. Johnnie McLain	Sis. Sandra Leek
Br. Scott Howell	Sis. Jerry Black

TIFTONIA:

Sis. Jessica Rodriguez	Sis. Katherine Sanson
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SCENICLAND:

Br. Lamar Guffey	Sis. Donna Wilson
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NOAH'S ARK:

Br. Barry Pritchett	Br. Scott Little
Sis. Kim Mahan	Sis. Gina West

WINCHESTER:

Sis. Angie Evans	Sis. Kelly Kilgore
Br. Ray McGill	Br. Charles Shaffer
Br. Steve Gifford	Br. Kenneth Laney
Sis. Tina Denson	Br. DeWayne Bailey

IDER:

Sis. Robin Rogers	Br. Harold Cooper
Sis. Debbie Shrader	Br. Rayford Shrader
Br. Tim Garner	

CAVE SPRINGS:

Sis. Peggy Wilburn	Sis. Lorell Vann
Sis. Rita Baker	Br. David Cross
Br. Frank Hutchins	Sis. Ann Whitaker

VILLA RICA

Sis. Cathey Smith	Sis. Anita Hall
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"Five people rec'd the Holy Ghost this past year.

1. Sis. Lis Mance
2. Sis. Stacy Brazier, Br. Jr's daughter.
3. Sis. Cindy Moore, Sis. Martha Moore's niece.
4. Sis. Roberto Edwards, Sunday school teacher.
5. Br. Clayton Echols, 81 years old.

Br. Clayton Echols had a stroke and was having terrible headaches. An old brother stopped to visit him and told him he ought to come and get them Holiness people to pray for him. He did, and he said his head stopped hurting, and that it didn't hurt anymore. He said, "I seen you people had something I did not have and I meant to get it, and if I hadn't of got it, I would still be there seeking after it." God wonderfully gave it to him. Oh, what joy at PLEVNA that night.

Sis. Linda White made a wonderful testimony last night. She said on her way to meeting she passed an old man's house that had lived in the community for years and years. At one time this man had a nice fine orchard, but his children had grown and his wife had died and he was alone and very old. She said as she passed his place she happened to notice where his orchard used to be and there were the trees, but the underbrush, weeds and had grown up under them and some of the trees

were broke and fell down, and she knew why this had heppened. The ground hadn't been worked. The trees hadn't been pruned. Neglect was wrote all over it and the trees couldn't bear fruit. She turned this around on the spiritual side and compared it to our salvation and it was so plain. This testimony was greatly enjoyed by all.

Br. Elton

OLD SARDIS:

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| Sis. Sara Wooten | Sis. Peggy Lands |
| Br. James Bachelor | Br. Mark Lands |
| Br. Richard Moore | Br. Benny Neeley |
| Br. David Martin | Sis. Peggy Wooten |
| Sis. Delores Workman | Br. Kenneth Trotman |
| Sis. Christina Trotman | Sis. Elaine Davis |
| Sis. Jana Wooten | Br. Mark Pace |
| Sis. Terri Pace | Sis. Kim Wilkes |
| Br. Roger Morton | Sis. Angie Cline |
| Sis. Angie Ferguson | Sis. Tammie Thurman |
| Sis. Marquita Morton | Sis. Kara Nappier |
| Sis. Michelle Martin | Sis. Carol Trotman |

A good number have rec'd the Holy Ghost at PLEASANT OAK since they started meeting there. They are:

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| Br. Jimmy Justus | Br. Jimmy Justus |
| Sis. Janice Shelton | and Br. Glen |
| Sis. Pam Hillis | Dotson attend |
| Br. Stanley Hillis | meeting at |
| Br. Paul Shelton | RIVERTON. |
| Sis. Shirley Pogue | They have some |
| Sis. Wanda Griffen | new souls who |
| Br. Kenneth Shelton | have rec'd the |
| Br. David Morris | Holy Ghost at |
| Sis. Donna Mason | other places: |
| Sis. Loretta Shelton | Sis. Marcella |
| Br. Jeffrey Mason | at GURLEY. |
| Sis. Vickie Williamson | Sis. Della Vann |
| Br. Glen Dodson | at ELKWOOD. |
| Sis. Tammy (Hillis) Padgett | Sis. Catherine |
| Br. Weslie Pope. | Paggett at |

HYTOP. Br. Paul Paggett at GURLEY.
Sis. Faye Mason at GURLEY. Br. Redis
Mason at GURLEY. And Sis. Teresa Odem
at HYTOP.

The PLEASANT OAK saints with Br. Duke Cowan who leads service here extend to all, lost and found, a hearty WELCOME to come and be with them.

ELKWOOD:

Br. Willie Wooten and Br. Rodney Underwood.

Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing: for they shall see eye to eye, when the Lord shall bring again Zion.

Sis. Martha Willmon was healed by the Lord of Migrane headaches that she has had for years last August.

In February Br. Charlie Brown was at SCENIC-LAND and he was reproving the Holiness people for the way they are cutting their girls hair, piercing their ears, wearing pants, makeup and all the fashionable evils of this age. Also he talked against playing golf and going to ball games and other entertainment that people have in the world instead of in the Lord.



Br. James A McLain: "I was in the army.. and went to Germany. There were some boys over there and one night they come to get me. I was setting on that old bunk, ole James McLain wouldn't go out that night. It was not that I was afraid. Jesus

told me to come ye out from among them. I would get off duty and go set on my bunk. I would pull out paper, I'd write to Betty, "Dearest Darling.... and I'd write "Dear Mother," and them boys geeting ready to leave. Ah, they are going out! They walked by me. They said, "McLain, tomorrow night we're going to take you out and get you drunk,

I'd been told all my life, Br. Henry McLain stood right here, and he said, *In that self-same hour He would give you what to say.* And I said, "Lord give me something to say," you said you would. But God wouldn't even speak to me. He'd done withdrewed Hisself. When the last man down the steps, I'd get over in the corner and get down on my knees. I'd pray, "Oh God, give me something to to tell them. I'd pour my heart out to God.

The next night they came to get me. They said, "We're gonna do it! You're gonna get drunk." I was sitting on my bunk, right by the door, writing my wife. I looked up and there they stood, twenty five of them. I'm a little feller. 25 men can handle me easy. One man can handle me cause I aint going to put up any resistance. There was a big boy about 6 feet tall, said, "We're going out to-night and get you drunk." I said, "Ya'll go right ahead. But I'm not coming with you. He said "Oh ya you are." "We're going to pick you up and take you." I said, "No you're not. I'm staying right here. I'm not going no-where, I'm not moving....." And he come walking toward me. I never did back up, I just stood there. And he come walking toward me and was reaching out. A boy way back there said, "Hey McClain, tell us why you won't go with us." I said, "I'd be happy to". Then God took over. He began to talk. I

said, "About 5 years ago, God baptised me with the Holy Ghost. He cleansed me from all unrighteousness. He took out all sin. I said, "I can't go and do like you do. I can't go back out in sin." I said "I can't do that. If I sin willfully after I receive the truth, there remainth no more sacrifice." And that boy had done backed up just a little bit. And I was going forward. I was feeling God. God got ahold of me... And he said, "McClain, listen, this here is 5500 miles away from home. There won't nobody know it."

Now listen young children of God. I want to tell you something. Don't let Satan paint you no pretty pictures. Don't let him tell you nothing, cause he'll trap you.

He said, "Your're 5000 miles away from home. Won't nobody know you done it. We ain't going to write and tell." I said thats right. They probably won't know it 'til I get back home and I raise up to testify." And I said, "This spirit that's dwelling in me and that spirit that's dwelling in them, if this don't connect up I'm a ruined boy for sure... You know what happened that night. Didn't nobody go out and get drunk, nobody.

Now listen, I'm not bragging on James McClain. I'm bragging on Jesus. I'm bragging what he can do.

After I got through talking, tears ran down them boy's eyes. They said "McClain, listen, I tell you what let's do, let's do whatever you want to do". I said, "Alright, that sounds fine with me". I said, "Let's go up to the snack bar and get a hamburger and coke". You know I went walking up through there. Have you ever seen 25 GI's following a little feller like me?.... They were following me. We got up there and we pulled the tables together... They said, "Tell us more about Jesus". And I got to telling them what I had seen over my lifetime. And I told them all about Jesus. All I could think about Jesus, I told it.

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"And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as a rushing mighty wind,"... We were praying in the altar (At WEST BROW) when we noticed Sis. Tammy Veal holding something in her hand. Suddenly the Spirit of God came and Sis. Tammy was blessed graciously. Calming down she told us the Lord said to take her contact lens out. Without them or her glasses she is legally blind, seeing only inches from her nose. She thought, Lord if I do, you'll have to help me. And one of them popped out. (They don't normally do that) She took the other out and was hold-

ing it in her fingers wondering what to do with it when the mighty rushing wind came down and blessed her so beautifully.

Sis. Tammy has had a rare eye disease and has wore glasses since early childhood. After getting contact lens she could see so much better, she really like them. So she thought she couldn't give them up, but with God's help she has been without them now. Her eyes have improved a lot and she can see better than she used to with glasses, but she is still waiting for her miracle from God. Many times when he eyes were worse, she would be driving and it would come to her to stop the car, which she would do, then find out that she was about to run off and embankment or hit and obstacle or such like. Red lights were also a problem. She had to depend on the other moving traffic.

She has been told that her problem could not be corrected, but we know better. If you've got the Holy Ghost she's your sister and your prayers are appreciated."



Sis. Tammy and her mother Sis. Joan Veal

The night of the "Rushing wind" service was so good that they started giving out nightly meeting that went on for a week and before they were through Sis. Sherri Case, the late Br. Jack Case's niece, and Sis. Janet Franks, Br. Toss Dabbs' daughter, had rec'd the Holy Ghost.

BR. DENNY MOORE: "I remember up in HARVEY when I rec'd the Holy Ghost, I had my little prayer. The same thing everytime. I'd get down there to say them few little words and that was it.

Br. Jack would preach and preach; "We need to pray in the Spirit!" And he'd get down there and God would get ahold of him and he'd just go all over the altar.

I wanted to do that so bad, but I would say all I knew to say and I would just quit and set there and watch them.

One night I went out there and got down by the book stand and started praying. Said my little prayer and quit. And the Lord spoke to me; "If you quit everytime. you won't never get no where." There was a fear come with that. I didn't know nothing else to say, but I started hunting something. I don't know what I said, but I started calling out to God. And you know what, I left here, and when I came back to, I don't know where I had been, but you talk about feeling good... I never had felt like that before.

Ever since then, every once in awhile I feel like that."

"Jesus said, *Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God.* Do you know what a peacemaker is? If you and Sis. Bessie "Get into it", and Sis. Mamie is a peacemaker, she won't take sides with you. She will be good to both of you. She will tell you the truth. It may hurt, but she will not take sides. That's what a peacemaker is.

I see people here tonight that I haven't seen in a long time. I done been paid for coming. ... If we go to heaven, we're gonna have to be able to love one another. It don't matter, a place can be stuck off over here somewhere, and you are not allowed to go there. No!!! That aint the way. I heard Br. Ronnie Denson tell a story one time. There was an old man, he said, that was on his death bed. The angel of the Lord came to get him, and he came back. They were praying for him for they didn't want him to die. When he regained conscious, they asked him, "Are we talking the right things?" They said, "What did He say, what did He tell you?" "Have we got the right name over the door?" "Are we holding it just like we ought to?" The old man just shook his head and said, "No, that aint what it takes. He said it was just the pure in heart, that was all that counted."

It doesn't matter where you come from, this is the house of the Lord. Do like you feel. Them that's in the back of the house, I don't care if you were drunk last night, were glad you're here, because it's for them that live such a way that Christ died to save."

HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD

The New Testament mentions of number of titles: churches of God; The church of God; churches of the saints The church of the first born; The church. Other times it was called the church of a certain house, town, city or country and even a continent. It was also called the Way.

At the turn of the century when the complete Word of God was been taught in this part of the world, those was zealous for the Lord and his Word took up The Way and went to the prophets that were before where it was written:

And an highway shall be there and a way, and it shall be called The way of Holiness;

So when a title was thought necessary, they used The Way of Holiness or at times, just Holiness. By this time a church in east Tennessee organised under the title of Holiness, so The Way was often spoken of as "Free" holiness, showing that we were not of the organisation but rather still free. But as the prophet of God said, *It shall be called THE WAY OF HOLINESS* and for us here, it still sounds very good, especially when people live it.

I believe I belong to the Lord's church called The Way of Holiness.

CHURCH: a religious community of members.

WAY: a road or route or mode of journey.

Br. Sam Bates said "We are Holiness people and we are free, and we are gonna stay that way!"

I hope to the Lord that we do!

The word Holiness is used 24 times in the Old Testament and 13 times in the New Testament.

Holiness in the Old Testament meant; Sacred place or thing; consecrated; dedicated; saint; sanctuary.

In the New Testament it stood for: Piety; godliness; sacredness; purity; sanctity.

HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD

"Lighthouses don't ring bells and fire cannons to call attention to their shining; they just shine on."

SIGNS OF THE TIMES...

These are excerpts taken from national magazines:

"Ten years ago, most Christians in America would turn off their TV if somebody cursed on one of it's programs. Now, they just sit and listen. What changed? It wasn't God. It wasn't His standards. If it was the television, it only changed for the worse.

But we have changed. We are no longer shocked by the things that used to shock us. We no longer believe somethings are wrong as we believed they were ten years ago. Booze doesn't bother us now. We can go right in to a grocery store or restaurant that sells it and not even suffer the slightest pang of conscience. "

"Churches that practiced a strict discipline in the early days of our nation may not have grown as rapidly, but at least the hypocrites were afraid to join them. There was a halo of holiness and justice that hung over those old congregations which made people beg for mercy. Now, too often, our modern spirit leads people to believe that God owes them His mercy."

"The Bible tells us faith is the ability to see with a certain spiritual eyesight, a vision that goes beyond what unregenerated man can see. It is seeing the unseen."

"Departing from the faith occurs when we ignore plain Bible promises and commands and instead, begin to rely more upon human means. We can still call our churches by their former names. We can still sign the same creeds. We can still stand in testimony meetings and talk about how much we love Jesus. But if we are habitually depending upon human means more than we are depending upon Him and His power, we have departed from the faith."

"We don't think God's way will work. We must tell Abimilech that Sarah is our sister. We must depend upon Hagar to bear the promised seed. We bend a little here, twist a little there, use this devious method here... all the better to help God out with His work.

Oh, we think His way would still be best if it would work, but we just don't have the faith to believe it will work in this day and time. So we bend His law, cheat on His principles and yield our convictions to the present expediency."

"Christian parents are faced with the ever increasing difficulty of raising children in a society that has deviated from God's standards of living. How low and immoral

can the values and morals of the American people become before God says, "That's it- I can stand no more!" When the American society of the 1950's is compared to that of 1970's, it is frightening to anticipate what it will be twenty years from now if the Lord carries His coming and the American people continue at their present rate of moral degeneration.

This so called new society calls for new rules which better meet the need of the people living in the age of change. Consequently, ungodly, counterfeit morals and values have replaced God's laws. Changed rules mean a changing God. But, God doesn't change. He is the same yesterday and today and He will remain the same tomorrow.

What has happened to the old fashioned piety, reverential awe and fear that a father should exhibit before God as he raises his children? As sad and unfortunate as it may be, the average Christian family has embraced with open arms many of the unchristian standards of our Christless society.

The new value system adopted by teenagers evolved from the adult society thru TV, movies, books, magazines and music....

Children are a heritage from the Lord (Ps. 127:3) The day will come when every Christian father and mother will give an account to God for the way their children were raised. Children are commanded by God in Ephesians 6:1 to obey their parents in the Lord. God has give parents divine authority and commanded the children to be in submission to parental authority. Authority always encompasses responsibility of Christian parents to raise their children in the love and admonition of the Lord regardless of the accepted moral values of the society. Society doesn't dicat e values. God's Word is the only legitimate rulebook for instructing parents how to rear their children.

Are parents using the bible as the only true source for obtaining parental wisdom or do they adjust their standards to the changing value systems of our society."

It's easy for most of us to give thanks for the things we consider good when we pray, but God reminds us to give thanks "In everything."

Have you ever known someone who was pleasant and agreeable as long as he got whatever he wanted, but became sullen and difficult when problems arose? There are those who react the same way toward the Lord. As long as they get what they want, they are happy. But there is no trace of thankfulness when problems arise. As a result such people become emotionally dependent upon the circumstances of life; "Like a wave of the sea, driven with the wind and tossed."

The Written Word

The Word of God; The Holy Bible; The Holy Scripture; The Sword of the Spirit. These and many other names are given to those words that we all hold so dear to our hearts and soul. What a miserable, sad, dull, lonely and aimless life would be without the sacred Words of God to light our path through this weary land. But for the first 2500 years man walked on this earth, we know of no written revelation of God to man.

By the ancient Jews and also the bible, the world was created by God about 4000 years before Christ. The flood came about 2400 years before Christ. It wasn't until about 1500 years B.C. that any record of God to man was wrote down. That was 3500 years ago. In Exodus 24 it tells of Moses; *Moses wrote the words of the Lord.* There were other writings prior to this time, but none that we know came from God.

Moses is credited with having wrote the first five books of the bible, but this can't be proved beyond any doubt.

After Moses, many were moved on by the Holy Ghost to write, from kings to lowly sheep hearers. When the Old Testament was completed, it contained 39 books.

There were other books that the Old Testament honored by mentioning them and their name, but they were not counted in the number of The Books.

The word bible derives from the Greek word, BIBLIA; meaning books. It was first used in Daniel 2.

The Old Testament was written in Hebrew, except small parts of Jerimiah, Daniel, and Ezra.

In about 260 A.D. Ptolemy who ruled the Jews at that time had the Hebrew's Holy writing compiled into one work in Greek. The Greek Version was called the Seotuaigint. From that time forward not only the jews but also the Gentiles had access to God's holy writings.

None of the original copies exist:

The ancient Jews buried the scripture when they became old and worn out.

They were rewritten very carefully. Great diligence was used in this rewriting, even to counting the letters per page, lest just one letter be changed. Nothing could be wrote from memory, and the scribe had to pronounce each word aloud before he wrote it down. If one letter was found to be wrong the whole skin was destroyed. One of the ancient rabbi warned thus; "Take heed how thou doth thy work, for thy work is of heaven, lest thou drop or add a letter..."

The writing of all the bible took about 1500 years, from Moses until John.

The New Testament came about as different saints wrote their account of what they saw and heard, or what they knew to be true. Luke wrote on this wise, *For as much as many have taken in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those things...* And as with the rest of the New Testament, we believe the Lord led them to write even as Paul explained, *He that is a prophet or spiritual among you, let him acknowledge that the things I write are the commands of God.*



As Luke said, there are many who wrote but the Lord allowed 27 writings to be honored together into what we call the New Testament.

When they were first wrote, especially the letters of Paul, they were circulated all over the known world. Pilgrims traveling from one city to another would take copies of these words and trade them with other churches. They were held in high esteem and were read before all at their gatherings. Most of these were written on parchment or papyrus, a form of paper, and rolled neatly up and kept in a protective covering. Oh, how precious those must have been!

In 100, 200, and 300 A.D. these letters and accounts were continually tried to be brought together. After Constantine the Roman emperor was converted to Christianity, they were brought together in a canon. But the only language it was written in was Latin which was the language of the Roman Catholic church. It could only be read by the monks and clergy. In this way it was taken away from the common man and left to the so-called learned men to read and understand. Of course every kind of Doctrine came from this. These years were later called the Dark Ages.

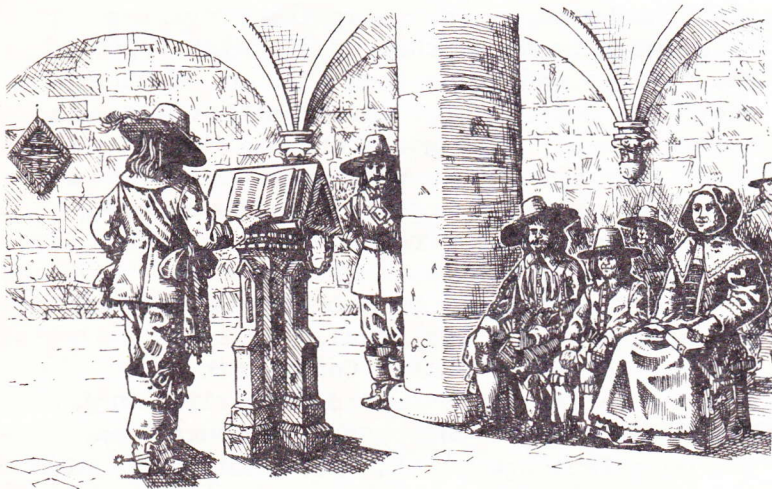
In the 1300's when John Wycliffe who was the starter of the Reformation that later Martin Luther brought to a boil, they had no complete bible. Wycliffe translated the bible from Latin into English, against the will of the Roman Catholic church. The church wanted only their priest to know

the holy scriptures where they could keep the world in bondage. In a couple of years Wycliffe was dead. Many that followed his lead in giving out the precious word of God were burned at the stake as devils and witches. The holy bibles were also burned when ever they were found. To own an English bible meant your life if it was found out.



A hundred years later, William Tyndale followed in Wycliffe's steps, printing the Word. Martin Luther came on the scene and he translated bible into German and he caused the common man to know the Words of life, and this helped to wound the Roman power over man, a wound that has never been healed. As men read the beautiful Word of God, they became embolden and went everywhere preaching it's truth, in peril of their lives.

During this time, it took 200 lamb skins to complete one bible, which came in four different volumes. The work of just one bible was a large undertaking for every word was penned by hand.



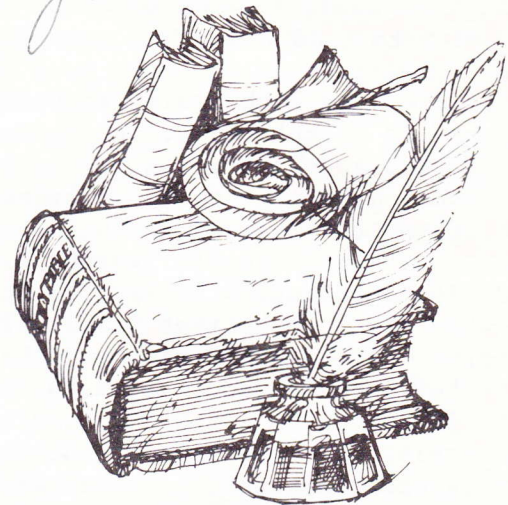
The bibles cost a lot of money. For instance, in the 1300's a group of women bought a four volume bible for sixteen pieces of silver. These same women three years later bought, 160 acres of land, two farm houses, a wood (?), a whole farm with two acres of woodland, for five pieces of silver.

Later in the same century, an abbey (a church or monastery) in Johannisberg bought a bible for 70 florentines and asked four years to pay for it. At this time a fat ox was worth 2 florentines. In other words one bible was worth 35 oxen.

If the public wanted to read a bible, they had to go to an abbey where they stood up at a lectren to read, for the bibles were chained there.

In early 1600, King James of England, more out of politics than religion, allowed the famous King James version of the bible to be translated and printed. By this time the printing press had been invented. Though it was still expensive, as the years passed it got where the common man could afford a bible more and more. When they bought one it was usually the King James version. Now about 400 years later it is still the best seller of all the books of the world. It has not been surpassed in beauty of word and prose.

Hello! y'all



The bible has now been translated into about every language in the world, and there be many. The Words of the Lord have indeed reached the ends of the earth. But sad to say there are still places in the world especially in Comunist countries where the bible is banned and you stand in jepordy of your freedom and in some places your life to have one in your possession.

We who can still have one are indeed blessed and they ought to be put to a godly use. As the Lord said; *Search the scriptures...* And as Paul stated; *Study to show thyself approved.....rightly dividing the Word of truth...* and also; *Give attendence (Apply one self to; be given to; have regard) to reading.....*

"A man who has not learned to say "no"-- who is not resolved that he will take God's way in spite of every dog that can bark at him, in spite of every silvery voice that can woo him aside-- will be a weak and wretched man till he dies."

Tapes...

We still have cassette tapes of preachings that we send to you at your request. At this time we have:

Br. Will Guffey	Br. Frank Guffey
Br. Walter Hill	Br. Jack Denson
Br. Tom Kerley	Br. Reuben Gaught
Br. Hodges Moore	Br. Eli Smith
Br. Charlie Brown	Br. Dewy Barrier

Of course there is no charge for these tapes. Freely we rec'd, freely we give.

In the last year, a number of saints have been in Texas on the Lord's business. In one of the endeavors, Sis. Mary Jane Campbell rec'd the Holy Ghost at Ranger where she lives. Sis is Sis. Nell Garner's half sister. There are a couple of sisters living in the Dallas area. One in east Texas, one in Central Texas and one living in southern Texas. It will be good when the Lord has a church in this large state.

DEATHS:

Sis. Renee Hill Nov. 1982 (C.SPRINGS)
Br. Lloyd White, Sept/12/83 (SARDIS)
Sis. Maggie Long, March 7/84 (SARDIS)
Sis. Lucille Martin, 1984 (SARDIS)
Sis. Genia Galloway, 1/31/84 (SARDIS)
Sis. Nannie Keller, 2/84 (GRASSY MTN)
Sis. Etta Hill, Nov/84 (GRASSY MTN)
Sis. Gail Mills, Feb/83 (STOCKBRIDGE)
Sis. Lillie Wright, 9/83 (SKYLINE)
Sis. Ola Olinger, 7/83 (SKYLINE)
Sis. Cora Helms, 9/83 (PL GROVE)
Sis. Vester Allen 1/84 (PL GROVE)
Sis. Myrtle Mullinax, 2/83 (B. CHAPEL)
Sis. Jari Poole, 10/83 (ELKWOOD)
Sis. Eloise Webster, 3/11/84 (C SPRINGS)
Sis. Mary Black, 3/29/84 (SCOTTSBORO)
Sis. Vivian Richards (W COVE)
Sis. Donie Thompson, 3/28/84 (W COVE)
Br. Harold Simmons, 12/83 (HUNTSVILLE)
Br. James Golden, 3/31/84 (HYTOP)
Sis. Mable Stephens (HUNTSVILLE)
Sis. Nellie Gray, 11/83 (PL GROVE)
Sis. Ruby Buckner, 9/83 (PL GROVE)
Sis. Nellie Putnam, 3/84 (W COVE)
Br. Clifford West, 9/83 (PL GROVE)

Br. Benny Hudgins: My girl as a little girl. I came in one evening and she had knocked her tooth out. Janice was upset about. ... We got talking about what the Lord could do. I told Janice, you know. "As many as two or three touching and agreeing on any one thing the Lord will do it."

It had broken it off even with the gum. Janice had said, "Benny you reckon we ought to go and have them roots pulled out?" And I said, "Well, if the Lord's gonna give her a new tooth, He can do that too."

I was sitting there enjoying the children ...and that root fell out.

I went to talk to Br. Lawrence Holman about it. I told him that I would like you to help me believe that the Lord's going to give her a new tooth. The Lord had told him to just wait about two weeks.

Well, I came in one evening about two weeks later, and she said, "Daddy, I got a new tooth there. She showed me where that tooth was coming through.

She had already lost her baby teeth. It was her third set of teeth. "

Br. Benny is from PLEVNA and was testifying at LAKEWOOD PARK in Florida.



Br. Benny and Sis. Janice Hugins with Tracey and Chris

The Lord is using Br. Oran Whitley of HIGDON in His work. The Lord was ahold of him and everyone knew it when he exhorted the saints here to clean up there altar by getting their lives lined up with the Word of God, To confess their faults one to another in the fear of God, and to fix up all any any "Hurt feelings."

The Lord was with him.

Br. Jack Denson: (talking on the mind of Christ) "...they got them a little click. And when that click gets together, they can not associate with just anybody. Did you know that you can get too close to somebody? You can't in the Lord. Now, if you get close in the Lord, we're gonna be close. This other way... them itching ears... You'll agree with them... Boy, I like you. They'll stick together. Every time you see them fishing, evry time you see them at a resturant, every time you see them a meeting anywhere, there are together. That's your click. If you've got the mind of Christ, you'll not cull one over another. You'll have the same respect for one as you will another. That's the way it is! I always try to start with a man just like I could wind up with him. If you wrap a feller all at once, you'll swallow him to quick."

A brother got up after this and confessed that this had found him, and the Lord blessed him and the church here at LOOKOUT MTN. Br. Jack then got up and finished this with telling of people "Clicking up" and going together to real nice restuarants to eat. He told them how they ought to be ashamed of their selves and rather take that money they were wasteing and give to the poor who needed it so bad. The Spirit was so good with him that the church was on their feet praising God for the Truth.

IN BIBLE TIMES . . .



Tent furnishings

Inside the tent there were usually two rooms, the tent being divided by a hanging goat-hair curtain. The tent entrance would normally face the direction from which strangers were expected to approach. This was a precaution against attack but it was also arranged like that so

that strangers could be offered hospitality. The offering of hospitality is one of the most important of Bible customs (Gen. 18:1-8). The room nearest the entrance was used for entertaining and for the men. The further, or private 'room' was for the women and children.

This was also where the cooking was done. The richer families sometimes had separate tents for the women. Isaac's mother Sarah had a tent of her own, for instance. The animals would also find their way into the tents. Sometimes they had a separate entrance.

My life is but a weaving
Between my Lord and me,
I cannot choose the colors
He worketh steadily

Oft times He weaveth sorrow
And I in foolish pride
Forget He sees the upper
And I the underside.

Not til the loom is silent
And the shuttles cease to fly
Shall God unroll the canvas
And explain the reasons why.

The dark threads are as
needful

In the weavers's hand
As the threads of gold and
silver

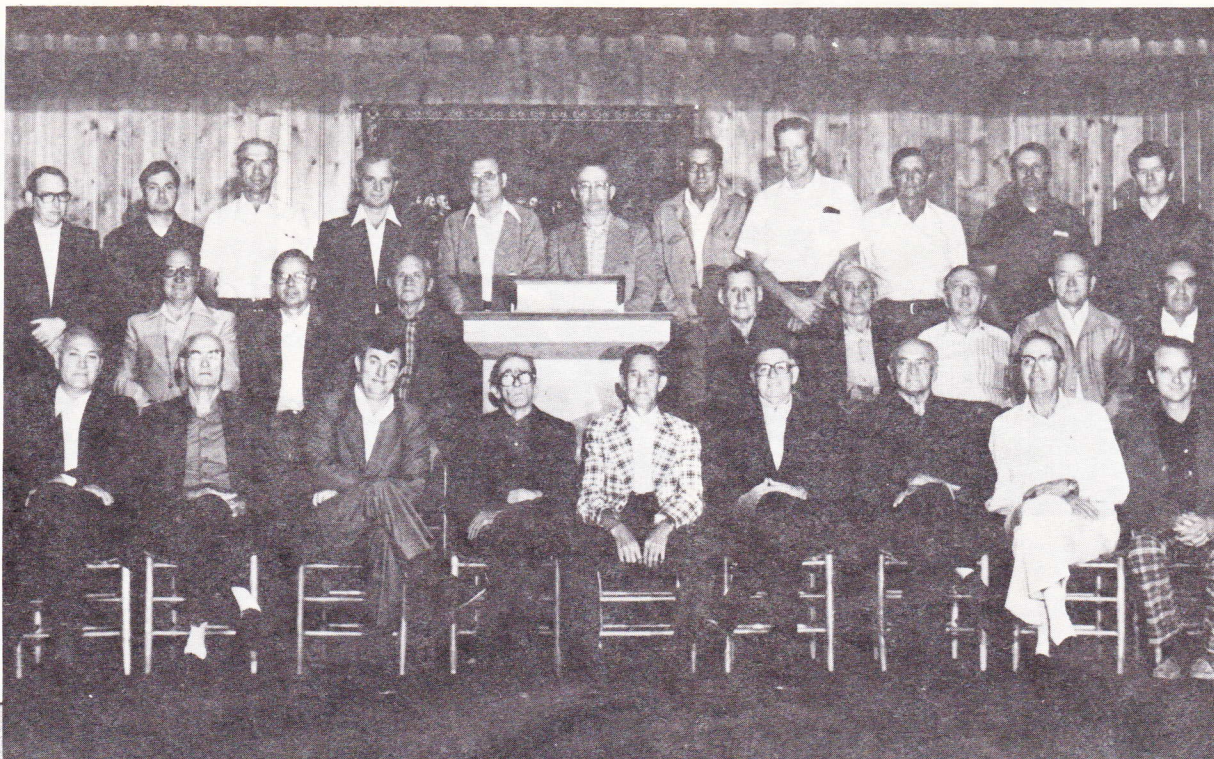
In the pattern He has planned

"The day is long gone when the movie was mere entertainment. Today it is a cult. The actors and acteresses are actually called "Idols", the theatre is the church, the screen is the altar, the onlookers are the worshippers. It is idolatry in a vile and potemt form



***"People
You
Should
Know"***





Back row:

Br. Eugene Stephens (SKYLINE), Br. Jr. Stephens (SKYLINE),
 Br. Buford Warren (BRIAR FORK), Br. Paul Warren (SMYRNA), Br.
 Lawrence Brown (BROWN'S CHAPEL), Br. Vernon Wright (skyline Ala),
 Br. Alvin Bailey (IDER), Br. Elton Brazier (PLEVNA), Br. John
 Daniel Stapler (BEND OF PAINT ROCK), Br. Oakley Drake (BIG COVE),
 Br. Charles Atchley (PINEY GROVE).

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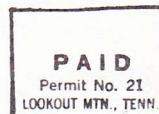
Br. Willard Wooten (ELKWOOD), Br. Charles Willmon (FYFFEE), Br.
 Roy Guffey (OAK GROVE), Br. Chunk Underwood (ELKWOOD), Br. Floyd
 Wroght (SKYLINE), Br. Eli Smith (GRASSY MTN.), Br. Paul Guffey
 (HIGDON), Br. Br. Hubert Sampson (ROCKY BRANCH).

Third row:

Br. Charlie Brown (NILA), Br. Duke Cowan (PLEASANT OAK), Br.
 Billy Parker (TIFTONIA), Br. Hodges Moore (Wildwood Ga.) Br.
 Horace Williams (WILLIAM'S COVE), Br. Jack Denson (SCOTTSBORO),
 Br. Morgan Golden (Brooklyn Ala), Br. Walter Higdon (IDER) Br.
 Shelton Black (WEST BROW).

Glad tidings

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...the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy,
 peace, gentleness, goodness, faith...