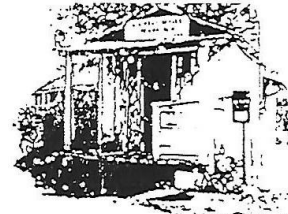


## The Acmar Soul Miner

*Searching for wisdom  
As for hidden treasures...  
For the Lord gives wisdom*



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### Traveling Mercies

You might start your journey in the southwest United States in a dusty town called Why, Arizona. Heading cross-country would take you through Uncertain, Texas. Bearing northeast, you'd make a rest stop in Dismal, Tennessee. Ultimately, you'd reach your destination – Panic, Pennsylvania.

Kenneth Petersen writes those words in the Sunday, July 17, 2022 devotion of *Upper Room*. He writes, "These are real places across the landscape of America, though not a trip you'd ever choose to take." <sup>1</sup>

Sometimes this is what the journey of life feels like. We might go through those places but we sure wouldn't want to settle there or continuously repeat that journey.

God had traveled with the Israelites as they had left slavery in Egypt and were traveling to the Promise Land in Canaan. There were certainly times when they felt the various emotions of wondering why, being uncertain, feeling dismal and moments of panic.

Deuteronomy 2 is one of the places in Scripture which informs us that at times God would say, "Enough of this." In this chapter, Moses is remembering with the Israelite people some of God's workings in their lives.

***{Moses said,} "Then we turned and journeyed into the wilderness of the Way of the Red Sea, as the LORD spoke to me, and we skirted Mount Seir for many days."***

***"And the LORD spoke to me saying:***

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<sup>1</sup> *Our Daily Bread* July, August, September 2022. Kenneth Petersen. Grand Rapids, MI: Our Daily Bread Ministries. Sunday, July 17, 2022.

***'You have skirted this mountain long enough; turn northward ...***

***'You are about to pass through the territory of your brethren, the descendants of Esau, who live in Seir; and they will be afraid of you. Watch yourselves carefully.***

***'Do not meddle with them, for I will not give you any of their land, no, not so much as one footstep, because I have given Mount Seir to Esau as a possession.***

***'You shall buy food from them with money, that you may eat; and you shall also buy water from them with money, that you may drink.'***

***"For the LORD your God has blessed you in all the work of your hand. He knows your treading through this great wilderness. These forty years the LORD your God has been with you; you have lacked nothing."***  
***(Deuteronomy 2:1-7)***

In our life's journey, we may begin to "skirt" or "circle around and around." We're facing a mountain that we just can't get cross over. Maybe it happens because of some of the wilderness places and trying times in which we asked "why" or were "uncertain" or felt "dismal" and even experienced "panic."

God may come and say, "You've skirted this mountain long enough." Turn toward God. God has been with us and will help us to pass through our next phase of this journey. God does not give us what belongs to others but will provide ways for us to get what we need.

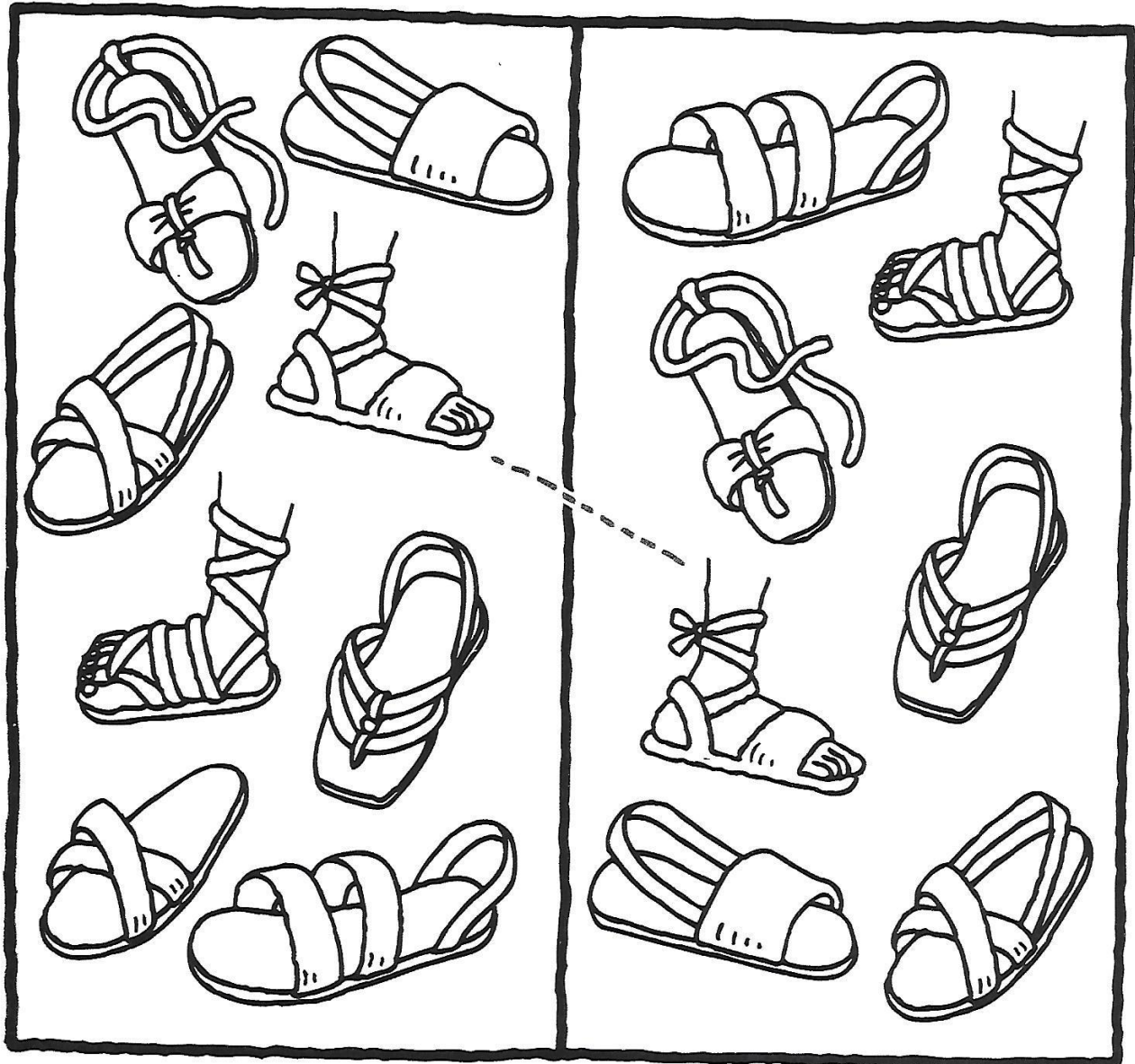
In our arduous journey across the United States, we could take a bit more of a drive. Six hours from Panic, Pennsylvania, we can be in Assurance, West Virginia. We can rest with assurance that with God we lack nothing.

# Children's Camp

Gospel Light's Big Book of Kindergarten Puzzles.

## Puzzle 5

The Israelites wore sandals when they walked through the Red Sea.  
Draw lines between the matching sandals.  
Watch out for the extra sandal!



The wisdom of God.  
We see it in verses but sometimes we have to  
dig to uncover the meaning.

### Look Here:

***These forty years the LORD your God has  
been with you; you have lacked nothing.  
Your clothes nor your sandals on your feet  
have not worn out. (Deuteronomy 2:7; 29:5)***

### Digging In:

The Israelites journeyed for forty years in the  
wilderness going to their new land.  
God was with them and they had what they  
needed.

They had clothes and sandals to wear.  
They had food to eat and water to drink.  
They had tents to sleep in and to worship.  
We can trust God to care for us.



## *The Acmar Community Quilt*

Throughout the entire time that Alabama Fuel & Iron Company was operating in Acmar (1908 – 1950) the law of the land was “Separate, but Equal”, so the company’s schools were segregated. *The Pell City News* often carried articles from the “white” and “colored” schools. The following school article ran after the death of Charles DeBardeleben.

The monthly meeting of the Acmar Colored Welfare Society was largely attended last Wednesday night. A memorial program was rendered by the school and some of the citizens of the community honoring the memory of Mr. Charles DeBardeleben, former president of our company. The main emphasis was placed on Mr. DeBardeleben as a friend and as a loyal leader of his employees. The meeting was addressed by Mr. Prince DeBardeleben, president and Mr. F. R. Bell, General Manager. Rev. E.C. Johnson of the Acmar-Margaret Methodist Charge made a short and inspiring patriotic talk.

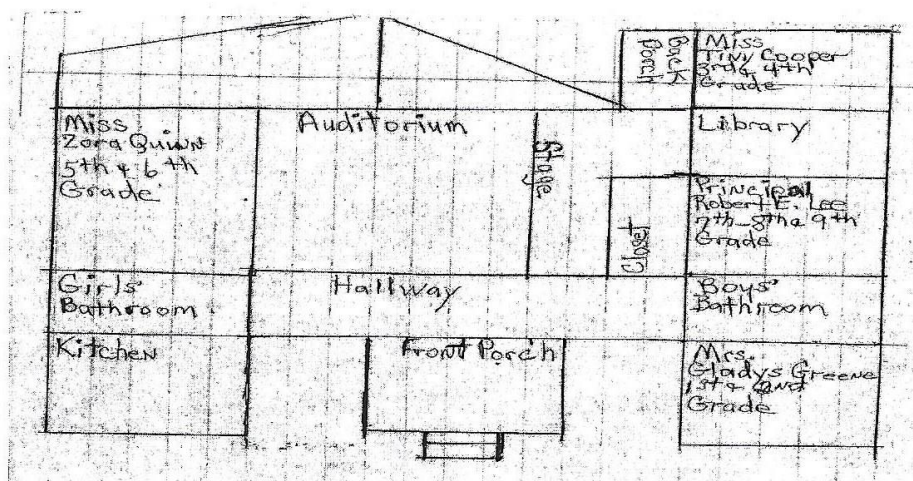
Acmar Jr. High School opened its Fall session with an unusually large enrollment. The opening enrollment was 265, an all time high record. A new teacher has been added to the faculty to relieve the congestion in some of the rooms.
















The following men have been called into the service of Uncle Sam: J.B. Roberson, Robert Henderson, jr., Harvey Kelly, Marshall Woods, Eugene Washington, Bishop Taylor. A complete list of those in the service will follow at a later date.

Catherine Washington is taking a business course at Stillman Institute Junior College.

There are still many old tires that are being rolled around by children that should be turned in for scrap.

The diagram of the Acmar “colored school” below was provided by Robert Kinney along with names of teachers from 1950s – early 60s.



August 2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Sundays</b> <b>Worship 9 a</b> <b>Snacks 10 a</b> <b>Sun. School</b> <b>10:15 am</b>	1	2	<b>3</b> <b>MCA 3-5 p</b> <b>Meet Walmart</b> 	4	5	6
<b>7</b>  <b>CHURCH 9</b>	<b>8</b>  <b>Joseph Grant Howard</b>	9	<b>10 CHURCH SUPPER</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> <b>Linda Lee</b> 	<b>11 BINGO 10</b> <b>Sr. Center</b> <b>Alexa Wimberly</b> 	12	13
<b>14 CHURCH 9 am</b>  <b>Leigh Byers</b>	<b>15</b>  <b>Adam Byers</b> <b>Merritt Champion</b>	16	<b>17</b>  <b>MCA 3-5 p</b> <b>White's Chapel</b>	<b>18</b>  <b>Martha Womack</b>	19	20
<b>21 CHURCH 9 am</b>  <b>Adrian Cruz</b> <b>Phil Howard</b>	<b>22</b>  <b>Lee Raines</b>	23	24	25	<b>26</b>  <b>Coleman Cash Gable</b>	27
<b>28</b>  <b>CHURCH 9 am</b>	29	<b>30</b>  <b>Beau Lamphear</b>	31	<b>Audio Sermon Podcasts on Acmar Website</b>	<b>Cheaha District Picnic</b> <b>Aug 21</b> <b>Camp Lee</b> <b>12:30-5 pm</b>	 <b>SUPPER</b> <b>August 10</b>

### Soul Food for August

Mon. August 1  
 Tue., August 2  
 Wed., August 3  
 Thur., August 4  
 Fri., August 5  
 Sat., August 6

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20  
 Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23  
 Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16  
 Luke 12:32-40  
 Proverbs 4:25-27  
 Luke 15:11-32

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 Left onto Old Acton Rd., Church is on the left

Mon., August 8  
 Tue., August 9  
 Wed., August 10  
 Thur., August 11  
 Fri., August 12  
 Sat., August 13

Isaiah 5:1-7  
 Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19  
 Hebrews 11:29 – 12:2  
 Luke 12:49-56  
 1 Peter 1:13-25  
 Ephesians 6:10-17

Mon., August 22  
 Tue., August 23  
 Wed., August 24  
 Thur., August 25  
 Fri., August 26  
 Sat., August 27

Jeremiah 2:4-13  
 Psalm 81:1, 10-16  
 Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16  
 Luke 14:1, 7-14  
 Psalm 50:1-15  
 Isaiah 61:1-6

Mon., August 15  
 Tue., August 16  
 Wed., August 17  
 Thur., August 18  
 Fri., August 19  
 Sat., August 20

Jeremiah 1:4-10  
 Psalm 71:1-6  
 Hebrews 12:18-29  
 Luke 13:10-17  
 Psalm 34:1-8  
 2 Corinthians 1:3-7

Mon., August 29  
 Tue., August 30  
 Wed., August 31  
 Thur., September 1  
 Fri., September 2  
 Sat., September 3

Jeremiah 18:1-11  
 Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18  
 Philemon 1-21  
 Luke 14:25-33