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A NEW YEAR

Each New Year we should take an inventory of ourselves in order to find out what we have accomplished or in what ways we have improved during the preceding year. We should ask ourselves a few questions besides, resolving to do better in the next year. Let us ask ourselves these questions: Have I deepened in love for Christ and others? Have I learned better to serve my fellow men? Have I lived as a better example for others to follow?

Place a copy under the glass of your table or in the mirror of your dresser of the following resolutions and ask God to help you follow them.

A little less impatient with those we deem too slow;

A little less of arrogance because of all we know;

A little more humility, seeing our worth is slight;

We are such trivial candles compared to stars at night!

A little more forgiving and swifter to be kind;

A little more desirous the word of praise to find;

The word of praise to utter and make a heart rejoice.

A little bit more careful to speak with gentle voice;

A little more true eagerness to understand each other;

A little more real striving to help a shipwrecked brother;

A little more high courage to each that must be done;

These be our resolutions—and God help everyone!

—Author Unknown.

NEW YEAR PEACE!

BY NORMAN C. SCHLICHTER

The new year, like the old years,
Will come to us day by day.
It is our daily trusting
That makes glad years away.

To take no thought for the morrow—

This is faith's truest test;
And all who obey this teaching
Blessed.

By the Teacher are richly
I would be Thine TODAY. Lord
TODAY I would yield to Thee
My mind complete and my spirit.

I would serve Thee utterly.

This is the prayer I would say,
Lord,

At each day's dawning light.

Who say it and live it will lie
down

In perfect peace each night.

—Herald of Holiness

Author Unknown

Ye slumbering nations who've
slept a long night,

Without revelations or heavenly
light,

The latter day glory's beginning
to dawn,

Awake from your dreaming and
welcome the morn.

A last dispensation, let all the
world hear

In every nation, that saints may
prepare

For that revolution it shall un-
dergo,

The great restitution from evil
and woe.

The call is from heaven, and
hear it ye must.

"The first will be last, and the
last will be first,"

Go forth to the nations, and then
to the Jews,

Who soon will obey it when Gen-
tiles refuse.

The Jews will go forth and the
ten tribes shall come

From a land in the north, to in-
herit their home,

And kings shall protect them,
and queens shall sustain,

Their national rights 'til Mes-
siah's blest reign.

While Ephraim's lov'd chil-
dren, who roam in the west,

Shall gather 'round Zion, and
with her be blest;

When truth shall be given, then
peace will abound,

And the kingdom of heaven
on earth will be found.

A VISION

On Saturday October 17, 1953 while in South Dakota, (Cheyenne Reservation) we went to bed about 11:00 p.m. I had only been in bed about five minutes, not over ten minutes at the longest. — A vision came to me, I thought we were in the Community Hall (on the Reservation). I saw Bro. W. H. Cadman and Pho. Joseph Shazer standing in front of a big box they were using for a pulpit, and

were just opening the meeting, when a small Indian boy raised to his feet and walked toward them with a hymn book in his hand, and he looked to them, and called in a loud voice: sing No. 49 which is "Feeble Man A Voice Is Calling." I wanted so much to get up and go tell Bro. Cadman and Bro. Shazer but I thought I would have to dress, as I was only clad in sleeping clothes—so I just laid there and dropped off to sleep, and then I had a dream as follows: "We were still in the same building. I seemed to be cleaning it, and I went out to empty a bucket of water and I looked up and saw one of the biggest groups of Army Airplanes, going directly over the building. I could see that they were filled with soldiers and all equipment to fight war. I could see the soldiers waving their white handkerchiefs.

I went into the building not saying a word, and the meeting that was started in my vision, was now leaving out, and I saw only one Indian girl being left, and she was standing to the right of the building dressed in shining white. This girl has been baptized into the Church, and is the stepdaughter of Mr. Clyde Lowdog. This was the end of my dream." Sister Mary Fleming, Dawson, Pa.

LOVE AND ADORE

I am longing for the love of
Jesus,

To be near me day by day;

And to hear Him whisper

I'll be with you all the way.

His name is so sweet and
dear,

Only of Him am I longing to
hear;

He who hears my prayers, and
my smallest plea,

With His love and patience, as
deep as the sea.

He's the giver of all I have and
more,

Only Him do I love and adore,
He is my friend through sorrow
and distress,

Always to Him wilt I address.

May I be faithful to the end,

For truly Jesus will I win.

By Sister Josephine Catalano.

Manteca, Calif.

P.S. I have met Sister Josephine,

a lovely young girl who spends her time in a wheel chair. The lines she has written, proves that it is possible to have a soul full of love and adoration for God even in affliction, and have a heart full of sunshine. May God still continue to bless you Josephine. Bro. Cadman.

**A RADIO ADDRESS
CHOK, SARNIA, ONT.
MARCH 20th, 1949,**

By THURMAN S. FURNIER

Good morning radio friends:

On account of there being so many religious systems and creeds extant upon the earth, permit me to call your attention to the New Testament scriptures, which informs us how the church was originally set up by Jesus Christ and his early followers.

A belief common to all sects and churches professing Christianity is that Jesus Christ, the Saviour and Redeemer of the human race, established his church upon the earth by personal ministrations.

Ecclesiastical history, (that is Church history) as distinguished from secular history, deals with the experiences of the church from the time of its establishment.

The condition under which the church was founded, and the doctrines taught by Jesus Christ, and his Apostles, should be made a matter of prayerful study by all Christians. At the beginning of the Christian era, the Jews in common with most other nations, were subjects of the Roman empire.

They were allowed a considerable degree of liberty in maintaining their religious belief, practice, and national customs.

The religious systems still existing at the time of Christ's earthly ministry may be classed in a general way as Jewish and Pagan, with a lesser system—the Samaritan, which was a mixture of the other two.

The children of Israel believed in the existence of the true and living God. They looked forward to the Messiah, as a conqueror coming to crush their enemies.

All other nations, tongues, and peoples bowed to Pagan deities, and their worship was one of heathen idolatry. Paganism was a religion of form and ceremony, a belief in the existence of a multitude of gods. Morality and virtue were unknown as heathen service. The idea in pagan worship was that of pleasing the gods, hoping to pur-

chase their favor.

The Israelites, or Jews as they were collectively known possessed a superior knowledge, with a priestly organization and a system of laws, that separated them as a people. While the Jews regarded the Pagan's with contempt, they in turn were treated as fanatics.

The Jews were not a united people. They were divided on matters of religion. There was an enmity between Jews proper and the Samaritan's.

The Samaritan's were a mixed people, inhabiting a province mostly between Judea and Galilee, largely made up of Assyrian colonists who had intermarried with the Jews. While professing a belief in God, they practiced many rites of Paganism.

The Jews themselves were divided into many sects, viz: The Pharisees, the Sadducees, the Essenes, Galileans, Herodians, etc. They were living under the law of Moses.

That the Mosaic law was given as a preparation for something greater was affirmed by the Apostle Paul in these words: "Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ," — Gal. 3:24.

It is evident from the Saviour's teachings that a higher law was to supersede the lower. "Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment:"

"But I say unto you that whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment:"—

"Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery:"

"But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart."

"Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbor, and hate thine enemy."

"But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you and persecute you." (Excerpts taken from St. Matt. 5th. Ch.)

These teachings, based on love caused great surprise among the people, they were so different from the spirit of retaliation, to which they had been taught under the law.

Jesus gave them to understand

the law could only be superseded by its fulfillment. Said he; "Think not THAT I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill."

"For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled." Matt. 5: 17, 18.

The Master came with a greater doctrine than was then known. He instructed his disciples in these terms:

"For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the Scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven." Matt. 5:20.

These excellent teachings of Christ prepared the minds of those who believed his words for the introduction of the gospel in its simplicity and purity, and for the establishment of The Church of Jesus Christ, as an earthly organization.

Some of the disciples who followed him had been honored by preliminary calls.

"And Jesus walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers."

"And he said unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Matt. 4:18 - 20.

"And going on from thence, he saw other two brethren, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them."

"And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him." Matt. 4:21, 22.

"And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose and followed him." Matt 9:9

"And when it was day, he called unto him his disciples: and of them he chose twelve whom also he named Apostles." Luke 6: 13.

These twelve special witnesses were sent out to preach. Their first Ministerial labors were to be to the house of Israel, and their message was: "The kingdom of heaven is at hand."

They were to use the power which they had received by ordination, in preaching, in healing the sick, in raising the dead, and in subduing evil spirits.

The Master said: "Freely ye have received, freely give."

They were to travel without money or provisions, relying upon a higher power to supply their needs through the agency of those to whom they would offer the message of truth; and they were warned of the possible hardships awaiting them, and of the persecution which sooner or later would befall them.

At a later date Christ called others to the work of the Ministry, and sent them out in pairs to preach the gospel. Thus we read of the Seventy. They were instructed in terms almost identical with those given the Apostles.

Their's was one of authority and power, as shown by their success; for when they returned they reported, — "Lord, even the devils are subject to us through thy name." Luke 10:17.

We learn from the scriptures the wonderful deeds and excellent teachings of Jesus Christ, also of his betrayal, crucifixion, and resurrection. After his resurrection, and before his ascension into heaven, he appeared unto Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, also to his Apostles upon several occasions.

Unto the eleven who had remained faithful, the risen Lord delivered his parting instructions, immediately before the ascension:

"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, all power is given unto me in heaven and in earth."

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:"

"Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Amen. Matt. 28: 18-20.

"And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high."

"And he led them out as far as Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them."

"And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven." St. Luke 24: 49-51.

"Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you."

"And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said unto

them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:"

"Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain they are retained."

A WARNING BY SISTER NASTASIA

Dear brothers and sisters everywhere! Just a word of warning, for it has been revealed to me, that if an attack is made on this nation by our enemies, it will be made on the West Coast.

I see that many are going west, both of the members of this church, and of the world. It may be that the material comforts are more abounding out there than back here, or for other reasons unknown to me. But the enemy always attacks on the "right" side. When facing the south, the West Coast is on the right side. Also the plates containing the record of the Book of Mormon, were on the East Coast, and on the west side of the hill, and the United States is divided into two parts by the Mississippi River.

Of course, destruction is coming upon this land of America, and I feel to say that the safest place to be, would be on the East Coast. This is a portion of understanding given unto me. What I wish to say to my brothers and sisters is, avoid being present in worldly gatherings, where large numbers of people are gathered together, for the enemy always attacks masses of people, and if we are found there, we will perish with the world. I do not mean to create fear in any one, but I speak as I do, that we might be found under the protection that God will give His people.

I wish also to relate a prophecy of Bro. John Mollinato (deceased) given many years ago. He told me and I bear witness of this statement as follows: "that the foreign nations would write letters to us, inquiring and seeking salvation through us." I believe that brother Mollinato told others of this besides telling it to me. This prophecy is beginning to be fulfilled. Amen.

Take Note Of What is Written

Matthew 28-18, 19, 20—"and Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the

Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Mark 16-15, 16 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believes; etc."

Matthew 10-16 "Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves; be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves."

Alma 26-23 "Now do ye remember, my brethren, that we said unto our brethren in the land of Zarahelma, we go up to the land of Nephi, to preach unto our brethren, the Lamanites, and they laughed us to scorn?" Yes, they were laughed at, yet they converted thousands of souls through PREACHING the gospel.

III Nephi 28-23 "And it came to pass that thus they did go forth among all the people of Nephi, and did PREACH the gospel of Christ unto all people upon the face of the land; and they were converted unto the Lord, and were united unto the Church of Christ, and thus the people of that generation were blessed, according to the word of Jesus." It was the preaching of the Gospel, and the obedience to it, that caused them to have heaven on earth as recorded in IV Nephi.

The Apostle in II Thessalonians 2-3 says: "Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; etc."

Paul is very emphatic in his statement. He saw things to come, and yet they could not come while the Gospel of Jesus Christ would prevail on the earth. People of the Restored Gospel have talked much about the time to come, when we shall sit under our own vine and fig tree, and none shall make them afraid, etc. read Micah 4. The prophet Isaiah chapt. 65 says "And they shall build houses, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards and eat the fruit of them. They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; etc." Paul says in effect, that Christ will not

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EDITORIAL

The Unchangeable God

In our pamphlet titled: Religious Experiences, I read on page 15 at the close of the first paragraph as follows: "God Almighty will not reveal Himself in this age, in opposition to what He has revealed in other ages; not by any means."

This pamphlet was published in 1899, and in all these years it has been scattered throughout the world, and it has been left on record, that one of our most noble brothers, Wm. Skillen, stated that it was necessary that we have our faith in written form, that our people might know what we believe and what we do not believe.

The preaching of the gospel, the necessity thereof, is revealed in both Bible and Book of Mormon by Jesus Christ Himself. Before He ascended to His Father in heaven, He commanded His disciples to go into the world and preach the gospel to all mankind. In the restoration of the gospel as accounted in Rev. 14-6, 7, I read therein that the gospel was to be preached to all the inhabitants of the earth. I, the president of The Church of Jesus Christ, do not only believe it, but I have endeavored all these years to practice what I preach, even though I may not have accomplished much, my failures what ever they may be, does not alter the command of Jesus Christ for His servants to preach the Gospel to all the world. The servants of God in the restoration must of understood it, for they sent Elders to many foreign lands, and made converts by the thousands. They abided in what was written as they were commanded to, and when the people of God in all ages, failed to abide in what had been revealed in His word, they suffered the consequences of their disobedience, irrespective of who they were. The apostle Paul in Romans 10th chapter, declares: "For there is no difference between the Jew and

the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him." The Apostle goes on to say: "And how shall they hear without a preacher?" One might well ask the question: How can creatures be saved in heaven if they don't hear the Gospel? Then Paul says, as it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!" I, for one give praise to God for such a man as Paul, and throughout the ages, He, the Lord has preserved such beautiful sayings for His servants to read of. I believe it is Paul who says: That it is not the will of God that any soul should perish. And Paul had so learned Christ, that he found it necessary to preach the gospel both far and near, that souls might be saved and not perish.

To show the contrasts of the teachings of men today, a few years ago, a young brother approached me about a man visiting his home and advanced the theory, that the Lord had us "hid" until some time later He would reveal us to the world. The young brother was disturbed over this kind of doctrine, and why should he not be? Paul taught as follows: "But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost." The world today, is full of good people who want to save their souls in heaven, and Jesus taught all to let their light shine, not put it under a bushel, or I might say, not HIDE IT. There is nothing on record to show that Jesus ever taught that His followers would be hid, No, but He did teach and liken the Kingdom of Heaven to a city that was set on a hill, that "could" not be HID.

I often think on the sayings of my brethren who have passed on to their reward, and among them are the words of the deceased Bro. James Curry. In bearing his testimony, I have heard him lament because of the passing away of his fellow man and friends without obeying the gospel. His thought, which was brought out was, that we were very lax in preaching the Gospel, though our profession is, that we are the true people of God. Since the Church has delegated me and a brother to go with me to far-off Africa, many have said to me: "brother Cadman if you do not accomplish anything, you will

have answered the call. It makes me think of Pauls experience: "And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us." The following verse shows that he was called to Macedonia to preach the Gospel. Praise be to Him, who is an impartial God.

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come unless there is a falling away first, and most all preachers of the Restored Gospel like to dwell on that saying.

Come, let us reason together: I want to say, that these times will not come unless the servants of God live righteously and preach the gospel. Do the servants of God want others to dig the holes and plant the trees? Do you want some one else to build the houses for you? Are we going to be drones refuse to work and help fill up the hive with honey? I will answer NO. The servants of God must preach this restored gospel if they expect to reap the good things spoken of by the prophets. Do we not read in the parable of the vineyard where the servants of God did dig, did prune, and dunged, and besides, they laboured with all their might, and brought the good fruit back into the vineyard again. Is it now possible that the Lord might call others in this day, that the wedding feast be made ready? God has moved in all ages of time, His wonders to perform, And I (my type writer won't make the "I" any bigger, or I would do so). But be it understood that God is still the same, and the wonderful things spoken of by prophets, and which was enjoyed by the Nephite people as recorded in IV Nephi, cannot be realized except the Restored Gospel be preached and obeyed. I have often heard it said: that procrastination is a thief of time. The Saviour to the Jews said: "O, Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen gathereth her brood under her wings, and ye would not." It is the purpose of God that the Gospel be preached to the children of men. And, it will bring either justification or condemnation to those that hear.

Bro. W. H. Cadman.

November 20, 1953
 Church of Jesus Christ
 P. O. Box 72
 Monongahela, Pennsylvania

Dear Sirs:

Please accept our cordial acknowledgement of the receipt of the following gift, delivered to the Library in behalf of The Church of Jesus Christ by Mr. David Dichiera:

W. H. Cadman's A History of the Church of Jesus Christ (Monongahela, Pennsylvania, 1945).

This is a welcome addition to our holdings.

Very truly yours,

Charlotte E. Spence
 Gift and Exchange Librarian

Case Memorial Library
 Hartford, Conn.
 November 21, 1953

Mr. W. H. Cadman
 519 Finley Street
 Monongahela, Pennsylvania

Dear Brother Cadman:

Thank you for the copy of the Italian Book of Mormon which you just sent. We shall add it to our collection together with the other books and pamphlets which you sent us last year.

May I commend you for the good job which you have done on this. Few people realize what a major undertaking it is to prepare a translation, so that I fear not many will understand the magnitude of the task you have completed. It looks to me like it has been done very commendably.

My best regards,
 H. A. Gleason, Jr.

Librarian

P. S. Bro. Mario Milano of Cleveland, Ohio prepared the MS for the Italian Book of Mormon, while Bro. Moraco of Detroit looked after the printing of it. Bro. WHC.

**AN EXPERIENCE
 (OF RECENT DATE)**
 By Sister Ford

"I dreamed that I was in a Conference, and we were waiting for the meeting to start, when some brothers in the priest-hood carried in a golden chest or a small trunk and sat it down at your feet (Bro. W. H. Cadman) and said: this is a gift sent to you, open it.

Sister Cadman agreed to help you take the things out. I noticed particularly a full set of Beautiful Luggage, and a rain coat, and

there were many things — I don't know how such a small chest could hold. While you and Sister Cadman proceeded to take all out — An Indian woman appeared in mid-air like in a mist, could only see the head and bust. She looked somewhat like Sister Maness (Indian sister) from Sarnia, Ont. She looked directly at you and said: Bro. Cadman this gift is for you for the love you have for my people, and she disappeared, I awoke."

I felt so good, I felt the Lord was pleased for your efforts in trying to keep this work up. I feel there are so few who really have this work at heart, and I feel helpless in what I would like to do. Sister Ford.

MICHAEL PASSES ON

Michael Milton age 15 died in a hunting accident on Nov. 17th about five miles from his home. When found at about 1:00 a.m. his faithful dog companion was at his side. Michael had been one of our Sunday School Schollars here in Monongahela at The Church of Jesus Christ.

He leaves to mourn his departure, his father and mother, three little brothers and one sister, and many other relatives. He was laid away to rest on Nov. 20th from the Bebout & Yohe Funeral Home. Interment in the Finleyville Cemetery. The services were largely attended, and were conducted by Elder James F. Campbell; Brother W. H. Cadman assisting. May the Lord comfort the bereaved parents.

**ROBERT J. STEWART
 DIES IN HOSPITAL**

Robert J. Stewart 76, a prominent and life-long resident of Brownsville, Pa., died on Nov. 20th in Brownsville General Hospital. Mr. Stewart was a retired merchant of the city, and had played an active part in the affairs of the city in the years that had passed by.

He leaves two daughters, two sisters and other relatives to mourn his passing, his wife having passed on some years ago.

Funeral Services were conducted in the Kisinger Funeral Home in Brownsville, in charge of Bro. W. H. Cadman, assisted by Elder Anderson, and singing by sister Sarah Mancini. Interment at Bridgeport Cemetery.

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

A beautiful wedding ceremony was witnessed in the Church of Jesus Christ, on Oct. 17, 1953, when Sister Dora Ciarolla, the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Victor Ciarolla, of Warren, Ohio, and Bro. Peter Castelli, son of Bro. and Sis. Domenic Castelli, of San Diego, Cal., were united in marriage, with Bro. Benjamin Ciccati officiating. Virginia Ciarolla, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Richard Castelli, brother of the groom, acted as best man. Rachel Meo, John Nacosia, Priscilla Lov-alvo, and John Fallavolitto, acted as bridesmaids and ushers. Bro. James Lovalvo sang, with David Dichiera accompanying him on the piano. Many of the saints of San Diego, and of Los Angeles, also friends, attended the lovely reception held in the afternoon. The bride and groom are making their home here. May the Lord bless them forever.

Sis. Lena Liberto

WEST COAST GATHERING

The saints of the West Coast gathered in San Diego, Cal., on Nov. 7th and 8th, for their quarterly gathering. The Church overflowed in number, and the blessings of God were abundant. A Saturday evening meeting was held and enjoyed by all. In our Sunday morning service, Sister Violet Thomas' Sunday School children presented a lovely program, in which we all felt the blessing of God. The rest of the service was taken up with our various Elder brothers speaking many beautiful words of teaching and exhortation to us. During the course of the service, we are happy to say the Lord called three more souls into His vineyard here below, who are Silverio Coppo, and his wife, Eva Ileana, of Detroit, Michigan, who were visiting here, and Brother Pasqua, of Los Angeles. They were baptized by Bro. Robert Watson, formerly of Windsor, Ontario, Canada, now residing in Los Angeles.

Bro. Silverio Coppa is the son of Bro. and Sis. Coppa, formerly of Detroit, Michigan, now making their home here. After lunch was served by the San Diego brothers and sisters, we had our afternoon service, in which many wonderful testimonies were given, and enjoyed by all. The young people of Los Angeles, San Fernando Valley, and San Diego, also sang at all meetings, which singing was

surely enjoyed by all present. Our new sister Gambol, of Modesto, Cal., sang a beautiful solo, accompanied by David Dichiera of Los Angeles, which was greatly enjoyed by all.

Truly we can all say it was wonderful to be gathered together in the love and fellowship of the Lord, who always blesses His children when they gather in His name. May He always keep us all under His mantle of love forever.

Sis. Lena Liberto

We of Warren, Ohio Visit California

Brother Victor Ciarolla and wife Sister Anna and Family, Brother Robert Ciarrochi and wife, Sister Millie, and his mother Sister Jennie Ciarrochi, and Sister Josephine Genaro left Warren, on September 26 to visit in California. Our trip was wonderful, in which again we give thanks to our God, for we surely know it would not have been possible to make a trip like that with our own strength. We give Him the honor and glory. It took us 4 1-2 days to get there in which we made excellent time.

Our first stop when we arrived was in San Diego at the home of Brother and Sister Castelli, and we can sure say that the greeting we received was wonderful. They were so glad to see us. We visited there for a day, but we had arranged to come back later. From there we went to San Fernando Valley to the home of Brother and Sister Alex Cavallieri and we had a lovely reception from them. We spent 4 days in San Fernando and we attended 3 meetings in which we enjoyed the blessings of God. We had an invitation from Brother and Sister Lavolvo for supper at their home and we had a wonderful time. Leonard Lavolvo showed us around to see different places which we enjoyed very much. To our surprise on a Sunday meeting in San Fernando, we met Sister Ford and our hearts just melted when we saw her. Sister Ford was visiting there also, while she also came in contact with some Indian People there. She stated that she had visited with them. Sister Ford is much interested in that tribe of people and may God bless her and give her strength when she does visit them. The last Sunday we spent in Calif., Sister Ford was going to go back again to those Indians and also take someone

along with her. We hope that it was a worth while trip as we know its Sister Ford's joy and happiness when she meets with the Indians. Before we left Sister Lydia Cavallieri's home, the Sisters there surprised us by having a picnic at the Ocean Beach. We sure had a wonderful time that day. Sister Mary Lavolvo drove the car with a load of us Sisters and we enjoyed a delicious lunch with the wonderful breeze of the Pacific Ocean. We also gathered some beautiful pebbles and stones to bring home with us. Sister Ford also was with us, for she sure loves the ocean. We spent the whole day at the ocean and then we returned to Sister Mary Lavolvo's home thanking God for a wonderful day. We then left San Fernando Valley and went to El Monte, to the home of Bro. and Sister Biscotti, and the greeting there caused us to shed tears. We had a glorious time. That evening we attended meeting in Belle. We also attended the Sunday meeting in the same place and we enjoyed the Blessings of God there. They have a very nice meeting place and a large crowd attended Church the Sunday we were there. We visited the Forest Lawn Cemetery which is beautiful. We went to see the Crucifixion with its enormous size and beautiful paintings. We also saw the Last Supper window which is beautiful. We then left El Monte and we could hardly part with Bro. and Sister Biscotti. May God bless them always, for we enjoyed our stay there so much. We left El Monte and went back to San Diego, where we attended the wedding of Sister Dora Ciarolla, the daughter of Bro. and Sister Ciarolla who were visiting together with us. Sister Dora married Bro. Peter Costelli October 17. The wedding was beautiful. Brother Bennie Ciccatti performed the ceremony. Brother James Lavolvo sang "O Promise Me"; "Because"; and "The Lords Prayer", which was beautiful and very touching. We visited at the home of Bro. & Sister Breci. Brother Breci is presiding elder of the San Diego Church. We met a number of brothers and sisters there at the meeting on Sunday. We also attended Ladies Circle there and enjoyed it very much. We said good-bye to the various Brothers and sisters at the church when meeting was dismissed, as we were to leave the next day which was Monday for home. To our surprise that Sunday Night

after we had our supper at Sister Josephine Breci's home, Brothers and Sisters started to come to their home and before we realized, there were 32 Bros. & Sisters, that came to say good-bye. How wonderful it is to have that love that comes from the throne of God. There was a wonderful feeling there that last Sunday we spent in Bro. Breci's home. We felt the presence of our Lord there. All in all we thank God for His wonders that He has performed. We also thank our dear Bros. and Sisters where we stayed while visiting there. May God Bless them. We started back Monday morning and our trip home was 6 days, we took our time due to weather conditions. We met snow in the state of Wyoming and we just got out of there in time, as a terrible snow storm came up and many hunters were trapped in those mountains and couldn't get out. When we heard the news over the radio, we sure gave our Heavenly Father thanks for helping us, we just got out of there in time. We stopped to see the Grand Canyon, which we know is not made by man. It frightens one to look at the depth of it, which can't be seen. They say, it is bottomless. We got home Saturday night, thanking God for bringing us to our homes and our loved ones safely. Our Brothers and Sisters in Warren were glad to see us and anxious to hear about our trip. We enjoyed our meeting very much with the ordinance of feet washing, our Brothers and Sisters waited for our return to have feet washing; they felt we would have a glorious time together, for which we bless God, we did have His presence among us that Sunday. We thank God for everything.

Sister Jennie Ciarrochi

BRONX, N. Y.

Dear Bro. Editor:

I am taking a brief period of relief from my daily chores this Saturday afternoon, writing you out doors sitting on a park bench, enjoying the mild weather today.

The brothers and sisters of the Bronx Branch of The Church of Jesus Christ had the privilege of meeting Bro. and Sister Miller of Detroit, Mich., a few days ago. Bro. Benyola, his wife and young child; Bro. Valentine and a few Puerto Rican brothers and sisters were present to join our fellowship together in the Lord that evening.

Bro. Lupo gave the Pulpit over to Bro. Miller and Bro. Valentine to preach the gospel. Bro. Valentine spoke in the Spanish language for the benefit of our Puerto Rican brothers and sisters. We enjoyed ourselves together very much that evening on Wednesday.

Last Saturday Bro. Ensano, his wife and members of his family visited us, including Elsie Ensano and their little daughter. We were so happy to see them! We pray the Lord they will visit us soon again.

It gave me great joy to read the letter of Rev. A. A. Dick in the October Gospel News. We hope and trust the dear Lord will bless many more who are seeking the truth in these latter days. The scripture says: "Many shall come from the East, West, North and South, and sit down at the table with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob." Glory be to God, and to His Beloved Son Jesus Christ.

What a wonderful privilege and honor to be in The Church of Jesus Christ. May we all be accounted worthy. May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us all Amen.

Sister Mrs. Katherine Henshaw

ANNIVERSARY MEETING

The Ladies Uplift Circle of West Elizabeth was held in the Jefferson Church Nov. 12, 1953. This marked our 21st anniversary, also the 14th anniversary of the Coal Valley Circle. Both Circles have always met together on these occasions. Brothers and Sisters from different places are invited to meet with us.

The meeting was opened with singing hymn No. 232 "Bringing in the Sheaves," followed by prayer by Bro. W. H. Cadman. Then Hymn No. 424 "O Happy Day" was sung. Sister Hannah Skillen president of our home Circle made the opening remarks. Minutes of our last anniversary meeting was read by sister Mabel Bickerton. The topic for the meeting was "John the Baptist," written by sister Mary Wilson. Each of the Sisters read a passage of scripture concerning the life of John Baptist. Hymn No. 493 "In Pleasure Sweet here we Do Meet" was sung during the topic. Several of the brothers and sisters talked on experiences, and John the Baptist. Hymn No. 305 "Shall We Gather At the River" was sung. A poem was read by Sister Irene Bickerton, title, Let Us Give Thanks. Sister Mabel Bickerton and Sister Ruth

Mountain sang Hymn No. 175 "The Peace That My Saviour Has Given."

The different Circles that were present were, Coal Valley 5 members, Glasport 4 members, Monongahela 4 members, Rock Run 4 members, West Elizabeth 8 of the members present.

Remarks from the bretheren present: Bro. Schuster from Dravosburg, gave an interesting talk on how the Circle helped bring him into the Church. Bros. Alma and W. H. Cadman both gave a brief talk concerning John the Baptist. The meeting was brought to a close with prayer by Bro. Melvin Mountain. The offering will be placed in the Indian Mission Fund.

Sec. Clara Stevens

My Church

My Church is the House of God, the place where I meet with His people in worship, and where God manifests Himself to us. But my Church is more than a house of worship, my Church includes the saints of God who meet there, and with whom I join in fellowship, in the mutual worship of God, and in the promoting of His cause in the earth.

My Church! My first time to attend church was when I was but three weeks old, when I was blessed. This was the way the Saviour set the example for us to follow, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

When I was 15 years old I was baptized into the Church, following another example set before us by the Saviour. My Church has blessed my whole life. In its Sunday School I was taught about God thru the study of the Bible and the Book of Mormon, and by the example of good teachers. I have had its protection, its encouragement and inspiration. I have been blessed by the hearing of the Word as preached by our bretheren.

My Church! How much I owe to it. I realize my obligation to people of all races and colors. It merits first place in my life. I owe it my faithful attendance, my support, my earnest prayers and my daily service.

My Church! I love it. I must show my appreciation of God for what he has done for me. I will give it the best of my life, and in so doing I will give my best to God.

Carol Bickerton

My Testimony

I, Sister Elizabeth Cadman Davidson, was baptized Oct. 4, 1887 when I was 15 years old. My sister, Mary C. Love and Cochran Lynch, son of Bro. & Sis. William Lynch of West Elizabeth were baptized along with me. We were baptized by our beloved Brother William Skillen, father of Sister Hannah, during our quarterly conference. Bro. Skillen passed to his reward many years ago. I never regretted the journey that we started at the river's edge in our youth, to work out our soul's salvation and by the help and grace of God, I will continue as long as life shall last. Through obeying the Gospel in my youth it has kept me from becoming entangled with the things of this world to a certain extent. This brings to my mind the scripture in Ecclesiastes, Chapter 12 Verse 1: "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them."

I was born and raised by Godly parents who adhered strictly to the teachings of Christ spiritually and naturally, and they raised their children accordingly. I was taught to honor and revere the Sabbath Day and keep it holy. The keeping of the Sabbath was strictly enforced in our home. We children were not brought up in idleness. We were always engaged in the small things in life. We never wanted for anything which was consistent with our needs, and naturally under those conditions we grew up satisfied and contented with our surroundings. We, like most children in our day, attended Sabbath School. Not having one of our own at that time we attended the Presbyterian Sunday School in West Elizabeth for awhile until one was organized at our church. We grew up under conditions which were stepping stones in our life and they became the foundation for our future, which resulted in obeying the gospel of Jesus Christ. Our knowledge and experiences were limited, our growth gradual, learning a little here and a little there by the Spirit which is promised to lead us and guide us and show us things to come.

I have lived under the guidance of three presidents of the Church, William Cadman, Sr. (my father), Bro. Alexander Cherry and W. H. Cadman (my brother). I have mingled much with many of the

older saints, when I was young, who have gone to their reward many years ago. I always looked up to the elder Brothers and Sisters and came to love them as they visited our home often when I was young. I remember their many testimonies of their hopes and expectations and these memories I prize highly. I can never forget their admonitions and encouraging words for the youth in the Church at that time. I always felt to listen and learn from our elders in the Gospel.

I have had many experiences which have been anchors to keep me steady on the narrow path. I know if I prove faithful it will lead me to the Tree of Life. My life has been mostly happy, nothing too hard that I was not able to bear. I have been protected from many dangers by a power far superior to my own. An old hymn comes to me now "Through many dangers, tolls and snares, I have already come. 'Twas grace that brought me safe thus far and grace will lead me home."

I took care of my father and mother until their death in 1904 and 1905, after which I felt very much alone. My brother Alma Cadman and family moved to Kansas so I went there too. For ten years I lived in Kansas, and Pennsylvania. I finally returned to Pa. during the Flu epidemic of World War I and nursed at the Elizabeth Emergency Hospital. Later, I traveled as a nurse and companion to my friend Anna Manown Scott. We traveled in Florida, Atlantic City, N. J., and located in Southern Pines, North Carolina. We lived there for 9 years when she died in May, 1928. I felt her death keenly as though I had lost a sister. I returned to Pittsburgh with her body and she was laid to rest in Round Hill Cemetery.

In December, 1928, I married Mr. Wm. H. Davidson, one of my friends in my youth. He was one of the young men in the Church at Jefferson. He passed away some years ago.

Now, I am one of the older sisters in the Church. I can look back on my life without much regret and feel I have not lived in vain. I have tried to help in sickness and distress wherever needed.

I will close my testimony with the words of one of our hymns,

"When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain, but we shall still be joined in heart and hope to meet again."

Sis. Elizabeth Cadman Davidson

Letter From
South Dakota

Dear Brother Cadman:

We are all getting along as fine as can be expected. Thank you, and I hope that you are the same and your family. I hope that the other two Sisters and Brother that came with you are all fine. We remember you all and I wanted to write quite awhile ago, but it kept slipping my mind, but now you wrote, so I have to answer. We were glad to receive your card.

We thank God and are really thankful that we have been baptized confirmed, and received the Holy Communion. We are reading our Book of Mormon every day or every chance we get. We are praying morning and evening, and are trying hard to live right as we know, that is what God wants us all to do. We are also praying and hoping that our Indian people will wake up soon and start doing the right things. Some are beginning to understand and again some don't know what it is all about. Some that we have talked to, we tell them to believe in God and to start praying to Him, and ask for understanding, and He will answer. We know that God answers prayers, and we also found out that when He answers, it wouldn't be the way we want it, but it will be His way, and His way is always best.

The lady that had a broken wrist and couldn't even move it, has told my wife that she is beginning to move her fingers and her hand. She said her arm is getting better since your prayers for her at Mrs. Gunners. Now she is teaching her three children to pray and she herself is praying too. We were glad for her understanding and thanked God for her.

We are so thankful to God that He has sent Brothers and Sisters like you from Pennsylvania, and are interested in our people. We thank God, and we thank you Brother Cadman, and the rest of the Brothers and Sisters. May God watch over you all and bless you in your work with strength, guidance, and courage.

We are having wonderful weather right now, but we don't know how long it is going to last. We had snow already, but it all melted away. It did get cold for awhile but it did not last as it got warm again. God bless you all.
Sincerely Brother and Sister DeMarrias.

SHORT ITEMS

The Gospel News brings to me news that I can't get otherwise. The trips that you have had sure made me happy. My hope and desire is, that the Lord may prolong your life and give you the much needed strength to go about and do His will here below—especially to give you the privilege to go among the Lamanite people, as has been your hearts desire. Bro. Angelo Capots.

In a letter of recent date from Bro. D. Giovannone of Warren, Ohio, he reports them having a wonderful day in the service of God, on the day they attended the ordinance of washing feet. May the Lord continue to bless the Warren Branch of the Church.

In a letter from Bro. Joseph Lov-alvo of 1543 Bronson Ave. Modesto, Calif. dated Oct. 24, 1953 he says: "I am enjoying wonderful liberty in preaching the gospel. God sure has been good to us here in Modesto, and has blessed us abundantly." He says: We baptized three people last week, and last night a young girl asked to be baptized.

Brother & Sister Kunkleman of Beaver Falls, Pa., and Brother and Sister Christman of Coraopolis, Pa., visited here in Monongahela on Sunday Nov. 8th. We were glad to see them in our midst.

A card from Bro. Paul D'Amico, Lockport, N. Y. says: "On Sunday Evening, Nov. 8th, I will be a guest speaker at the First Presbyterian Church in Lockport. Their young people Senior and Junior Classes, have requested me to extend them this kindness."

NOTICE: The Book of Mormon printed in the Italian language, is now off the press. It is a very nice book, and will sell at \$3.00 a copy, plus postage. Copies can be had by addressing the Librarian, James F. Campbell, 231 Vine St., Monongahela, Pa.

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PAYMENT IN FULL

Sometimes, Dear Lord, I feel so
all alone,
As tho' Thy spirit was not with
me still;
No peace of mind and heart is
mine to own,
When I've been disobedient to Thy
will.

My heart is full, and yet I cannot
cry;
My tears, as tho' imprisoned in
a well
Would overflow with a tremend-
ous sigh
If Thou would'st smile and say:
'I love you still.'

This feeling is not strange to me,
tho' rare,
'Tis like a band of steel around
my heart
That makes me moan, 'I wonder,
does He care,
And when will all His blessings
once more start?'

But deep within me is the knowl-
edge sweet,
That tho' today I languish and
I fret,
Tomorrow brings release, and at
Thy feet
I'll find contentment, when I've
paid my debt.

Catherine Poma

NEW YEARS EVE GATHERING

On New Years Eve here in Monongahela, a meeting was held in the Church in honor of brother Joseph Bittinger of near Uniontown Pa., and brother W. H. Cadman here in Monongahela who are soon to leave on a Missionary Trip to Nigeria, B. W. Africa. A very nice crowd was present for the occasion, and an enjoyable evening was spent. Brother Waltz of Roscoe, Pa., Joseph Shazer of Vanderbilt, Pa., and A. B. Cadman here in Monongahela occupied the pulpit and all three gave interesting talks for the occasion, touching on many things of interest in the way of spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ among the various peoples of the earth in these last days. Bros. Bittinger and W. H. Cadman were then called upon to express themselves to us all before starting on their long journey. Appropriate singing for the occasion

was led by brother John Majoros Jr. After the close of the meeting, a lunch was served by the Sisters of Monongahela church, and all had an opportunity to visit with one another. Some went home after the lunch, while some remained to see the old year out, and the new one ushered in with song and prayer.

There were visitors present from Vanderbilt, Roscoe, West Elizabeth, and a good attendance from here in Monongahela.

REAL FRIENDS ARE SCARCE

Once a rich man said he would divide his fortune among his friends if only he knew who they were. Years passed, and at last the man died—in a midwinter blizzard. His last request was that the funeral be held at four o'clock in the morning.

Although scores had boasted of being his intimate friends, only three men and one poor woman turned out, to stand red-eyed and sad beside his grave.

When the will was read, it directed that his estate be divided equally among those who attended his funeral.

Friends are much scarcer than we think! "The Scrap Book"

WONDERFUL ARE THE WORDS WHICH ARE WRITTEN

"And that He manifesteth Himself unto all those WHO believe in Him, by the power of the Holy Ghost; yea, unto every nation, kindred, tongue, and people, working mighty miracles, signs, and wonders, among the children of men according to their faith." (Book of Mormon)—What a wonderful, and impartial God was He, whom the Nephite people worship.

Written For THE F.H.C. Class Who Were Having A Hymn Study

My first impressions relative to the Hymn I composed, came from an English story I read. It was a book which contained a number of stories, "called miscellany."

Among these stories was one which attracted me considerably. It was entitled: Mary Ashton. I read it with much interest. Mary Ashton was a small girl 6 or 7 years old when her mother died. Her father died when she was an

infant. She had a brother, John, a young man who had previously left home and resided somewhere in London. After her mother's death, she was taken in by people who had a large family. She was treated mean. So weeks and months passed by and Mary tried to figure out some plans to escape from this family who treated her so mean. After enduring this for considerable time, she finally made her get-away. She was sent to the store for a few groceries, but never returned.

Before going to the store, she was mindful of hiding her only shoes inside her dress. That night she had the sky for her roof as she laid herself down in a pasture field. Her mother had instilled in her young mind a little prayer found in the 16th Chapter of Genesis, verse 13. It was when Hagar, Abraham and Sarah's bond woman was in distress and the angel of the Lord appeared to her, and Hagar spoke saying: "Thou God Seest Me."

Mary Ashton was trying to make her way to London in search for her brother John. After many weeks, suffering much fatigue, such as hunger, thirst and almost nakedness, encountering people who looked upon her with contempt, she finally reached the outskirts of London. Once a band of Gypsies took Mary, but her pathetic story along with her constant prayer which her mother taught her, she was finally released with new shoes and clothes. All along her weary journey, she frequently uttered the prayer: Thou God Seest Me. After being in London a few days, she found her brother John with whom she stayed until she was a young woman. She then was fortunate to secure a position with one of the high government officials. She lived to the age of 77. So ends a brief sketch of this story which I became impressed to write hymn 391. Instead of using Thou God Seest Me", I have rephased it by using, My God Thou Seest Me.

ARE GOD'S COMMANDS YET IN FORCE?

It is interesting to note the various themes which the various servants of God, have dwelt upon