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A MOTHER'S PURPOSE



As the twig is bent
So shall it grow;
This gives me a purpose
That I should well know.
For here in my keeping
Are children of Thine,
And I am to guide them
As long as they're mine.

May I have the wisdom
To choose the right way,
And may I be given
The right words to say.
May I have courage
To stand for the right . . .
May I have patience
To lead toward the light.

Thus may each bent twig
Become straight and tall,
Reaching for strength
From the Greatest of all.

Lois Anne Williams

"COURAGE"

DUET. 31:16

"Be strong and of good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them; for the Lord thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee" . . . In these verses Moses is encouraging the children of Israel. He promises to them victory over opposing nations, with Joshua as their new leader.

To live righteously takes much courage, but sometimes to do your duty and to fight manfully for Christ, takes MORE COURAGE. It might be well for us to realize that courage is not the absence of fear, but the mastery and resistance of fear. Just think of the battles that have been lost, even before the conflict, simply because of fear.

The man traveling into a far country, called and gave to one, five talents, to another two talents, and to another, one talent. Upon returning, the one with five talents, had gained five more talents. The one with two had gained two talents, but the one who had received one talent, gave answer, "Lord, I knew that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, gathering where thou hast not strawed, and I was afraid and hid thy talent in the earth. Lo, thou hast what is thine."

The reward of the fearful man was to be cast out into outer darkness.

Life alone doesn't matter so much, What really counts is the courage put into it. Let me mention there is no such thing as failure unless we believe and accept it. There is so much lost talent in these days, just because we do not have courage. Each day sends men to their grave whom timidity prevented from making the first effort. Standing back, shivering, and thinking of the cold and danger, have kept men from doing things for God. We should learn and not fear the end of this life, but the beginning of the next life.

Picture in your minds the keeper of the lighthouse. It is not his responsibility to launch ships, but still he keeps many ships from going to wreck. The light shines farther than the keeper can see, and brightest when he cannot see at all. Two

A. B. Stanberry, Sr.

things he must remember. First, to keep the light burning. Then to never get in between the light and the darkness he is sent to lighten.

It is only thru prayer and faith in God, grim energy, and resolute courage that we move on into greater things for God. Let God use our love for us. I've thought many times that the greatest waste in life lies in "our love for our fellow man we have not as yet given." Love unexpressed, love harbored can never benefit humanity.

It took, one day, a Burning bush to give encouragement. How much? Enough to lead the children of Israel across the Red Sea. It was the testimony of Moses that gave Joshua the needed courage to lead a selfish, self-centered people. The courage reflected by Naomi gave Ruth the courage to say "Thy people shall be my people, Thy God my God." It took courage for Daniel to rightfully interpret the handwriting on the wall, "And hath numbered thy kingdom and finished it. Thou art weighed in the balance and found wanting." It took courage for the three Hebrew children to say to Nebucadnezzar, "We believe that the God in whom we serve is able to deliver us from the fiery furnace, but be it known to thee, O king, that we will not serve thy Gods nor worship the golden image thou hast set up." . . . It took courage when Stephen, being stoned to death, looked up to heaven, calling to God saying, "lay not this sin to their charge". It took courage for the Master, suspended between, heaven and earth, with the last breath of life to say "It is finished." Then bowed His head, Gave up the Ghost. Remember, Be Strong and Of Good Courage, Fear Not, Nor be afraid of them, For the Lord Thy God He it is that doth Go With Thee. He Will Not Fail Thee, Nor Forsake Thee."

We always want the Lord to work THROUGH US, but He wants to work IN us. If we let Him do the latter, He will also do the former!

What you will be tomorrow may be decided today!

ITEMS OF INTEREST

ONCE A VISION— NOW A REALITY

Only a few months back, land was purchased and Services were started in the home of an elderly couple, with hopes of a church in the future God has blessed in such a marvelous way that there have been times when prayers were answered and plans developed almost faster than we could keep up with. The land is almost paid for and our new building is to start soon. We are erecting this building as Faith reaches Heaven and our needs are met. We believe it will be finished soon. God has sent us four consecrated young workers to labor in the church, and Bro. and Sis. Robert Beydler and son as our pastors. All concerned are praising God for his blessings. The four workers that are here are: Janice Orange, Linda Shook, Nell Morgan and Cheryl Lohman. These girls have been a great blessing in seeing things move forward in Centerton and also a blessing at other times in the church at Cave Springs. We covet the prayers of all the movement. Should any one else be interested in moving to this area, there is plenty of employment. For more information write Roy Townsend, Rt. 3, Box 79, Bentonville, Ark. or Robert Beydler, Box 132 Centerton, Arkansas.

Wanda Townsend, reporter

Our plans are to leave Alaska May 1st. We have enjoyed our trip to the land of the midnight Sun, and have enjoyed working with Bro. J. D. Ray and Bro. Ken Priest and administering to the people here. Truly the need is great as everywhere for the gospel of Christ.

Upon our return we will be open for calls as we desire to stay busy for the Lord. We may be reached at this address if anyone would desire to contact us: 528 N. Zimmers, Pampa, Texas. Phone MO-4-7198.

Rev. & Mrs. Lyle Sharp

The "straight and narrow way" leads through the stations of self-denial and sacrifice, but terminates in the Canaan of reward and victory!

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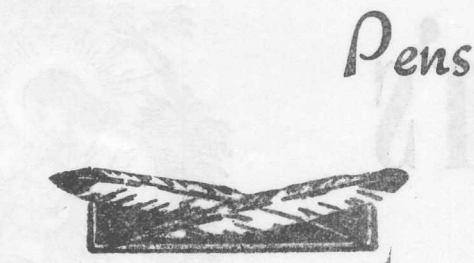
GREETINGS TO OUR READERS
IN THE NAME OF JESUS:

If God be for us, who can be against us? Isn't this a most wonderful thought? For spirit and soul and body gives grace and strength and victory. It is thou O Lord, who accomplishes your will in our lives. You know the road we take, the calling you have given us, and in every way there is a way made whereby your purpose is realized in every obedient soul. By your grace, creatures for eternity are we.

How big is our God! The sin of placing a limit upon the power of God can be very grievous. In Psa. 78:40-41 we read, "How oft did they provoke him in the wilderness and grieve him in the desert! Yea, turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy one of Israel."

When by act or deed, in thought or action, I place a limit on the power of God, I am doing a great damage to myself and often hurt others. Do I feel that there are places I cannot go because the Lord could not provide? Are there those who are so deep in sin that I feel they cannot be reached? Most of

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of the
Editors

I am made to thrill each day of the times in which we live. We are living in a time of great challenge. We are challenged to the blessings of the day. The Lord wants to bless His people and He will bless us if we will pay the price. But it will cost us something. It will cost us some hours in prayer, some sleepless nights, and a few meals missed.

We hear so much about the "good old days." Men talk of how God moved in Revivals in the saving of souls, healing for the sick, devils being cast out, and men set free. I know someone is saying, "Why we are living in 1967. Those days are passed." What does the Bible have to say? In Hebrews 13:8 we find "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever". In Matthew 9:29 we find this recorded "Then touched he their eyes, saying, ACCORDING TO YOUR FAITH BE IT UNTO YOU". Again we find in Mark 11:24 "Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, BELIEVE THAT YE RECEIVE THEM, AND YE SHALL HAVE THEM." One more scripture we find the Lord's sermon on the Mount, Matthew 6:33, "But SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM of God and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

Where does our trouble lay? What have we come up against? I know for myself I am not in a place I am willing to really pay the price. We have these wonderful promises, "He is the same today as yesterday", "as our faith is so shall it be", but we find one other that really touches our hearts, "Seek ye first His Kingdom" or I believe He is saying put me first in everything. May the church and our service to Him be number one in our lives and these things of life secondary.

I have heard my father talking and Bro. Johnny Modrick and Bros. Jack and Ben Barker and others tell of how they would spend the nights in prayer for Revivals and souls of men, how men would go for days without food that they might see the blessings of the Lord come.

We, today, spend too much time feasting and talking. Lord help each of us to see our need for more of the Lord in our lives. May we see the need to live out daily an old time experience of Sanctification and holiness; an experience that will make us love our brothers and sisters in Christ, and that we will be willing to forgive and forget.

May we stop trying to bargain with God, but be willing to do what He asks us to do. May we remember He is the same today as days passed and gone, but as His blessings were promised for the Children of Isreal they had to meet His conditions. So it is with us, seek first His will and kingdom, then He will give us the desires of our lives.

I believe we can have today what our fathers had in the early days of this gospel if we will pay the price as they did.

We would like to express our appreciation to these following for offerings sent in for the Addressograph Machine. These offerings have been placed in our regular paper fund: Laverne, Okla., Ladies Prayer Group of Alvin, Texas, and the Alvin Church.

May the Lord bless each of you as you stand behind this work in prayer and support. We need the guidance of the Lord as we labor for Him in this capacity that we might send out His word in its fullness.

Howard Whiteley, editor

Children's Hour . . .

— Kathryn Cornell



SURPRISE IN THE MOONLIGHT

ONE DAY BEMA sat in the doorway of his little thatched-roof cabin in a village in Ivory Coast, West Africa. Lazily he looked at the familiar sights—some women hulling peanuts in front of a nearby hut, in the distance a group of men gathered about the witch doctor—and coming along the dusty path were his two best friends Fatogoma and Namago.

Just then Bema's father came to the door. He kicked Bema and told him to go hoe in the garden.

Even if my father kicks me and my mother won't speak to me, I'm glad I'm a Christian, thought Bema as he slowly stood up. I'm so glad Uncle Zye took me to the missionaries' home where he works, so I could hear the Bible stories. If he hadn't I would still be afraid of the devil and I would be worshipping the old fetish of feathers, stones or beads. Well, I guess I'd better get the hoe and go to the garden. It's so hot today I wish I could just loaf.

As Bema reached for his hoe, Fatogoma called "Come and play with us Bema. We're tired of playing by ourselves. You can always think up such good games, and we don't have so much fun since you are always hanging around the missionaries."

"I'm sorry, but I have to hoe in the garden this morning, and this afternoon I want to go to the missionaries' house and listen as they teach Uncle Zye to read. That way I can learn too. You know Uncle wants to preach about Jesus to our

people and I want to learn how, too."

"Oh! What do you want to do that for? My father can't read, said Namago as he kicked up the dust with his bare foot. "He is just as good as your Uncle Zye and any Christian who thinks he's so smart because he can read."

"Why can't we play this evening?" Fatogoma asked. "The bright moon will be up early. We can play that hide and seek game."

"No, I'm afraid I can't play then either as I promised Mr. Missionary I'd go on an errand to the next village for him."

"All you think about is those missionaries. Don't you like us any more?" questioned Namago.

"Yes, of course I do. I wish you would come with me to the missionaries' house and listen to the stories Mr. Missionary tells. They are true stories about the great God in heaven, who loves us and sent His Son Jesus to die for our sins. If you would believe in Him He would wash away your sins and you would no longer fear the devil. The great God who made the heavens and the earth and all things would come and live in your hearts. I'm glad He lives in my heart."

"Who would believe such stories? I'm sure we can't" and Fatogoma gave an ugly little laugh and walked off with Namago.

Bema was so hot when he finished hoeing in the garden that he lay down under a tree near the path. He pulled his hat over his face and decided to take a short nap. Before he slept he heard voices. Someone was

coming along the path. Now he recognized the voices of Fatogoma and Namago. Namago was talking.

"When Bema goes to the next village tonight let's hide by the road and scare him."

Fatogoma laughed. "How can we do that?"

Bema didn't hear the answer, but he made up his mind not to be scared no matter what his two friends did to frighten him.

That evening, as he walked to the next village, he expected to see or hear something frightening. But nothing happened until he was on his way home.

As he reached the place where there was much thick brush and some huge rocks close to the road, he heard weird animal noises.

Ha! though Bema, that's what they thought would scare me. Well! I'll fool them and walk along as if nothing had happened.

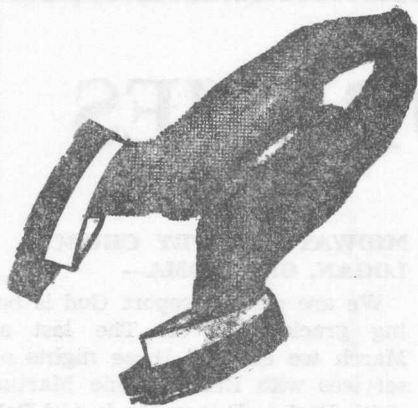
He was chuckling to himself when

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Birthday Calendar

MAY

1. JAMES KEITH HOLD
- 5 DARWIN NANNEY
- 8 RANDY BRUCE
- 13 CAROL HUFF
- 15 DANNY BARKER
- 15 VICKIE BROWN
- 19 DARWIN MILLIGAN
- 24 METZI REDDICK
- 27 DONNA STUMP
- 29 GARI ANN ROLLINS
- 30 KENTON PATZKOWSKY



Teacher's Notebook

TRUTH APPLIED TO LIVING

The educational process involves four major steps: acquisition, assimilation, appropriation, and application. Acquisition of knowledge is like the hasty reading of a book; assimilation is further reading and studying until fully understood and remembered; marking and filing certain passages for future use is the appropriation of knowledge; application of knowledge is when the teaching is quoted or reproduced in life.

THE REAL TEST OF TEACHING IS NOT WHAT A PUPIL HEARS, BUT WHAT HE BECOMES.

The Christian teacher has the great task of helping to shape the lives of his pupils. To do this, he teaches the Word of God and then goes on to help his pupils develop Christian character and maturity. It is impossible to separate Christian character from Christian living. The outward Christian life is the result of the Christ-formed character within. When Christ is acknowledged as Lord, the pupil will be mastered by God's truth and will establish the habits of study, prayer, reverence, worship, obedience, and unselfishness. Every Christian teacher should be motivated by an urgent desire to cultivate these habits in each pupil. Christ taught all through his ministry that we DO HIS word. Matt. 7: 20, 21, 24. The habit of doing nothing is as devastating as the habit of doing wrong. Expressional activities must infiltrate the teaching program, so that positive Christian character will be encouraged and developed.

The Lord Jesus taught humility

by placing a child in the midst of His quarreling, ambitious disciples. He exemplified meekness by girding Himself and washing the disciples' feet. He taught forgiveness as He forgave Peter upon his denial to the maid.

He taught his disciples that the inner spiritual condition is manifested by outward DEEDS and ACTIONS. They did not learn this in a formal schoolroom but shared His life and work. They lived as He lived; they learned to pray by praying; they became reverent, obedient, and unselfish by PRACTICING these virtues.

The Word of God provides the principles and power for Christian living as the Bible is changeless in every changing age. It is "profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness". (II Tim. 3:16). Pupils can't build Christian faith on the foundation of everyday human experiences but the Bible is their chart and compass.

No teacher can successfully apply truth to his pupils until he has first applied it to his own life. Many young people have testified that while they forgot the verbal instruction received in their youth, they could never forget the picture of mother kneeling in prayer. The teacher's life must DEMONSTRATE his instruction in order to impress the hearts and minds of his pupils. **Truths that have NOT helped the teacher will not help the class.**

Teacher, examine yourself by these questions: "What has this lesson taught me?" Am I better qualified for my work because I have studied this lesson? Do I exemplify the

truth I am teaching to my class?

The teacher should plan to meet the specific needs of his pupils, both as a class and as individuals. It is imperative that every pupil understand his personal responsibility for a decision for Christ. After his conversion, the pupil should be given opportunities to grow in grace. Regular attendance at Sunday School should result in systematic Bible study and prayer. Plan for students to lead or help in the opening assembly providing training in the responsibility of worship.

Each pupil should develop the sense of responsibility for his use of time, abilities, and possessions. He should be taught to support the entire program of the church, sharing his complete life. We must train each generation to be liberal, systematic, cheerful givers of time and ability as well as money.

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How Others Do It

(New Words for Wide, Wide As the Ocean)

Close, closer than breathing,

(clasp hands together)

Nearer than hand or feet

(hold us hands; point to feet)

My Saviour is with me,

(point up)

Lovingly talks with me

Faithfully walks with me

All the way. (Swing arms outward)

Juniors like a good mystery. The class knows that each week one person will be called on Friday and asked a question from the lesson they had. If he is able to answer correctly, he receives a small prize next Sunday.

NEWS from the CHURCHES

BIG SPRING, TEXAS

We recently enjoyed the blessings of the Lord in a Youth Revival which Bro. Ronnie Martin, Bro. Keith Barker, Bro. Devlin Wiles, and Bro. Dewey Flock held for us. The church was uplifted by the inspired messages that were brought each evening.

Bro. Eugene Webster, of Lovington, N. M., and some of his congregation were with us in one of our services and we enjoyed their visit very much.

The Lord has richly blessed in our weekly services. We all have received from the storehouse of God and are looking for more to be accomplished in His wonderful name.

We would like to invite all gospel workers and ministers to stop in and be in service with us any time they are in the area.

Pray for our labors here that we may be a blessing to those we come in contact with everyday.

We are planning to begin a revival the 28th of April with Bro. Onal Nunn as the evangelist. Remember us in your prayers that a revival fire will reach out to the lost in our town.

Dorothy Kinser, Reporter
Eugene Raney, Pastor

HINTON, ALA.

We are so thankful there is victory in Jesus. He never fails; His good promises are ours if we only keep His commandments and statutes. We had a real good all day service Easter Sunday with the presence of the Lord in each part of the services. There were 76 in the morning service. We have added Saturday night cottage prayer meetings to our weekly services.

George Hintergardt, pastor

ROSWELL, N. M.

Easter we had a most spiritual service. Glenda Esslinger and Tammie Hall recited poems, Julia Wilkerson gave a reading, and the special singing was extraordinary. The Church was almost full for which we praise the Lord. Bro. Crowhurst had a wonderful message and he closed with communion. We really could feel the moving of the Spirit. Afterward we went to the park for our annual picnic.

Bro. and Sister Crowhurst have painted the exterior of the parsonage. It certainly brightens our corner. We appreciate the paint having been donated.

Bro. and Sister Crowhurst and Bro. Esslinger have remodeled Sister Newbury's Sunday School room. We are so proud of it.

The ladies group have made and sent cookies to some of our service men. Let's remember them daily in our prayers.

Leona Winkler, reporter
Jerome Crowhurst, pastor

BUCKHORN COMMUNITY CHURCH—

The Revival held at Buckhorn in late February with Rev. and Mrs. Floyd Lamunyon as evangelists was a real blessing. More recently special week-end services were held Palm Sunday week-end by Bro. Olen Bachler, at which time he showed slides of his trip to the Holy Land. It was a real thrill and inspiration to all. We surely have appreciated the dedicated lives of our new pastors, Rev. and Mrs. Larry Welsh and family.

Mrs. James N. Hold, reporter
Larry Welsh, pastor

MIDWAY COUNTRY CHURCH LOGAN, OKLAHOMA—

We are glad to report God is being gracious to us. The last of March we enjoyed three nights of services with Bros. Ronnie Martin, Keith Barker, Dewey Flock, and Devlin Wiles. Some victories were won by some of our young people for which we were thankful. May God bless these young men as they labor for Him.

At present we are in a good Revival, with Rev. Ben and Rev. Jack Barker. Services have been so wonderful thus far, and God is blessing His people who are willing to wait on Him. Several of our people are in need of healing. We know God is able to do all things. We are so thankful that the Lord saw fit to send these men our way to preach to us the old time gospel.

Mrs. Deryl LaMunyon, reporter
Doyle Wiles, pastor

HEMPSTEAD, TEX.

The Lord met with us as we worshipped Him on Easter. We had several visitors. The Lord's presence was felt as Bro. Roy Matthews, Jr. was ordained as a minister. We pray that his ministry will be a fruitful one.

Joey Morgan, reporter
George Polvado, pastor

CHICAGO, ILL.

We're enjoying the blessings of the Lord and have seen several souls saved this year. We're praying and trusting that the Lord is blessing His laborers everywhere. We have been very busy arranging things here as Mr. Ferry retires this year. May God bless each one.

Opal Ferry, Pastor

Copy Deadline 20th of Each Month

CHURCH NEWS—**JOPLIN, MISSOURI—**

I did not report in for my church last month, did you? We often wonder what another church is doing, and one way to let us know is to keep writing about your work.

Our regular services have been very good, but we did have quite a number out of late because of the mumps. That took in Gaylon Lee and of course his mother had to miss some services to stay with him. We have enjoyed the special services as conducted here in Baxter Springs by Bro. Otto Busch. Now we are going to take in part of the Revival in Granby, Mo. with Bro. Ronnie Martin and party in charge.

The D. V. B. S. will be conducted at the Joplin church right after the close of the public schools, that is June 5th to 9th. Pray that we may reach children who are lacking in Christian training and education, as well as being a blessing to our own group.

AMARILLO, TEX.

Bros. Ronnie Martin, Keith Barker, Delvin Wiles, and Dewey Flock have just completed a Revival here in our church. The sermons and singing were an inspiration and blessing to each one.

The attendance in the church has been real good, and we have been having Junior church services and have also started a junior choir. This is proving very successful as we have a large group of children and it's creating interest among this group.

The classrooms we have been building are near completion. This is going to be a great asset to the church. We certainly praise God for all His goodness and the way He has helped in the work here. We desire your prayers that we will continue to see the church move forward for the glory of God.

Neil Ragan, pastor

CAVE SPRINGS, ARK.

We had 60 in Sunday school today with 11 young people in their service tonight. Bro. Homer Coberly is with us in services for this week. Until the church at Centerton is built Bro. Robert Beydler and family are living in our parsonage. The

two churches will work together for the cause of Christ. The Lord is blessing in our church for which we are grateful. We invite all the Apostolic Faith ministers and Christians to visit our church when they can. Bro. Roy Townsend is still filling in for us until we secure a pastor.

Kenneth Bright, reporter

PAMPA, TEXAS

We just closed a week of revival with Rev. Kay Kerr as evangelist. We felt the presence of the Lord in every service, and eight persons found salvation during these services. We praise the Lord for what He has done for all of us.

Our church is growing in attendance, and we are much encouraged. We are praying that we may continually grow spiritually as well.

Mrs. Paul Simmons, Reporter
Amos Harris, Jr., Pastor

DUMAS, TEXAS—

We have enjoyed the ministry of the young men who are traveling and holding revivals. They were with us in February. During the past two months we have been helping Bro. Edwin Modrick on His Student Center at Goodwell. We feel he is to be commended for this fine work he is doing for God. An interest in your prayers is desired that we will know how to plan our work for the future.

Jacob Regier, pastor

ALVIN, TEXAS—

Several recent testimonies have been given concerning the blessings received from the monthly Apostolic Faith Report. We thank God for this ministry. To our mothers everywhere—"God thought to give the sweetest thing in is almighty power—and deeply pondering what it should be—one hour in fondest joy and love of heart, outweighing every other. He moved the gates of heaven apart and gave to earth — a Mother."

Jane Goodwin, reporter
G. K. Kerr, pastor

WESTMINSTER, COLO.

We are rejoicing in God's goodness, and have been very happy and thankful for those who have stopped by and helped in our services or

have just left a word of encouragement. We are always glad to have visitors in our services. Bro. James Jones has been missed since being called into the Navy. His address is James W. Jones, B620827 — Co. 156 — USNTC — San Diego, Calif. 92133 Please continue to pray for us that we will see God's work go forth.

Alvera Brening, reporter
Bob Taylor, pastor

**FAITH COUNTRY CHURCH
SHATTUCK, OKLAHOMA—**

Dear Bro. Whiteley,

We wish to express appreciation to our Christian friends who have been so faithful to carry a burden of prayer for our daughter, Anita.

Soon after her birth, we were faced with the fact that her life was in great danger due to a lung condition. God graciously undertook, and is still answering prayer in her behalf for other problems that arose. It is a miracle of God that she is alive today. How we have been made to realize that our God is still on the throne, to hear the requests of His people.

We have been told that Anita is progressing satisfactorily; however we desire your continued prayers for complete deliverance in her life. May God's will be accomplished, as He sees what is best for each of our lives. We know He is all-sufficient to meet every need, if we but trust Him.

May God bless each of you.
Rev. and Mrs. Earl Malone

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank all the wonderful people for prayers and cards and letters that were so much encouragement to me when I broke my ankle. I still need your prayers. May our Lord bless and keep you is my prayer. Lots of love,

Your Sister in Christ
Clara Methvin

ANOTHER DAY

By Nellie E. Hart

Another day! What will it hold?
Wood, hay, stubble, or pure fine gold?
Will it bring sorrow, grief, and pain
Or sunshine to my heart again?

Associate Editor

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us feel that God's grace is sufficient, but many of us look upon some that have crossed the "point of no Return", but have they? Have we watched a loved one or friend die because we felt the case was beyond the power of cure? How will we ever have faith for Redemption and the "Catching Away" if we waver in the least of these things? Jeremiah puts it this way, "If thou hast run with the footmen, and they have wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? and if in the land of peace, wherein thou trusteth, they wearied thee, then how wilt thou do in the swelling of Jordan?"

Are we going to limit God or His presence to make us holy? I take notice of so many that used to be strong in belief that sanctification was a second definite work of grace, now it is seldom mentioned, and then as a part of conversion, never as a cleansing agent before receiving the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Let us not limit God. Better let the imagination run a little wild and the speculation a little big than to place in narrow confines the power of the Living God. All that I can do is to praise Him more and more and over and over for His wonderful works to the children of men.

We keep busy with our church work, the many visitations, and then the writing. All of it is a joy. When I think of you out there that will be wanting to hear from us, I'm glad that I can let you know that all is well here and hope you can reply with a letter and other information that might cheer us and help this paper grow. Send in the name of that friend or one that you feel might like to study about the doings of the Lord and keep in contact with the FAITH. Why loose yourself in big cities and far away places? The paper can be your one link to this God ordered movement.

Pray for us. May God bless you one and all.

As Always, in Christian love.

Gail Schultz

In The Moonlight—

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all at once he saw a tawny animal coming around a turn in the road. The eyes, like two bright lights, were looking right at him. Its mouth was wide open showing a lot of big teeth. Bema's heart almost stopped as he saw the froth coming from the creature's mouth. "Oh! It's a mad dog."

Bema began to shiver as he remembered that only a few weeks ago a mad dog bit a child in his village and the little one died. What should he do? Run? He had heard Uncle Zye say not to run from a mad dog but to do something to frighten it. "Oh! I don't know what to do, Jesus God, help me."

All Bema could think of to do was to sing—and sing he did. Bema had a strong voice, and he loved to sing the choruses Mr. Missionary taught. Now he sang with all his might, "Heavenly Sunshine." The sudden noise startled the dog and Bema was surprised to see the mad animal turn and run back into the brush.

Just then, from the opposite side of the road, two very frightened little boys dashed out.

"Oh, Bema, we were so scared. We hid and made animal noises to scare you so you would forget the missionaries and come back and worship the fetish. I guess that old mad dog heard the noises and came to see what made them," gasped Namago. "We are sorry, Bema, don't tell on us, will you? We were so afraid that old mad dog would bite you; then you would die and we would be to blame."

"Weren't you afraid at all?" asked Namago.

"Oh, yes," said Bema. "I was never so frightened in my life. But I belong to a big God. I asked Him to take care of me, and He did."

"Why did you sing?" asked Fatogoma.

"I think God told me to, and maybe that's what scared the old mad dog and made him go away."

"Your God must be stronger than the devil. Maybe we should go with you and hear those Jesus stories."

The next story day Bema walked

in with his two friends and proudly sat down with them on the front row.

When Mrs. Missionary asked if anyone wanted to receive the Lord Jesus, Bema saw both Fatogoma and Namago timidly hold up their hands.



MARY LOU FLEMING

Mary Lou Jenkins was born in Clark County, Mississippi, Harmony Community, on October 24, 1904. She passed from this life on March 21st after a short illness in Rush Foundation Hospital at the age of 62 years, 4 months, and 27 days.

Her childhood days were spent in the Harmony community. She was united in marriage to Otis Waldo Fleming on January 21, 1923. Through this marriage eight children were born. Mr. and Mrs. Fleming reared their family in the Theads-ville Community.

She is survived by her husband, Otis W. Fleming; two sons, John C. Fleming of Meridian, Mississippi; and Tommie R. Fleming of Mobile, Alabama; six daughters, Mrs. Jack Hopson of Ralls, Texas; Mrs. John Chatam, Meridian, Miss.; Mrs. Winnie Fagan of Honolulu, Hawaii; Mrs. Edward Mathes of Quitman, Miss.; Mrs. Richard White of Birmingham, Ala.; and Miss Nadine Fleming of the home. Also 1 brother, Evan Jenkins of Causville, Miss.; 13 grandchildren and a host of friends and neighbors.

Don't neglect the higher levels of living . . . the "holy of holies" of meditation, and worship.

The most rewarding faith is faith in the ability of God to choose what is best for us!

If you are in step with the Lord, you will be out of step with the world—and Vice Versa.

The Dream Of History

Robert Girouard

Daniel 2: 31-45

ARTICLE II

It will be observed that in Nebuchadnezzar's dream the four great world empires that were to rule the world from the time of the subjugation of the kingdom of Judah until the return of Jesus to rule the world were represented as being made up of metals each inferior to the other. "Thou art this head of gold," Nebuchadnezzar was told. Gold, the most precious metal in the image, is a symbol of absolute monarchy. Absolute and total power is vested in the king and his word is law. "And for the majesty that he gave him, all people, nations and languages, trembled and feared before him: whom he would he slew; and whom he would he kept alive; and whom he would he set up; and whom he would he put down." Daniel 5:19. There was no check or restraint on his authority or the use of his power. It was absolute in the fullest meaning of the word.

Our study of the Scriptures lead us to believe that God does not believe in democracy in government. It is fair to say, however, that man is wholly unqualified morally to use autocratic power. Only Jesus Christ the Righteous will be able to use autocratic power wisely and justly when He shall rule as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

The glory of Babylon rapidly declined after Nebuchadnezzar's death. His son, Evil Merodach, was a very wicked and corrupt ruler, who reigned only two years and was murdered by Neriglissar, his own sister's husband. After ruling four years Neriglissar was killed in battle. His infant son was King for less than a year when the throne was seized by Nabonidas, a usurper, who tortured the young king to death. Nabonidas is believed to have adopted Belshazzar, a grandson of Nebuchadnezzar, as his own son and acknowledged successor in order to conciliate the legitimate party. Jeremiah had predicted that Babylon must come to an end with the reign of Nebuchadnezzar's son's son. Jeremiah 27:7.

Belshazzar in scripture is called the son of Nebuchadnezzar. Daniel 5:2, 18. The Hebrew tongue has no distinction between "father" and "grandfather". Belshazzar offered to make the one who could interpret the writing on the wall the third ruler in the kingdom. Daniel 5:7. Why third? Because Nabonidas, the first ruler was away from Babylon waging war and Belshazzar was second ruler. He was slain that night. Daniel 5:30, 31.

World rule passed from the Babylonian empire to the Medo-Persian empire. Daniel 5:28. As silver is inferior to gold, this empire was inferior to the first. Inferior, not in military power because the kingdom of the Medes and Persians became far stronger in a military sense than Babylon ever was. Inferior, not in size, because this empire was much larger in size than Babylon ever was. It was inferior in its form of government. The government was a limited monarchy and depended for its power upon an hereditary nobility. See Esther, chapter one.

The rise of this empire was seen by Daniel in a vision which God gave him in the third year of the reign of King Belshazzar. "Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and behold, there stood before the river a ram which had two horns: and the two horns were high; but one was higher than the other and the higher came up last. I saw the ram pushing westward and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither was there any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great. The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia." Daniel 8:3, 4, 20. It is said of the two horns of the ram that "one was higher than the other." This was true historically. The kingdom of the Medes came into being first, and later the higher horn, Persia gained the ascendancy.

It was Darius the Median who captured the city of Babylon. Daniel 5:30, 31. But he was acting as a

general and vice-roy under Cyrus, the Persian. God raised up Cyrus for Israel's sake. He was mentioned by name many years before he was born. "Thus saith the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut; I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight; I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron; and I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, the Lord which call thee by thy name, am the God of Israel. For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine elect, I have even called thee by thy name: I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not known me." Isaiah 45:1-4.

"The two leaved gates" and "the gates of brass" refer to the brazen gates in the river Euphrates which flowed through the city of Babylon.

Isaiah foretold that Cyrus would be an instrument in God's hand to favor the Jews. "That saith of Cyrus, he is my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid." Isaiah 44:28; Ezra 1:1-4.

The third kingdom of brass destroyed and succeeded the Medo-Persian empire. Daniel had a prophetic preview of the rise of the Greek kingdom of Alexander the Great. "And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face of the whole earth and touched not the ground: and the goat had a notable horn between his eyes. And he came to the ram that had two horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power. And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and brake his two horns; and there was no power in the ram to stand before him but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him; and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand. And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great

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horn that is between his eyes is the first king." Daniel 8:5-7, 21.

The he goat is said to come from the west because Alexander the Great came from Macedonia which is west of Babylon where Daniel was. So swift was the rate of conquest of Alexander against the Medo-Persian armies that he is represented as a goat "that touched not the ground." In eight years Alexander conquered the world and cried because there were no more worlds to conquer. He died in B. C. 323. No one was strong enough to hold the Greek Kingdom together. So about B. C. 300 the empire was divided among four of Alexander's generals. Daniel 8:8,21, 22.

While the empire was divided about B. C. 300, Greek military power remained dominant in the world until B. C. 168, when Greek military power had to give way to superior Roman power.

As brass is inferior to silver so the Greek kingdom in its government was inferior to Medo-Persia. The sovereignty in the Greek empire was divided between the king, the army and men of influence in the kingdom.

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NOT ASHAMED

"We should be very glad that we belong to Jesus—not ashamed of it when called upon to do something which will let others know we are Christians. When students of music or of art spend a time with some great composer or master in Europe they are very proud when they come home to announce themselves as his pupils. They put it on their advertisements and announcements and on their professional cards. What a high honor we should consider it then, when we are followers of the King of kings and Lord of lords."

—John Three Sixteen

BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

Sometimes we forget the past blessings we have received of the Lord because we are so preoccupied with the future. While starting this report I can't help but think of the blessings received here at the Bible School last term, and of the many reports I have had of the students indicating that sincerely consecrated and earnest young Christian workers have gone into the harvest field to work for the Master. I cannot speak for them, but when I think of the fulfillment of the many things we ask God to do for us, then to see them become a reality, it thrills me. It makes us to stand on tip-toe (so to speak) and to look forward to another term and the future blessings God has in store for us.

It is wonderful when we can see about twenty young lives receive the infilling of the Holy Spirit after making a sincere look at the life ahead of them. And for them to make the consecration to receive those blessings, I feel that the school is fulfilling the purpose for which it was established 23 years ago.

I know of no other school like this one anywhere in the world, one that is conducted by faith and without solicitation of any kind. A school where we can rely on God to move upon his servants to give as He directs, and to have our needs supplied in abundance. Then we wonder about those who have said, "Faith will not work," or "Faith has failed." But PRAISE be to GOD, who doeth all things well. And we do want to thank you for the support you have given to this cause.

As we start the work on the buildings and the grounds for this

term we want you to know of some of the projects. We have received money for a new floor covering for the kitchen and dishwashing room. Thanks to those who made this possible. We hope to be able to do something to the Perma-stone that is breaking loose and falling off the basement part of the Chapel building on the outside wall.

Our surplus of canned foods and jellies was depleted this year, thanks to our cooks who helped clean out the basement. Everything that was usable was made into something delicious to eat. So we will be starting from scratch as far as these items are concerned.

Our 1967 faculty is not complete at this time, so we do desire your prayers for the knowledge of the filling of these offices. Also our personal thanks to those who worked in the school last year; we appreciate them so much for their untiring efforts for the school.

We are glad for the interest that has been shown in the coming term; we have had a number of inquiries from new students who desire to come. We are not planning a tour of the churches this year, but we believe the Pastors and the former students can do a good job of promoting the school. Pray, encourage your young people to come, and plan a visit with us also.

May God bless you in your efforts for Him and His kingdom.

And may we have a great harvest of souls.

Your servant in Christ,

Paul A. Clanton

Superintendent

NOTICE

We desire the prayers of the people for the Mill Creek Church near Doniphan, Mo., which is in need of a pastor. Anyone feeling lead of God, Please write Mrs. Margurite Price, 303 Brooks, Doniphan, Mo., or George Hintergardt, Route 2, Quitman, Mississippi.

GEM OF TRUTH

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

Matt. 5:16



EVANGELISTIC FOURSOME

We are happy to say that God has certainly been good to us. We have been in Revival services since January 1st, and God has really blessed us for our labors and efforts for Him.

Since our Revival January 1st—8th in Hempstead, Texas, we have been in services and Revivals in Katy, Alvin Rockdale, Sunray, Amarillo, Canyon, Dumas, Snyder, Big Spring, Texas; Liberal, Kansas; and the Midway Country Church.

At present we are in the hills of Arkansas in a Revival with Rev. Jim Morris at Crosses, and the Lord

has really been blessing us here.

The Lord willing we are to begin a Revival in Granby, Mo., for Rev. Gene Waterbury April 26th. Then we plan to be in Canyon, Texas, for a few nights around the 10th of May after which we'll be in Revival services beginning the 14th at Center Point, Texas.

From there we plan to be in the Youth Camps and Camp Meeting. We desire your prayers that we will always be found doing God's will.

In Christian Service,
 Ronnie Martin, Keith Barker
 Delvin Wiles, Dewey Flock

I'M THE ONLY MOTHER MY CHILDREN WILL EVER HAVE-- I'D BETTER BE A GOOD ONE

By Ruth Vaughn —taken from Good News Broadcaster

I HAD ONLY ONE MOTHER—and she was a good one! The memories I retain of life at home are warm and good.

She gave herself to the task of motherhood. She penned in her dairy: "Training my children is the most important task I have while they are under my care and nothing shall interfere with that training. The housework, church demands, social obligations—all must be subservient to my children's welfare."

This she practiced.

Despite the demands as a busy wife, she always found time to spend with us. Under a large tree she would tell us stories from the Bible. She illustrated them in the sand, using rocks and stones for houses and mountains. She used twigs to represent the patriarch of old. Mother captured our imaginations; and our heroes became David instead of Fabian, and Mary instead of Liz Taylor.

We were taught to pray before we could say much else. Before we started to school we could recite the books of the Bible in order, the 12 disciples, and quote more Scripture than many ministers. We grew up with the Word of God as a part of our lives.

The only mother I ever had, penned in her dairy: "The sculptor spends hours in shaping the features of the face; the painter labors to give color to the hair or expression to the face. Their work is to stand for ages to come. But I, as a mother, am shaping substances more imperishable than canvas or marble. I can afford to be patient and wait long for results. I have all eternity in which to watch development."

My mother worked patiently and consistently. When we grew older she would pick out chapters and portions of Scriptures, give us scissors, glue, a bundle of magazines, and a scrapbook. Then she would challenge us to illustrate these chapters with pictures from the maga-

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Look who came to live with us!
 You may come to see our new arrival
 A baby Girl
 Anita Denese
 Born April 5, 1967
 weighing 5 lb., 4 oz.
 and 19 inches long.
 Proud parents: Rev. and Mrs. Earl
 Malone

Hi! I have some news for you!
 There's a new "PK" (that's preacher's kid) at our house.

Mother and Daddy (they're Howard and Yvonna) tell me my new playmate is a big, Big, BIG boy.

He was born April 27, 1967, at 7:48 a. m., weighed 6 lbs. 14 oz. and was 19½ inches long.

We're VERY proud of our new "PK" and have named him Lynn Howard.

With Love,
 Lachelle Whiteley

I'M THE ONLY MOTHER MY CHILDREN WILL EVER HAVE SO I'D BETTER BE A GOOD ONE

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zines. We accepted the challenge, loved every minute of it—and memorized those chapters word for word.

She played Bible games with us. If we ran out of new ones she created some. She would always be counted on for fun, companionship, and—although we were often unaware of it—religious training.

She told us the Bible stories and then challenged us to live like the heroes we came to adore. We could listen to the story of the sweet spirit of Joseph, the trust of David, and dream that some day we would live like that. But she challenged us to be like that now. She gave to our dreams of service an outlet so they could find fulfillment.

She soothed me when I was sick. She played ping-pong with me in the basement, dolls in the house, and baseball in the street. She listened to my opinions and made me feel important. She made me believe she enjoyed my numerous parties. She joked about it when she had guests and discovered too late that I had used all the sugar the night before in a fudge party. She liked my friends.

My only mother was proud when I won honors, and built me back up when I lost. Her eyes flashed tears of joy when I was happy. Her arms held me tightly when I was sad. My mother filled my world with happiness, love and God. She kept her spiritual life so lovely and radiant that I lived in the splendor of it all of my life.

I had only one mother—and she was a good one! She shaped my life for good. If she had not been a good mother, my life would be different. How I thank God for my mother and all the mothers who have given of themselves for their children.

I occasionally slip into the nursery in my house and look at the sleeping forms of my children. I am now fashioning their memories of home. I am now molding their adult lives and influencing their relationships with God.

Unless accident comes, I am the only mother my children will ever have. I'd better be a good one!

Teachers Notebook

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Christian living extends to the home as well as to the church. Students should be made to realize their responsibility for the happiness in the home and warned against shirking their duty. The entire family should share in the hospitality which the home extends to friends and neighbors, taking pride in demonstrating its attractiveness.

Then the responsibility to the church in regular attendance, systematic proportionate contributions to its support, and active participation in its program should be instilled in each pupil. They should be encouraged to secure new members for the Sunday School and to visit those who attend irregularly or have dropped out entirely.

Their services should be felt in the community as they minister to the needy, the sick, and the lonely. This all helps to promote and develop the well-rounded Christian living which Christ taught in His word.

Christ's method of Bible teaching was APPLIED INSTRUCTION. Let us not fail to teach as He taught us to teach. . .meeting the need in the daily lives of all men.

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