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GLAD TIDINGS OF GOOD THINGS



Br. Willis Brown

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Br. Willis Brown was under the hand of the Lord in the floor at SCOTTSBORO and was speaking in divers tongues. Br, Jack heard and understood what he said. He had someone hand him a bible and it fell open to the scripture he had heard; LET US HEAR THE CONCLUSION OF THE WHOLE MATTER: FEAR GOD AND KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS. FOR THIS IS THE WHOLE DUTY OF MAN. FOR GOD SHALL BRING EVERY WORK INTO JUDGEMENT WITH EVERY SECRET THING, WHETHER IT BE GOOD OR WHETHER IT BE EVIL.

This brought the fear of God here.

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A man who was among some of the older saints, was quoted as saying; "I could feel the love that surrounded them, and out of that love flowed harmony.

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"Bud"

You walked in this world,
For sixty-six years.
Sometimes in gladness,
Sometimes in tears.

And now you've gone home,
To be with the Lord,
And there you'll receive
A glorious reward.

You'll be dressed in a robe,
All shining and white,
In that beautiful land,
Where cometh no night.

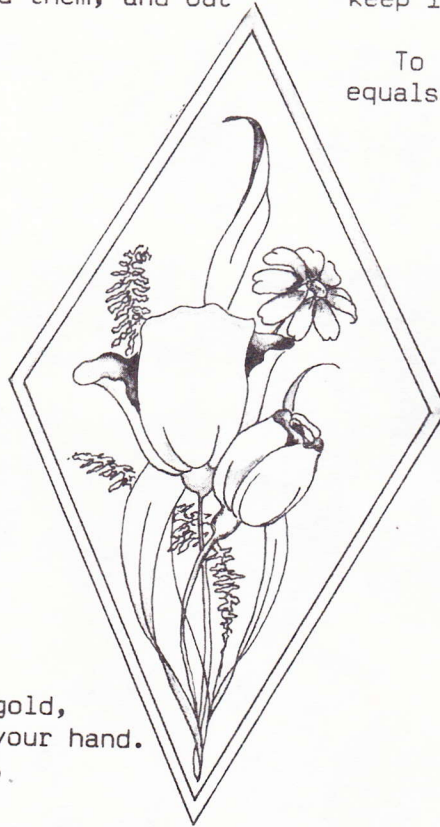
You will walk on streets of gold,
And sweet Jesus will hold your hand.
You won't have to wear shoes,
From an old trash can.

In church you would stand and testify,
And, Oh, how your words would edify.
Of how Jesus spoke, and the sweet revelation
Just a little voice saying,
"Tonights the night for salvation".

Then you fell to your knees,
And He forgave every sin.
Yes, He washed you with his blood,
And the sweet Holy Ghost came in.

You would tell of hard times,
And the utter defeat.
When you had no money,
And no shoes for your feet.

And even though you tried,
And you just couldn't succeed.
But when Christ came in,
He supplied every need.



Humility

The person who looks up to God rarely looks down on people.

A fault which humbles a man is of more use to him than a good action which puffs him up.

Humility makes a man feel smaller as he becomes greater.

No garment is more becoming a Christian than the cloak of humility.

The person with true humility never has to be shown his place; he is always in it.

Stay humble or stumble.

One of the hardest secrets for a man to keep is his opinion of himself.

To be humble to superiors is duty; to equals, courtesy; to inferiors, nobility.



Br. Bud and Sis. Ann Clark

I remember the last time
you were in church.
You said Sweet heaven was your goal.
And how the Lord reached down,
And so richly blessed your soul.
Your going has left such sorrow,
And a great emptiness too.
But on some happy tomorrow,
I want to stroll over heaven with You."

By; Sis. Maggie Sanderson
In memory of my brother,
Br. Bud Clark

They came in Jesus name,
With loving hands that day;
Led by God's own Spirit,
To help her on her way.
Like Jesus on the cross,
(Tho she didn't understand)
That this was just a part
Of His precious divine plan.



She was so sick, she couldn't get
out of bed,
And in only 2½ short weeks her
body would be dead.

Her prayers were so weak, she thought
He hadn't heard,
But the great God that watches the
sparrow,
listened
to her every word.

Over the way, God was dealing
With some sisters to go and see,
About this child of God,
And how she might be.

Snow and ice was everywhere,
the worse of the year,
But in their hearts they had the love
that casteth out the fear.

Jesus was leading,
He'd never forsake His own.
They had only come to help
Their little sister on home.

They found her laying there,
To sick to raise her head.
With great concern they hurried,
And gathered around her bed.
"Do you think heaven's frozen too?"
They heard her weakly say.
Falling on their knees there,
Oh how the saints did pray.

Too sick to fully understand
That Jesus Had sent these,
As part of His loving plan.

When the journey's over,
His plan we all will see,
As much as you've done to the
least of these
You've done unto me.

written by; Sis. Martha nelton

Seeing the way Jesus stood by a little
child of God; Sis. Joyce Sharp

This is from some of the writings
that were left behind by Sis. Joyce
Sharp:

I'm sure and certain that a few years ago
I beheld the love of God. Not a dream or
vision but an actual experience.

I was standing in my kitchen near the
stove. My mind was on the natural things o

of whatever I was doing. I began to feel
the trembling power of God. But I almost
ignored it. Then I began to realise and
think, just how wonderful it was that tho my
mind hadn't been on Him, He'd let me feel
His power.

I turned toward my living room and started
walking, glorifying God. About six feet
away, near the end of the bar, I use the
words, He opened up heaven to me. But words
can't express the love I saw and felt and
knew. There was light and the light was
love. There was love and it was light, pure
and so strong that had it lasted a half min-
ute, I don't believe my heart could have
stood it.

This was not fopr people, nor my love
for God, but just pure love. Nor was it the
love I felt when I rec'd the Holy Ghost, but
about like rec'ing it many times at once.

I call this an **Exquisite
blessing.**

A few years before this the Lord became my
husband. (If there are any reading this who
feel you need a husband, but cannot marry;
He can become, yours also)."

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**"Have no fellowship with the
unfruitful works of darkness,
but rather reprove them.**

**For it is a shame even to
speak of those things which
are done of them in secret."**

(Fellowship; to share in company with;
communicate with; be partakers of.)

Wnat a meeting they had at IDER on the
4th Tuesday evening of April. Br. Charlie
Brown was encouraging all to show mercy and
help those who have made mistakes. Not to
get down on them, but pray for them. Lift
them up.

Many of the younger saints got help, the
Lord blessing them, many down and out in
floor. Some were free their 1st time since
they rec'd the Holy Ghost. Br. Charlie WAS
shouting too!

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Br. Shelby Hill was blessed as he talked
from the 3rd chapter of 1st Peter at CAVE
SPRING. It was mostly holiness living in
the home. He was enjoyed by the church.

Thoughts to ponder;

We can afford to be beaten down today, if we know we will arise tomorrow. We can afford to be hounded and humiliated and criticized today, if we know we will be unconquerable when the sun rises in the morning. And yet many of us are fighting our own battles and losing every one of them. We fret and worry and are tormented, because we do not submit our way to God so that he can fight our battles.

The Word states that we should love our neighbor as we love ourselves, that we should pray for people with all our hearts. The Lord taught them to pray thus: "Give US this day our daily bread. Lead US not into temptation." What we ask for ourselves, we should also ask for our neighbor.

Believing (faith) is an inner knowing, an inward certainty that the problem you bring to the Lord, He'll work it out.

Everyone has faith. But not all faith is directed to the Lord. One may put his faith in himself; his own ability. To a doctor. To a lawyer. Most of us have faith in something or someone. The high purpose of faith is to have it directed to God.

One of our worst fears is criticism. The way to overcome this is; If the criticism is right, change your way of doing. If it is wrong, neutralize it by forgiving the critic.

If a person is being led by the Spirit what he does or says will lift up the Lord. That's what it is for. Jesus talking about the Holy Ghost spoke thus, "He shall glorify me; for he shall rec' of mine, and shall shew it unto you."

The most beautiful angel created was called, Lucifer, which means "son of the morning." When the, son of the morning, dared say, "I will," his name was changed to Satan, meaning; the adversary; the accuser.

The Christian walk is a wrestling match, a warfare. But our battle is not with human being, but powers, principalities, spirit rulers in high places. In other words, we battle against the spirits that motivate. It is a spiritual warfare and that's the reason we cannot win this battle by ourselves. We've got to commit these warfares to the Father of Spirit that we might live.

Faith is not a delicate orchid to be shielded from storm and wind. It is dynamic and valiant in conquering. It is rugged and strong. Fearless and unyielding. Faith says, "I will not retreat."

MOTHERS ON THE RUN

Mothers On The Run is the name of the cover article in this June's, U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT. It tells of the many people, mostly women, who are on the run from the law. Most have accused the other parent of sexual abuse and other violations of human dignity. They allege that they do not receive due protection under the law for their children; As stated in said magazine; "Rather than acceding to the court orders allowing the fathers custody or visitation rights-or fighting such orders and going to jail- more and more mothers are "going underground," and in the process, breaking the law."

Br. Bubba Kenemer has a daughter who is in this situation. She and her husband had married and had two children, girls. They both rec'd the Holy Ghost, though he turned back later. He divorced her. His wife stop letting him have visitations, running in the same vein as the magazine article. Some of the accusations were even worse.

The mother took the girls and fled and has been in hiding for some time now.

As to about everything that happens among us, there are different points of view. Some think it is all just overblown. Some that the law should be obeyed and etc. Some have went all out to assist this sister. Every once in awhile, word gets around that she is at a certain place and those who have tried to help are notified and they go and have meeting with her.

This one thing we know. If a child of God is in trouble, we all KNOW what to do. Help out. Even if a wrong decision was made, mercy is always in season.

Br. Bubba and family. We are with you! We hope and prayer that the Lord will help you all!

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Br. Toss West

Br. Toss West was called home on May 9, 1988. He was 79 years old. Br. Toss rec'd the Holy Ghost at OLD SARDIS in 1932.

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“ If you are suffering from a bad man's injustice, forgive him lest there be two bad men. ”
— Augustine

Br. Homer Culver

Br. Homer Culver came to the Lord at HYTOP, 3 years ago. He was 71 years ago when he was called home July 25, 1988. He was Br. Bobby Culver's dad.

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If you can keep yor head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk to wise:

If you can dream—and not make dreams your mster;
If you can think—and not make thoughts your aim.
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster,
And treat those two imposters just the same;
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken,
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you've given your life to, broken
And stoop and build'em up with worn-out tools:

If you can make one heap of al l your winning,
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginings,
And never breathe a word about your loss;
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew,
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And hold on when there is nothing in you,
Except the Will which say to them: "Hold on!"

If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with kings—nor lose the common touch,
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
If all me count with you, but none too much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute,
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
Yours is the earth and everything that's init,
And—which is more— you'll be a Man, my son
Rudyard Kipling

SIS. PANZIE SANDERS: "We're serving a God who can do ANYTHING we desire, all we have to do is keep His commandments and ask what we will. I've got a little four year old boy to prove it.

I've been told all my adult life that I could never have children. At that time I was a servant of satan. When I turned my life over to God, He gave me the Holy Ghost. The I ask and He gave me a son!!! I had waited 18 year on that little boy. When I was asking Him for Jason, I said, "Lord, just any little child, even if it's crippled or one that nobody wants." And my little boy isn't normal. He don't have real good balance, and his feet are turned in and his eyes are crossed, but, Oh, thank God! He gave me a little baby all my own, to love and raise up for God.

Ya'll pray for me that I can raise him up to please the Lord, because he is God's anyway. I just so thankful of Jason's presence with me.

Sis. Delphia Skelton

Sis. Delphia Skelton was 74 years old when the Lord took her on April 13, 1988. She rec'd the Holy Ghost at WILLIAMS COVE.

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PLEASANT GROVE's revival was good throughout with 13 rec'ing the Holy Ghost. Nine were home folks

The Bible And The TV Guide

**"They lie on the table, side by side;
The Holy Bible and the TV Guide.
One is well-worn but cherished with pride
(Not the Bible, but the TV Guide.)**

**One is used daily to help folks decide,
(NO! Not the Bible: It's the TV Guide.)
As pages are turned, what shall they see?
Oh, what does it matter, turn on the TV.**

**Then confusion reigns, they can't all agree
On what they shall watch on the old TV.
So they open the book in which they confide,
(NO, Not the Bible, it's the TV Guide.)**

**The Word of God is seldom read
Maybe a verse e'er they fall into bed.
Exhausted and sleepy and tired as can be,
Not from reading the Bible; from watching TV.**

**So, then back to the table, side by side,
Lie the Holy Bible, and the TV Guide,
No time for prayer, no time for the Word,
The plan of salvation is seldom heard.
But forgiveness of sin so full and free
Is found in the Bible, not on TV!**

Sis. Olga Knight

Sis. Olga Knight was 85 years old when she passed away into that good land, on July 26, 1988. She rec'd the Holy Ghost as a child, in 1913 in the Adamsburg community on Lookout Mtn above Fort Payne Alabama. She was, as far as we know, the oldest child of God among us.

A point of interest: Sis. Olga rec'd the Lord when she was real young. She married young. After she had some children, she was having a trial. She decided that surely she didn't have the Holy Ghost.

She went to meeting and stood up to tell the children of God that she didn't have the Holy Ghost anymore. She didn't know what happened, but when she came to herself, she was lying in the floor, speaking in tongues, and her dad, Br. John Whitley, was at her head, jumping up and down and clapping his hands.

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Gamaliel

Gamaliel is only mentioned twice in the New Testament (Acts 5:34; 22:3), but he may have exerted a more profound influence on the course of Christianity than these brief references indicate. He was one of the few Jewish leaders who earned the title of *Rabban* ("our master, our great one") rather than the ordinary title *Rabbi* ("my master"). Gamaliel held a respected place on the Sanhedrin, the governing body of the Jewish religion. The Jews' high esteem for Gamaliel is demonstrated by one rabbi's comment made upon his death: "When Rabban Gamaliel the Elder died, the glory of the Law ceased and purity and abstinence died."

We find clues to Gamaliel's influence upon Christianity in the two Scripture references to him. In the first instance (Acts 5:34), the Sanhedrin met in a specially called session to deal with the Christians, who insisted that the Sanhedrin was responsible for the Messiah's death. In this emotionally heated session, Gamaliel rose and asked that Peter and the other Christians be excused for a moment so that he could speak. When this was done, he proceeded with a surprisingly insightful speech that obviously swayed the Sanhedrin: "And now I say unto you, Refrain from these men, and let them alone: for if this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to nought: But if it be of God, you cannot overthrow

it; lest haply ye be found even to fight against God!" (Acts 5:38-39). Rather than the flogging they anticipated, Peter and the apostles were given a severe warning and were released.

The second reference (Acts 22:3) was made by Paul, Gamaliel's former pupil. Paul was appealing to a Jewish mob, and he was not hesitant to link himself to this great teacher.

Gamaliel's greatness lay in his devotion to God and the Law. These incidents paint at least a partial portrait of his personality and Jewish tradition tells us that this elder statesman stressed the importance of repentance rather than of "works." Perhaps Paul's emphasis on this great Christian doctrine had its roots in Gamaliel's teaching.

Gamaliel's further influence on Paul can only be surmised. Surely Paul's great zeal—first for the Law, then for Christ—was captured from Gamaliel. Paul's love for the truth and his exhaustive understanding of the Scriptures might also be attributed to his teacher. With this training, anointed by the Holy Spirit, Paul built his New Testament treatises on the Christian faith, the church, justification, and regeneration. Paul's clear and logical manner of explaining the great doctrines of the Christian faith was no doubt the result, at least in part, of his schooling "at the feet of Gamaliel."

A sister was telling of having a dream in which she had done something and had lost the Holy Ghost. When she awoke and found it was just a dream, how glad she was.

Sis. Anita Shelton of CAVE SPRING listen to this and then told of knowing about a person who had the Holy Ghost and lost it. How they had a dream. In the dream they had the Holy Ghost and were rejoicing and speaking in tongues. But then they awoke and it was only a dream.

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In some areas saints are getting their eyes opened about the evil of television.

There is a spirit about those things. It will work with you to watch all that trash, and cause you to resent anybody who says anything about it.

We are glad voices are being raised against this wicked invention.

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The Lord helped Br. Jack Denson at IDER to encourage the younger saints who the Lord is moving into the ministry.

He also encouraged the old saints to keep a good Spirit toward the younger ones who the Lord is started to use and assist them instead of putting or being a hindrance to them. They are the ones who will be the older ministers one day, he was saying.

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Br. Joe Eller of TIFTONIA had the saints undivided attention as he told of being lost without Christ, and going to meeting with his wife, Sis. Vickie. Br. Hodges Moore was up and saying, "There is no way you can get the Holy Ghost and then lose it, and then get it again."

Br. Joe told how he went home and read in his bible where you could.

When he went back to meeting, Br. Hodges again said that you couldn't rec' the Holy Ghost the second time.

Back at home his bible still told him that you could.

Br. Hodges kept on preaching that rec'ing the Holy Ghost was a onetime thing.

At Br. Joe's house he took his bible and started to read, and the scales fell from his eyes and he read where if you lost the Holy Ghost you could never rec' it again.

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BR. ED AVANS: "DISOBEDIENT TO PARENTS." He is talking about people of the world. He's not talking about boys and girls who have the Holy Ghost. You know why? You supposed to obey Mama and Daddy.

I'm telling you, you're supposed to obey Mama and Daddy. If you've got the Holy Ghost, you will do it! That Spirit that is put in you will cause you to obey them."

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Br. Homer Fortner is glad to tell one and all that God healed him awhile back of kidney stones.

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Meekness is not a weakness. Meekness is power, and is based on faith, not fear.

Meekness enables one to submit his cause to Christ.

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“ God does not hold us responsible for results, but He does hold us responsible for what we do and how we do it. ”

Now, God will never leave or forsake His people, if we keep a close walk with Him. He will always supply our needs in due time.

And we will win the victory after awhile. Have patience. Wait on the Lord. For it is thru our patience we possess our souls.

Be ye steadfast and unmovable, ever abounding in the work of the Lord, in as much as we know our labor is not in vain. Be kind and gentle, for kindness turns away wrath.

Be swift to hear, slow to speak,

Take heed that you be not deceived, for there are many spirits gone out into the world, and deceiving many, but by our faith anchored in God, we can know them by the fruit they bear. Be careful, keep a p $\frac{1}{2}$ raying heart all the time. There is so much more that could be said to warn God's people.

People have changed, but God lives and changes not.

We need to put on charity, that the love of God may abound more abundantly.

Keep a sober mind in the things we hear, that we may know the warnings of God's still small voice, that will speak to us in time of need, and read God's Word, for His will is written in His Word.

Now I haven't done this to hurt anyone, but I can see there is a closer walk for the people of God.

There is to much worldly things of life that at one time wasn't done. We know that Jesus didn't have no part with the pleasures of this world, and said He was our example. We should follow His steps. People have lived on milk and honey so long until they needed greater strength to face the future. For we haven't been tried yet, as we will be in days ahead. God's word has told us, it is a fearful time, but thru faith, we can make it. For it is thru faith that we obtain help thru all our trials.

Satan has everything he needs to poison the minds of everyone, and to destroy their soul....

We are need of great love. If we keep ourselves in His love, His strength has no end.

Hear ye, hear ye, oh house of Isreal, why will ye die.

God is love. keep straight between the shouts...These are they that fought the battle. These are they that stood the test.

Sis. Ollie Early

***Sis. Igral Black**

Sis. Igral "Dollie" Black went to sleep in the Lord on May 7, 1988. She was 78 years old. She was a burns and rec'd the Holy Ghost at THE ROCK HOUSE in the summer of 1925. She had been ill for some time.

Giving

Two marks of a Christian; giving and forgiving.

Give not from the top of your purse, but from the bottom of your heart.

The Lord loves a cheerful giver, until he brags about it.

Don't give til it hurts. Give til it feels good.

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.

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Happiness is usually dependant on external things. Joy springs from a deep well from within.

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Br. Buford Warren: "Talk about, the time would come, when the Lord would show who is LORD OF LORDS AND KING OF KINGS. People get pretty big, and boast great things. Without them, you just can't do nothing. But the days coming, when we all will come to the King of kings, and the Lord of lords.

On that day, there aint gonna be nobody feelinbg big. When we get up there, we're gonna be as little children.

Jesus said, THEY'LL BE MANY WHO SHALL SAY "Lord, Lord, haven't we done many wonderful works?" He's gonna say "depart."

You know whose gonna get in? Them that done the will of the father.

Jesus said, I FORWARN WHO YOU SHOULD FEAR. (FEAR HIM WHICH IS ABLE TO DESTROY BOTH BODY AND SOUL IN HELL.)

A lot of people fear man. But I don't! I learned a long time ago, man will foul you up and get you in trouble.

I fear the Spirit that spoke to me heart one day, and said, "Boy, you're on the wrong road."

I learned by begging and pleading, suffering and smothering... I learned to be led by that Great Spirit. It'll keep us in line, and if we'll just listen to it, it'll lead us in the right way.

If you you're about to get in trouble, it'll get you out. All you've got to do is just follow it.

A lot of times, people get discouraged and they just got to say something. They think that is their only defense. But if we just wait on that great Spirit, it'll guide you out. Oh, He'll cause peace.

When Jesus was here, he didn't do everything to please people. ...Now, if we let the Lord, He'll always lead us in the right direction.

"My grandson Mark, wanted very badly to go into service, but I had this terrible feeling that if he went he would get killed. This feeling would not leave me.

About two years ago he joined the Army, and he went to Nashville to take his test. I prayed that if he would get killed to let him fail it. He did. He said that he forgot everything that he knew.

At the time he was angry with me. He asked me the next time if he decided to go would I promise not to pray. I told him I could never make a promise like that.

Last fall without my knowledge, he joined the navy. He passed the test and all the things he was supposed to do. He came home and told me, "Well you can't pray me out of the service this time. I have already jined, and passed all the tests, and I'm in."

He is a sinner, and I can understand his thinking, but I understand the fear of God I felt.

This contract he had signed, he had to go one more quarter at Calhoun Cllege. I didn't pray for him to fail any tests at school. I just cried and prayed, fully expecting him to be killed.

With school finished, he was supposed to leave on Jan. 25, 1988.

A short while before that he quit his job and got married, wanting his new bride to jo in him when he finished basic training.

On the 23rd the navy called and said they had made a mistake on his contract; he was supposed to finish two quarters at school.

Mark was very upset.

It gave me some hope. On Monday, his mother, my daughter, Pat, took off from work for awhile to go with to the station. Pat doesn't have the Holy Ghost, but she knew the Lord did this.

Just before there were to leave. she told him, "You know the Lord did this!" She said he just humbled down, and said, "I know it, and I'm not going. I'm going to call the Navy

The navy was surprised, but there again the Great Lord in heaven moved. Mark refused to go to school for the other quarter and they did let him out of the contract.

Of course he's looking for a job, but he is with his new bride full-time. And I am expecting him to take her to church."

Sis. Mayde Romine

I have a eleven year old grandson and he has a problem since birth, being very hyper-active and having and extremely high I.Q. This causes problems in regular school. At present he is in a special school. They are supposed to be retraining his mind. This

is long term. I don't get to see him much and he does n't get to go to church.

I would like to ask prayers of those who read this paper, that the Lord will heal him. I would like him to get to go to church.

During the 35 years that I have had the Holy Ghost, the Lord has done so many wonderful things for me. I've seen some dark times too, but one thing I know, and I don't intend to forget, the Lord is stronger than the devil in any matter.

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BR.JR.STEPHENS: "LET NOTHING BE DONE THRU STRIFE OR VAIN GLORY. Not a thing. If I do it thru strife, I couldn't glory if I wanted to. If I tried to, it would be vain. It would just be the man without charity.

The Word of God said he would become a sounding brass. If I tried to work thru strife, that's the way I'd sound.

The man that's out front, taking the Word of God, it aint always pleasant. It don't always bring... I've heard people say, "I won't have it, if it don't bring a good feeling. If it hit you, it didn't bring no good feeling. There won't be no good feeling there 'til I mend up."

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Keep thy foot when thou cometh to the house of God and be more ready to hear than give the sacrifice of fools; for they consider not that they do evil.

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"We did not have the love of God ablaze in our hearts, nor could we manufacture it in ourselves." This was quoted by a man among some who seen and were trying for a closer walk with the Lord.

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Br. Toss Dabbs told of being at Sears and a salesman asking him if he was a preacher? "I told him, NO! But I sure like to tell people about the Lord, if they let me.

You can dig some holes and put some post in them and run wire to it, but if you don't hook up power to it, it aint an electric fence. Same way with the church. You can build a church and put people in it, but if it aint got the Spirit of God in it, it aint a church!"

Sis. Sandy Sanford: "Our little girl, Molly Ann, was sick for four months, running fever, throwing up and diarrhea. Bill who was out of work at the time, set up with hertil 2:30 AM, and I would take over then and set up.

This went on for four months. During this time, one night, I went to bed, and spoke out loud, "Lord, I sure would like to sleep til 6 o'clock in the morning." I went to sleep and awoke at 6:00 AM. The baby slept all that night.

We had prayed different times, but she never did get well.

This one night at church, we had her prayed for. Nothing happened until late r on in the service, when a sister I had great confidence in laid hands on her.

She got alright. The next night she started getting sick again. Mom told me to confirm it. That's just what I done and she has been well ever since.

"One day, I got in my car and started backing up when I hit a stump(I thought). I kept rolling back and I heard my little boy Dolan, crying. I put the car in Park and got out to find him and he was crawling out from under the car on the passenger sidebetween the front and back wheel.

I got him up and there was not a scratch on him. He was fine. I thank God!"

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SIS KENDRA BLACK: "When I graduated from High School, I was voted "Most Likely To Succeed.

I succeeded the most. I rec'd the Holy Ghost.

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Br. Ronnie Worthington: "We thought she was going to die. I came home from work one day. I walked in where she was supposed to be in bed, but I couldn't find her. I went to the bathroom, and she was bent over the commode. It just touched my heart.

She couldn't eat nothing. She couldn't hold nothing on her stomach. I told my wife, "Fix some soup."

I got her up on my knee. Martha had got that soup fixed. It was in a cup. I prayed over that soup.

God healed that little girl. From that day forward, she didn't throw a thing up.

When my little girl was growing up, my little boy was right behind her, pretty close to the same age.

As he was coming on up, he might get sick every once in awhile. My little girl would say, "You need some of that soup. It will make you better!" (WINCHESTER)

I would like to share something wonderful the Lord has done for me.

I worked at a mill here on the mountain (Skyline) and one day I got to thinking of all the sickness around and how easy it was for something to happen to me in just a few minutes.

Well, it wasn't but 2½ or 3 hours and it did. I was feeling fine that morning, but during the day something came over me. I got where i couldn't feel nothing and was turning black and blue. When people started coming around to see what was wrong, I could not talk. I couldn't move at all then.

There were some sisters that worked there. My mother-in-law (Sis. Annette Stephens) was one of them. One sister, Sis. Becky Guffey was there and even tho I couldn't talk, I could feel the Spirit of God about her. When she touched me it was like the lord was right there with me.

The job sent me to the hospital, but before I left, I could open my eyes and knew everybody.

After I got to the hospital there were a lot of children of God there. My mother (Sis. Shirley Countryman) and my mother-in-law, and my husband, (Br. Scott Howell) was right there with me. Their prayers were going around the throne. My color came back. I could move, but I was stuttering when I talked. I couldn't say but a few words.

When my grand-father, Br. Charlie Brown, got there I asked to see him. He walked in and laid hands on me. He asked me what was wrong? I told him I didn't want to be there. He let me know that everything would be just fine.

Br. Paul and Sis. Veta Warren came in and Br. Paul laid hands on me and let me know everything would be alright too.

My mind was tore up because they told me I had a light stroke or brain hemorrhage. Br. Paul and Grand-dad came back in a laid hands on me. They let me know they were going to send me to Huntsville for tests. They would pray that they would come out clear.

After the tests they told me they all came out clear and I could go home.

I know the Lord done that for me.

I've had the Holy ghost for over eight years and He's healed me so much. Praise the Lord, He done it one more time.

I love every child of God. I thank everyone who prayed for me. But most of all I praise the Lord, because without Him I am nothing.

Sis. Michelle Howell

BR. NED LANDS: "When I was in service, there just wasn't no Holiness people around in there.

Some boys were pretty hard . Some were real good to me. Them I tried to be around a little bit, jus; to have company. There were just a few of them. I had just one old boy in the barracks with me that was that way.

I can remember many a night... The barracks were four stories high; real thick walls.

I worked all the way on the other end of that compound. I had to walk back to my barracks; I actually didn't work in the same troop where I lived.

I can remember many a time walking back and it would be dark. All the other boys would buddy up. Most of them would be gone. Many a night there would be nobody there. I'd open that door; I can still hear it today. I'd step inside on those floors. Every step I made; BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

I was on the second floor, all the way to the end of the hallway; the last room down there.

I dreaded that walk many a night.

Nearly everyb step I would take, O Satan would be on my back; "Why don't you just go on out! Why don't you go there and sit there and behave yourself. You'll have some company. You won't have to be alone."

He'd talk to me all the way down there. He'd be so strong. There were many a night, children of God, when I would reach my door ...the light switchs over there turned instead of flipped. I would open the door and satan would just say,"Let me turn the light switch on for you?"

I knew he could do it! He is strong. But I would never say,"Turn the light on for me." I was afraid. Talk about and old boy being scared...

I'd open that room, turn the light and the first thing I would do; I had a little tape recorder; put on some gospel music. I would sit down and read to bible and listen to that gospel music, Glory to God!

Sometimes I would read, and I'd think I wasn't getting nowhere, but I'd keep on reading and keep on praying.

Next morning I meet the guys; "We sure had a good time. You should have been down there with us!"

While I was over there, God blessed me many times.

One time I needed Him real bad. They were going to send me off to another camp. I was rough up there I'd been up there, it was away from everything. Next to the Czechoslovakian border. I didn't want to go. I prayed about 45 days, saying, "Lord

I don't want to go," but they say, "You're going son! Your're going!"

The whole company went out in the field, and every morning I'd get out of my bed, just as soon as my feet hit the floor, I would look up and say,"Lord, I don't wanto go, but if you want me to go, I'll go!"

They told us,"As soon as you go back to the post, pack your things, you'll be leaving to go to the border."

It was two or three days before we went back. That morning I got out of bed, I said,"Lord, I don't want to go, but if you want me to go. I'll go!" When I said that, the Lord spoke to me. He said, "You aint going to have to go!"

When He said that. A joy filled my heart. Talk about feeling good.

I went and got some of the boys and said, "Boys, I aint gonna have to go to that camp." They said, "Your crazy, son, your're gonna have to go. They aint going to change orders just for you!" I said,"Well, I don't know what's gona happen, but I aint going."

We went back to the post, went in the barracks... the sargent walked up to me and said, "Lamb, t his here private, from Boston, don't know a thing about that job. Could you train him?" I said, Ya, I'll train him."

It came to my mind; "Lord, I'm gald I didn't go downtown. I'm glad I stayed in my place."

You know what? I'd go back in the old barracks. I'd open that door. I'd walk down that hallway. I'd open that door and I wouldn't have to listen to Satan anymore say. "Let me switch the light on for you." I had got one up on him.

Nature answers boater's dare

SHREVEPORT, La. (UPI) — Lawyer N. Graves Thomas stood in a boat during a thunderstorm, raised his hands and proclaimed heavenward, "Here I am." Moments later a lightning bolt struck him dead, witnesses said.

The lightning bolt struck Thomas in the head Monday aboard his new ski boat on Lake Bistineau. Death apparently was instantaneous as there was no exit point for the lightning, Bossier Parish sheriff's spokesman Scott Hodges said.

Three people were in the boat with Thomas and a young woman

was in the water preparing to ski, despite heavy storms that had rumbled through much of the state, officials said.

Witnesses said Thomas, 40, stood in the back of the boat, raised his hands toward the sky and said "Here I am." Quickly, the lightning bolt struck his head.

Attorneys who worked with or against Thomas described him as a firebrand and a maverick but a strong advocate for his often notorious clients — including police killers, reputed crime figures, accused white collar criminals and drug smugglers.

This article said it was nature's answer. We who know the truth, know better than that. It should have read, "God's Answer To A Boaters dare!"

PEACE IS NOT THE ABSENCE OF CONFLICT, BUT THE ABILITY TO COPE WITH IT.

Fox's Martyrs

The Third Persecution, Under Trajan, A.D.
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In the 3rd persecution Pliny the Second, a man learned and famous, seeing the lamentable slaughter of Christians, and moved therewith by pity, wrote to Trajan, certifying him that there were many thousands of them daily put to death, of which none did anything contrary to the Roman laws worthy persecution. "The whole account they gave of their crime or error (whichever it is to be called) amounted only to this - that they were accustomed on a stated day to meet before daylight, and to bind themselves by an obligation - not indeed to commit wickedness; but on the contrary - never to defraud any man: after which it was their custom to separate, and reassmle to partake in common meal."

In this perrsecution suffered the blessed martyr, Ignatius, who is held in famous reverence among many. This Ignatius ... the bishopric of Antioch... Some do say, that he being sent from Syria to Rome, because he professed Christ, was given to the wild beasts to be devoured. It is also said of him, that when he passed thru Asia, being under the most strict custody of his keepers, he strengthened and confirmed the churches thru all the cities as he went, both with his exhortations and preaching the Word of God. Accordingly having come to Smyrna, he wrote to the church at Rome, exhorting them not touse means for his deliverence from martyrdom, lest they should deprive him of that which he most longed and hoped for. "Now I begin to be a disciple. I care nothing, of visible or invisible things, so that i may but win Christ. Let fire and the cross, let the companies of wild beasts, let breaking of bones and tearing of limbs, let the grinding of the whole body, and all the malice of the devil, come upon me; be it so,. only may I win Christ Jesus!" And even when he was sentenced to be thrown to the beasts suchwas the burning desire that he had to suffer, that he spake, wn at time he heard the lions roaring. saying: "I am the wheat of Christ: I am going to be ground with the teeth of wild beasts, that I may be found pure bread."

About this time Alexander, bishop of Rome, with two deacons were martyred. as where Quirinus and Hernes, with their families; Zenon, a Roman nobleman, and about 10,000 other Christians

In Mount Arrat many were crucified, crowned with thorns, and spears run into their sides, in imitation of Christ's passion. Eustachius, a brave and successful Roman commander, was by the empereor ordered

to join in an idolatrous sacrifice to celebrate some of his victories; but his faith was so much greater than his vanity, that he nobly refused it. Enraged at the denial the ungrateful emperor forgot the service of this skilful commander, and ordered him and his whole family to be martyred.

At the martyrdom of Faustine and Jovita, brothers and citizens of Brescia, their torments were so many, and their patience so great, that Calocerius, a pagan, beholding them, was struck with admiration and exclaimed in a kind of ecstasy, "Great is the God of the Christians!" For which he was apprehended, and suffered the same fate.

Adrian dying in 138 A.D., was succeeded by Pius, ... who stayed the persecutions against the Christians.

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Walk A Little Plainer Daddy

*Walk a little plainer daddy
Said a little boy so frail
I'm following in your footsteps
And I don't want to fail
Sometimes your steps are very plain
Sometimes they are hard to see
So walk a little plainer daddy
For you are leading me.*

*I know that once you walked this way
Many years ago
And what you did along the way
I'd really like to know
For sometimes when I am tempted
I don't know what to do
So walk a little plainer daddy
For I must follow you.*

*Someday when I'm grown up
You are like I want to be
Then I will have a little boy
Who will want to follow me
And I would want to lead him right
And help him to be true
So walk a little plainer daddy
For we must follow you.*

(Author Unknown)

'They say that one sees who one's friends are in time of trouble. But I say one sees them in good times. If a man is really your friend, he will be pleased by your good fortune, without reservations. But if he is not really your friend, every step forward will be, for him a reproach or even an insult; the worm of envy will enter his heart and gnaw at it."

BR. TOM KERLEY: "There's things that you and me have got to do to get healing done. You say, "Well, we pray." Yeah, we pray, but do we strive? How many here lately have laid hands on the sick and they got well?"

You know what's going around now? It's going around, "Well they've got to recover." I don't believe that. I believe God can heal instantly, just like that!

There's conditions to be met. We've got to meet 'em too. It aint just coming to church. It's living out yonder.

We come to church, ... we've almost got a form, we go by. First thing we want to do is ask for prayer. ... Then we want to pray. But did you ever think about the power God falling back yonder when you stepped in the house. Did you ever think about that? Was your mind on the Lord when you came in the door? Or did we come to church because that is the place to c me?

WHEREFORE LAYING ASIDE ALL MALICE, AND ALL GUILE, Jesus did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth, AND HYPORISIES, AND ALL EVIL SPEAKING. You know what I've got to do, to speak ev il of this man right here? Just speak against him. That's all I got to do. Make somebody think he'd done something wrong. AS NEWBORN BABES, DESIRE THE SINCERE MILK OF THE WORD. You've heard lot of people say, "We need the Word of God." Did you know, anybody could read this. My daddy, he could quote you any scripture... but he didn't have the understanding

What is the milk of the Word. Understanding, rightly dividing the Word of truth. Not many people doing that. You know why? They've got their ideas and opinions on everything....

DESIRE THE SINCERE MILK OF THE WORD, THAT YE MAY GROW THEREBY:

How strong are you now? Think about it. How much closer to God are you now, then you were that day? I'm afraid we're backing up, don't you?

The devil don't care if I climb Jacob's ladder five steps, if I'll go back six.... Are we getting things done now, that we ought to have? To many people dying among Holiness people. Too many people got serious diseases. We're gonna have 'em. We're supposed to have 'em. But we know, God's got the power to heal them, don't we?

...TO OFFER SPIRITUAL SACRIFICES, ACCEPTABLE UNTO GOD BY JESUS CHRIST.

How many times do we offer something toward God and it's not accepted with Him?

BUT YE ARE A CHOSEN GENERATION, A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD, AN HOLY NATION, A PECULAR PEOPLE, THAT YE SHOULD SHOW FORTH THE PRAISES OF HIM WHO HATH CALLED YOU OUT OF DARKNESS INTO HIS MARVELOUS LIGHT. What would that peculiar

be like? It wouldn't be like the world. It aint how you dress anymore. It aint how you fix your hair... They are fixing just like you. They are dressing in long dresses just like you do. But we got to outshine them. All right, let's get out in the world somewhere and let the power of God cover you up. God will quicken your body. Be peculiar. They'll begin to persecute you. They'll talk about you.

But we are getting away from it.

...THEY MAY BEHOLD YOUR GOOD WORKS.....

What's the good works you're gonna do? Live a good life? That aint all of it. You've got to have some works. Some fellow you work around, says, "You know my little baby is sick. Ah, it's really sick." You say, "How about bring her to church. Let us pray for her." That's the way we used to do. We're almost afraid to say that. We are afraid God won't heal.

This is serious, aint it? And I'm tellingm you, we need God healing people right instantly. We need the crippled people to walk, instantly.

But We have got to humble our heart, before God, and live a life that is pleasing to Him. Can't get out in the world. Gripe and go on about everything. We got to be humble everywhere we're at. Husband and wives can't fuss and fight and please G

ADD TO YOUR FAITH, VIRTUE: AND VIRTUE, KNOWLEDGE: Add. Who did he say to do that?

I love the children of God. I love the Way of Holiness. If I wanted to do just any way, I'd stayed in the other church, cause I could do just about any way and go back to church, and I'd be alright. Can't do that in Holiness though.

What's virtue? How are you gonna add that virtue. Virtue is, first clean, pure, and it's power. Live a good clean life and pray and add virtue to your life. If I lay hands on this man that is sick and he gets well, I got virtue. Oh, we've got power with God if we'll use it. But were losing aint we? Cause our minds just everywhere, all day long.

I want these hands to be pure. I want lay hands on and I want them to get well. KNOWLEDGE... TEMPERANCE. If you got temperance, you won't "Fly off the handle." A man got mad one time after he got the Holy Ghost. Said, "The Lord didn't take my temper away from me." I said, "He did too, you just let it come back." When God gave you the Holy Ghost, he made you perfect. What happened? Our minds. "I don't see it that way." "I've got my way." You did one time when you got the Holy Ghost.

When I was a boy, I was going to school. I had a temper. They didn't cross my path

much. They'd whip me or I'd whip them. I usually got the whipping. But I layed that down. I can't do that no more. I can't even fly off the handle at my wife and please God. It's wonderful to be a child of God.

PATIENCE. "My kids get on my nerves so bad I can't hardly stand it." Slap them arond. There's a way of whipping kids, without beating them to death.

GODLINESS, BROTHERLY KINDNESS, CHARITY; It's the bond of perfectness. It'll make all these things work. I've had the Holy Ghost for 51 years, and I never seen the day that I wanted to turn back. I can't see why anybody would want to give this up. There's a lot of people that does. And a lot of people that we think is going away, didn't get it to start with. That might be a hard saying, but how could people who turn back, come around and sit with us.

..AND HAVE NOT CHARITY, I AM NOTHING. A fellow down on BEIRNES one time got up and said, "I aint got no charity brethern." Old Br. Willis said, "You aint nothing then!"

You like this? I do! I try to add charity. Ever since I had the Holy Ghost, and this was preached... I've tried to do that, cause it won't work without it.

Out yonder among the world, I've got to have charity. They're watching us. They've got a right to watch you. You do something ought not to, they got a right to tell you about it. It's their priviledge to do that. It's our priviledge to live where they can't.

CHARITY NEVER FAILS.

(March, 9, 1984)

LEARNING GOOD MANNERS

Why don't our public schools devote more time and effort to teaching young people the fundamentals of good manners?

Sissy stuff? Not on your life.

Generally speaking, no man was ever too much of a gentleman, and no woman was ever too much of a lady. There may be times when it is necessary to bend good conduct a wee bit, but the fundamentals of being well-mannered normally help instead of hurt, and they certainly win high esteem from others.

This doesn't mean the teaching of snobbishness, which applies to those who dwell upon their wealth or position. Good manners constitute an attribute for any class — poor or rich, lean or fat, male or female, boss or employee, black or white, Jew or Gentile, Catholic or Protestant, Hindu or Muslim, Republican or Democrat, or any other separative designation.

What are good manners?

Well, they are such things as knowing how to use a knife and a fork, young people standing when older people enter the room, asking ladies to go through a door first, not wearing a hat or cap inside the house or in any dining room. Good manners are the soft-pedaling of swearing and off-color stories, not acting bored, knowing how to give a firm handshake and look a person in the eye when being introduced.

Good manners are an awareness of the importance of using soap and water and a washcloth frequently, saying "please" and "thank you" more often, eliminating loud and abusive talk, not gulping down food; or helping yourself to too large a portion when it is passed, answering invitations promptly and cordially, acknowledging gifts with a written note, greater courtesy on sidewalks and while seated behind a steering wheel, gentleness with spouses, brothers and sisters, the respectful treatment of parents and teachers.

Words Worth Pondering

This was spoke by Ben Franklin at the assmly of those drawing up the United States Constitution:

Mr. President: - I confess that I do not entirely approve of this Constitution at present; but, sir, I am not sure I shall never approve it; for, having lived long, (he was 81), I have experienced many instances of being obliged, by better information or fuller consideration, to change opinions even on important subjects, which I once thought right, but found to be otherwise. It is therefore that, the older I grow, the more apt I am to doubt my own judgement of others. Most men, indeed, as well as most sects in religion, think themselves in possession of all truth, and that wherever others differ from them, it is so far error. Steele a Protestant, in dedication. tells the Pope that the only difference between our two churches in their opinions of the certainty of their doctrine is, the Romanish Church is infallible, and the Church of England is never wrong. But though many private persons think almost as highly of their own infallibility as that of the sect, few express it so naturally as a certain french lady, who, in a little dispute with her sister, said: "But I meet with nobody but myself that is always in the right."

In these sentiments, sir..."

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Sissy stuff? Absolutely not. Simply better behavior and conduct, which is certain to lead to more happiness for individuals, and more pleasure for those with whom they associate.

Many uncoached students would be better prepared to go out and meet life's challenges with greater confidence if they were taught the pleasure and effectiveness that result from good manners.

And now a word from Ann Landers: Good manners should, of course, be taught in the home, but sad to say, too often no one in the home knows what good manners are nor will they take the time and expend the energy. The next best place, then, is in the schools.

When you get right down to it, good manners are nothing more than being thoughtful and considerate of others. They are the principal lubricant of the human machinery we use when we interact with others. I cannot think of an investment of time or energy that would pay off more handsomely.

On the 1st Saturday eve in may, the Lord blessed good at WEST BROW on the upper end of Lookout Mtn, especially the younger saints from a number of different communities.

Meeting was good, and lengthy, altar work was a blessing with a man praying with a feeling in it.

Some of the young saints left and went to another meeting place near to get some of their young friends to come and help in the altar.

By the time they returned meeting was dismissed and people leaving; at the door when they came in, the Lord started blessing these young ones who love one another. Who haven't learned to have ill will against one another yet. It was beautiful as the Lord poured out His sweet blessing here. Some of these were bound in the floor and the Spirit of grace was so real. Some were free like they had not been before.

They had gone to get one of their buddies who was feeling low. They wanted him there in the blessings that were coming down. He wouldn't come. So they all ganged up and

went to him.

They took love with them, and God and His love met with them there. This was at Br. Clyde Langley's home. What a time these young, without guile or hypocrisy had. Or rather, the Lord had with them. Most in this crowd were young, but all, old and young alike, tell that they had never seen or felt the Lord like this before. They got to see just a little of the glory of God.

One young brother ended up with his face in the floor, and for a long time. Some thought he was dead, but he had gone to another country and another place. A place so clean and beautiful and white. He said that on the outside were thorns and brambles but on the inside where he was, the Lord Jesus took him by the hand and led him through the city, and its streets did look like gold.

Many other good things were done for them by the Lord.

Love works no ill to his neighbor

Jerusalem and History

The most famous city in Bible lands is Jerusalem. From early times it was an important center. For example, Abram gave gifts to Melchizedek, who was the "king of Salem" (Gen. 14:18) this "Salem" was most likely the city of Jerusalem.

When the Israelites conquered the Promised Land, Benjamin's tribe was assigned the territory that included Jerusalem. But the invading armies were not strong enough to capture the city, and it was not until King David's time that Jerusalem finally became Hebrew territory (2 Samuel 5:6-7). David made the city his capital. He brought the ark of the covenant there, pitched a suitable tent for it, and began planning a temple to house the ark. His son Solomon completed the job (2 Sam. 7:12-16 and 1 Kings 5-6).

Later kings neglected both the temple and the city of Jerusalem. But at the height of its glory, Jerusalem was a showplace of the nation and the temple was world-famous. The greatest era in the history of the city and temple was under Solomon.

The city was protected by God when the national leaders worshiped Him and trusted Him. When Sennacherib attempted to destroy it, the Assyrian army was destroyed by a miracle from God (2 Kings 19:35-37).

In 587 B.C., Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon invaded Palestine, overran the city, and took the people away as slaves. The expensive treasures that were housed in the city and the many skilled craftsmen who maintained the valuable works of art and architectural design, are described in 2 Kings 24:10-17.

For 50 years the city of Jerusalem lay in waste, but in 537 B.C. Zerubbabel and 50,000 followers were allowed to return and start rebuilding (Ezra 2:64-65; 3:8). Nehemiah rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem in about 444 B.C. (Neh. 6:15). Slowly, the Hebrews returned from their captivity and worked at rebuilding other sections of their city.

Other strong nations arose—the Greeks under

Alexander the Great, the Egyptians, and the Persians. In 198 B.C., Jerusalem became a part of the Seleucid empire. Judas Maccabee, one of Israel's greatest heroes, retook the city in 165 B.C. and purified the temple.

In 63 B.C., Roman armies swept through Palestine and captured Jerusalem, ruining what was left of Zerubbabel's attempts to rebuild the temple. However, in 37 B.C., Herod the Great began rebuilding the temple on a grand scale; his work was so complex that the temple wasn't complete when Jesus was taken there as a baby (Luke 2:21-39). The end of Jerusalem's history in biblical times came when Titus, the Roman emperor, leveled the city and temple in A.D. 70.

Despite the troubled history of the "holy city," it still stands as a symbol of the Jewish people. "Zion" is one name given to it (although this really refers to one of the several hills around Jerusalem). The Bible calls the city by various names of honor: "city of David" (2 Sam. 5:7); "city of God" (Psa. 46:4); "city of truth" (Zec. 8:3); "holy city" (Neh. 11:1); "throne of the Lord" (Jer. 3:17) and many more.

The Egyptian pharaoh's daughter visited Solomon there (1 Kings 3:1); the Queen of Sheba also visited (1 Kings 10:1-2). Many events of Jesus' earthly ministry occurred there: Palm Sunday, the meal in an upper room, the trials and death of Christ, and His appearance after the Resurrection (Luke 24:33ff).

In both Hebrews and Revelation, Jerusalem symbolizes the future hope of Christians who are faithful. The fact that heaven is called the "New Jerusalem" (Rev. 21:2) shows that eternal life will be beautiful and wonderful, even as a perfect Jerusalem would be (Heb. 12:22; Rev. 21:10; 22:19).

Even today, Jerusalem is a center for historical study and international struggle. Three world religions claim it as a holy city—Islam, Judaism, and Christianity.

Be sure we are "Child like" in our doings, not "Childish."

"Child like," is being innocent and humble.

"Childish," is being spoiled and wanting your own way about things.

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When we do right, we feel right. When we do wrong, we don't feel right, said Br. Shirlet Byrum.

"We've got to many people that don't know if it's God or not., when He comes along. If you let the Spirit of God get ahold of your mind, you can feel God, and know that it is God.

It'll take the Word of God for me to go. For you to go. You'll not make it without the word of God.

A Holy Ghost man that is living for God will pray for the man that he knows don't like him. He'll ask God to have mercy on him."

"Divine" healing;

Down thru the centuries, whenever and wherever there was an outpouring of the Holy Ghost Holiness, there was always an outpouring of miraculous healings. Healings that God did among and thru His children. Holiness and healing, have always been synonymous.

As The way of holiness bloomed, so healings bloomed. When Holiness was on the way, or being like the churches around them, so did divine healings let up.

So, as the strength of the church, so the strength of divine healing.

We all know that healing is emphasied in James; IS THERE ANY SICK AMONG YOU? LET THEM CALL FOR THE ELDERS OF THE CHURCH, AND LET THEM PRAY OVER THEM, ANOINTING HIM WITH OIL IN THE NAME OF THE LORD: AND THE PRAYER OF FAITH SHALL SAVE THE SICK AND THE LORD SHALL RAISE HIM UP... The prayer of faith is what always does the work in divine healing. Without it, there is no healing. With it, always comes healing.

If one lives in a way that he doubts the Lord will heal him. The Lord won't. But when a person's life is in order with the Word of God, the Lord gives the faith, and healings always follow.

Be sure, one sometimes has to have patience, waiting on the Lord, but the Lord always rewards Godly living, with faith.

When the Lord set up His church, he put healing in it. When one believes on the Lord Jesus Christ, and is baptised in His name, one of the signs that Christ promised would follow them is; THEY SHALL LAY HANDS ON THE SICK AND THEY SHALL RECOVER.

All healing is based on faith. If a man expects to rec' anything from God, LET HIM ASK IN FAITH, NOTHING WAVERING.

We know that faith is used in more than just healing, (the whole church is based on faith), but here we are talking on healing, and the Word of God said; WITHOUT FAITH IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PLEASE GOD. Now, it is a fact that some people have faith for one thing, and not for another. The good Lord though, wants us to; WALK BY FAITH. We are JUSTIFIED BY FAITH... SANCTIFIED BY FAITH... and we, LIVE BY FAITH.... WALK BY FAITH... We are THE CHILDREN OF GOD BY FAITH... GOD DWELLS IN OUR HEARTS BY FAITH... So, when all is said and done, we must have a practicing faith, in our everyday lives. And, when we do, it will cover the healing of our bodies, which in turn is such good strength to the Lord's church.

Faith always got the Lord's attention. Sometimes, He would stop and marvel at certain peoples faith. He done for them, what they believed he would.

Abot the only time that the Apostles got what we call a, "Royal chewing out," was when they didn't have faith.

When Naaman decided to listen to the prophet (Believe), and then acted on it, he was healed.

When the widow acted on her faith, her meal barrel refues to be empty.

When the woman with the issue of blood acted on her faith, pressing thru the crowd, her issue was healed.

When the men used their faith and tore out the roof and let their friend down, the Lord rewarded them.

The two blind mens faith caused them to be healed.

Job probably had more trouble, sickness and pain than any man ever had. But regardless of his down cast thoughts, the Lord restored his health and everything he had lost and more, because he knew how he had lived before God, and that he would do Him right. Now, that's faith!

Daniel's faith never wavered, come good times, or bad. It didn't even fail him in a pit of lions.

The Syrophenician wamans faith in the Lord would not let her give up in the face of His refusal. The Lord Jesus marveled at her faith and sent the healing.

The blind man's faith was such, that when they tried to quieten his yelling for the Lord, that he got his petition answered. he walked away with good eyesight.

Now, as with all things that are good, we don't just sit back, relax, and take it easy. When we rec'd the Holy Ghost, we had to press our claim to Him. Sometimes we had to lay aside things that hindered us. When we got ourselves right, the Lord moved. So with God's healing. When we ask Him for our healing and it don't come, we then have to seek for it. Pray. Find out if anything in our life is not according to His will. Pray for the Word of God to come and show us where we are at in Him. Find out if any has ought aganst us. Check and see if a neighbor has a need that we can fill. The Lord promised, SEEK AND YE SHALL FIND. and, HE THAT HATH MY COMMANDMENTS, AND KEEPETH THEM... I WILL LOVE HIM AND MANIFEST MYSELF TO HIM.

The denomination who left the full gospel of godly living, and set up their own righteousness go to man for their healing. If and when divine healing is mentioned, they say, "Yea, I was healed. The Lord directed the doctor knife when they operated...." GOD could do it if he wanted to, but we know they do it thru the vast knowledge they have obtained by much learning.

Man landed a spaceship on the moon. God didn't put it there, but he could have, if he had wanted to.

Now we are hearing the same stuff among God's blessed church. We have slipped back pretty far to allow such talk among us. God heals thru, 'Divine healing.' He don't ask or need mans assistance. Al He needs, is for us to livce for Him and have faith. If it comes any other way, it is not of Him.

When one says, "The Lord guided the doctors hands..." they are saying. I have no faith that God would heal me, and I turned to man for my help."

Again. let us say, God put healing in His church." Let us use it! I glorifys Him! And... when... He... does... heal... be... sure... to... give... Him... all... the... glory... and... honor.



When I as born, my mother had the Holy Ghost. My daddy re'd It when I was three years old. I was raise- in the Holiness way.

When I started to school, I realized how different I really was from all the other girls. Even though I didn't have the Holy Ghost, I was ^{not} allowed to

do all the worldily things the other did, such, as wearing pants, cutting my hair, wearing jewelery, and make-up, etc.

I was told, more than once, If I didn't wear pants, I couldn't be their friend. No matter how how bad it would always hurt me, I would always have to tell them, if it had to be that way, then we couldn't be friends, because wearing pants was against my religion, and I couldn't wear them.

When I was in kindergarden, I eventold my teacher, she was going to torment because she wore pants. This upset her.

When I was ten, we were having revival, Br. Paul Warren was helping. One morning while he was talking, I had a fear come over me. I knew the Lord was drawing me.

I went to the altar that morning and felt like I nearly made it. As time went on I kept getting more slack and finally quit going.

School started back and as time passed, I started worrying about my quitting the altar. I would ask my mother if she thought the Lord would ever work with me again. It scared me, to think that I might never have another oppertuntiy to go to the altar.

The next summer at revival, Br. J. Step- ens was helping, the Lord gave me another chance and I went to the altar. I went to

the altar four times and felt the lord. I was close but could not seem to give myself up to the Lord. The 5th time I went, July 8, 1987. Br. Paul Warren was preaching to the lost. He was telling about "knocking on the door," until you get what you come for.

While I was praying, a door came before me. It was always closed. When I finally gave myself up to the Lord, I saw that door open, and then my mind left

When It came back, I was speaking in to- ngues. I accepted that as the Holy Ghost. I felt something just lift me out of the altar. And the joy came.

I was so happy. I was jumping up and down and hugging everybody.

Now I've got the Lord to help me in school and walk with me every step of the Way.

Sis. Olivia Sisk

Br. Billy & Sis. Cynthia

Br. Willaim R. West died in a car wreck March 27, 1988. He was a good child of God, having rec'd the Holy Ghost here at PLEASANT GROVE in 1968.

Sis. Cynatia Gail Bowman, Br. Billy West's daughter passed away in the same car wreck with her daddy. She rec'd the Holy Ghost also at PLEASANT GROVE in the summer of 1978. Her husband of three months was Br. Jerry Bowman of HIGDON.

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The Lord is helping Br. Jimmy Furgeson. On the 1st Sunday evening of February, he was exhorting the saints to love one another. If we did, God would heal our sick.

"If," he said, "That I do in a way you don't like - talk to the Lord about me."

The Lord used him to encourage the saints. Thank the Lord!

Kentucky:

Meetings the fifth weekend in May, in Farmington Kentucky were again very good. Many different faces, from many different places were there and all striving for the good fellowship of the Spirit.

A number of saints were, "Free," for their first time.

Sis. Sandy Sanford had one of those severe headaches. The worst she has ever had. There were still at the Eagle Inn Motel in Murray where most of the saints stay while in meeting here. The call went from room to room to come and pray for this sister. They did. The Lord led a brother to lay his hand on her. She was immediatly healed.

After the last service on Sunday morning, Sis. Amy Harrison asked for prayer. Her back was hurting her. She has had trouble with her back all her life. She had what they called a "curved spine." Another brother was led to lay hands on her, and she was healed also.

A couple of teenage ladies to the Sunday morning service and afterwards was invited to go home some who had come up. The next day they packed up and ended up on Lookout Mtn. By that Friday these, Sis. Becky Sue Jirak, had rec'd the good Holy Ghost. The other girl is still seeking for the same.

Loving and caring still pay offs in big dividends.

The 5th weekend in July found the goodness of the Lord still there in Farmington. The Lord was blessed everywhere. One younger brother was heard to say, "That's the first time I ever shouted!" And shouting they did. So much so that the world was upset. The air conditioner couldn't handle the crowd, over 70 saints, so up came the windows, and open came the door. The singing and shouting rolled out across this little town.

They started setting off firecrackers and one had two german sheperds on a leash circling the place. Another had a doberman pincher patrolling. Another had shotgun and one told some of the saints not to be back

Moses

The most crucial figure of Old Testament history was Moses, who led the people of Israel out of bondage. Some commentators believe that his name is a combination of the late Egyptian words for "water" (*mo*) and "take" (*shi*). Thus it may be a reminder of how the pharaoh's daughter took the infant Moses from a basket on the Nile (Exod. 2).

Moses had an older brother named Aaron and a sister named Miriam. He was born just after the Egyptian pharaoh ordered his soldiers to kill all new Israelite babies to control the population of the slaves. Moses' mother made a basket of bulrushes, placed him in it, and floated it on the Nile River under the watchful eye of his sister. When the pharaoh's daughter found the baby, she adopted him into the royal family.

When Moses was a young man, he killed an Egyptian slave driver in a fit of rage, (Exod. 2:11 ff.). He escaped into the rugged land of Midian, where he married a priest's daughter named Zipporah. Together they had two sons—Gershom and Eliezer (Exod. 2:22; 18:4).

After Moses had lived in Midian for about 40 years, the Lord appeared to him in a burning bush on the side of Mt. Sinai or Horeb (Exod. 3). He instructed Moses to lead his people out of Egypt to the Promised Land of Canaan. Moses protested that he would not be able to convince



the pharaoh to let the Israelites leave, so the Lord allowed him to take Aaron as his spokesman.

Moses went back to Egypt and conveyed God's message to "let my people go." When the pharaoh demanded a sign of divine power to confirm Moses' message, Moses was pitted against the pharaoh's court magicians. (According to Jewish tradition, they were named Jannes and Jambres.) Though the pharaoh saw Moses and Aaron perform miracles more spectacular than those of his own magicians, he refused to let the people of Israel leave his land. So God sent a series of ten plagues, culminating in the death of all the first born of Egypt—including the pharaoh's own son—to convince the ruler who finally decided to honor Moses' request. Even so, the pharaoh changed his mind while the Israelites were leaving. He tried to stop them at the shores of the Red Sea, but God parted the waters so that the Israelites could escape.

Moses led his people to Mt. Sinai, where he met with God and received a system of law to govern them in the Promised Land. God summarized this Law in the Ten Commandments, which He engraved on tablets of stone that Moses brought back to the Israelite camp. Moses found that his people had turned to pagan worship, and he angrily dashed the tablets to the ground, symbolizing the people's breaking of the covenant. After the people repented of their sin, Moses returned to the mountain and received the Ten Commandments once again.

For 40 years the Israelites wandered in the wilderness between Sinai and Canaan. During this time, Moses and Aaron were their civil and religious rulers. God prevented Moses from entering the Promised Land because he had disobeyed the Lord at Meribah, where he struck a stone with his rod to receive water. Yet God allowed Moses to view the Promised Land from the top of Mt. Nebo. Then Moses died.

In the 120 years of his life, Moses had led his people in their journey from bondage to freedom. He had recorded their past history by writing what are now the first five books of the Old Testament, and he had received the Law that would govern them for centuries to come.

the next day. The State Troopers circled for awhile. It got a few of the saints mind for a little bit, but the Lord kept blessing and the glory of the Lord was shining. It was a joy to be persecuted for Christ's name. If we had been shouting and making a noise over a ball game, it would have been alright, but don't shout an rejoice over Christ.

The next morning, it was a Word of God meeting and they all seemed to love it.

It is so good to see a group of saints all working together in this day and age.

Br. Joe Scott

Br. Joe Scott left here, suddenly, in his 71st year on May 7, 1988. he came to the Lord over 50 years ago at old KELLY'S CHAPEL

Officers In The Church

Church: a calling out; a group of members on earth or in heaven or both; assembly.

In the Old Testament it was called the Congregation; in the New Testament it is called The Church.

IN the Scriptures it is called by many names: Temple of the living God; Sought out, a City Not Forsaken; Spiritual House; New Jerusalem; Kingdom of God; Holy City; General Assambly of the Firstborn, and on and on we could go, but the name that stands out above all others is The Way of Holiness. This is used in a shorter form different times as The Way.

There is, without any doubt, only one church and is made up of all born again, Holy Ghost baptised saints. But in this one church there are many cells, or units. They can number into the hundreds even thousands

these individual units. Even two or three constitutes a church: IF TWO OF YOU SHALL AGREE ON EARTH AS TOUCHING ANY THING THAT THEY SHALL ASK, IT SHALL BE DONE FOR THEM...FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE ARE GATHERED TOGETHER IN MY NAME, THERE AM I IN THE MIDST OF THEM.

The HEAD of this church is Jesus Christ. He is also the head of every man; FOR I WOULD HAVE YOU KNOW, THAT THE HEAD OF EVERY MAN IS CHRIST. ...AND GAVE HIM TO BE ALL THINGS HEAD OVER ALL THINGS TO THE CHURCH.

CHRIST IS THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH.

HE IS THE HEAD OF THE BODY, THE CHURCH... THAT IN ALL THINGS HE MIGHT HAVE THE PREEM IENCE.

And, CHRIST IS ALL, AND IN ALL.

He gave His lifeblood and Life for the church. He loves it.

He also put "Gifts" in His church for it perfection, for its ministry, for edifying of this body, for knowledge of the Son of God, to point and assist saints to the fulness of Chirst.

Who and what are these gifts:

Apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, teachers, helps, governments, bishops (or elders) and deacons.

APOSTLE: a delegate, an ambassador of the Gospel with miraculos powers, a messenger.

PROPHET: a foreteller; and inspired speaker.

EVANGELIST: a preacher of the Gospel.

PASTOR: a shepherd; one who feeds.

TEACHER: an instructor; teacher.

HELPS: succor; relief; assistance.

GOVERNMENT: to pilot; steer; directorship.

BISHOP: Superintendent; overseer.

DEACON: an attendant; wait upon; minister; teacher and/or pastor; servant.

In the church there are other gifts such as, THE WORD OF WISDOM and THE WORD OF KNOWLEDGE, but these are supposed by some to be covered under the already said gifts. The Deacon as can be seen is covered by the gift of pastoring and te aching. It seems like most of these gifts infringe on another gift, but they all are operated by the Spirit of the Lord for our profit.

The gift of the Apostle is thought by many to have been fulfilled in the 12 Apostles, but others say that they can operate today. We here are open on the subject, but would be real glad if they showed up amongst us. We need all the ministerial gifts we can get.

These gifts are given to the church. If a man is a teacher, he will teach wherever he is at, if and when the leading of the Lord moves on him.

It's the same if he is a pastor or any other gift. He does it wherever he is at.

It is good if a church (a unit) has a pastor or teacher or any other of the gifts, or even more than one of the same gifts working in it. It is to their profit if they love the truth. But if they are not in full force at a certain place, it does not mean it is any less, a unit, or a part of the body of Christ, as some would make you believe.

To be a church you have to have Christ as your head and meet or assmble together in the Lord's name.

Most of thse gifts have a qualification to them. Not all are exactly the same but generally they run into: being blameless(that cuts out many), One wife, watchful, sober, alw ays behaves himself well, especially in the church. All have to be given to hospitality. Satisfied with what he has (Can't be greedy for money). Has to have his house under subjection. He has to rule well his own house, before Christ will give him any rule in His church.

When these gifts move, they can be judged of God or not by there words. They must PREACH THE WORD, not what they believe or have figured out. The Word of God never changes. So if just The Word is preached, the church will always be the same. It wil never change because it is builton The Word. IF ANY MAN SPEAK, LET HIM SPEAK AS THE ORACLES OF GOD... THAT GOD IN ALL THINGS MAY BE GLORIFIED THRU JESUS CHRIST. (We hear preachers glorified more then Christ in many Holiness churches).

Every gift that the Lord put in His

church are very important. But today we are about like the denominations, about the only gifts reconised are pastors and evangelists. But we need every one of them, That is the main reason we are looking so lopsided. The pastors need teach ing too. If not they'll beomes LORDS OVER GODS HEIRTAGE.



CAVE SPRING's had a wonderful revival. The Lord sent Br. Johnny West to preach to the lost there. By the time the revival ended, there was no doubt that God had His hand on Br. Johnny. They had seven rec' the Holy Ghost, beginning Monday night of revival with twins; Sis. Minde Maples, and Sis. Debbie Schimsher, followed by Sis. Connie Matthews on Tuesday night. On Thursday night, there were four born into the family of God; Br. Carl Dudley, Sis. Sharon (maiden name Acthley), Sis. Barbara Hunter, and Sis. Cindy Bush.

CAVE SPRING's revival was one that will be remembered for years by many. It was a revival in which the love was flowing freely. I was a visitor there, myself, but I enjoyed it as much as if It had been my owm church.

Sis. Cencnrea Knecht

At the CAVE SPRING's revival, the night the four made it to the Lord, they didn't even had church. A sister hurt, sprained or broke her foot out in the yard before meeting. They brought her in and had prayer for her. The Lord healed her and she was up rejc icing. Went back and layed hands on a lost man, he came to the altar and rec'd the Holy Ghjost as did the other three this night.

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"I listened in on the conversation, three little children last summer about the Lord and the Holy Ghost.

A seven year old boy said, "You don't have to get the Holy Ghost to go to heaven" A three year old boy said, "Oh yes you do."

It got quiet.

The seven year old said, "My grandmother goes to church. She don't have the Holy Ghost, and she is going to heaven.

The three year said, "You need to listen to Br. Billy and Br. Morgan. She aint going!"

After a little while the seven year old said, "Well, everybody don't have to have the Holy Ghost."

The third child who was a five year old girl said, "If you don't have to have the Holy Ghost, what is torment for?"

The discussion was over.

Sis. Becky Petty

Br. Paul Guffey: "I want you to understand, I don't fight the laying on of hands. But brethern, I've seen them go on too rough a way. And I've seen people beating the floor til the floor... the man's head jump- ing up and down. You can beat the floor until it falls thru, but it won't give the Holy Ghost. Prayer will. Prayer will do the job.

The laying on of hands is won derful, when it is needed.

I tell you what I saw Br. Brown do, and it was my own daughter. There was so many hands going on Dual, it was pitiful. Br. Brown, you know what he done? He just went thru the crowd this way; "Get back out of the way. Keep your hands of from her!" That old man got down on one knee and began to call on the Lord. And directly when his hands come down, Dual came up with the Holy Ghost.

If God puts your hands on... Well! But if He don't, for God's sake, keep them off.

I feel led to talk this. There is people today that gets to rough. Now, let me tell you something. If God's is in it, them two fingers can touch that man right there, and it'll do the same work as slapping jaws.

This is the old time way of Holiness..

Somebody will say, "Who are you talking to?" Whoever is guilty.

As long as you are wide awake, I can get ahold of your arm right there... Now if God puts your hands on them, well. If not, you are gonna cause that person's mind to be on you.

And another thing. I've saw people get ahold of their mouth and pull it. And naturally, if they try to say anything, their tongue partly comes out, because they've got it nearly mashed out.

Can you tell I have got ahold of you(he had ahold of a man's arm. The brother said "Yes!") Certainly you can, and I aint a mashing it. I just got my hand laid up there. brethern, if he had his mind centered on the Lord, and I done that way a few times, you know where it'd do? It would go on something else."

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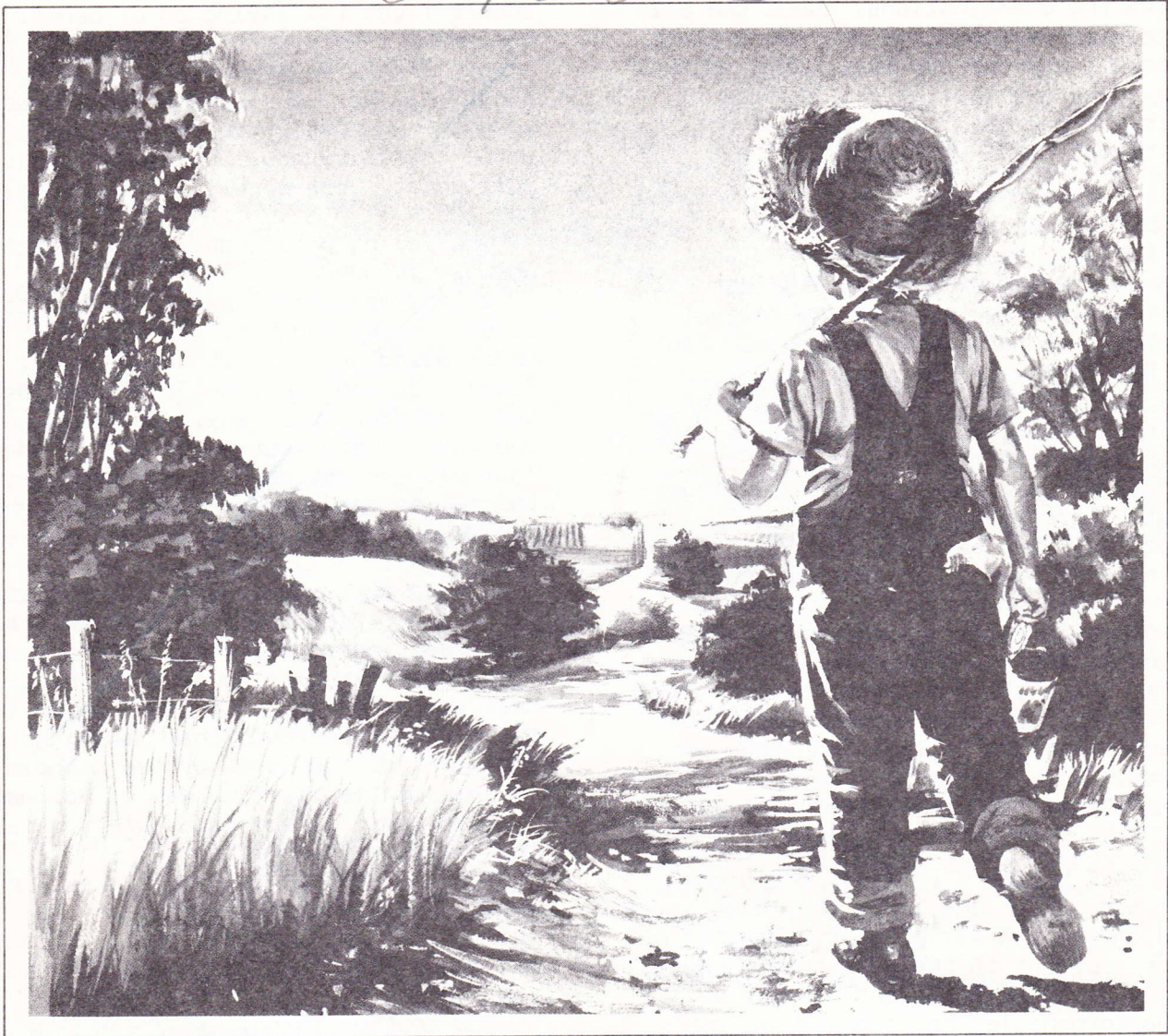
Br. George Weddington

Br. George Weddington passed away at the age of 49 on February 18, 1988. He rec'd the Holy Ghoat at BLACK OAK in Indiana.

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“ The best way to destroy your enemy is to make him your friend. ”

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We apologize for taking so long to put out this issue. We've got a lot of excuses that you probably don't want to hear, so we will try to do better by the next issue.

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