

# THE GOSPEL NEWS

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## A HAPPY NEW YEAR ....

Come let us anew,  
Our Journey pursue,  
Roll around with the year  
And never stand still  
'Till the Master appear.

His adorable will,  
Let us gladly fulfill,  
And our talents improve  
By the patience of Hope,  
And the Labor of love.

Our Life is a dream  
Our time as a stream,  
Glides swiftly away;  
And the fugitive moment  
Refuses to stay.

O that each in the day  
Of His coming may say,  
I have fought my way through;  
I have finished the work,  
Thou did'st give me to do.

O, that each from his Lord,  
May receive the glad Word;  
"Well and faithfully done;  
Enter into My joy,  
And sit down on My throne.

## THE NEW YEAR

As we enter the New Year 1956 and the old year ends, it seems natural to look forward, hoping for more health, happiness and prosperity for ourselves. But the unselfish attitude is to realize how fortunate most of the people in this wonderful country already are and to have deep sympathy for more than half of the world's population; who aren't as well sheltered from the cold nor have all the food they can eat, not to mention the comforts and luxuries we have been blessed with.

The Bible says "to everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven." Man's time began with Adam and Eve when they lived in a perfect condition, never toiling, suffering nor having any sorrow. But when they disobeyed God and were driven from Eden all the troubles of life began.

The Apostle Paul said "All have sinned." Then life becomes a time of probation, to prove our worthiness to live eternally in the Kingdom of God. We are plainly told in the New Testament, that by repenting of our past sins and obeying the ordinances taught by Christ, then being faithful the rest of our lives, we shall be saved.

This, of course, includes repent-

ing and being sorry for mistakes made as we go along, avoiding the sins of the world, helping as much as we can the poor and the troubled. Then, perhaps most, important, loving one another as Christ has loved us, and as Paul also tells us "follow after charity" which is the pure love of God.

When this cycle of time allotted to man is completed, we have a hope of coming back again to the perfect days of Adam when he was in the image of God. Also, those who live at the time of Zion will have the reward of dwelling in peace and happiness on the earth and sin will be destroyed.

Knowing all this, we will not regret the passing of the old year but will look forward to the new, always trying to make our lives better and more worthy of what we shall receive.

Martha Kelly

## HOW DO YOU FEEL?

MOSIAH 28-3

"Now they were desirous that salvation should be declared to every creature, for they could not bear that any human soul should perish: yea, even the very thoughts that any soul should endure endless torment did cause them to quake and tremble."

We read that God is still the same, May I ask: Is His spirit producing the same effects in your lives as is recorded in the scripture? Or are we satisfied just to continue as many of us are? Many are wanting to hear the great plan of redemption, and I believe it is Paul who says: "that it is not the will of God that any soul should perish. There is a hymn that reads something like this: 'I'll go any where you want me to go, Lord' May I ask, how do you feel? WHC.

## Brother Editor:

The Semi-Annual Conference of The Church of Jesus Christ met at the Bronx, New York on October 1, 2, 1955. We were very happy for this event because it was the first time that the Conference was held here. It was most joyful to see our brethren from all parts of the United States as far west as California to be in our midst.

Just before the Saturday morning business was convened, Bro. V. Lupo, on behalf of the Bronx Branch, presented our beloved brother Wm. H. Cadman, with an

inscribed gavel as a remembrance of this October Conference held in the Bronx.

The blessings of the Lord were felt in the wonderful words of the various brothers who spoke to us as well as the joyful news from our brethren who were on Missionary work in Italy and North Carolina.

We enjoyed the wonderful singing of the choir group from New Jersey, as well as the solo and duet of Brothers James Lovalvo and James Heaps. May the Lord bless them always.

Our praises go out unto the Lord for His guidance and blessings throughout the entire Conference and for His Providence in all things. We wish to extend our sincerest thanks of appreciation to our brothers and sisters in the New Jersey area and New York for their hospitality given to all our visiting brothers and sisters and may God bless them all and this manifestation of The Love of God.

In conclusion we thank God for a wonderful Conference and God's fellowship one with another.

Sister Belle Rose  
Bronx Branch

## SISTER FORD WRITES FROM CALIF.

December 1st, 1955, Sister Ford of Windsor, Ont. has been visiting in California for about two months, and expects to remain there until spring so she informs us in a letter just received from her. She is enjoying her visit among the saints out there immensely. She informs us that the Vally Church is about finished, and they expect to dedicate the church some time in December. She writes from brother and sister Brec's home, where she has been taking care of Sister Breci—who is recovering after a very severe operation.

Sister Ford informs us that she has been out among the Mexican People, and that they have started quite a work among them—she says I really enjoy the work among them—we also have been attending meetings with brother and sister Watson in colored peoples home this week they baptized a Mexican Indian in Los Angeles. Sister Ford says their weather is just like summer, quite a contrast to what we are having here in Pennsylvania, where there is much snow and it

is very cold this week. Thanks for your letter.

#### ATTENTION PLEASE

The article beginning on page three in December issue, headed, "An Interesting Article" and continuing on page four is a statement therein as follows: "The book itself and the testimony of impeachable characters," should read "un-impeachable characters." Sorry. W.H.C.

#### CONFERENCE IN NIGERIA

I am thankful to God our Living Father who brought all of us to the Restored Gospel of Jesus Christ. Since The Church of Jesus Christ was established for us by Brothers W. H. Cadman and Joseph Bittinger on 14th of August, 1954 through the Correspondence of Bro. A. A. Dick. We have had our conferences three times. The first conference was held at Ikot Ebak-Abak on 4th-6th of March 1955. We had \$60.00 offering but not all the Churches attended the Conference-2038 were baptized. There were many requests made by the Churches. Attendance 480. We spent much in making everything to work in order. Some Elders who were ordained and are not abideth with the teachings of The Church of Jesus Christ were dismissed from the Church. Many rejoiced in the blessings of the Lord. At this time we were still 79 groups with 2038 Souls baptized.

On June 2nd-4th 1955 we had another Conference held at Effoi-Eket. This was the most wonderful Conference which we have had-579 attended the Conference. Offering \$200.00-400 partook of the Lord's table, so teachers, deacons, and deaconesses were ordained. We were still 79 groups, 2500 souls were baptized. We received the minutes of March Conference and many rejoiced too. However, the weather was not good, it was raining. Only School matters were taken up. Some people were elected to some offices. Other matters was the announcement the Sup. Bro. Dick made that The Church of Jesus Christ does not believe in signs of the cross, candles, taking Palm wine, using tobacco, etc. and that any Church in the group of The Church of Jesus Christ, which will be found guilty of these things, their names will be removed from our list.

On September Conference 2nd-4th September held at Ikot Akpa Edung. attendance was 845, offering 25 pounds. Brother S.U.A. Bassey was ordained Elder for Effoi. Brother S.U. Bassey of Abak Ikot Dick Akpan were ordained two

weeks before the Conference. They too, affiliated with 5 groups of Churches and we became 84 groups.

There was no place for the Elders to sleep, all were sleeping in the Church, also the Supt. was sleeping in the Church. People were asking when the Missionaries will come, some were throwing evil words upon us. The work grows more and more. In 1932 we were in the Holiness Christian Church. We did not rejoice, nor did we receive any blessings, nor did the work of the Mission progress as it is now. If I could refer to the history of our Mission written by Bro. Dick since 1932 to 1953, I may say there is a great difference in the progress of the work than it was before. Brethren awake and help if you cannot send helping hand, your daily prayer could help by remembering the Missionaries work of Brothers W. H. Cadman and Joseph Bittinger in Nigeria. Pray daily that we remain faithful. I hope that could help much.

We thank all those who give their helping hands towards the printing work done in the Church of Jesus Christ, mostly the Book of Mormon, the Gospel News, etc. Please this little donation I enclose is for help in printing the Gospel News of which we are being supported monthly. (Please the donation mentioned was not enclosed W.H.C) We are not rich, but we follow the teaching of Christ in the New Testament, which says that it is a sin for he who knows of doing good and he fails. So we know that we can help the printing of the books used in The Church of Jesus Christ, but we are not rich to do as we think, but the little we do, God will bless Amen. O. N. Akpan.

Editor:

We, the brothers and sisters of the Vanderbilt Branch of The Church of Jesus Christ, held a gathering in the home of Brother Ringer on Monday evening Nov. 14th in honor of some of our older brothers and sisters, namely; Brother and Sister Ringer, Brother Robert Patterson, Sister Darby and Sister McCann. This day also happened to be Sister Ringers 84th birthday.

After singing a few songs Brother Joseph Shazer offered up a prayer. We were honored to have with us Bro. William Cadman who told us of his experiences that he had with some of our older brothers and sisters, both living and dead. Sisters Shazer, Lowther, Larue, and brothers Laktash, Shazer, Larue, and Strauch also expressed themselves of the goodness of God towards them during their

lives here in the world. A number of other brothers and sisters were present for the occasion. After a light lunch with coffee, we departed from one another for our homes.

I'm sure that each of us felt that it was good to be there, and we hope that we can get together like this more often to honor our elder brothers and sisters, because some day they will not be with us. May God bless each and every one of us in the Church of Jesus Christ, and keep us faithful.

Sincerely,  
Bro. M. Strauch

#### Radio Talks Of Bro. Furnier

(Continued From Last Issue)

In Europe the agitation against the church was carried on by John Huss and Jerome of Prague, both of these men reaped martyrdom as the harvest of their righteous zeal.

Though the church had long been apostate to the core, there were men ready to sacrifice their lives in what they deemed to be the cause of truth.

"Previous to the opening of the 16th. century there had been comparatively few who denied the supreme and infallible authority of the Bishop of Rome in all matters touching religion." MYERS GEN. HIST P. 520.

The next notable revolt against the apostate church was in the 16th. century and assumed such proportions as to be designated the Reformation.

The movement began in Germany about 1517 A.D., when Martin Luther, a Monk of the Augustinian order and an instructor in the University of Wittenberg publicly opposed and denounced John Tetzel, the agent of church indulgences.

Luther was convinced that the church system of indulgences and penances was contrary to scriptures, reason and right.

He wrote ninety five theses formal discourses) against the practice of granting indulgences, and a copy of these he nailed to the door of Wittenberg church, inviting criticism thereon from all scholars.

The news spread, and the theses were discussed by the scholars of Europe.

Luther then attacked other practices and doctrine of the church and—the head of the church issued a "Bull" or decree against him, demanding an unconditional recantation, on pain of excommunication from the church.

Luther publicly burned the document, and thus declared his

open revolt.

The sentence of excommunication was pronounced.

Among his able supporters was Phillip Melancthon, a professor in Wittenberg.

Luther was summoned before a council or "Diet" at Worms in 1521.

There he openly declared for individual freedom of conscience.

There is inspiration in his words I cannot submit my faith either to the Pope or to the council, because it is as clear as the day that they have frequently erred and contradicted each other.

Unless, therefore, I am convinced by the testimony of scripture, or by the clearest reasoning—unless I am persuaded by means of the passages I have quoted,—and unless they thus render my conscience bound by the word of God, I cannot and will not retract, for it is unsafe for a Christian to speak against his conscience.

Here I stand, I can do no other, May God help me! Amen!

The religious controversy spread throughout Europe. At the second council of Spires 1529 A.D., an edict was issued against the reformers; to this the representatives of seven German principalities and other delegates entered a formal protest, in consequence of which action the reformers were henceforth known as PROTESTANTS.

John, Elector of Saxony, supported Luther in his opposition to papal authority, and under took the establishment of an independent church, the constitution and plan of which were prepared at his instance by Luther and Melancthon.

Luther died in 1546, but the work of revolution, if not in truth reformation, continued to grow.

The Protestants, however, soon became divided among themselves, and broke up into many contending sects.

In Switzerland, Ulrich Zwingli led in the movement toward reform. He was accused of heresy, and when placed on trial, he defended himself on the authority of the Bible as against Papal edict, and was for the time successful.

The contest was bitter, and in 1531 the Catholics and Protestants of the region engaged in actual battle, in the which Zwingli was slain, and his body brutally mutilated.

John Calvin next appeared as the leader of the Swiss reformers,

though he was an opponent of many of Zwingli's doctrines.

In France, Sweden, Denmark, and Holland leaders arose, and the Protestants became strong in their opposition to the Roman Church, though the several divisions were antagonistic to one another on many points of doctrine.

One effect of this Protestant uprising was the partial awakening of the Roman Church to the need of internal reform, and an authoritative restatement of Catholic principles was attempted.

This movement was largely accomplished through the famous council of Trent 1545-1563 which body disavowed for the church the extreme claims made for "indulgences" and denied responsibility for many of the abuses with which the church had been charged.

But in connection with the attempted reform came a demand for more implicit obedience to the requirements of the church.

Near the end of the 15th. century, in the reign of Ferdinand and Isabella, the court of the Inquisition, then known as the Holy Office, had been established in Spain.

The prime purpose of this secret tribunal was the detection and punishment of heresy.

Of this infamous institution as operative in Spain, Myers says: "The Holy Office, as the tribunal was styled, thus became the instrument of the most incredible cruelty."

Thousands were burned at the stake, and tens of thousands more condemned to endure penalties scarcely less terrible.

Queen Isabella, in giving her consent to the establishment of the tribunal in her dominions, was doubtless actuated by the purest religious zeal, and sincerely believed that in suppressing heresy she was discharging a simple duty, and rendering God good service. "In the love of Christ and his Maid-Mother, she says, I have caused great misery. I have depopulated towns and districts, provinces and kingdoms" MYERS GEN. HIST P. 500.

In connection with the attempted reform in the doctrines of Catholicism, the terrible inquisition "assumed new vigor and activity, and heresy was sternly dealt with."

You will note that the Reformation and Protestant movement brought about the organization of new churches.

The next opportunity we have of addressing you on this subject, we

will speak of the circumstances under which some of the prominent Protestant churches were set up, and how they obtained their names. The end.

Thurman S. Furnier.

#### THANKSGIVING SERVICES

Thanksgiving services were generally observed by the various churches throughout the land, many hunters observed it in the fields hunting game, while others (where the weather was fit) observed the day at the Golf Links, and other sports, and especially there would be many on the Foot-Ball fields. We here in Monongahela of The Church of Jesus Christ, observed it by spending one hour and a half in a morning service in our Church, in prayer, singing and speaking, and refreshing our minds to the wonders of God's blessings upon this land of America, of which the Book of Mormon speaks of it, as being a land which is choice above all other with God the Creator.

In the evening many of us journeyed to our Church at Jefferson, near West Elizabeth, where Elders Kirschner and Parlor were conducting five nights of service during the week.

They enjoyed five nights of well attended services of good speaking and singing. I understand that our folks in Glassport spent the morning in service in their church, and also the Vanderbilt Church spent the evening together while Brother Bittinger exhibited the slide pictures, which were taken by him and Bro. Cadman while in Africa. The pictures are interesting and no doubt brother Bittinger gave much interesting comment on them while showing them to the audience.

Thanksgiving Day has been observed by the American People for many years. It does, and should refreshen our memories of the days of our Pilgrim Fathers, their struggles as well as their blessings on the newly discovered land. The early immigrants to the this land, suffered much, I might say in most every way, which has brought to pass the 'wonders' enjoyed by the American People of today. Sincerely.

#### MISSIONARIES WORK IN NIGERIA BY BRO. A.A. DICK

Dear Editor:

With great pleasure I beg you to put this news into the Gospel News Thanks.—The year 1955 is going to end on December 31st, 1955, and we are to plan our groups a-

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(Column Two)

## THE GOSPEL NEWS

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## EDITORIAL

Attention please: We are now starting on the Twelveth Volume of the Gospel News. The first volume is dated 1945, time has flown rapidly, and too, the time spent on my part has been enjoyed—even though it requires not only time, but much labor on my part to place the news of the Church, and activities of our brothers and sisters among us as has been done. Not only among our selves, but to distant parts of the world, and some response has come from various countries, such as Spain, France, Africa, Phillipine Islands, India, Canada, England, the Jewish National University Library in Jerusalem, and to many places through out our own country. Some of our Editorials have been complimented through the mail by non-members of the church. Two libraries have ask me to furnish them with all the back numbers of the Gospel News that I had on hands and were willing to pay for them. These things thus far are encouraging.

The discouraging part of my work in getting out the Gospel News, is the attitude of our own Church members—with so many of them there seems to be very little cooperation, apparently no thought as to whether "SCHOOL" keeps or not. I do not know whether some needs new eye glasses or not, but the expiration notice of your subscription, is either not seen, or is deliberately ignored by so many. For instance, in revising the subscription list recently, there was one Branch of the Church where I had 22 subscribers, when I got through revising it, there was only 6 subscribers left. If any of you do not wish to renew your subscription, I wish you would write me a card, and say: Brother Cadman please discontinue my paper, and then I would know what to do. When a paper is marked thus: P-6-55, that means that your subscription is paid for until the first of June in 1955—if it is marked P-10-55, it is paid until the first of October 1955. There has been some material sent to me that I did not care to publish, but there has been very little of it.

We have much of our faith in Pamphlet form, and when articles involve doctrinal matters, I have tried to keep in harmony with what we have written—I do not profess perfection in the matter, but I do not think I have given much room for just complaint. The paper has paid for itself thus far, but after all these years the paper should of been at least a-half bigger than what it is, and it's subscription list should have doubled itself.

For the success of the Gospel News, there should be better cooperation than there is at present. You that are letting your subscriptions expire, and if you do not want the paper any longer, will you please write me a card telling me to stop sending it. I do not want to stop the paper for any one. But business is business. — Do you still want the Gospel News? Editor Cadman.

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gain in January 1956. I believe whatsoever a man plants in January 1955, so he will reap in the harvest time.

Brothers Cadman and Bittinger paid us a fly visit on 4th of August, 1954 and on 14th of August 1954 The Church of Jesus Christ was established by baptizing 15 of us. I was the first to be baptized by Bro. Bittinger and on 17th August 1954, seven of us were ordained into the Eldership, into The Church of Jesus Christ in Nigeria. I also was the first to be ordained by Bro. Cadman. We carried on with the missionaries work by baptizing others into the Church.

We were 52 groups at the time I contacted The Church of Jesus Christ in Monongahela, Pa. U.S.A., and from the month of August 10th to 14th, the Brethren paid us a fly visit, we were still 52 groups of Churches. By August 30th we became 64 groups and 1337 Souls were baptized. On December 28th 1954, more groups from A.M.E. Zion Church affiliated with us and we became 79 groups and 2337 souls were baptized into the church. In August 1955, 30th 5 more groups affiliated with us and we numbered 84 groups with 2806 souls baptized.

Therefore since I am unable to contact all the brethren concerned in The Church of Jesus Christ so as to tell them the progress of the Missionaries Work in Nigeria, therefore I take this chance to tell them about the good Missionary Work of Brothers W.H. Cadman and Joseph Bittinger did last year, through the Gospel NEWS. Many of those who are faithful to The Church of Jesus Christ, are re-

joining in the blessings of God. I am also thankful to the Living Father through this.

Note—Brothers and Sisters we often think of you and we should be grateful if any of you who does not know our address, should write to The Church of Jesus Christ, Headquarters, Abak P.O. Nigeria, West Africa, and any of the Brother who will receive a letter, we will return contact and tell of the work in Africa. May God bless all of you is our prayer, Amen. Bro. A.A. Dick.

P.S. Brother Dick's letter is very long, so I am only printing or publishing part of it, which I believe will give you all a good idea of the energy of our African brethren and sisters in promulgating the Restored Gospel among their people, in what has been known as DARK AFRICA. (Editor)

## A VISION

There is much in the press these days about an experience of the Pope, wherein he says he saw the Saviour; and no doubt this statement will command the confidence of his people—the Catholics throughout the world, and it should, for he is their earthly head. I imagine it would be a calamity indeed, for the the Catholic Church if their followers were to loose confidence in the Pope. However, we must not forget the fact, that heavenly visions are within the reach of the followers of the humble Nazarene, irrespective of official standing; yet the news which come from the Vatican, as given in the press and I quote, "said he could recall no such reported vision since Jesus appeared to St. Peter when the Apostle was fleeing persecution on early Christians in Rome." end of quote. Both the Douay Version of the Scriptures and King James, confirm the fact that VISIONS are a gift unto men.

Early in the 19th century, a farmer boy (Joseph Smith by name) was earnestly seeking the salvation of his soul, gave testimony to the world, that while at prayer in a grove on his fathers farm near Palmyra, N.Y., that the Father and the Son appeared unto him, and spake unto him, answering his prayer. In corroboration of his experience, the revealed word of God has been given to this generation, in the form of the Book of Mormon wherein Jesus Christ revealed Himself openly to the inhabitants of Ancient America—the forefathers of the American Indians. In the book one of the prophets therein who lived at about the beginning



of the fifth century, gives testimony to the fact that "Jesus Christ appeared unto him, and that he talked to Him face to face, and that He told me in plain humility, even as a man telleth another in mine own language concerning these things." And even in another instance the Saviour appears to another of His servants many hundred years before He was born of the Virgin Mary. You know that the Book of Mormon and the King James, as well as the Douay Version, teach us that Christ was in the beginning with His Father, and that He created this world, and the world's.

What a wonderful being is God, whose Son was with Him from the beginning, yea, even before the foundation of the world, who not only sent His Son as recorded in John 3-16, but at various times, even before His birth in Bethlehem, has manifested His only begotten Son unto the children of men, irrespective of their official standing here in this world.

The references that are made to the Book of Mormon, are found in Ether, chapter 12. If interested read it. Editor.

#### Anniversary Meetings J 2

On Friday Dec. 2nd Brother and Sister Bittinger and myself left home at 11:30 a.m. for Greenville, Pa. where we showed the African pictures in a Grange Hall near to Bro. Russell Cadmans home. The weather was very bad for us, roads were bad for driving a car. However we arrived there without any difficulty. We had a very nice crowd gathered together, and the pictures were very interesting to all present.

We stayed all night with our folks in that neighborhood, and the next morning started off for Detroit. There was much snow at Greenville, the fog was bad, and much rain throughout the day and in going through Toledo, Ohio, and then through Detroit, the traffic was very heavy. However we arrived safely at Bro. Fred D'Amico's home about 5:30 p.m. none the worse for the unpleasant conditions we had to contend with.

We showed the pictures in the basement Saturday Eve. of No. 3 church in Detroit, a nice crowd was present and all seem to enjoy seeing Africa, or at least a part of it. I will add that our folks in Africa are very energetic, and are very anxious for us to send missionary workers over to them.

The next morning (Sunday) we attended services also at No. 3

Branch, and it was very pleasing to see so many gathered together in the worship of God. We had a very nice meeting, and on account of our presence being expected at Port Huron for the night services, we continued our morning service until after 1 p.m. and administered the Lord's Supper before closing. We then rested in the afternoon, and got an early start for the meeting in Port Huron, which was about 60 miles away. Brother Bittingers car was not working very well, so we left it in Detroit, and rode with others to Port Huron. We arrived there in good shape, and a good crowd were present for the 5th or 6th anniversary of the building the Church in that city.

The meetings had been advertised, and the results were, we had people in the congregation that had never been there before, besides we had a number of the Indian race of people present. Some of them from across in Canada, and some of them belonged on the U.S. side of the border line. In all, we had a very nice audience present. Brother Bittinger led the meeting and I followed him. They have had some discouraging conditions among them, but I believe on this occasion, all felt like Peter of old, When he said: "Lord, it is good for us to be here." We were glad to see brother Johnson take up his duties again in the church. After the meeting was over and before returning to Detroit, we called at the home of brother and sister Sommersville. Sister Bertha was sick in bed and brother Will was ready to go out to work. We had prayer with them and was glad to see them both once more. We then got on our way to Detroit. On Monday brother Bittinger along with Bro. Molisana spent much of day at a Garage, correcting some things about our car. We ate our supper with brother and sister Miller.

The next day (Tuesday) we visited Sister Ruzzi, she is very poorly and may not be with us much longer. We found her very cheerful and she is ready to pass on when the summons comes. We had a long visit with her, sang some hymns and had prayer with her. May the Lord comfort her while life lasts in this world. I know that she feels like Paul of old, eager to dwell in the home that she has builded over there. May God bless her is my prayer. On leaving her home we went to Windsor, Ont., ate our supper at the home of Brother and Sister Henderson. We met sister Henderson's Mother and her

Sister Mrs. Haddock at her home, I had not seen them for quite a while. Pleased to meet once more.

We met in the Windsor Church basement that evening and showed the African pictures to a nice congregation of folks gathered together. The pictures and our comments by Bro. Bittinger and myself were enjoyed by them all. After spending the night at the Burgess and Henderson home, we got started toward home the next morning—a short trip, but a pleasant one.

On starting home from Windsor, we knew that our car was not working very good. Brother Bittinger has a brother living in Barberton, Ohio just near to Akron. So we headed that way home. Our car was getting worse all the time, and when we were within 25 or thirty miles of Barberton, the Cadillac refused to go any farther, until a farmer hooked on to it with his car and pulled us into his barn yard—took us into their home where we waited on brother Bittingers brother bringing his car and taking us to his home for the night. We spent an hour or more in the farmers home, very nice people indeed, and we got into a religious conversation concerning our faith, including the Book of Mormon, and our reception in their home was pleasant, (total strangers to us) I thought of Pauls language in Romans 8-28 that all things work together for good to them that worship God etc.

On the arrival of Mr. Albert Bittinger and his wife, they took us to their home for the night, but Brother Bittinger had phoned home to his son of our plight, and he started right off to help us on home. We all retired for the night, but we were aroused up about 4 a.m. Brother Bittingers son arrived with a car to take us home. Mrs. Bittinger, our hosts, set us down to an early breakfast, and we got started on our way home by 5:30 a.m. and arrived home at 8:30 a.m. none the worse for our experience, but we really enjoyed our trip.

The Cadillac which has been so faithful to us in our traveling, is at this present date, Dec. 13th. still in the barn yard of our newly made friends about 25 miles west of Akron, Ohio. Jesus says he that giveth a cup of cold water shall not lose his reward. May God bless Mr. and Mrs. Hummel and their family, also Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bittinger and family of Barberton. Bro. W. H. Cadman

### "THE THOUSAND YEAR REIGN BY THE LATE PRESIDENT CHERRY

There has been a great deal said on the subject of The Thousand Years Reign of our Saviour upon the earth with His Saints, and I cannot see the matter as some do, but I draw my conclusions from the scriptures.

In John's record of this period he distinctly shows us in the first three verses of the 20th chapter of Revelations, that satan is bound and that he shall deceive the Nations no more till the thousand years are fulfilled. In verse 4 he says: "And I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, etc. And they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years." The 5th verse says: "But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were fulfilled. This is the First Resurrection." The 7th verse says: "And when the thousand years are expired, satan shall be loosed out of his prison." And continuing in the 8th verse, says: "And shall go out to deceive the Nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle; the number of whom is as the sand of the sea." This shows us that they (the Nations) are still in the flesh.

John's First Epistle, 5th chapter, 4th verse says: "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world; and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." Therefore we are not as those that come forth in the Second Resurrection (Gog and Magog) for they are still of the Nation that have the mark of the beast.

The First Epistle of Peter, chapter 1, verse 4 shows us that Christ has purchased an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, etc. In First Corinthians 15th chapter and verse 50: "now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption." Then in verse 53: "For this corruptible must put on incorruption and this mortal must put on immortality," showing us our perfect state in the resurrection, and not in our corruptible state in which we are here.

I have been asked the question several times if those who have not come under the power of the Gospel will have a chance. Certainly they will, after the Second Resurrection. You may ask me for proof, which I will gladly offer you. In Revelation 21st chapter, John sees a new heaven and a new earth

and the description he gives transpires after this. He says in the 7th verse: "He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God and he shall be my son." You are already His sons here and have overcome before the new heaven and new earth and have reigned with Him a thousand years. In the 22nd chapter and 14th verse it says: "Blessed are they that do His commandments," not you that HAVE DONE His commandments, but they that do His commandments. The 17th verse says: "And the spirit and the bride say, come. And let him that heareth say, come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

You may ask how can they obey the Gospel? The Saviour says: We cannot be saved without obeying the law of the Gospel. And He has provided for this in Revelations 20th chapter and 6th verse which says: "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the First Resurrection; on such the second death has no power, but they shall be Priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years." As Christ preached to the prisoners that are spoken of in First Peter, 3rd chapter and 19th verse that they would have a chance to hear the Gospel, why not others? He preached to them while His body lay in the tomb. Our work is not finished because we have come forth in the First Resurrection. In the millennium (the thousand years reign) the kingdom is more disciplined and prepared by the consolation of all who have served God from the beginning.

My attention has been called by some of the brethren to First Nephi 22nd chapter, also Second Nephi 9th chapter also the 30th chapter. I would ask all not only to investigate those passages of Nephi, but all the Nephi's. In First Nephi 22nd chapter and verse 11 we read: "Wherefore the Lord God will proceed to make bare His arm in the eyes of all the Nations, in bringing about His covenants and His Gospel unto those who are of the House of Israel," showing us that His favor will be to His covenant people and His displeasure to the wicked. "Wherefore He will bring them again out of captivity, and they shall be gathered together to the lands of their inheritance," and we are shown that all who fight against Zion will perish, meaning the land of restoration.

We find in Second Nephi 10th chapter and verse 10: "But behold, this land saith God, shall be a land of thine inheritance, and the

Gentiles shall be blessed upon the land." Then we draw the attention of all to Third Nephi, 21st verse 12: "And my people who are a remnant of Jacob shall be among the Gentiles, yea, in the midst of them as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of sheep, who, if he go through both treadeth down and teareth in pieces, and none can deliver." In the 23rd verse it says, "And they shall assist my people, the remnant of Jacob, and also as many of the House of Israel as shall come that they may build a city, which shall be called the New Jerusalem." Then in verse 25 it says, "And then shall the power of heaven come down among them. This takes place before the Millennium, when all peoples or Nations are brought together through the Gospel and as He says in verse 17 of the 22nd chapter, "No weapon that is formed against Thee shall prosper," for the law of Christ shall judge the whole earth and He shall go before you and be your reward as He was in the days of Moses.

### AN EXPERIENCE OF SIS. JOSEPHINE LOFFRANO

When I was a small girl my Mother died after a lingering sickness. I happened to be in her bedroom at the time of her death. She got out of bed and I asked her why she done so, she said she was going to leave us, but said she would visit me again in 17 years, also I would see much trouble. I was to have another mother, the woman then acting as housekeeper for my father, then she passed away as I was trying to assist her to the bed.

In the following years the above occurrence faded from my memory, I finally married and a little later on, my husband met with The Church of Jesus Christ and obeyed the Gospel. This was in Youngstown, Ohio. The Elders tried hard to convince me of the gospel, but I held out stubbornly against them: at last Bro. Ceaser Talamonti persuaded me to ask the Lord which was the right way.

I done so, and two nights afterwards I dreamed that I saw a woman dressed in black walking on the water toward the shore where I was standing. She called to me saying: Oh daughter! three times. I asked: who are you? She answered, I'm your mother. A man was with her dressed in white. The dream ended.

Two nights later my mother appeared on the water again, she then reminded me of her promise that she would see me in seven-

teen years, also that she died in my arms.

She then drew my attention of her being dressed in black, and said: If you keep strong (faithful) you will have to take this black dress of me in the Second Resurrection, but if you don't prove faithful, I will not be able to dress in white. She then pointed to the man in white saying: He will save you. I realized He was the Lord. He then charged me to be baptized in twenty four hours. I complied.

P.S. This experience was had in the early 1920's. Sister Loffrana was but a very young girl when her mother died. Her experience certainly bears out the saying of Brother Cherry - "Our work is not finished because we came forth in the First Resurrection." Sister Loffrano with her husband move to Detroit later on, and is still faithful to the Church. After the death of her first husband, she remarried and she is well known among the saints in Detroit. As for me, I have always considered her experience a WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE, and too, to have it and the Lord command her to be baptized in 24 hours. This experience along with the experience of sister Sarah Randazza as recorded on page 305 of the Church history. Are we forgetting? Let us all bear in mind that Peter records that the Saviour preached to the spirits in prison as recorded in First Peter 3-19. Do not forget that the word of God says that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. I will add that He is not partial to any one people, or to any one dispensation of time. President Cadman.

#### SISTER DELEARY WRITES

I have just received a Christmas Card from Sister Olive Deleary, formerly of Muncey, Ont., who left the Reservation there after the death of her husband — brother Joseph Deleary, who was buried from our farm home while brothers Ford and Cowan were still there. Sister Deleary moved to a Reservation farther north in Canada to be with some of her relatives after Bro. Deleary died. In the short letter she writes she says, I have not been too well myself, but I leave everything to God. He is the only one that can help me. I know He watches over me every day and I thank Him for His many blessings. God bless you both. From Sister Olive Deleary, Longford Mills, P. O. Ont, Canada."

P. S. It has been a long time since I have had any word from

Sister Deleary. She was baptized at Muncey quite a number of years ago and I am glad to know that she is still putting her trust in the Lord. I remember brother Ford and myself years ago tried to get to their humble hut when a very deep snow was on the ground. We had a horse and 'cutter', we got stuck in the deep snow and had to walk the rest of the way. Years are flying around and God is still the same. Some of you that remember Sister Olive, write her a letter and may God continue to bless her. Bro. Cadman

Wakpala, SOTH Dakota.

Dear Brother Cadman: Just a few lines to let you know of our progress in this part of His vineyard. The path looks a little brighter right now, so far we have had Sunday Schools and prayer meetings every Sunday and this week we are starting to have song service and it is really wonderful. The spirit was with us in singing and after the service we decided to have song service every Wednesday evening and they also wanted to have it on Sunday Evenings.

We have had a packed house every Sunday and for our song service also. Sister Shirley Meeter, has the accordin almost mastered now and it is a miracle how fast she has learned to play.

We received letters from Sister LaBlanc and Sister Swimmer from On The Trees, and they told us in their letters that, they are holding prayer meetings also. They wrote us very nice letters. A sister Crosier, wrote to my wife concerning Sunday School papers that she will have the Company send her some like she is doing for us. Sister LaBlanc requested for ten Beginners and ten Primary Child Sunday School papers. Sister LaBlanc is anxious and willing to work for Jesus, as she had said in her letter.

We the Lamanites wish to thank Sister Crosier, Sister Briggs, Sister Caldwell, Sister DeFoggie, Sister Kelly, Sister Sanders, and Brother and Sister Russell Cadman.

May the Father of Israel watch over you and bless you all, is my prayer.

Your Bro. in Christ, Earl F. DeMarrias Sr. Wakpala, South Dakota.

P.S. since I received the above letter from Bro. DeMarrias, I received another letter from him, in which he informs me that on Dec. 6th he baptized a Mrs. Baker at the same place that Bro. Furnier baptized sister Shirley Meeter last summer, but at this season of the year there was several Indian people present, and they cut a hole

in the ice in order to baptize Mrs. Baker. The Indian people also gathered around during the ceremony and built a fire on the river shore.

May the Lord bless our Indian people. Bro. Cadman

News From Stelton, N.J.

Stelton, has been favored lately with visitors from many branches. One of the most recent groups was from Rochester, N.Y. Their visit was climaxed by a Sunday address delivered by Brother Patsy Marinetti. If his talk were titled it might have been labled 'Faith and Fear.' With deft clarity Brother Marinetti coupled David as the faithful with Saul as the fearful to point up an inspirational sermon.

Also from Rochester, but currently stationed at Valley Forge hospital, was Paul Francione. Brother Paul has managed to be at several of our meetings, and on one occasion had a friend from the army accompany him.

Our greatest blessing of late has been the addition of three new members. Cleveland Baldwin was baptized into the church only one week after his wife, Margaret Baldwin, and his mother, Sally Baldwin, were admitted. The Baldwins were won over to Christ as a result of renewed missionary endeavor prompted by presiding elder Rocco Ensana. The imersions were performed by elder John Buffa, who was responsible to a great extent for the Baldwins coming to the light. (It might be added there are many more prospects in this same neighborhood.)

The extension and renovating of our church building has progressed most satisfactorily. With the meeting room finished we are looking forward to a greater seating capacity and praying to God for sight and blessing to keep it filled. To the saints who have aided our expansion with donations and prayer we extend our deepest thanks.

Brother  
George Funkhauser

#### CATALANO-MEO NUPTIALS

T. Meo, the son of Brother and Sister Rocco Meo of Los Angeles, Calif. and Marian Catalano, daughter of Brother and Sister John Catalano of Manteca, Calif. were united in marriage in the Christian Reformed Church Sept. 17, 1955 in Modesto, Calif. with Bro. Rocco Meo officiating.

Maid of honor was Josephine Catalano, sister of the bride; Maids being Rosie Lovalvo, Rachele Meo, and Nancy Catalano. Flower girl was Debra Meo, niece of the groom. Best man Rudy Meo. Ush-

ers were Leonard Lovalvo, Joe Nicholas, and John Flow. A reception was held at the American Legion Hall in Modesto.

Marian is a graduate of Manteca High School, and her husband is a graduate of Los Angeles High School. The young couple left for their honeymoon in Yosemite, and are making their home in Montebello, Calif. The Gospel News extends best wishes to the young couple.

P.S. A letter has been received from brother and sister Jonathan Molinatto in their new home at Dillsboro, N. Carolina. We hope all will go well with them, and that may do much good in their venture. WHC.

#### BROTHER VITO LACOMMARE PASSES ON

Brother Lacommare of Manteca, Calif. passed away on Nov. 7, 1955. He was 74 years old, and was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ on August 25, 1953.

He leaves to mourn his passing two cousins, Bro. Vito Lacommare of Modesto and Mr. Nick Scarsella of San Diego, Calif. Funeral services were conducted by Brothers Mark Randy and Joseph Lovalvo. Interment was in Park View Cemetery.

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Dear Editor:

Just a few lines so you may be able to ascertain how we are doing in this part of the vineyard. Thank God we are fairly well, and hope that you, sister Cadman and the rest of bros. and sisters are so also, and doing the best we possible can to further the cause we represent. When I sometimes sit down and begin to reflect on the enormous task our Church has ahead of it, I cannot help but shed tears in an earnest prayer to our dear Heavenly Father, that He will cause every-one of us, His dear children, to realize the great responsibility, we have upon our shoulders, to live righteous lives, that He may be able to use us as His instruments or vessels, for the evangelization of this world, so enraptured in everything else besides, the things that God would have us to do. Let us think of what King Benjamin has said, in Mosiah 3rd. Chap. 20th. and 21st. verses, And moreover I say unto you, that the time shall come, when the knowl-

edge of a Saviour, shall spread throughout every nation, kindred, tongue, and people. And behold when that time cometh, none shall be found blameless before God, except it be little children, only through repentance, and faith on the name of the Lord God Omnipotent. On the 1st. Sunday of this month my wife, others, and I, met with bro. and sister Furnier, a few other bros. and sisters, including sister Maness, and her son Sherman, from Sarnia, in the Port Huron Church, where we enjoyed ourselves very much spiritually, there was a great coordination of spirit between our Sunday School lesson found in 1st. Corinthians 3rd. Chapter, and the main text for our Service, found in Philippians 3rd. Chapter, part of the 13th. verse, which reads as follows, "But this one thing I do." A few of us left after the service for bro. Silveris Criscuolo's farm, where we were very cordially received, and generously treated. On the 2nd. Sun. of the month, we were in Sarnia, and had an enjoyable time. The 3rd. Sunday in, wife and I, spent the day in Branch No. 1, and were greatly blessed, I had the privilege of visiting sister Ruzzi, after we had prayed and fasted for her on Saturday, and she was anointed, she seemed to have been quite encouraged, and told me a number of wonderful experiences. Thursday Thanksgiving Day, we had bro. Joseph Milantoni, of Branch No. 2, Det. Mich. with us in the Branch, he gave us a wonderful talk, on the 33rd. Chap. of Deuteronomy, 13th. through the 17th. verses. The last Sunday of themonth, we spent at Branch No. 3, and had a good time. The singing of the Choir was great. We had bros. Sam. and John Damico, of Rochester, New York, with us. Bro. Sam, spoke from a passage in Luke 15th. Chapter, 11th. verse to the end, and gave us a good talk on the Prodigal Son, bro. John also testified. I expect this article will be published in the January Edition of the Gospel News, if so, Happy New Year, to one and all. May God bless us abundantly, and help us to so live, that when the end of this year shall come, whoever of us that is living, may be found, more dedicated, and consecrated, to the cause of Christ, that it will be a blessing, for anyone to even see us, they will receive a joy within their souls. Much love to one and

all throughout the Church.

Your bro. in Christ,  
Matthew T. Miller.

Bro. Herman Mueller, of San Leandro, California, was born April 27th. 1882, died Oct. 22nd. 1955, making him better than 73 years old at the time of his death. He leaves to mourn his passing, Florian Devillers, of San Leandro, and Omer Devillers, of Baltimore Maryland, (stepsons), besides other relatives and friends. He became a Member of the Church of Jesus Christ, in Detroit, Branch No. 1, Sept. 13th. 1942, and moved to California, a few years ago. We hope he died faithfully. His services were conducted in the Sorensen Bros. Chapel, 1140 B. Street, Hayward, Oct. 25th. at 1 P.M. Interment, at the Lone Tree Cemetery, Hayward, California.

Bro. Matthew T. Miller.

#### A POEM OF SUPPLICATION ENTITLED "O LORD"

O Lord, make me according to Thy will divine,  
O Lord, that those heavenly gifts will be mine.  
O Lord, in Thy Church is my desire to remain,  
O Lord, where Christ Jesus doth continue to reign.

O Lord, lead me in paths of truth,  
O Lord, thy will might I doeth.  
O Lord, forgive me I pray,  
O Lord, of my transgressions from day to day.

O Lord, my life will thou consecrate,  
O Lord, in Jesus Christ, His ways most straight;  
O Lord, that shield of faith, unto me wouldest Thou give,  
O Lord, with the sword of the spirit my life I will live.

O Lord, of all gifts, charity I desire,  
O Lord, thy love through me thou would inspire;  
O Lord, others too, that chance received,  
O Lord, from satan, they being relieved.

O Lord, hear now my supplication,  
O Lord, thou knowest my determination;  
O Lord, O Lord, How holy thou art:  
O Lord, O Lord, like Thee, would be my part.

Bro. Paul Benyola

# THE GOSPEL NEWS

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## WAKE O YE PEOPLE

Come and obey the Saviours call,  
Receive the grace which conquers all.

Come and the word of God obey,  
Twill lead you on the narrow way.

Come guilty souls and flee away,  
To Christ and heal your wounds  
For this is the welcome Gospel Day.

Come then, and join in the Holy Band,  
And on to glory go to dwell in  
That celestial land.  
We want no cowards in our band  
That will our colors fly.  
We call for valiant-hearted men,  
Who're not afraid to die.

Come to Jesus, come away,  
Now is the accepted day;  
Come and feel His blood applied,  
Come and live, for Christ has died.

Sister Nancy Tassome

## THOSE WHO HAVE PUBLISHED PEACE

And O how beautiful upon the mountains were their feet!

And Again, how beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of those that are still publishing peace!

And again, how beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of those who shall hereafter publish peace, yea, from this time henceforth and forever!

And behold, I say unto you, this is not all. For O how beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of Him that bringeth good tidings, that is the founder of peace, yea, even the Lord, who has redeemed His people; yea, Him who has granted salvation unto His people; Mosiah Chapter 15.

## HOW BIG ARE YOU?

A Western rancher had asked the district superintendent that a pastor be assigned to his community.

How big a man do you want? asked the superintendent.

"Well," the wiry rancher replied, "we're not overly particular, But when he's on his knees we'd like him to reach heaven." — Sunday School Times

## A FEW WORDS FROM THE PEN OF OLIVER COWDERY IN 1835

"Sanctify yourselves, O ye servants of the Lord, for much is re-

quired at your hands; the blood of souls will cry against you except you hasten on your mission; yes, let all raise their warning voice, in meekness and in mildness, for soon will there be a famine for the word of God. Listen, O ye elders, for soon the voice from distant lands will salute you—Come over and help us! Think, for a moment, on the millions in your own land who are destitute of the word of life; think also on the vast multitudes whose thoughts never reached our shores, who are now perishing for lack of vision, and bowing to idols; think of the numberless islands where darkness and the shadow of death prevail, whose waters never covered a soul for the remission of sins, and whose groves, though spicy, were never saluted with the voice of one who proclaimed life and immortality through the power of a risen Saviour!

P. S. Bear in mind that Brother Cowdery was speaking to the Elders of the restored Gospel in the year of 1835, May I ask, are you really Elders of the Christ, who died on Calvary's Cross? Are you I ask, are you really Elders of the Christ who commanded His servants to go into all the world and preach the Gospel, Brother Cowdery's prophetic utterance is being literally fulfilled: those in Africa are calling as in Macedonia—Come over and help us!"

## NOTICE

Dear Editor:

We the Branch in Youngstown, Ohio have sold our church, and expect to build a new one in the near future. We are at present meeting in the C. I. O. Hall for both Sunday Services, and Wednesday evening, until our new church is built. Our new address is C.I.O. Hall, 2031 Logan Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio.

Sec. Pauline Ritz

## IN THE MISSIONARY FIELD BY BRO. JOSEPH LOVALVO MONTEREY, CALIF.

Brother Editor:

I will not go into all the details of the letter written to me by Brother Lovalvo, but will give you very much of the good that is being accomplished in his missionary labours.

HE says: I have been very busy in my missionary work, and the Lord has blessed me beyond any worthiness of mine. I have b

tized another convert in Monterey making five in all thus far, There is a large group attending our services in Monterey, also a mixture of nationalities, English, Scotch, German, Italian and Spanish. (That sounds good Bro. Joe, You know the Gospel is restored for all nations. WHC) He says our Sunday School is increasing every week. We have an adult class and one childrens class. Brother and Sister Cadman, I am thankful for your prayers, and for all the prayers of the saints, for God has confirmed my Ministry with many signs and miracles. (Well brother Joe, God is still the same. In the days of the early apostles, it is written that the word was confirmed with signs and wonders. WHC)

These Miracles have stirred the hearts of many people in Monterey. I anointed a man who had been sick two weeks. The next day he went to work completely healed. Another instance was a mother brought a sick child to be anointed, and she was made to shout "The Fever is Gone." Twenty persons who were present examined the child to see if the fever was gone. The Glory of God was with us. In this meeting a german woman by the name of - - stood up and said "I am a ministers wife, but in all my life I have never seen or heard of the glory of God as I have seen here today. Even though I was baptized when I was 17 years old. I want all of you to pray for me that some day I will become a member of The Church of Jesus Christ." Brother Joe mentions various experiences similar to these I have referred too which I will not go into the details of, but I believe this is sufficient that you might know that according to his testimony, the Lord is with him in his work. He says these are only some of the miracles God has performed in the city of Monterey.

He says: last Monday night in Monterey, a Mexican minister and 12 members of his congregation attended our services. They belong to the Assembly of God. I preached on Rev. 14:6-7, I enjoyed wonderful liberty. They are all coming back on Sunday. I have been invited to their homes and have a meeting with them on Saturday night. As we were singing the closing hymn, the Ministers wife asked them to make a free-will of-

fering. She said: "this is a man of God, let's share his expenses." One by one they walked up to the table that I used for a pulpit and placed their offerings thereon. I told them that it was not necessary, but they wanted sincerely to give for the Gospel cause. (Brother Joe, my contention has always been, that if we do our part, the Lord will turn the hearts of people towards us. WHC) Otherwise He may let us sit down in our easy chairs.

Brother Will and Sadie: I feel very good with these people, please offer a special prayer for them, that God will move mightily upon their hearts and bring them to a full knowledge of the truth.

I am writing this letter from Richmond Calif. where we have brother and sister Tassi formerly of Youngstown, Ohio. They have been renewed since coming to California. The saints have been wonderful to me and my family. They have taken care of our needs. The California saints have a wonderful Missionary Spirit. It is a wonderful feeling to know that the Saints are behind me. It gives you great courage. It makes no difference if I sleep in a basement or a cottage, whether I eat one or three meals a day, the cause that we are engaged in is Glorious, and God has kept His word. Sometimes I wish I was six persons instead of one. He has provided me with food and shelter. I pray to God that other brothers would have faith in God and go out and preach the Gospel. I am sure the church would be behind them. May God bless us.

P. S. Brother Loyalvo's letter is written in a personal way to me. But I have given you a good account of his work. As far as 'time' is concerned, the Lord will take of that I am sure. Now is the time, today, not wait for tomorrow to preach the Gospel. WHC.

#### THE FATHER & SON AS PER THE WORD OF GOD

The status of God and His Son Jesus Christ is causing much controversy among Christian people today—I will quote the scripture as it is written, on the matter, both in the Bible and Book of Mormon. The Saviour is referred to very much by Old Testament Prophets, but no where is He spoken of by them by the name "Jesus Christ," which name was given Him when He was born of the Virgin Mary, as is recorded in the scriptures.

To all believers in the Book of Mormon:—"Know ye not that the

testimony of two nations is a witness unto you that I am God, that I remember one nation like unto another (We must remember that the Bible is the testimony of one nation, the Jewish People, and the Book of Mormon is the testimony of the Seed of Joseph another nation of people.) "And when the two nations shall run together the testimony of the two nations shall run together also." I have quoted from the Second Book of Nephi 29th Chapter, and the 8th verse. The Book of Mormon has been revealed in these last days, and along with the Bible, are to become one in the hands of God in confounding false doctrine etc. It is my object to bring out of both Bible and Book of Mormon, the testimony, or the word as it is written, and if there should be any comment on my part, I want it understood, that the word of God as given in both books, must be taken in preference to my own personal views. I expect the same attitude from all others who profess to believe the word of God. "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." Isaiah 8:20.

The personages of the Father and of the Son, or God and Jesus Christ as referred to in both books seem to be confusing to many, in the first place, the Book of Genesis tells us that God created this world, and all things therein, in this instance the Creator is called God. In John first chapter, we are told in the "beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God and the Word was God. Verse 1.

In the 14th verse the Word was made flesh, meaning Jesus Christ, and in verse 3 "All things were made by Him (the Word, which was Christ) and without Him was not anything made that was made." In Colossians 1:15, 16, 17, in referring to Jesus Christ, it says that all things were created by Him and for Him. In Heb. 1:2 "by whom (meaning Christ) also he made the worlds."

Now, the sum of this matter is, that He that is spoken of in the creation of the world as God, is latter known as Jesus Christ. And Jesus prays in John 17:5, "And Now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was." And in John 6:62, "What and if ye shall see the Son of Man ascend up where he was before?" If language means what it says, we MUST conclude that Jesus Christ was WITH the Father

before He was born of the Virgin Mary.

Now let us bring in the testimony of the other people, the testimony of the Nephites as recorded in the Book of Mormon. To the readers of the Book of Mormon, it is well known that the Saviour was named Jesus Christ by prophets there in, long before He was born into the world.

During the destruction that befell the Nephite people, I refer you to Third Nephi 9:15, "Behold, I am Jesus Christ the Son of God. I created the heavens and the earth, and all things that in them are. I was with the Father from the beginning. I am in the Father, and the Father is in me; and in me hath the Father glorified His name." You must remember that this occurred during the three days of darkness while Jesus was in the tomb.

Now turn to Third Nephi 11:10, 11, He says: "Behold I am Jesus Christ whom the prophets testified shall come into the world," and in verse 11 He says "I have suffered the will of the Father in all things FROM the beginning." In verse 14 He bids them to feel the prints of the nails in His hands and in His feet—"That ye may know that I am the God of Israel, and the God of the whole earth." (In this instance Jesus applies the term "God" to Himself).

Now, according to the testimony of the two nations which have run together as recorded in the Bible and Book of Mormon: Jesus Christ was with the Father in the beginning, and He Christ, created all things.

As to the titles used in referring to Christ by prophets before He was born in the flesh, I refer you to Isaiah 9:6, "And His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace:

The Psalmist says, "The Lord is my Shepherd," and Thomas called Him "My Lord and my God." In Rev. 1:8 He says: "I am Alpha, and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is and which was, and which is to come. the Almighty." He also says in John 17:24 "for thou lovest me before the foundation of the world."

In the Book of Mormon Third Nephi, 8:15 and before the darkness had dispersed I read: "Behold, I am Jesus Christ the Son of God. I created the heavens and the earth, and all things that in them are. I was with the Father from the beginning. I am in the Father, and the Father in me; and in me



hath the Father glorified His name. Those were the words of Jesus during the darkness that prevailed on this land while He was in the tomb. And according to His own words, He created the heavens and the earth, and says: "I was with the Father FROM the beginning." May I ask: Who can gain-say it?

I now refer you to Genesis 1:1, "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." In that case then, Creator is called God, and the preponderance of the evidence is, that Jesus Christ created all things.

In Third Nephi 15:5, Jesus says: "Behold, I am he that gave the law, and I am He who covenanted with my people Israel." This is a plain statement on the part of the Saviour that He gave the law to Moses, and remember that Moses lived long before Jesus was born. Turn to Exodus 20th chapter, verses 1, 2, It says: "And God spake all these words, saying, I am the Lord thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage." I have already quoted from Third Nephi, where Jesus says that it was Him that gave the law—therefore, in Exodus 20th chapter, He is known as the Lord thy God. He gave the law and also it was Him that brought Israel out of Egypt. The scripture is so plain in that matter, that is, if language means what it says.

In our Bible we read so much of the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob and the Holy one of Israel etc. Now let us turn to the Book of Mormon and learn what the other witness has to say. Turn to First Nephi 19:10, it was the "God of Abraham and of Isaac, and the God of Jacob who yielded Himself into the hands of wicked men, and was crucified, buried in a sepulchre," etc. Therefore the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob is latter known by the name of Jesus Christ—it was Him that was nailed to the cross. Yea, the God of Israel, latter known as Jesus Christ was nailed to Calvary's Cross, and while on the cross, He cries to His father in heaven—"Father forgive them, they know not what they do." To me this makes plain the saying of Abinadi in Mosiah 15:1, wherein he says: "I would that ye should understand that God Himself shall come down among the children of men, and shall redeem His people." Jesus Christ is the Redeemer, and in Third Nephi 11:14, "He says 'I am the God of Israel, and the God of the whole earth.'—He

was the Creator of the earth, therefore He is the God of the earth. Isaiah says: "Come let us reason together."

In Mosiah 15:3, 4, I read that He is the Son because of the flesh, thus becoming the Father and the Son, and 'they' which is plural, are one God. Christ is spoken of so much as the Holy One of Israel, and in the Book of Omni, verse 25, the Holy One of Israel is referred to as God.

Let us note again the saying of the Saviour in John 17:5, He says: "And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was." We are taught very plainly, that He ((Jesus Christ)) created this world, are we not? He surely then was with the Father before the world was.

In John 6:62, He says: "What and if ye shall see the Son of Man (Jesus Christ) ascend up where He was before? And in verse 38 of the same chapter, He says: "For I (Jesus Christ) came down from heaven not to do mine own will, but the will of Him (His Father) that sent me." — If I understand aright, the New Testament was translated from the Greek, May I ask, are the Saviour's sayings plain to us, or are they still Greek? In Colosians 1:17, Paul says: "And He (Jesus Christ) is before all things, and by Him (Jesus Christ) all things consist." In the same chapter verse 15 in speaking of Christ, Paul says: "He is the image of the invisible God." I might add that the God of Israel, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob was not always invisible, for according to the testimony of the scripture, He was seen by many of His servants. In Exodus 24th chapter, He was seen on that occasion by 74 persons. I am quoting that which is written.

Now turn to the other witness again (Book of Mormon) and see what is recorded. In Third Nephi 26:5, I read of the holiness which is in Christ, who was before the world began. May I ask, if Christ did not exist before the world was; How could He have been the Creator of the world? Where is the reason of men? Remember that in the Third Book of Nephi 9:15 He says: "I created the heaven and the earth, and all things that in them are." Please: I have quoted the Saviour's words as they are written, and bear in mind all of you who profess faith in the Book of Mormon, that The Church of Jesus Christ teaches that Joseph translated from the plates, by the gift and power of God.

In the Book of Helaman 14:12, the prophet speaks of Jesus Christ, as "the Son of God, the Father of heaven and earth, the Creator of all things from the beginning." My readers, How can we say that He was not with the Father in the beginning? Are we as men, yea mortals, going to allow ourselves to become dictators to the word of God? Surely not. In the Book of Mormon 9:11, it teaches us of the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and of Jacob etc. — And it is the same God who created the heavens and the earth and all things that in them are." Again I ask you to remember the Bible and Book of Mormon informs us that Jesus Christ was the Creator.

In First Nephi 19:10. It is plainly stated that the God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and the God of Jacob would yield Himself into the hands of wicked men and be crucified. In verse 13 of this same chapter, it says: "they shall be scourged because they crucify the God of Israel." I have quoted as it is written. Yea, Him that was hung upon the cross was named Jesus Christ, but with the prophets He was known as the God of Israel, etc. And we must not forget the fact, that while He suffered on the cross, He calls to His Father in heaven—"My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken me? Likewise, did He while on earth pray very much to His Father as recorded by both witnesses—Bible and Book of Mormon.

There is a wonderful instance recorded in Second Nephi 31:14, 15. It reads as follows: "But, behold, my beloved brethren, thus came the voice of the Son unto me, (Nephi) saying: "After ye have repented of your sins, and witnessed unto the Father that ye are willing to keep my commandments, by the baptism of water, and have received the baptism of fire and of the Holy Ghost, and can speak with a new tongue, yea, even with the tongue of angels, and after this should deny me, it would have been better for you that ye had not known me."

"And I heard a voice from the Father, saying: Yea, the words of my Beloved (Son) are true and faithful. He that endureth to the end, the same shall be saved." Readers, take note of this scripture. In this instance, Nephi hears the voice of the Son and also hears the voice of the Father,—This was before the Son was born into the world. Remember readers, Jesus says He was with the Father be-

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## THE GOSPEL NEWS

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## EDITORIAL

Mosiah 1:3,4. And he (Benjamin) also taught them concerning the records which were engraven on the plates of brass, saying: My sons, I would that ye should remember that were it not for these plates, which contained these records and these commandments, we must have suffered in ignorance, even at this present time, not knowing the mysteries of God. Verse 4, For it were not possible that our father, Lehi, could have remembered all these things, to have taught them to his children, except it were for the help of these plates; for he having been taught in the language of the Egyptians therefore he could read these engravings, and teach them to his children, that thereby they could teach them to their children, and so fulfilling the commandments of God, even down to this present time."

May I add or draw your attention to the fact, that Mosiah saw the necessity of them having the commandments of God in 'record form', in order that they might not suffer in ignorance of the mysteries of God. In verse 5, it says: that even our fathers would have dwindled in unbelief, were it not for these things. In verse 2, it says that the sons of Benjamin, which includes Mosiah were taught in all the languages of his (Benjamin's Fathers) that they become men of understanding, and that they might know concerning the prophecies etc. May I ask of what use are the commandments of God to us today if we abide not in them? Elsewhere in these columns, I am presenting an article, and am quoting from the records which have been preserved for us of today, and they declare that Jesus Christ was the Son because of the flesh, and that He was with the Father before the world was. He not only created this world, but from what is written, He created the world's. Let us not only praise God for the preservation of His word, but let us believe His word. Father, Son and Holy Ghost are one God. Even, as our Doctrinal Pamphlet teach us.

Editor

fore the world was—and both the Book of Mormon and Bible declares that the world and all things were created by Jesus Christ, and by Him all things consist—this was all before the virgin birth takes place. Nephi hears the Voice of the personage of the Father, and likewise hears the Voice of the personage of the Son, and these two persons including the Holy Spirit are one God, or as Paul uses the term, the Godhead. To be continued, P. S. In my further writings, I will continue to affirm the position taken by The Church of Jesus Christ, on the status of Father and Son as is recorded in No. 1 Doctrinal Pamphlet on page 5. President Cadman.

## A RELIGIOUS AWAKENING

How numerous are the incidents wherein, habitual church-goers have been moved by the loftiest sentiments and have resolved deep-rooted convictions while listening to an inspired sermon.

Through the medium of an inspired speaker many people have been elevated to such heights, that they were so affected as to personally see the invisible, hear the inaudible and feel the intangible. In short, these people tapped the resources of an area from which all power radiates - The Spirit.

A good man, through whom God channels words of inspiration, can set in motion vibrating spiritual waves that can motivate human vessels to discover the true perspective of the highest moral altitude, with its lofty motives for all mankind. In the blaze of this light from heaven, men lose complete touch with all that is physical. Time, place, and everything of a tangible nature are paled in the face of this penetrating force. Man's spirit becomes alive to the undeniable evidence that the atmosphere about him is charged with that which is Divine. A true minister becomes a vessel of honor in which the Holy Ghost can find free movement in helping to bring about the greatest of miracles - a changed heart or spiritual awakening. People must be fired with a more idealistic way of life.

Apostle Peter, on the greatest single release of spiritual power known in history the day of Pentecost-electrified thousands of struggling, tempted, baffled, and heart-sick people to discover the redeeming love and the eternal truths in the teachings of the very recent crucified Nazarene. Peter proved for all time that God has, does, and shall ever use ordinary men to accomplish that which is most extraordinary; namely, the Creator's

greatest work—the salvation of men's souls.

I have no doubt that of the 3,000 that were converted on that memorable day, many had held to religious reservations before their conversion. Many others had embraced various philosophies and ideologies. Hundreds followed the political and intellectual minds of that day. Hundreds of others were also saturated with materialistic ambitions and desires for pomp and power. There were many who were skeptics, schemers, faithless and filled with pride. In this great mass of individuals confronting Peter, there were many who were sincere in their search for a higher way of life.

Yet, this diverse mixture of many-sided personalities recognized immediately the glorious truths of Peter's words. All these people forgot their many pressing and absorbing interests of life; but yielded to the surging struggles of their spirits, which now had been stirred up to see with crystal clearness, the decision of completely recognizing that—in the ultimate analysis of all things—man does not live by bread alone. At this glorious hour thousands of souls converged in unison on the one issue which was most vital in their lives, "What must we do to be saved?" Imagine their supreme joy when a positive and authoritative answer was unveiled to them in the eternal promises made possible through Jesus Christ's intercession.

In view of all this, we cannot overlook the fact that a soul-saving religion and a spiritual awakening is man's most serious business this side of the veil. How vital it is then for ministers who have been entrusted with the stewardship of men's souls, to so dedicate their lives that God can properly mold them into vessels for his honorable use. We can truly say that until power is a reality in our own lives, we cannot let it flow into the lives of others. There is such a great need for men and women of spiritual stature, to stretch the minds and souls of people everywhere; so that by distending the walls of people's minds, they can be made to see the world's need.

It is also detrimental for church-goers to play casually with the fine emotions, the lofty potentialities of a higher life, and the unusual convictions that motivate the soul. Men and women who are stirred by these extraordinary sentiments should endeavor seriously to translate their Sunday feelings into everyday activities. If we experience a proximity with such

transforming powers and yet fail to give them expression in behavior; it shall be a loss not only to ourselves, but also to those about us, whose lives we can influence for greater good.

..... Bro. P. L. Marinetti

#### NEWS FROM MUNCEY, ONT.

Brother Editor:

On Dec. 11, 1955, Bro. Reno Bologna and Bro. Milantoni officiated at the baptism of our new sister, Tena Elm. It was a very cold day, but nevertheless, Bro. Bologna cleared a spot in the icy water of the Thames River to make enough space to baptize sister Elm. It was a glorious sight to see one more name written in the Lambs Book of Life.

Sister Elm is a young Indian woman who lives on the Muncey Reservation. She has been attending our meetings quite regularly, and on Sunday afternoon she expressed her desire to be baptized and become a member of The Church of Jesus Christ.

On Sunday, Jan. 1st we had a treat for the Indian children. There was a capacity attendance of over one hundred persons present. The meeting was opened at about 7:30 p.m. We had a very pleasant surprise when brother Burgess and Cotellesse walked in. They were on their way home from the Grand River Reservation, where they had spent the weekend with the Lamanites (Indians). No doubt they were very tired from the long trip, but nevertheless they stopped in to give us a helping hand, which was much appreciated.

It does the heart good to see our Elder brothers working and striving side by side to bring the Gospel to the Lamanites. It brings to mind the prophecy of Isaiah wherein he said: "Thus saith the Lord, Behold I will lift up mine hand to the Gentiles, and set my standard to the people: and they shall bring thy sons in their arms, and thy daughters shall be carried upon their shoulders."

Only those who have worked among the Lamanites (Indians) can truly appreciate these words.

Bro. Bologna was in charge of the program. His Sunday School children sang hymns and gave recitations. Some of our visitors contributed to the Program. Then Bro. Bologna gave a talk on the plans and purposes of our mission, and related experiences and expectations. We then passed out gifts to the children. Everyone was in the spirit of the occasion, and we all had a very enjoyable time. Bro. Anthony Gerace. (Good letter brother Gerace, W.H.C.)

#### News From South Dakota

Brother Editor

I'm making my report again from Wakpala and vicinity, of the Christmas we had here at Mrs. Gobes home was wonderful. Saturday night on the 24th we went Carol singing. There was a number of us including myself, and sister Shirley Meeter played the accordian for us. On Christmas Day (Sunday) we had Sunday School and prayer service, and then we had the rest of the things that go on Christmas, and also a feed, and all those that attended went away from here with full stomach. We had a little treat from the Sunday School groups of The Church of Jesus Christ, Amen.

There was some wonderful testimonies given here on Christmas Day. Mr. Henry Three Legs and Mrs. Hilda Tiona had some wonderful dreams or callings into the Gospel.

We're still trying to be faithful unto God by keeping His Commandments and Statutes and Judgements, and we have our prayer meetings, and Sunday School every Sunday, and we call on the Father of Israel through the God of Israel, Amen.

May our Father of Israel through the Lord Jesus Christ watch over and bless you all in our prayer, Amen. Brother Earl F. DeMarrias, Sr.

P. S. May the Lord wonderfully bless our Lamanite people in South Dakota. Editor

#### FAITH VERSUS FEAR

BY BRO. DICK,  
NIGERIA, B.W.A.

Dear Editor:

Hidden in every man there are two powers—Fear and Faith, and these, brought into use, will develop. Both cannot grow together, they are not in agreement with each other, they come from two different families.

#### Where Does Fear Come From?

Fear is the child of an unlawful marriage, our first parents entered into a relationship with the Evil One who was opposed to God and as a result, Fear was born. Read Genesis 3-10 "I was afraid, —I hid myself." That same fear is in every man, it drives him into hiding, it drives him to cover himself. Because of fear, the real man is not seen, his powers are paralyzed, "Mens hearts failing them for fear." Whether we take the heart to be the main organ in the body, or the seat of power in man, it all points to the conclusion: if the heart fails to function, there is no health. Much of the

sickness in the human body is the result of fear.

#### God Attacks Fear

Fear is an enemy. It paralyzes man and hinders God, therefore God attacks it in the Old Testament, the angels of God often come to men, and their first words were: "Fear Not." In the New Testament we find the same thing, when God approached man, He first of all put fear out of action with those glorious words: "FEAR NOT."

Luke 1-13, reads: "Fear not Zacharias—" Luke 1-30 reads: "Fear not, Mary—" When a person full of love and good intentions enters our African Villages, the greatest obstacle he has to contend with, is fear in the hearts of the people. People have exercised their fears to such an extent, that those fears have become increasingly strong and powerful.

However, I have not taken up my pen to magnify FEAR, but rather to tell people that within them is another power which can overcome fear, and that power is FAITH.

#### Where Is Your Faith?

This question is asked by Jesus in Luke 8-25. The disciples were in trouble, fear possessed them, they brought their troubles to Jesus and then THERE WAS A GREAT CALM. Humble under this demonstration of the power of Jesus to calm the restless waves, the question came to them: "WHERE IS YOUR FAITH?" In other words, Jesus was hinting to men that they had faith, but they were not using it.

Every man has faith, whether he uses it or not. Read Romans 12-3. God had dealt to every man the measure of faith. God is calling all men everywhere to exercise their faith—where is your faith? IS it laid aside? Is it buried in the rubbish heap? Has it been swept aside by the waves of adversity? Find out where your faith is, take it up and use it.

Put your faith in God, and that faith will work miracles. Jesus said: "If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth." Mark 9-23.

#### AN UNUSUAL CONSECRATION MILLIONAIRE LEAVE ALL

A millionaire inspired by the sacrificial life of Dr. Albert Schweitzer, the African missionary, is moving his family this month (October) to a disease-ridden jungle village in Haiti. Dr. William Larimer Mellon, Jr., with his wife and four children, will leave behind a fashionable home and swimming pool in New Orleans to take up residence in a remote village in

Haiti where misery and poverty are rife and where malaria and tuberculosis abound. Dr. Mellon intends to devote his life to administering medical care to the natives of Haiti. (The World Challenge)



MOTHER AND SON MEET  
AFTER 35 YEARS

#### My Missionary Trip To Italy

For years I had a great desire to go back to my native land to bring the testimony of the restored Gospel of Jesus Christ to the people there. As I learned of the persecution of the brothers and sisters that have obeyed the Gospel, I felt that I wanted to do my little part in helping them in any way.

In April Conference (1955) I let the Church know of my willingness to go to Italy. The Church then appointed me to go to Italy to try to incorporate the Church there.

On June 16, 1955 at 5:00 p.m. I left N.Y.C. on the Pan American Airways for Rome. After a short stopover at Paris, France, we landed at Rome Airport, at 2 p.m. June 17th. Some of my relatives were waiting for me at the airport. I remained overnite in Rome. I left for my home town, Bugnara, the next day. My mother and relatives came to meet me at a nearby station. It was a happy and joyful occasion to see my mother after 35 years. As she greeted me this picture was taken. We traveled by auto to my home. There a large crowd of relatives and friends had gathered to welcome me.

As the time went by, I began to preach the gospel to relatives, friends and those whom I came in contact. I could see that the people were happy to hear and know more about the Way of Salvation.

I began to write to the different missions in Italy. It was rather difficult to receive answers to my letters due to the fact that some people could not be located and others took a great deal of time in replying. I finally was able to contact some of the Elders.

I went to the American Embassy in Rome. I was received kindly. They gave me needed information on how to go about having the Church recognized in Italy which I appreciated immensely.

I contacted a very fine attorney named, Mr. Giacomo Rosepepe, who began immediately to work on the recognition of our Church.

I began to visit towns and cities where the Saints were located. I enjoyed meeting with them. I taught them many things, especially the Faith and Doctrine of our Church. On one missionary trip, I was accompanied by Bro. Emidio Milano. We had a joyful time holding services among the Saints at different places. We found them happy in the Lord. We were surely welcomed in their midst. They listened with open hearts to the words that were uttered unto them. We felt the blessing of God in administering to them. I remember while we were at Bro. Buonfiglio's home in S. Demetrio Corone, Sister Buonfiglio became very ill one night and I attended the Ordinance to her. She was healed. In returning home we felt that we left the Saints more uplifted. Their strength had been renewed and their hope revived.

I made many trips to Rome to confer with the attorney. I was told by the attorney that a document of the last incorporation of our church was needed. This had to be legalized by the Italian Consul in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I wrote to Bro. R. Biscotti and he contacted Bro. Wm. H. Cadman. Promptly Bro. Cadman sent the necessary papers that were made properly. The attorney commended favorable on their promptness. The Attorney had this paper translated into Italian and legalized. Then they were placed at the Internal Ministry in Rome.

One afternoon in Bugnara I started to talk to a group of women that were sitting in the shade on the roadside. I began to preach to them and I felt a great liberty so that I talked for about 3 hours and as I looked around, about 50 or 60 men and women had gathered to listen. Even then when I stopped talking, some of the people with tears in their eyes asked questions about the Way of Salvation. I felt in sympathy with these poor souls

in their condition, knowing that they were hearing the truth, gladly receiving it, but still with the fear of the persecution that might befall them.

On another occasion, I went to a home one night to preach. There I found that a little 6-year-old girl was burning with fever. The mother asked me to anoint her daughter and as soon as I finished my prayer, the fever left at once. The mother went to the neighbor where there was a young woman who had been in a cast for 9 months due to some rare disease of the bone. She told her experience to her and the whole family asked me to visit with them. While I was preaching the gospel to them, they asked me to anoint her and I did. Some time ago I received a letter from Italy telling me that they removed the cast and that the young woman is walking around. They declare that my prayers were answered.

Before I left Italy, I, with the Attorney, had the privilege to go to the Internal Ministry in Rome to talk with the man who is in charge of all the non-Catholic churches in Italy. He told me that we could preach the Gospel in Italy because there is nothing in the Faith and Doctrine of our Church that interferes with the Italian Government.

When the time drew near for my return to the U.S., I felt satisfied with the work that I was able to do. I ordained four brothers into the Priesthood. I have sown the seeds of the Gospel to many souls. Now I'm praying and waiting on the Lord that they may grow and bring forth good fruit for the honour and glory of GOD.

I feel to praise GOD that while I was in Italy, I had no fear. I felt that I was not alone and the Lord was with me. I knew that the prayers of the Saints were going before GOD continually in my behalf.

There is still work to be done in Italy in order that we might have the Italian Government recognize the Priesthood of our Church there, that they may be able to perform legal work there such as performing marriages. My recommendation to the Church is that we send a good Italian-speaking missionary to instruct and teach the Priesthood, the Faith and Doctrine of our Church, uplift the Saints and preach the Gospel to many that are waiting to hear the truth.

May GOD bless the Saints in Italy and help them.

Bro. A. A. Corrado  
Youngstown, Ohio

NOTE: Brother Furnier would like to obtain a copy each, of the following numbers of the Gospel News from any one that cares to part with them...October 1947, Feb. 1948, December 1947, Ju.y 1949. Address him at 22410 Beechwood Ave. East Detroit, Mich.

**A LETTER FROM  
ELDER T. EKANEM,  
ABAK, NIGERIA,  
B. W. AFRICA**

Dear Brother Cadman:

I have to inform you that all goes well and the works are in smooth progress. If you can pay us a flying visit of three days, you can witness our work, it is more than it was. I hope and pray that, may such progress carry on till the end, Amen. Bro. Cadman we wish you to see that Missionaries should be sent to Nigeria in December 1956.

We are 84 groups of Churches. The 15 Elders we have, work hard towards the progress of the Mission. You know since our people are not yet enlightened by the Gospel, that is by obeying and abiding with the Ordinances of the Gospel, we cannot ordain Elders per Church, so that they may help promote the work. The few Elders we have are to see that they visit each of the Missions in their area, that is, the groups which they are asked by the Conference to look after.

Bro. Dick has also done the work to the best he can do. Since he had license for his Motor, he always visits 5 groups in a day. I beg you to help the four Elders with bicycles so that they may also help to tour the field of our Lord in Africa. I hope to hear from you, thanks. Yours sincerely Bro. T. Ekanem, Secretary.

**GOOD MEETING  
IN WARREN, OHIO**

We would like to share the wonderful meeting we had here in Warren with you all. We had visitors here from Lorain, Ohio and the topic in our morning service was the Parable of the marriage of the Kings son. The subject was introduced by brothers F. Calabrese and F. Altomere. We were all uplifted by their inspiring words. Others spoke on the same subject bringing forth the thought that we might all be clothed with the Marriage Garment.

The afternoon meeting was opened by Bro. F. Giovannone, and the same spirit prevailed in this meeting. We had 100 percent testimony meeting, our members bearing testimony in thankfulness to

the honor and glory of God.

Our day was well spent in the service of God, and we each returned to our homes well fed and satisfied with the spiritual food we received. We were truly thankful for these blessings, and that we were called into this wonderful Gospel. May the Lord continue to bless us. — Sisters Margaret Iorio & Jean Genaro.

**HUTCHISON-ALI NUPTIALS**

Miss Grace Ali the daughter of Brother and Sister Larry Ali, of Mentor Rd. Elizabeth, Pa., and Carl Hutchison the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hutchison of 12370 Memorial Ave, Detroit, Michigan were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony in The Church of Jesus Christ in Glassport, Pa. on December 9 at 7 p.m. by Elder Anthony DiBattista officiating.

The bride was given away by her father, Miss Rita Butcher was maid of honor, and Richard Seifert was best man. Donald Curry, accompanied by Shirley Rish sang "Because" and "I Love You Truly."

A reception at the home of the bride followed the ceremony.

Best wishes to the young couple.

**JAMES G. WARD  
PASSES ON**

James G Ward the youngest son of our late brother John Ward, and Maggie Ward, died very sudden in the evening of December 17th in his 41st year. He leaves to mourn his passing his mother, a brother John, and Betty all of Roscoe, Pa., and his sister Mrs. Sommersville of Port Huron, Mich., and many other relatives.

The services were conducted in The Church of Jesus Christ at Roscoe by Brother W. H. Cadman, while sister Ruth Mountain sang, and Audrey Mellinger presided at the piano. Interment at the Howe Cemetery along side his father. Funeral Director Byron C. Parkins of Roscoe, was in charge of the funeral.

We extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

**MISSIONARY MEETINGS  
AT ROSCOE, PA.**

Presiding Elder George E. Johnson request me to announce that there will be a week of services at the Roscoe Church, beginning March 11th to the 16th inclusive at 7:30 p.m. Brother Johnson wishes all to come that can and help them along. He also informs me that they had a baptism recently in the person of Sister Lillian Walters, the eldest daughter of our late Bro. Isaac Smith. Everybody at-

tend the meetings if possible and help our folks along at Roscoe.

Bro. Cadman

**DETROIT**

Dear Bro. Editor:

The recent visit of you along with bro. and sister Bittinger, to Detroit early this month, was well appreciated, and a great boon to one and all of us. I sincerely hope that you all returned home safely, and are getting along nicely. Hope sister Cadman is feeling fine. We heard that sister Bittinger has been under the weather, and have been earnestly praying that when we hear from her again, she shall have passed the worse, and is feeling well again. You all, along with all bros. and sisters of the Church, have our earnest wish of the Compliments of the season, hoping that the future holds in store for us, all the joys and the blessings, our Heavenly Father intends that we should have in this life, and when this life is over, all the redeemed may enjoy eternal Bliss. I shall now give a brief recapitulation of some of the incidents that transpired in this part of the Vineyard, through the month of December. Saturday night Dec. 3rd., all bros. and sisters, from Detroit and Windsor, were invited to Branch No. 3, to be shown pictures of many scenes taken by bros. W. H. Cadman, and J. Bittinger, on their way to Nigeria, B.W. Africa, and while there. A number of us were ever longing, to see these pictures, and were blessed beyond degree, to see the inspiring work of our brethren. Sunday morning Dec. 4th my wife and I, drove over to Branch No. 2, and spent quite an enjoyable time, with our brothers and sisters there. Sunday night Dec. 4th., a number of bros. and sisters, met in Port Huron Church, at 7:30 p.m. to celebrate the 5th. Anniversary of the Dedication of our Building. Bros. W. H. Cadman, and J. Bittinger were Guest Speakers. Bro. Bittinger spoke from a topic found in the Gospel according to St. John, 14th. Chapter, 1st to 14th., verses and gave us an extremely good talk, bro. Cadman following suit, these bros. gave us such wonderful instructions that no one should ever forget, we all felt wonderfully blessed, I could not stay to the end of the meeting, but before the end of it, bro. Johnson was reinstated in the Church, the following Sunday sister Johnson also was reinstated. The second Sunday of December, Mr. Lloyd Robotham, my wife and I, went to Sarnia, and enjoyed ourselves among the remnant of the seed of Jos-

eph. The 3rd. Sunday, I spent in Branch No. 1. I spoke in the morning on the 3rd. Chapter of Mosiah, 18th. and 19th. verses. A good feeling being experienced in our midst. Bro. Nick Pietrangelo followed, and spoke the wonderful words of life. Between services, I went and visited sister Marietta Ruzzi, I found her quite encouraged, one of the Three Nephites, who should never die, went and visited her recently, when she was quite sick, and very low in spirit and sang with her, Hymn No. 419 (The Stranger By The Sea). This encouraged her greatly, and she was so much blessed, she lost much of her aches and pains. In the afternoon service bro. Concetto Alessandro, opened with Romans 14th. Chapter reading the first 4 verses, and gave a good talk, on the subject of "Us judging one another." This part of the service concluded at 3:15 p.m. and Mr. Benjamin Lawton, the Instructor of our Choir, came in with his wife an another friend. He took charge of the Choir, and a number of Christmas numbers were sung, both by the Choir, and the congregation also joining in, at intervals. At 7:30 p.m., we had the best program, by the children, I have ever witnessed. This past Sunday, December 25th., two car loads from Detroit, went to Sarnia. We had Sunday School from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., A short program, from 2:15 p.m. to 3 p.m. The Branch had sent a treat for 50 children, which was so blessed, that it could really cover a hundred. We had 40, in attendance, and what was left over, could easily treat 60, more, everyone was very appreciative for the treat. We also greatly appreciate the offering, sent to Sarnia, from the sisters, in Pa. May God bless us one and all, and help us to see the Peaceful Reign, so we can live long, to do much good, is the prayer of your bro. in Christ.

Matthew . Miller

#### WHAT I THINK IT MEANS TO BE A CHRISTIAN

I think a Christian should be a humble person. A good Christian should believe in God with all his heart and should follow all the commandments. A Christian must be kind and not to go into worldly things for they are sin. A good Christian should not have any offenses against any brother or sister and should be alight to others. A good Christian should bring

others to church. A good Christian should be a good example at home and wherever he may be. He should tell others of the gospel and bear his testimony to them. A good Christian will settle quarrels and forgive his enemys. A Christian should return what he should not have. A Christian should be able to take mockings from the world and not fly off the handle at every little thing and remarks made against him. That's what I think a Christian should be and do.

By EDDIE NESTER  
Valley Branch, Calif.

#### THE VOICE IN THE WHIRLWIND

Who can bind fast the chains of the Pleiades,  
Or of Orion, loosen the cords?  
Who can lead the Mazzorath in season,  
Or the bear, guide across the fjords?  
Who can hunt for the lion, his prey,  
Satisfying the cubs appetite,  
As they lie in their dens, in their lairs.  
Crouching low, waiting, knowing their might?

When it's young ones cry out to their God,  
Who provides for the raven it's prey?  
When the mountains goats bring forth their young,  
Do you know if it's nighttime or day?  
Then their offspring come forth, as they crouch,  
In the open, grow up, big and strong,  
Then they leave and they never return;  
Who can say it is right, it is wrong?

And the swift ass, who let him free?  
Who has loosened his bonds, as he ran;  
He lives in the salt lands and steppe.  
And scorns all the tumult of man.  
He hears not the shouts of the driver,  
As he ranges the mountains for food,  
Where pastures are green, you will find him,  
In search of all things that are good.  
Who can will the wild oxen to serve him,  
At whose crib will he spend the

long night?

In the furrow, with ropes, can you bend him, can you harness his terrible might?

He has strength, yet, can you ever leave him,

And your labor entrust to his kind Having faith that upon your returning

He will have the grain ready to grind?

Ah! God only can do all these things,

And no purpose of His can be bent,

What my ears heard, my eyes now do see,

And in ashes and dust I repent.  
Catherine Pom

#### 'PETER'S TOMBSTONE FIND STIRS SCHOLARS By ALLEN ROBERTS

By NANA—Special Cable to  
The Press

MILAN, Oct. 8.—Excavations conducted at Grado, a small seaside resort on the Adriatic near the ancient Roman town of Aquileia, 22 miles northwest of Trieste, have revealed a tombstone that has excited both Christian and Jewish theological scholars.

Aquileia was founded in 181 B.C. and connected by canal to the sea at Grado.

The tombstone, which was found lying in a horizontal position (a rare occurrence) bears the following inscription in Latin:

"Here resposes Peter, called Papario, the son of the Jew, Olimpio, who alone of his tribe found his way to the blessing of Jesus and in this hall of holiness is worthily interred. Dated the beginning of July, in the Fourth (year of the Bishop's incumbency of The See)."

The curator of the local museum dates the tombstone from the second half of the Fifth Century.

"Obviously," he declared, "there was a flourishing Jewish community at that period existing at Aquileia and a militant church intent on spreading the Christian faith throughout the Empire."

A mosaic, which enables the tombstone to be dated with some accuracy, shows an urn with floral decoration and intertwining vines with two doves of peace.

Local experts date the original settlement of Jews in Aquileia to the beginning of the Christian era, and in the local museum there is another tombstone believed to date from the First or Second Century.



# THE GOSPEL NEWS

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## EASTER SEASON HERE AGAIN!

He died! The great Redeemer died,  
And Israel's daughters wept around;  
A solemn darkness veiled the sky,  
A sudden trembling shook the ground.

## PRAISES OF TRIUMPH!

Triumphant over all His foes  
Our Great Redeemer, Christ arose;  
And now upon the throne above  
Exalted reigns, where all is love.

Glory to God with angels sing,  
We'll praise His name, our God and King;  
Oh, grave, where is thy victory,  
And say, O death, where is thy sting?

## Lest We Forget (By Sadie B. Cadman)

Springtime of the year always brings gladness to our lives, knowing that the dark winter days will soon be over; so let us remember the last week of our Saviour's stay here, and some dark days. First, He said "I came not to destroy the law but fulfill it." In Zechariah 9th Chap. and 9th verse, these wonderful words were written 487 years before He was born—"Rejoice greatly O daughter of Zion—shout O daughter of Jerusalem: behold thy King cometh unto thee; He is just and having salvation: lowly and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass." This prophecy was completely fulfilled—in St. Luke 19th Chapt. 19 and from 29th verse, (please read). Here also He enters Jerusalem. He weeps over the city and also tells of its destruction.

The next day He returns to Bethany and on His way, curses the barren fig tree, also teaches the twelve many parables (read Mark 11-12 in 13th Chapt). The third day, His disciple inquire about His coming, and what signs there will be. (Luke 21 Chapt.). In the 22nd of Luke, and two days before the feast of the Passover, He tells them of His betrayal. The fifth day He sends two disciples to prepare the feast (Luke 22). The sixth day He eats supper with the twelve and institutes the Lord's supper. Also

washes His disciples feet (John 13-1 to 20), and gives them this commandment, "If I then your Lord and Master have washed your feet: ye also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you." Also in Matthew 26, tells of His prayer and agony in the Garden of Gethsemane, (Luke 22-44,45) says an angel appeared from heaven strengthening Him, also He prayed so earnestly that His sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling on the ground. Then His betrayal by one of His closest friends, (Luke 22) what sorrow this brought Him.

His trial before Pilate, also before the High Priest and Herod, then the prophecy of His to Peter that he would deny Him, fulfilled in Mark 14-66.

During the trial Pilates wife sends word to him: saying "Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of Him." But Pilate was persuaded by the priests and elders and the people to release Barabas and crucify Jesus. And Pilate took water and washed his hands, and the people said: "Let His blood be on us and on our children, Matthew 27 Chapt. As they led Him away to crucify Him, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name and compelled him to bear the cross, carrying it to a place called Golgotha, that is to say a place of a skull. Luke says the place is called Calvary and there they crucified Him and two malefactors, one on the right hand and the other on the left hand. And the soldiers also derided Him saying: "He saved others let Him save Himself if He is the Christ the chosen of God." When He said "I thirst", vinegar was offered Him. He also promised one of those crucified with Him, to be with Him in Paradise. His mother too, was not forgotten. for as He looked on her sad face. He said: "Behold thy son." Then places her in the care of the disciple He loved. John.

Many things happened at this time. The veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; the earth quaked, the rocks rent, and darkness was over all the earth for three hours, and the sun darkened. As He felt alone, He called out to His Father:

"My God, My God why hast thou forsaken me." Also He said: "It is finished."

On the land of America we read of the great destruction—Three days of darkness and signs showing the fulfillment of the prophecies given to the people here on this land. Read Third Nephi in the Book of Mormon—How can we forget this time of the year, when we have such memories of our dear Saviour's suffering and death to redeem a lost world, as in Zechariah 9th Chapter, verse 9. He is just and having salvation. How can we forget Calvary?

It was outside the city wall,  
That Roman Soldiers crucified  
Whom Pilate dared condemn.  
But from the suffering Nazarene

No word of murmur came,  
Patience appeared, through keenest wrong.

An dignity through shame.

Only this kind and earnest plea,  
Their malice from Him drew  
Father I pray forgive them now,  
They know not what they do.

Author unknown.

As evening neared, Joseph, a rich man begged the body of Jesus and laid it in his new tomb, where no one yet had lain. And they took it down and wrapped it in linen. The chief priests desired the sepulchre to be made sure, so a big stone was rolled against it and a guard stationed near-by, for they remembered His words after three days I will rise again.

TO be concluded in next issue.

## THE FATHER & SON

(continued)

By W. H. Cadman

Jesus Christ prayed much while on the earth to His Father in heaven, asking Him to make His disciples one, even as He and His Father are ONE. Surely, man is not so ignorant as to believe that Jesus expected His Father to make His followers all one person, but the word of God does abound with sufficient that we might know that the Lord does require of His children that they be one in SPIRIT, MIND and in PURPOSE. There is no one that can successfully contradict that principle from the word of God. And the Apostle Peter in his Second Epistle, 1:20 says "Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation." The disciples

were in one accord at the time of Pentecost. It is said "that in unity we stand, divided we fall" - - - that saying is as applicable to The Church of Jesus Christ, as well as to any other Institution, and I will add, that it is more so, for to be in oneness in the things of God—is a necessity to Eternal Salvation, to be divided means the opposite.

Thus far I have quoted the word of God as it is written. I have drawn your attention to the fact, that the name 'Jesus Christ' is not used in the Old Testament of our Bible, but it is frequently used in what might be called the Old Testament of the Book of Mormon. One may suppose that the name 'Jesus Christ' was known among the prophets of the Bible, but it is not recorded therein, but He is plainly referred to by other terms, such as are found in Isaiah 9:6, and in this verse He is referred to as the Mighty God, Prince of Peace etc. An undoubtedly David's Shepherd has reference to the Christ of the New Testament. The seed of the woman that shall bruise the serpents head, Genesis 3:15 is universally applied to Christ,—Him who said, "All power is given me in heaven and in earth," Matthew 28:18.

It is said by the learned, that in Genesis I, the Hebrew name which is translated 'God' is Elohim in the Hebrew language, and Elohim is a uni-plural name, such as Church, Family, etc. Please bear in mind that the world was created by Jesus Christ—the preponderance of the evidence, as far as is written in the New Testament and the Book of Mormon, is sufficient in that matter.

Elohim, being a uni-plural name, may be used even, as the term Church, which is one, but is composed of a number of persons. A family is one, but has more than one member—and surely the same thought is conveyed in Genesis 1:26. "And God said, Let US make man in our own image, after our likeness." Here the plural is used three times US-OUR-OUR, (this language should not be overlooked) In Genesis 3:22, "And the Lord God said, Behold, the man is become as one of US, to know good and evil etc. May I ask, if US is not Jesus Christ and the Father, Who are 'US?' Pray, answer me? There are certainly at least two persons involved in the term US, if not how can it be explained I, president Cadman want to be fair, and I want to abide by what

is written if possible. Remember, my readers, Jesus Christ was the Creator, if not, neither Bible nor Book of Mormon is reliable. And bear in mind it is written that He created man in His own likeness, and image. Do we mean to contend in the face of what is written, that He did not have a likeness, nor an IMAGE? If so, who then are 'we' in the likeness and image of? If Jesus was not with the Father in the beginning, or before the world was, as He says He was what explanation is there for the scripture which I have quoted?—And again, in Genesis 11:6, "And the Lord said: Behold the people are one" etc. May I ask again, who was the Lord speaking to? And then in verse 7 says "Go to, let 'us go down, and there confound their language." You can read the story for your selves, But I persist in asking questions, Who was the Lord speaking to? when He says: "Let us go down". A reasonable question is it not? I do not want to be unreasonable.

Let us turn again to the Book of Mormon, yea, the other witness. In the book of Ether therein, and beginning on page 426 in the Edition of the 'Book of Mormon' published by The Church of Jesus Christ; it gives an account of a people dating back to the event which causes the Lord to confound the language of the people. The experience of the brother of Jared was had about 2200 B.C.—a long time ago. In the Book of Ether 3:17, Moroni says: "therefore it sufficeth me to say that Jesus showed Himself unto this man (brother of Jared) in the spirit, even after the same manner and in the likeness of the same body, even as He (Jesus) showed Himself unto the Nephites."—Moroni doesn't say that He appears to the Nephites in the 'same body', but in the likeness of it. Can my readers dispute the plain word?

In Third Nephi 11:7 the voice from Heaven says: "Behold my Beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased, in whom I have glorified my name—hear ye Him." The voice is the voice of no one but the Father, for He introduces Jesus Christ as His Son. And, as the multitude looks heavenward, they behold a man descending, who, in verse 10, introduces Himself as Jesus Christ. In verse 11 the Son says: I have suffered the will of the Father in all things from the beginning." These plain statements show that two persons are involved can it be gained said?

In Third Nephi 19:23 Jesus prays

to His Father in behalf of His disciples, and for all those "who believe on their words, that they may believe in me, that I may be in them (the disciples) as thou, Father, art in me, that we may be one." (I have already quoted the Saviour as saying that "He is in the Father and the Father is in Him." Even likewise should His followers be in Him." We are taught to abide in Him. Surely the intelligence of man will not permit him to believe, that the Father Son, and the disciples are all one person. Where is our reason? This whole chapter is much taken up with Jesus while here on earth, praying to His Father who is in heaven.

If we will turn to Third Nephi 11:25, the disciples are authorized to baptize in the "name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost amen, and in verse 27, it says, "That the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost are one: and I am in the Father, and the Father in me, and the Father and I are one." We must not forget that in the New Testament and in the Book of Mormon, the Son prays to His Father in heaven to make His disciples one, even as He and the Father are one.—May we take counsel from the prophet Isaiah wherein he says: "Come let us reason together." Surely if we are bearing the image and the likeness of Jesus Christ the Creator, we will not interpret the prayers of our Saviour to mean that the many disciples spoken of in both Bible and Book of Mormon, for whom Jesus prayed, were to become one person. May I ask: Are servants of God?—Should we not be wise as serpents, and harmless as doves? Is it not plain, that while the Son is called God, the Father is also called God? and including the Holy Ghost, the three are one God? Yea even His followers are one Church, one family and though they are many members, they should be ONE in SPIRIT, and one in the PURPOSES of God. Is there anymore mystery in this, than there is in a man and woman becoming one in marriage? Is it mysterious that men and women who are born of different nations and races of people on any part of the Globe, yet when joined together in wedlock, they are no longer twain, but one? God has so decreed that they are one flesh and blood, and their offspring with them, and matterless how many children, they are one family. Likewise the Church is composed of many members, yet Jesus prayed that they become

ONE, even as Him and His Father are one, and not two God's as reproachfully uttered by some mortals.

I now draw your attention to our Articles of Faith in first and second paragraph on page No. 5 of No. 1 Faith and Doctrine Pamphlet of the Church of Jesus Christ. These articles are also recorded in the 'Ensign' published in the year of 1863, republished in our pamphlet in 1897, also again in our present Pamphlet printed in 1948. It is evident that we have not had any inclination to hide our faith on this question. I will say, that judging from what is written in the Bible and Book of Mormon, a better and more consistent article cannot be written or framed by mortal men as we are here in 1956, than that which our brethren caused to be written in the Ensign in 1863, even though they were men who earned their bread with pick and shovel, in the bowels of the earth and did not have much chance of learning, as we of the present day have. They show in the article referred to, that the Father is Eternal, and that the Son was WITH the Father before the foundation of the world, and that He is the express image of the Father, and that He (Christ) created all things both in heaven and in earth. And He (Christ) is before all things." All members of The Church of Jesus Christ should give God praise, that we had brethren away back yonder, near now 100 years ago, who abided by the word of God as it is written, on so important a question, as the status of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost being one God. They abided by what is written in the Bible and Book of Mormon. It is not for any mortal to say, as to what kind of a body the Son abided in—it should be sufficient to read that He was in the express image of His Father, and was with Him in the beginning, and He was as I might express it: robed with GLORY that He was NOT robed with when He prayed to His Father in John 17:5.

In speaking or referring to Jesus Christ in Heb. 1:9, it says: "Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity, therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows." — May I ask, (not that I expect my question to be answered by any mortal being) But who was or where was His FELLOWS? They must of been some where. I will add that I have at least four versions of the New

Testament, besides King James, and they are all in harmony in translating Heb. 1:9. I ask all who may read this article that I am writing, to turn to Proverbs 8th chapter, and begin to read at verse 22 and on to the end of the chapter, and then ask yourself the question: Who is the writer referring to? if he is not referring to Jesus Christ, the Son of God—If it is not Him whom we have learned to know as the Saviour of the world; Who can it possibly be? You know it would seem as though Job thought he knew much, but the Lord seemed to stagger him when He says to him: "Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth: declare if thou hast understanding. Read Job 38th Chapter. When Job makes attempts to answer the Lord as found in chapter 42:6 he says: "Wherefore I abhor MYSELF, and repent in dust and ashes." Remember all MORTALS, that Jesus Christ was with the Father before the foundation of the world, and to any one that doubts it: I ask you: where were you, "When the morning stars sang together, and all the Sons of God shouted for joy? — yea Jesus says, "I was with the Father from the beginning." May I ask, where was you?

In Rev. 1:8, He says: "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was to come, the Almighty." Again in Rev. 22: "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and end, the first and the last."

The scripture says: "Deuteronomy 29:29, "The secret things belong unto the Lord our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law."

The Book of Revelation, is "The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to show unto His servants things which must shortly come to pass; and He signified it by His angel unto His servant John."

I understand from this scripture that the Book of Revelation is the Revelation of Jesus Christ to His servant John, and it certainly reveals that Jesus Christ was in the beginning, if not, then language does not mean what it says.

The remainder of my writings might be more in the form of an appeal, that we might follow the same path of the servants of God as of old—preach and prove that Jesus Christ is the Son of God,

and command all men to repent and obey the Gospel. I have drawn your attention to the scripture which says: "The secret things belong unto the Lord our God: but these things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we do all the words of this law."

These words were spoken direct to the Children of Israel, and thus far they have reaped what they have sowed. They departed from what God had revealed unto them, and they nailed their Messiah to the Cross, even as had been revealed to them, and for their transgressions, they have reaped a Bitter Harvest for many seasons, and their harvest of sorrow is not yet over. May I add: Let us as Gentiles profit by their experience. Remember all ye Gentiles who have accepted that which was revealed to Israel as the word of God, and especially you who profess the Book of Mormon to be the word of God as revealed in these last days. For if Israel did not escape the wrath of God for not abiding by what was revealed to them, How shall we escape (Saints or Sinners). If we abide not in what has been revealed in and through the Restoration of the Gospel to us Gentiles? Let all bear in mind that the same cause will produce the same effects—transgression of His revealed will, shall bring His wrath down upon us. Obedience will bring His good pleasure towards us. The Apostle warns us as follows: Romans 11:21, "For if God spared not the natural Branches, take heed lest He also spare not thee." —us Gentiles.

#### NEWS FROM NORTH CAROLINA

Dear Brother Editor,

Here are a few lines to let you know how we are fairing in North Carolina. First of all I must say we miss being among the Brothers and Sisters of the Church, but we are glad to be here where we have made many friends among the Indian people. We have visited among them frequently and attended their singing convention which was held at the Yellow Hill Baptist Church. We enjoyed hearing many songs of faith, but rejoiced most of all when we heard an aged Indian man sing "Amazing Grace" in Cherokee. How much more those words must have meant to him in his native tongue, for the tears streamed freely down his cheeks as he rejoiced in them, yet the quality of the melody re-

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## THE GOSPEL NEWS

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## Editorial

BALTIMORE, Jan., 29—(AP)—“Fire erupted in a ventilating duct in a hall south of Baltimore tonight and brought death to at least 11 persons and injuries to some 2,000 as a crowd of about 1,000 trampled and mauled each other in panic.

The blaze broke out at 5:15 p. m. just 45 minutes before an ‘oyster roast’ was supposed to end. A spokesman for St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, which sponsored the event, said 1,200 tickets had been sold.” end of quote.

The day called Sunday, is the day almost universally acknowledged by the Christian world as the Sabbath Day, and we are certainly taught, even from the beginning, to keep the Sabbath Day holy. In the kingdom of Israel, the transgression of the Sabbath brought down the displeasure of God upon that people, even though they were His chosen people, and, the Apple of His eye.

The Church as established by our Saviour, is the institution on the earth for the promulgation of the “Will of God to be done among the inhabitants there-of.

The sponsoring of an event on the Sabbath Day of the kind in question, should be the remotest thought of any Church on the earth, much less the Church which claims the true succession from the days of the wonderful man, known as the Apostle Peter. It is the duty of the Church not only to teach the will of God, but to observe God's will its self. In this case, we find a church which has much dominion throughout the whole world, breaking the law of the Sabbath, which has brought death and suffering to many poor souls, who are being thus led. We are told that 1200 tickets were sold a purely commercial affair, the Church transgressing the law of God. It is the Apostle Paul that says: “For the love of money is the root of all evil: which, while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. But thou, O man of God,

flee these things; and follow after love, patience, meekness. Fight righteousness Godliness, faith the good fight of faith etc.” The Saviour says, “the tree is known by its fruit.”

Editor

remained undisturbed. It reminded me of some of our old foreign Brothers and Sisters, how they rejoice to sing in their native tongue.

While Brother Nick and Sister Margaret Iorio were down here visiting in January, we took a tour of the Indian school in Cherokee where we saw pupils engaged in learning arts and crafts. Brother Nick was quite impressed with the art of basket weaving since he is a basket-maker. Here he demonstrated a tool that he uses to shave down the willows for his baskets. Mrs. Lottie Stamper the Indian instructor for weaving, was immediately interested in the shaver. She said she had been teaching the art at the school for 16 years and had never known any other method than shaving the material with a pen knife. She wanted to know where she could get one and how much it would cost. We promised to make her a couple for the classroom (so far I have completed one. The amount of work produced in a half hour with the shaver, would equal a whole days work or more by the old method. Not only do we wish to impart the Restored Gospel to these people, but also any knowledge and understanding that may benefit them in their livelihood.

It is raining quite frequently now and the roads are becoming more impassable. When we visit DeWitt Owle's place we leave the car near the main road and walk up to the house. Even the road we live on has become quite bad in a couple of places. Nevertheless, we have learned not let it bother us too much. We are satisfied in being here and hope to be of some value in spreading this Gospel. Some later time I shall write the experiences and events which prompted us to move to North Carolina. We have much to be thankful for, and sometime wonder at the changes and turn of events that happen in our lifetime that we least expected not too long ago.

We are all well and only ask that we might be remembered in the prayers of the Saints, and I thank you Brother Will for your letter of encouragement to us.

May God Bless You,  
Brother Jonathan Molinatto

STORY OF RUTH  
A THEME

Prepared by Melvin Mountain  
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Pennsylvania

“Both the Bible, and all the books that take after the Bible, are full of fine stories of love. The love of the mother of her child. The love of the lover for her he loves. The love of the brother for his sister. The love of Christ for His own and for all men. But neither in the Bible, nor anywhere else is there such a story of love as the love of Ruth for Naomi; the mother-in-law of Ruth.”

“This is the world's oldest and most inspiring love story. This is a story of a noble, steadfast woman which finds fulfillment in an alien land. Ruth had forsaken wealth and luxury, home and country to befriend her mother-in-law Naomi and to journey with her to Israel, her homeland. Ruth's sacrifice was as courageous as it was noble, for she was a Moabite, and Moab was Israel's bitterest enemy. If Ruth had told the people of Bethlehem how she had foresworn her heathen ways to marry an Israelite, how her beloved husband, Mahlon, had opened her heart to God, and how she had chosen to go with Naomi out of Moab, they might have been kind. Boaz finds her gleaning in his field. She looks of great beauty. They later marry and she gives him a son. The story of Ruth is a great Bible story and has unforgettable characters.” (These two paragraphs are taken from, The Song of Ruth, Bible Characters of the Old Testament).

The story of Ruth begins when there was a time of famine in Bethlehem and a man and his wife and their two sons decided to leave their native countryside and to live in the land of Moab. The Moabites were Israelite's greatest enemy. This man was called Elimelech, the wife was Naomi, and the two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. As they settle down to live in the Land of Moab, the husband of Naomi, Elimelech, dies and she is left to take care of her two sons who have taken for their wives two Moabite women by the names of Ruth and Orpah. The two sons, their mother and their wives, dwelleth in this land for about ten years, and then tragedy hits the family again. Mahlon and Chilion died.

Naomi, broken-hearted, decided to return to Judah and her own people, where she heard the Lord had visited and blessed His people. Naomi and her two daughters-in-law prepared to leave and

return to Judah and her people; calling her two daughters-in-law together, she told them they must return to their families, because there would be no welcome for Moabite women in the land of Judah because of their disputes between countries. Naomi praises the girls for their loyalty to her and her sons. The girls plead with Naomi to leave them return with her. She says no, and with tears running down her face, Orpha kisses Naomi and returns to her home. But Ruth will not leave and tells Naomi she is going to stay and return with her. Ruth says: "Whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge; and thy people shall be my people, and thy God my GOD: where thou diest, I will die; and there will I be buried: the Lord do so to me, and more also, if aught but death part thee and me." (Ruth 1:16,17)

Naomi seeing Ruth has made her mind up to go with her, agrees and together leave for Bethlehem. Ruth's desire to follow Naomi was to help her and to make life easier for her, to work for her and to share her life. When Ruth and Naomi enter Bethlehem, the people all stare with awe. They wonder at the returning of Naomi empty handed and Naomi says, "Call me Mara; for the Almighty hath dealt very bitterly with me. I went out full and the Lord hath brought me home again empty." (Ruth 1:20,21).

It was now the beginning of the harvest season of barley, so Ruth set out to find work in order to support the old woman. Naomi had a kinsman of her husband, whose name is Boaz. - Boaz was a man of great wealth. Ruth tells Naomi she is going to work as a reaper in the fields during the harvest. She came to the house of Boaz and there she finds work in the field. One day, Boaz returned from Bethlehem to see the progress of which has been done in his fields. He asks the servant who is over the reapers of the young girls name, who is working in his field. The servant replies that she is the daughter-in-law of Naomi. Knowing that she is a stranger, Boaz asks of what country she has come. The servant replies that she is from Moab. Ruth then speaks and says, "I pray you, let me glean and gather after the reapers among the sheaves." (Ruth 2:7; Then Boaz said unto Ruth, "Hearkest thou not, my daughter; Go not to glean in another field, neither go from hence, but abide here fast by my maidens: Let thine eyes

be on the field that they do reap, and go thou after them: have I not charged the young men that they shall not touch thee? and when thou art athirst, go unto the vessels, and drink of that which the young men have drawn". (Ruth 3:8,9). He spoke with kindness because she was a stranger in Judah and invites her to come and eat and drink with his people. Ruth fell on her face, and bows herself to the ground. Ruth asks why he has been so kind to her because she is just another servant and Boaz replied, "It hath fully been shewed me, all that thou hast done unto thy mother-in-law since the death of thine husband: and how thou hast left thy father and thy mother, and the land of thy nativity, and come unto a people which thou knewest not heretofore. The Lord recompense thy work, and a full reward be given thee of the Lord thy God of Israel under whose wings thou art come to trust." (Ruth 2:11,12) Boaz then commands his servants, saying, "Let her glean among the sheaves, and reproach her not." (Ruth 2:15) He also commands his servant to give her some barley in which she is to return to Naomi with. Taking the barley, she leaves for the city and the home of her mother-in-law. Naomi asks Ruth where she had worked or gleaned that day and Ruth replied at the house of Boaz. "And Naomi said unto her daughter-in-law, Blessed be the Lord, who hath not left off his kindness to the living and to the dead. And Naomi said unto her, the man is near kin unto us, one of our next kinsman." (Ruth 2:20) So Ruth dwelt with her mother-in-law until the end of the barley and wheat harvest.

Naomi then tells Ruth that Boaz would be winnowing the barley that night. To winnow grain is to separate the grain from the chaff. Ruth then washes and dresses to return to the house of Boaz as a handmaiden. "And she went down unto the floor, and did according to all that her mother-in-law bade her." (Ruth 3:6) Ruth then waited until Boaz had eaten and drank and lie down to sleep, she enters, and Boaz who is startled says, "Who art thou? And she answered, I am Ruth thine handmaid: spread therefore thy skirt over thine handmaid; for thou art a near kinsman. (Ruth 3:9) Boaz then replies that there is a nearer kinsman and by rights she is his. He tells her to lie down and to sleep until morning and then return to Naomi.

The following day Boaz goes to the gate of Bethlehem where all the business of the people is taken up and seeks the near kinsman. Finding him, Boaz asked if he will buy the land and possessions of their kinsman Elimelech. "And the kinsman said, I cannot redeem it for myself, least I mar mine own inheritance; redeem thou my right to thyself; for I cannot redeem it." (Ruth 4:6) So Boaz buys the inheritance and tells of how he is going to take Ruth of Moab for his wife. So Boaz took Ruth and she was his wife; and he went in unto her. The Lord gave unto her conception, and she bare a son, (Ruth 4:14) The child which was called Obed was taken and nursed by Naomi the mother-in-law of Ruth. He was the father of Jesse, who became the father of David.

By Melvin Mountain

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#### SIRS, WE WOULD SEE JESUS

Dear Editor:

I have chosen this subject because I don't know any other man that I would rather speak about, than Jesus. One artist has painted us a picture like this - there appeared in these days a man of great virtue, named Jesus who is yet living among us, and of the Gentiles is accepted as a Prophet of Truth, and His disciples call him the Son of God. He raiseth the dead and cureth all manner of diseases, a man of stature, somewhat fair and comely with a very fair countenance expressing both love and fear, His hair is of the color of a chestnut full ripe, plain to the ears whence downward it is more oriental, in the middle of His head is a seam after the manner of the Nazarites. His face without spot or wrinkle. His look innocent and natural. His eyes clear and quick, in reproving, He is terrible, in admonishing courteous and fair spoken. It cannot be remembered any has seen Him laugh, but many has seen Him weep. In living, very temperate modest and wise.

I want to write a series on the Life of Jesus, and the influence of

His life - beginning at His birth. He was born as no other man was born, because He was born of the Holy Ghost. He lived like no other man lived, for He was full of the Holy Ghost. John says the spirit was not given unto Him by measure, it is measured unto other men according to their faith and diligence. He died like others died. He was full of love and compassion to the end. Living He loved me, dying He saved me, buried He carried my sins with Him, rising He justified freely forever. One day He is coming - Ho glorious day - it has been revealed that he is going to come. Heb 1-1. God who at sundry times and divers manners spoke unto the Fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son. Zacharias being the eighth of the 24 courses established by David. (First Chron. 24-10) and in the order of his course, his lot was to burn incense.

He saw an angel, his name was Gabriel. This is the same angel that Daniel saw and revealed unto him when the Messiah would come. He said Elizabeth should bear a son and his name should be called John, as a deliverer was looked for, - barrenness was a reproach in Israel, and to become a mother was a blessing, it might be the mother of the Messiah, but this boy was to be the forerunner of Jesus, for God had looked on another woman who should bring forth a son and the angel said his name shall be called Jesus. The royal blood ran through her veins and the gifted king David was her ancestor. Two tables of genealogy have been preserved, one by Matthew and one by Luke, it is noticed that both trace their descent of Joseph rather than Mary but Mary was the daughter of Jacob and was the first cousin of Joseph, so the table of his name in genealogy is a table of Marys. These two tables sometimes misleads, as Matthew says, he was the son of Jacob. Luke says he was the son Heli. Jacob and Heli might be the sons of Matthau who was the grandfather to Joseph and Mary. Paul speaks of Him as the son of David. The blind cries out, Ho, thou son of David have mercy on me. Mary was residing in Nazareth. Historians describe her as a quiet woman, looking for the salvation of her nation. Six months after the angel Gabriel visited Elizabeth, he revealed himself to Mary. Hail Highly favoured, the Lord is with you and blessed art thou among women. Troubled at such

an announcement, the angel said fear not Mary thou hast found favour with God, thou shalt bear a son and thou shalt call his name Jesus and He shall be great and shall be called the son of the Highest and the Lord God shall give Him the throne of His Father David and of His kingdom there shall be no end. Joshua was a common name at that time, Joshua means Jesus and both mean a Saviour, for He shall save His people from their sins. The angel told Mary of Elizabeth and this is the sixth month to her that was called barren. Mary was devout as she was modest.

Behold thy servant, let it be to me according to thy word, and Mary by inspiration sang that wonderful song, - My soul doth magnify the Lord. Mary stayed with Elizabeth three months until just before the birth of John. After the birth of John, the child was taken to the temple on the eighth day. The angel had told Zacharias his name was to be John, and the mother said his name was John. Immediately Zacharias's mouth was opened and was able to speak. He broke forth in song.

Blessed is the Lord, the God of Israel, because He has visited and redeemed His people and raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of David His servant, as He said by the mouth of all the Holy prophets, and you my child shall be called the prophet of the Most High for you shall go before the face of the Lord to prepare His way.

What a wonderful Commission, to go before the Lord. Jesus speaking of John said, of all men that were born of women, there is none greater than John.

To prove that John was born of the flesh, he at one time doubted that Jesus was the Son of God, when He said: go ask Him if He is the Christ or shall we look for another. John the beloved makes a difference when he wrote about Jesus, born not of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God, and the world was made flesh and dwelt among us.

(To Be Continued)

Brother James Heaps.

#### MRS. MARY FERRARO PASSES ON

Sister Mary Ferraro, the beloved wife of Bro. James Ferraro died on January 16th in the Memorial Hospital of Monongahela, Pa. She was born in Italy in the year of 1887. She was married to James Ferraro in 1908, and in 1910 they immigrated to the U. S. A., and

for many years they have made their home in Monongahela.

To mourn her passing, she leaves her husband, two sons, Harry of New Eagle, Pa., and Patsy of Monongahela, two daughters, Mrs. Basil Sarver of Monongahela, and Sister Elizabeth Wooley of Youngtown, Ohio, and nine grandchildren also one brother of Pittsburgh, Pa., and lots of friends.

Sister Ferraro along with her husband was baptized into the Church in July of 1925, and she has been very faithful all these years, though on account of ill health, has not been able to attend services regular this last few years.

She was laid away to rest from the Campana Funeral Home in Monongahela on January 19th, Bro. W. H. Cadman officiating, while sisters Grace Landrey, Ethel Crosier, June Tucker and Patricia Seighman sang. Interment took place in the Monongahela Cemetery.

P. S. It was a very stormy day to have to lay our sister away, but in the midst of the bad weather, I walked away from her resting place, feeling that her soul had gone to rest in the paradise of God.  
Bro. Cadman

#### WAKPALA, SOUTH DAKOTA

Dear Editor:

On this, Our Lord's Holy Sabbath Day, we had the Sunday School and our prayer meeting at the home of Grandma Reel, requested by Mrs. Hilda Tiona, one of Grand Ma Reel's daughters.

We had a wonderful prayer meeting, at first there were a few and we thought that was all that were coming, but before we knew it, we had a packed house. The Sunday previous, we had our prayer meeting at Mr. Henry Three Legs home, and we had a wonderful day. Sister Eileen Howard was restored back into the Church of Jesus Christ, Amen. She received the Lord's supper with us.

At each and every one of our prayer meetings we feel the presence of our God of Israel in our midst, and we had some wonderful testimonies so far, and even our little Sunday School children get up and give a testimony. After Christmas, we changed our song services to prayer meetings, now we have prayer meetings also on Wednesday evening.

We the Lamanites here in Wakpala, S. D. have lots to be thankful for; we know that God, our mighty and wonderful Father of



Israel, Amen, with His all seeing eye is watching over us and in His tender and merciful goodness, is turning away all storms, winds and tornado's from us, and they are going all around us.

It's wonderful to give our lives to our God of Israel, Amen. To mold our lives this way as sister DeMarrias and I have always said — "His way is the best way."

We thank you ever so much for the box of clothing. We took what was needed, and shared the rest with sister Shirley and to three others. This is my report from this part of Our Lord's Vineyard, among my people the Lamanities. May our Father of Israel watch over and bless our brothers and sisters over there is our prayer.

Your Bro. in Christ,  
Earl F. DeMarrias, Sr.

#### NEWS FROM WINDSOR, ONT.

Dear Editor:

A few lines to share the day of rejoicing on Jan. 29, 1956 here in Windsor, Ont., in the morning, and at Branch No. 4 in Detroit in the afternoon.

While we have five Elders in Windsor, this particular week-end, one had gone to Sudbury, Ont., another went to Grand River on the work of the Lord, one was sick in bed, and one afflicted to such an extent, as to make it laborious to talk, so it left me much alone. Realizing the condition when retiring on Saturday night, I petitioned the Lord that He might inspire some one to visit our branch. I arose on Sunday morning with a desire to fast, that the Lord would bless us in whatsoever manner He saw fit.

As we were closing Sunday School Bros. Joseph Calabrese from Lorain, Ohio and Frank Vitto from Branch No. 4 of Detroit walked in. When I saw them, the feeling that possessed me was, that if ever men appeared as angels, it was these two brothers.

Bro. Vitto opened our meeting, his text was Second Kings 2:1,14, and from the time he opened his mouth till he sat down, we feasted on heavenly manna. Or as Oliver Cowdery wrote, "It was like apples of gold in baskets of silver." The same spirit prevailed while Bro. Calabrese followed in speaking about the Hymn, "What a friend we have in Jesus." While he was concluding his talk, I felt prompted to announce hymn, "Know then that every soul is free, to choose his life and what he'll be, For this eternal truth

is given, That God will force no man to heaven." Before we had sung one verse, about all the congregation was unable to sing, because of the Spirit, and blessings of God. After closing the meeting, my daughter Gail, asked to be baptized, then Martha Cuomo also asked for baptism.

We decided to go to Branch No. 4 in Detroit for the afternoon meeting, and baptize over there. The meeting was opened and after a short talk in the way of testimony by myself, we made ready to take our two young people to the water. While getting ready, another young man, Pat O. Callaghan ask to be baptized. After confirming our new brother and two sisters, a young brother from Windsor, Frank Cole ask to be reinstated in the Church.

After attending to this by the laying on of hands, Maria Bologna, Virginia, Morely from Detroit No. 2 Branch, La Vern Garlow of Windsor, arose and ask to be baptized. While some returned to the river to carry out this request, others remained at the church to enjoy the testimony of the saints, and a general revival was enjoyed. Truly we could sing "The Spirit of God like a fire is burning, The Latter day glory begins to come forth before our meeting was dismissed, the hands of the clock said 6:30 p.m.

It seemed as if the request that Elisha made of Elijah was granted the saints in a double portion of the Spirit of God descending upon them this day. May God continue to inspire the chosen vessels of the Lord, in bringing forth the truth, to the convincing of the sinner of the error of his ways.

May God bless each of us in our service and obedience to the commands of the Lord. Bro. Joseph Collison.

Take Note: A short time ago I received a very nice offering through the mail from someone. (no name given) I want you to know that I forwarded it to Sister Converse as requested, and I received a letter from her a few days ago. You all remember of course that brother and sister Converse lost their home and all they had in a fire a few months ago. Well, they are having a rough time living in a tent until they can do better up in the mountains of Idaho, where brother Costa and myself visited them some years ago. She would like me to make another trip through their way. I would like to I am sure. She wants all to know that she is very

grateful to you all for your thoughtfulness of them, and may God bless them. She says, or speaks of the Nez Perce Indians being very good to them in their unfortunate circumstances. Jesus says that he gives a cup of cold water shall not lose his reward. WHC.

#### TESTIMONY OF A CONVERTED JEWESS

Brother Editor:

I know that I have received many blessing by reading some of the wonderful experiences in the Gospel News, therefor I thought I too, would like to write and tell my brothers and sisters in Christ some of the wonderful things that He has done for me and my family.

I was a young woman of twenty when I met this Gospel. My parents were Orthodox Jews. They taught me not to believe in Jesus. My mother was very bitter against Jesus, calling Him names that were very uncomplimentary. My dad mentioned that he was a good man, but never inspired any love in our hearts for Christ. As a child I used to think that the Gentiles were rather stupid for their beliefs, and I also thought as I looked at the pictures of Christ in some of the Catholic homes, that whoever had the idea of making up these pictures, really had a good racket for making money. One day while in a Gentile home, I happened to touch a New Testament. If I had touched a snake, I couldn't have felt any worse. I ran all the way home to wash my hands. I felt as if it were a terrible sin.

When I met up with this Gospel I was told about the wonderful miracles in the Church. To me they seemed fantastic. I was told about Christ—this man whom I didn't particularly care for. I just felt it wasn't possible for me to accept Jesus as the Son of God. As time went on I fought it. Then I got to thinking that perhaps there was some truth in this story, because for almost 2000 years the Name of Christ had not been dimmed. Many people have been killed but their names have never lived like this one. When I was handed a New Testament I thought I would try reading it and if there was any truth to this, I wanted to know. A few months later I received the following dream. I dreamed the Lord appeared to me, He was clothed in snow-white flowing robes. Whether His feet were bare or not I cannot say for sure. Although it seemed that way to me. He was

on my left-hand side a short distance away from me. On my right-hand side was a gate, behind which were a great many people. Jesus beckoned unto me to come to Him. I went and as I got close to Him I knelt down and kissed His robes. When I arose I said unto Him, "All of those people claim to believe in you, but they don't." He smiled and looked at me so sweetly and said, "Follow me." He turned and started away and I followed.

When I awoke out of this dream, I didn't attach much importance to it thinking it was only a dream. I couldn't feel that this was enough for me to accept Christ. As time went on I received more and more wonderful experiences. My people thought there definitely was something wrong with me, because I had brought a New Testament into the house. I had to warn my mother not to destroy it. I couldn't talk about Jesus to her, for she would start saying things that I did not want to hear about our Lord. I found that I couldn't see eye to eye with my entire family and our relationship became strained.

I had a wonderful experience in which I talked to a Nephite. I didn't know at the time but the Lord gave me a dream showing me who this man was, also, when I told the experience in church, tongues were made manifest and the interpretation was "what you say is true in heaven."

The Lord also appeared unto me in a dream telling me I was to be baptized in The Church of Jesus Christ. I have had too many experiences to relate here, but will tell in my next article how the Lord raised me up out of a bed of affliction after the doctors had given me up. Also the Lord sent my husband and myself out into the missionary field among the Mexican people who are Lamanites, which was a surprise to me. Many of the homes we go into only speak Spanish.

I am from the House of Judah and my husband is from the House of Joseph. (Him who was sold into Egypt, WHC) We have seen wonderful miracles take place. In the past year there have been ten baptisms for which we thank God. We have been in the field just a year. May God bless all of my brothers and sisters. He is a most gracious and wonderful Saviour, and I am grateful and happy that He has

removed the scales from my eyes.  
Sister Eveleyn Perdue  
Whittier, Calif.

#### NOTE

During the Christmas Holidays I received a book through the mail published by the National Geographic Society titled "Indians of Americas"—a wonderful piece of artistic work, as well as much information relative to the Indian race both in North America, Central and South America. It is really a very handsome publication.

I do not know who sent this gift to me, but whoever you are, I want you to know that I received it alright, and many thanks to you.

Bro. W. H. Cadman

#### ATTENTION PLEASE!

We would like to cash in on our Italian Books of Mormon, also our Church Histories. There is quite a lot of them on our hands, and we need finance to keep our printing up to date. Our stock is low on some items of our literature. The Italian Books of Mormon sells for \$3.00 a copy, while the History sells for \$2.50. There should be a copy of the latter in every home of the members of the Church. I am asking all Branches of the Church to try and move some of those books. The various public Libraries would be good places to deposit some of them, some of you may have friends that might be pleased to receive one. Everybody do what you can to cash in on some of these books.

Sincerely, Bro. W. H. Cadman

#### PERRI-BENWOLA NUPTIALS

Joseph Perri, son of brother and sister Eugene Perri of New Brunswick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Benyola of Hopelawn, N.J. were united in marriage in The Church of Jesus Christ at Hopelawn on Sept. 10, 1955.

Elder Paul Benyola a cousin of the bride officiated. The bride was given away by her father. The wedding music was played by Mrs. Carl Huttenberger and Mrs. Michael Feher sang. The maid of honor was Mrs. August D'Orazio, Miss Darlene Velardi and Miss Doris Todone were brides maids. Mr. August D'Orazio was the best man.

A reception was held in the Hungarian Reformed Hall at Woodbridge. The couple left for the

Poconos on their honey-moon, on their return will reside at 395 New Brunswick Ave. Fords, N.J.

The bride had attended the Middlesex County Vocational and Technical High School at Perth Amboy, N.J. and was employed with the Moser Jewel Co. in Perth Amboy. The groom attended the New Brunswick High School and was employed by the Triangle Conduit and Cable Co.

The young couple are members of The Church of Jesus Christ. May God bless them.

By Ivy Fisher

#### LETTER FROM ITALY

Dear Church of Jesus Christ, with much joy I received the precious Book of Mormon, and with guidance from on high, I will read it with meditations and will keep in my heart all that is according to the will of God. The Lord will compensate you for this gift that you have made to me. I also received two envelopes with three Gospel News. I'm very sorry I cannot read them, because I cannot read in English and there is no one here that could read and translate them to me, there must be many good things in these Gospel News, sorry I am unable to read them.

If some one of your Church that understands the Italian language would be in mission work in Italy, I pray with all my heart they may come to my home, that with my family and possibly others we would be much desirous to know your principal doctrine, so we could serve God better. (Sounds like Macedonia crying" come over and help us. WHC)

Excuse me for poor writing, for I feel poor in health and at present I am writing from my sick bed. Receive regards from my mother, from my wife Rose and our six children, I salute you all in Christ Jesus. Nicola Baldacci, Via Colli Innamorati 128 Pescara, Italia.

P.S. received a letter from this man sometime ago, do not know how he got in touch with us. So I sent him a Book of Mormon (Italian) and this is the reply I received from him. I will add there is lots of work awaiting the Elders of The Church of Jesus Christ. WHC.

#### NOTICE

Librarian James F. Campbell has changed his place of residence, having sold his home. His address now, is 807 Fourth Street, Monongahela, Pa.

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## "THE EASTER SEASON"

Sickness, sorrow, pain and death  
With awful tyranny have reigned,  
While all eternity has shed  
Her tears of sorrow o'er the slain.

But hark! Again a voice is heard  
Resounding through the solemn  
gloom,  
A mighty conqueror has appeared,  
And rose triumphant from the tomb.

## LEST WE FORGET

By SADIE B. CADMAN

These surely must have been dark and sad days for the followers of the Saviour. While the chief priests had remembered: He said He would rise again after three days, His own followers had forgotten and many felt that their hopes had been shattered. Peter said—I go fishing and others felt the same. But after the dark cloud of sorrow, the good news came—"He is risen."

Mary Magdalene seemed to be the first at the tomb and found the stone rolled away and then hastens to tell the disciples. She also saw Him first, but thought He was the gardener. But how soon she knew Him, when He said "Mary" John 20:1,18, Matthew 28:1, 10 tells also of Him appearing to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, and of the great earthquake and the angel of the Lord rolling back the stone. What a wonderful experience these women had, and then to hear the angel say "Fear not ye; for I know that you seek Jesus which was crucified—he is not here; for He is risen." They ran quickly with fear and great joy to tell His disciples. There are several scriptures I could refer to of His appearing, but the one I love best is found in Luke 24th chapter: How the disciples felt the burning spirit within their hearts, but did not understand why, until after He made Himself known to them.

How many wonderful testimonies of His resurrection, and the proofs of them we have. Even the centurian and soldiers watching Jesus and seeing the destruction and the earthquake feared greatly and said: Truly this was the Son of God.

Now after so many years we look back on those dark days and rejoice in the bright days. We don't want to forget our Saviours sufferings, for surely He bore our griefs

and carried our sorrows and suffered as no human being ever did, for He also had the burden of the world on His shoulders, and He being the Son of God, He only, could redeem the world. But what great love God had for the lost world to give His only Begotten Son to die for us. Only His own Son, One without sin could redeem us. How thankful we should be that the great sacrifice, the Lamb of God was offered for our sins, and that death and the grave did not hold Him, but He came forth triumphant and brought salvation to all who will accept it.

We too, at this springtime say the dark days disappear when we render obedience to His teachings and are given a hope of the resurrection from the tomb and say—He lives within our hearts."

Let us not only rejoice at this springtime or Easter time, but say with the Psalmist of old, "bless the Lord oh my soul and forget not all His benefits."

## THE INDIAN'S TWENTY-THIRD PSALM

The translation of portions of the Bible into Indian vernacular has been the interesting task of missionaries, and such translations often result in comprehensive versions. An outstanding example is the Twenty-third Psalm, which some clever divine translated into Indian as follows:

The Great Father above is a Shepherd Chief. I am his, and with him I want not.

He throws out to me a rope, and the name of the rope is Love. And he draws me, and he draws me to where the grass is green and the water is not dangerous, and I eat and lie down satisfied.

Sometimes my heart is very weak and falls down, but he lifts it up and draws me into a good road. His name is Wonderful.

Sometime—it may be very soon, it may be longer, or it may be a long time—he will draw me into a place between the mountains. It is dark there, but I will not draw back. I will be afraid not, for it is there between these mountains that the Shepherd Chief will meet me, and the hunger I have felt in my heart through this life will be satisfied.

Sometimes he makes the Love rope into a whip, but afterwards he gives me a staff to lean on.

He spreads a table before me

with all kinds of food. He puts his hands on my head, and all the "tired" is gone. My cup he fills till it runs over.

What I tell you is true. I lie not. These roads that are away ahead will stay with me through life, and afterwards I will go to live in the "Big Teepee" with the Shepherd Chief forever.

(Selected)

## A PROPHECY

By JOSEPH SMITH

Revelation and Prophecy given by Joseph Smith on December 25, 1832 was recorded in our record in October of 1874.

"Verily, thus saith the Lord, concerning the wars that will shortly come to pass, beginning at the rebellion of South Carolina, which will eventually terminate in the death and misery of many souls.

The day will come that war will be poured out upon all nations, beginning at that place;

For behold, the Southern States, shall be divided against the Northern States, and the Southern States will call on other nations, even the nation of Great Britain, as it is called, and they shall also call upon other nations, in order to defend themselves against other nations; and thus war shall be poured out upon all nations.

And it shall come to pass, after many days, slaves shall rise up against their masters, who shall be marshalled and disciplined for war;

And it shall come to pass also that remnants who are left of the land will marshal themselves, and shall become exceeding angry, and shall vex the Gentiles with a sore vexation;

And thus, with the sword, and by bloodshed, the inhabitants of the earth shall mourn; and with famine, and plague, and earthquakes, and the thunder of heaven, and the fierce and vivid lightning, also shall the inhabitants of the earth be made to feel the wrath, and indignation and chastening hand of an Almighty God, until the consumption decreed, hath made a full end of all nations;

That the cry of the saints, and of the blood of the saints, shall cease to come up into the ears of the Lord of Sabaoth, from the earth, to be avenged of their enemies. Wherefore, stand ye in holy

places, and be not moved, until the day of the Lord come; for behold it cometh quickly, saith the Lord. Amen."

#### STATUS OF FATHER & SON (Continued from Last Issue)

By W. H. Cadman

Now as far as the status of our heavenly Father and His Son Jesus Christ is concerned, I draw your attention to the following in the revealed will of God to Israel and their Children, and to us as Gentiles who accept the scriptures as the word of God — as to the oneness of Father and Son, I quote the following in Third Nephi 11:27, "And after this manner shall ye baptize in my name; for behold, verily I say unto you, that the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost are one; and I am in the Father, and the Father is in me, and the Father and I are one." Then in verse 36 Jesus reiterates that the three "are one."

In Second Nephi 31:21 part of the verse reads "And now, behold, this is the doctrine of Christ, and the only and true doctrine of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, which is one God, without end, Amen."

Well, it should be much consolation to all members of The Church of Jesus Christ, to know that we are abiding in what has been revealed to man, that is: the Father and Son and the Holy Ghost are one God. Our literature teaches the doctrine of Christ in its Pamphlets. Yea, even the Church is one, the family are one, the husband and wife are one, and we have always taught that our Heavenly Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost are one God. And the Apostle Paul uses the collective expression, the 'Godhead' in Romans 1:20. And again in the Acts 17:29, also in Colossians 2:9, — and the Saviour in various places prays to the Father in Heaven that He might make His disciples One, even as He and His Father are one. Such is revealed in both Bible and Book of Mormon. Praise His name.

Therefore, I wish to bring to your attention — all who may read this, that in the introduction of the Four Gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, Jesus Christ is presented to us as the Son of God, the Son of the Highest, the Lamb of God etc. In verse 20 of Matthew 28th chapter, when Jesus tells His disciples to go out and preach the Gospel, He uses the pronoun twice referring to Himself: 'I' am with you: and lo 'I' am with you always even unto the end of the world. My

object is, to draw your attention to the fact that He does not refer to His Father, but to Himself, and should, for as Paul says in Col. 1:18 "that in all things He might have the preeminence."

You will observe that in the Acts 1:8, that He requires His disciples to "bear witness unto me." (Jesus Christ) for He was the Son of God. Therefore, the preeminence belongs to Christ. Of Himself He says: that He has suffered the will of the Father in all things. Therefore, He and He alone deserves preeminence in all. In the second chapter of the Acts. Peter is not endeavoring to prove the existence of God, the Jews believed in God, Jesus says so in John 14:1, "Ye believe in God believe also in me." Peter's mission was to prove that the man Jesus was the Son of God, and that God had made this same Jesus whom ye crucified both Lord and Christ. Again, Jesus is given the preeminence above all — He is made Lord and Christ. The mission of the servants of God is, preach that Jesus is the Son of God, and call men to repentance, and not trying to prove that there was either one or two persons in the beginning. Should not the mission of God's servants be the same today?

Take note of Philip and the Eunuch in Acts, 8:36, 37, When the eunuch wanted to be baptized. In response to Philip's question, he says, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God — and he is baptized. I repeat again the words of Jesus in John 14:1 "Ye believe in God, believe also in me." It was not sufficient just to believe in God, but they must believe Jesus Christ to be the Son of God. But for me to quote all the scripture on this thought, I hardly think it necessary.

Let us turn to the Book of Mormon — the New Testament part of it for a few quotations. Note, that when the Saviour descended on this land to the Nephite People, He introduced Himself as Jesus Christ, and through-out the Third Book of Nephi, as Christ the Son and the Redeemer etc. He names the Church after His own name, and the Nephite people He teaches to pray to the Father in His name.

Mormon speaks of the judgement seat of Christ in Chapter 3:20. In Mormon 8:35 Moroni says: "But behold, Jesus Christ has shown you unto me, and I know your doing." In Ether 12:39, Moroni says: "I have seen Jesus, and that He hath talked with me face to face." And certainly Moroni makes Jesus Christ the preeminent in his writings. It would be well for all people

to honor the Saviour's Father by approaching Him in the name of His Son Jesus, without question, for we are taught in the scriptures, that He is the Mediator between God and man. What wonderful words are recorded in the following scriptures: for instance Third Nephi 1:13, 14. "Lift up your head and be of good cheer; for behold, the time is at hand, and on this night shall the sign be given, and on the morrow come I (Jesus Christ) into the world, to show unto the world that I will fulfill all which I have caused to be spoken by the mouth of my holy prophets — Behold, I come unto my own, to fulfill all things which I have made known unto the children of men from the foundation of the world, and to do the will, both of the Father and the Son — of the Father because of me, (Jesus Christ) and of the Son because of my flesh. And behold, the time is at hand, and this night shall the sign be given." (the sign of His birth) for He was yet in the Virgins Womb. I remind you again of Jesus praying in John 17: 5, "And now, O Father glorify thou me with thine own-self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was." Did Jesus offer up a vain repetition: Surely not. I — W.H. Cadman do not hesitate to say that I always understood that Christ in some-way, laid aside His glory and was born of a woman, and in John 17:5. He asks His Father to restore His glory back to Him again. Who can deny it? And further, I know not of any 'mortal' who is able to penetrate the depths of that question — to me it is inexplicable, nevertheless, I am taught that the word of God will not return unto Him void, but will accomplish that which has been spoken. Yea, Jesus Christ answers Nephi's prayer while His body of flesh was yet in Mary's womb.

No wonder Paul was made to exclaim: "O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgements, and His ways past finding out! — For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been His counsellor?"

Another remarkable saying of the Saviour's I wish to draw to your attention. In John 8:57, 58, "Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham? Jesus said unto them, Verily, Verily, I say unto you, before Abraham was, I am." May I ask, where is the mortal who dare dispute the Saviour's words? For according to His own words, He was before Abraham was. Are we going to be

responsive to Him, our Saviour? Or are we determined to debate His statements—I say: Beware YE MORTALS, for King Benjamin told His people on one occasion, that they were even less than the dust.

In Exodus 3:14, Him that is known as 'I AM' speaks unto Moses, and in Hebrews 13:8, I read "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and forever." No change with Him. John the Baptist in giving testimony of Jesus Christ says: "He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for He (Christ) was before me."

May I give some counsel? if so, Let us all take note of which was revealed to Joseph Smith, Oliver Cowdery, and David Whitmer in June 1829 and which came through the 'stone'. "Behold, I give unto you a commandment, that you rely upon the things which are written, for in them are all things written, concerning my church, my gospel, and my rock. Wherefore if you shall build up my Church, and my gospel, and my rock, the gates of hell shall not prevail against you." In this article there is very little if any, of my interpretation; I am quoting that which is written in the Bible and Book of Mormon, and that which is written, sustains that which was written by our brethren, as far back as 1863.

Take note of Paul's saying: "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect thoroughly furnished unto all good works." Second Timothy 3:16, 17.

To conclude, I will say: that there is no denying the fact, but what the Bible and Book of Mormon teach very plainly, that Jesus Christ created this world, He was not merely a Spirit; for Mormon in his writings, Chapter 5:2, shows that it was a "Being Who Created Man," and from what is written, we must conclude that the Being was Jesus Christ.

Turn to Second Cor. 8-9 "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich." In Matthew 8-20, "And Jesus said unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man (Jesus Christ Himself) hath not where to lay His head." — Yea, well did the Apostle Paul say that Jesus Christ BECAME POOR. Have any of us ever been so poor?

Have we not all got soft pillows to lay our heads? When then was Jesus Christ rich? Was it not before He was born of the Virgin? It could not have been otherwise. He must of abided some where, and remember all ye mortals—He says He was with the Father from the beginning. Undoubtedly He lived in the Mansions of His father where He went to prepare a place for His followers, that where He is, they might be also. And I read that faithful Enos expected to abide in those Mansions with his Redeemer. Yea, Jesus was rich in the heavenly regions before His birth into this world, but on His fathers tool stool, he became very poor. In conclusion, I Bro. Cadman will, say that Jesus Christ was with His Father from the beginning even as said in Proverbs 8-27 "When He prepared the heavens I was there." My counsel to you all that read is, abide with what is written, quit contending, but preach the Gospel unto repentance and obedience to all people, that we might all become rich like unto Him, for it is written: "We shall see Him as He is."

To my readers, may I remind you of a few more scriptures before closing my article, Take note of Hebrews 1:2 I read, "God hath in spoken to us by His Son, by whom He hath appointed heir of all things, by whom (the Son) also He made the worlds, Who (Christ) being the brightness of His (the Fathers) glory, and the express image of His PERSON (the Fathers person) and upholding all things by the word of His power, (the Fathers power) when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down on the RIGHT HAND of the Majesty on high.

In John 5-37 I read "And the Father Himself which has SENT ME, (Christ) hath borne witness of Me. Ye have neither heard His voice, (My Fathers voice) at any time, nor seen His SHAPE." May I ask does Jesus mean what He says, or is He idling His time away with idle words? Surely we cannot doubt the sincerity of the Saviours words, for He assures us in His sermon on the Mount "that the PURE in heart shall see God." My I add that God is a being, and shall be seen.

Was it idleness on the part of the Saviour, when as is recorded in Matthew 26-39 that He fell on His face, and prayed, saying, "O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me."

In my closing words, I wish to remind all who read this, to remember that the Son of God an-

swered the Arch enemy of all souls by the simple words — "IT IS WRITTEN, Thou shalt not." May God pity us if we depart from the simplicity of that which is WRITTEN. For it is written that Jesus Christ was with the FATHER before the world was, and He is in the image of the Father, and man was created in the same Image. If the word of God is not sure and steadfast in this late age of the world, May some supreme power have mercy on us poor mortals. The End. Bro. W. H. Cadman

#### NOTICE

Many of our members of The Church of Jesus Christ are in receipt of a Pamphlet titled "One True God Revealed." It is published by Laurence C. Dias a Minister of the Church of Jesus Christ in Erie, Pa. It has been suggested to me that a note should be inserted in The Gospel News, so as to clear any misunderstanding that might rise in the matter. The Church of Jesus Christ, with Headquarters in Monongahela City, Pa., is in no way responsible for said pamphlet. It is a lawfully incorporated body in The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Dias is not in any way associated with said Church. His treatise on the subject of the Godhead, is much at variance with what is set forth in our literature.

W. H. Cadman President of the Church.

P.S. We also have a Branch of the Church in Erie, with Elder John Mancini as the Presiding Elder.

#### SIMILARITIES (Continued)

In one of my previous articles under the same heading I mentioned that the things of God do not just happen, but rather are predestined and have a definite pattern. Israel as I had mentioned, had it's Twelves and Seventies, had it's father of multitudes (Abraham), and liberator (Moses), and saviour (Joseph). All of these in a natural sense, similar to Christ who was all of these spiritually. Paul wrote that Adam was the first man and Christ the second. I Cor. 15:47. The natural came first and the spiritual was second. So also Abraham was the first father, Moses the first liberator, Joseph the first saviour, and Christ in each of the instances, the second. The natural was the lesser and the spiritual the greater, even as had been mentioned about the light of the moon as compared

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## THE GOSPEL NEWS

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## EDITORIAL

## PAUL SPEAKING OF HIS OWN EXPERIENCE.

Editor:

"I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third heaven. (the heaven where God dwells, undoubtedly, WHC)

I knew such a man (whether in the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) How that he was caught up into paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such an one will I glory: yet not of myself I will not glory, but in mine infirmities.

For though I would desire to glory, I shall not be a fool; for I will say the truth: but now I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth me to be, or that he heareth of me. And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. (Pauls crowning words as follows. WHC).

Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong. I am become a fool in glorying; ye have compelled me: for I ought to have been commended of you: for in nothing am I behind the very chiefest apostles, though I be nothing." Second Cor. 12. Paul gloried in his trials, rather than in his blessings. WHC.

to the light of the sun.

Heretofore I have compared various people and events in the Old Testament to Christ and the various things that happened during the apostolic dispensation. In continuation of trying to point out the sameness of God's ways I will present a few facts relative to God's doings in our dispensation as compared to those of the apostolic dispensation. The apostolic dispensation is spoken of as the "former rain", and ours as the "Latter rain". The apostolic dispensation gave the Jews and the world their Messiah and a brotherhood era which lasted but a few decades. Our present day dispensation era is a restoration of truth and brotherhood, and of Israel, for God had promised Israel that he would set his hand a second time to recover the remnants of his people. Isaiah 11:11. Joel also speaks of two spiritual outpourings, the former and the latter, and of the former he says it will be "moderate" causing us to feel and to believe that the latter will be ever so much greater than the first. Although thus far we have not seen this take place, we know that it lies ahead for all prophecies must be fulfilled. They are indeed great, I hope to write a little about them in my next article.

Significant is the fact that as Elijah shut up the heavens for a period of 1260 days, so God shut up the heavens spiritually for a period of 1260 years, the period between the former rain and the latter rain. Amos speaks of it as a time of famine, that is a spiritual famine. Amos 8:11 & 12. Most of this religious professing world is unaware of this occurrence, however history affirms the fulfillment of this prophecy. It is not too hard to realize this for we know that millions during this period had heard the story of Christ, yet they never experienced seeing the gifts of the spirit manifested. History proves that at the time that Joseph Smith was called by the Lord to restore the truth to earth, religionists scoffed at spiritual gifts. But we know that God's word says that scoffers would exist in our day and time. So Scoffers or not, evil men or not God moves, and when he did move upon Joseph Smith, the world once again was blessed in experiencing the spiritual gifts, as also had the apostles in the days of old, as well as many varied spiritual experiences. Why should the first dispensation be blessed with visions and dreams, spiritual

gifts, etc., and the latter dispensation not? Joseph Smith along with thousands of others declared that God's outpouring in these last days included many of these experiences. Therefore we declare that as the pattern of Christ's Church was established after the first house, so it has been reestablished today. And that as the Lord dealt similarly with the first Christians as he did with Israel, that the election today experience the selfsame things. My own experiences cause me to testify to the verity of these facts. These facts might be hard for some to accept, but a good reminder is the fact that truth always has been hard to accept. Many declare also that spiritual gifts, spiritual experiences, etc. are not needed today. May I ask the question, when has the world been in a greater need of God's power and help and blessings, than today?

Significant also is the fact that the year 1492 B.C. and also 1492 A.D. are memorial dates. The latter we know to be the year that God moved upon Christopher Columbus to sail in this direction where he found the seed of Joseph, who had come to a low standard because of sin. The former as the year that God moved upon Moses to head for Egypt where the children of Israel were in a low condition, because of bondage. (In my Oxford bible the date of Israel's exodus is listed as 1491 B.C. They departed in the first month of that year, so that God had visited Moses just shortly before, this would put the date as 1492 B.C.)

Many wonderful things have happened to people of this world down thru the ages of time. God had many of these blessings prepared for man's benefit. They become a blessing and a joy unto us just to know these things. God's blessings have come to the world because of obedience, and because of the righteousness of many individuals. To be righteous requires an acceptance of all truth, not just a certain few, as many in the world prefer. For instance we believe the true mode of baptism is by immersion. (Ask anyone who has studied Greek and they will tell you that, the word baptism means immersion.) We believe also in greeting one another as prescribed in scripture, for that is the Godly way. We believe also in the washing of feet as Jesus taught. Oh no, you will say to this, the Lord done that because they wore sandals in those days. Just a moment friend, let us examine



the 13th chapter of John closely. Let us examine the words of Christ when he wanted to wash Peter's feet. He told Peter "What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter." If the act that Jesus was performing was not comprehended by Peter at the time his feet was to be washed, surely it must have been more than just a natural washing of his feet. The Lord promised them "happiness" if they would observe this commandment along with all of the others. We believe these things along with all that is written.

God bless all of the brothers and sisters throughout the church, who have accepted the full truth in these last days, and also all who will incline their ear in this direction.

Martin Michalko

St. John, Kansas  
March 8, 1956

Dear Editor,

It has been some time since there has been a letter in the Gospel News from St. John, Kansas, and so many wonderful things have happened here in the past two weeks that we felt we must share them with the Brothers and Sisters everywhere. We have been so blessed with the visit of Brother Joe Lovalvo and Brother Alma Cadman. Brother Joe arrived in St. John at midnight on Saturday night, Feb. 28th. Sunday we had Sunday School and preaching in the morning, and preaching in the afternoon. Our attendance was very good, with Brother and Sister Cox of Salina, and Brother Bob Hart, his wife, her sister, and Bob's father, from Lincoln, Kansas, my sister, Mrs. Mary Rich, from Gt. Bend, attending the meetings, along with several brothers and sisters, and friends from St. John. Johnny Nicosia, from the Los Angeles Branch, is stationed in Fort Riley, Kansas, and has been with us several times, and we were glad to have him with us again that Sunday. The Lord was with Brother Joe as he was preaching that day, and we could feel His presence in our Church. Sunday and Monday evenings, we made plans for meetings for the week and a half that Brother Joe was to be with us. We held meetings in St. John on Tuesday and Wednesday and left on Thursday evening to spend the rest of the week in Salina and Lincoln. Brother Alma Cadman arrived in St. John from California on Thursday, Mar. 1, and he desired to make the trip with Brother Joe, my husband, Charles, and myself, and we

were blessed with the presence of this spiritual man of God. We were so inspired by the words that came from the mouths of our two Brothers, it was as though our hearts caught on fire and it was the ambition of all of us young people to serve the Lord and again work to build our Church and bring others into the knowledge of the Gospel. It was during this week that Charles and I decided that we wanted to be baptized the following Sunday. I have known the Gospel and the Church of Jesus Christ since birth, so my decision was not a difficult one, but for Charles, it was a different matter. During his young boyhood he had attended many Protestant churches and was discouraged with the results. We were married about a year and a half ago, and I introduced him to the Book of Mormon, which he doubted until he picked it up to read, then he couldn't put it down. During the week before we were to be baptized, Charles felt that he wasn't humble enough, and he knew that the requirements were a "broken heart and a contrite spirit," so he prayed to God to break his heart so there would be no doubt left. God did Break his heart, also took away the habit of smoking, and is making a new person out of both of us. We had a beautiful, warm California day Sunday, the 4th, even though the weather forecast was for snow and cold. Charles and I were baptized at noon, and after such an inspiring sermon from Brother Joe and Brother Cadman, we were disappointed that there were only two of us going down into the waters. About 8:00 o'clock that same Sunday evening, we were in my mother's (Sister Lydia Robinson) house, saying good-bye, and Brother Joe offered prayer for the safe-keeping of our Brothers, Sisters, and friends. We were greatly moved by his prayer, and when he shook hands with Brother Bob Hart's wife, Shirley, she started crying and said that she couldn't go back to Lincoln without being baptized. Then Brother Bob's dad, who is 78 years old, said "I want to be baptized, too. Me, too." The blessings of God fell upon on all in the room and Shirley's sister, Letha, also cried to be baptized. It was 8:30 that night by the time we got to the Rattlesnake Creek, about 2 1-2 miles west of St. John, and we drove our cars to the waters' edge and shined the car lights upon the water. Sister Shirley said that the reason she waited to make up her mind was that she didn't think that Jesus wanted her, but

as she came out of the waters, she was no longer cold, and she saw the face of Jesus there, and knew without a doubt that Jesus did want her. We drove to Lincoln again on Monday for preaching and testimony meeting. We felt our strength and love again renewed by hearing our new Brothers and Sisters testify as to what God has done for them and changed their lives. Tuesday afternoon, Brother Cadman left for his home in Pennsylvania. We had our last evening Tuesday with Brother Joe, and had preaching in the Church in St. John. The attendance was poor, as it was snowy and cold, but the message of truth from our Brother was grand. In our congregation we had a Christian Church minister and a Latter Day Saints' minister, and both waited to shake Brother Joe's hand. We pray that their eyes were opened! During the time that our two Brothers were here, we organized a Sunday School, and the idea was enthusiastically received. We ask you to remember Kansas in your prayers, as we remember you, and we thank Brother Joe Lovalvo and Brother Alma Cadman from the bottom of our hearts for their visits and prayers. May God Bless You Always.

Sister Virginia Giles  
St. John, Kansas

#### LETTER FROM DETROIT

Dear Editor:

A few words to give you the news in our part of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ. Since learning and knowing we are a part of Christ's kingdom on earth, I've become extremely happy, grateful and humble to hear these words, so full of meaning. At times I tremble at the great responsibility that rests on our Church, then I become very low to know God has called even me to play a small part in His plan, I'm so unworthy of even the smallest part.

We have had several visiting Elders and have had four baptisms since last we wrote you. There were many words of wisdom spoken and untold blessings felt by all.

Then the G.M.B.A. was held here at our Branch as you all know. I have attended it in other locations, but this is the first time I had the privilege of being in the Branch that had the opportunity of helping and feeding the young of our Church.

Going to other branches is wonderful and the love of God is where the saints gather, however, this time we at last were able to do

some little thing for the brothers and sisters from out of town, along with those living in Detroit. It was a wonderful blessing and joy to open our hearts and homes to the saints and the young of our church.

I hope and pray everyone of those who attended left with their hearts filled with love, warmth, and happiness. We cannot express to the fullest how thankful we are to God for giving us the opportunity to put out our hands to you all in welcome.

Until the next time the saints of God gather, may the Lord bless and keep you all.

Sister Ilene Coppa.

By SISTER EMMA PERRY

O Lord I have learned of thy loving kindness, And while I live unto thee, I will praise thee while I am awake and sing praises unto thee. I will meditate on thy word in the night, and awake unto thee with thy holy name on my lips; I will die unto the world and live only for thee, for thou only hath died for me, even me.

Keep me in the shadow of thy wing, and I will serve thee according to thy word. Bless me, even me dear Lord and I will walk humbly before thee, dear Lord, Walking and talking of thy wonderful works, and of the promises to them that wait for thee, even me.

I have looked up to heaven in my youth, desiring to know thee, and now I am thankful I have found thee, and thou hast washed all my sins away for me, even my dear Lord even me.

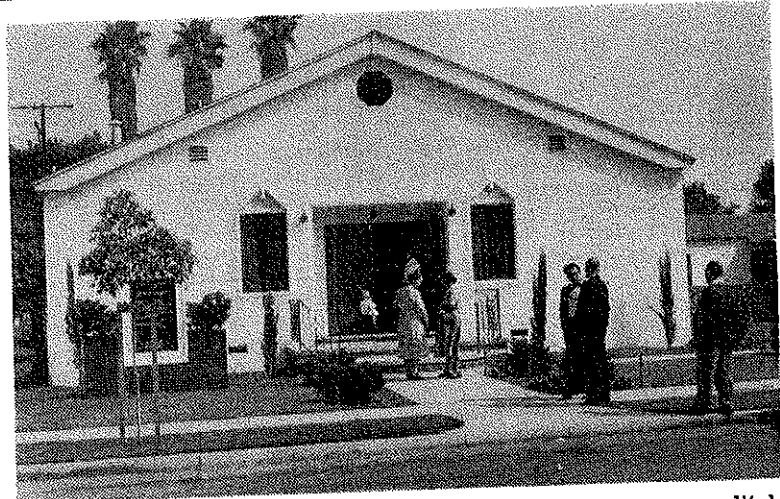
I will serve thee and love thee, for thou hast first loved me, even me dear Lord even me.

Thou hast filled my life with love and hope, and caused my weary soul to rest, How can I ever forget thee, and take the broad road again? Help me and bless me, even me dear Lord, even me.

That I may walk the straight and narrow way that leads direct to the door of thy kingdom; that I may be worthy to come near thy throne and enter in to everlasting peace. Keep me and bless me dear Lord even me.

That I may be worthy to be called to the marriage supper of the Lamb of God and be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white, to serve thee and worship thee, to go no more out, even me dear Lord even me.

P.S. One day after I came to my room I had been thinking very hard on the scriptures. I sat down



OUR CHURCH AT BELL,  
LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

The Church lately built by our folks in or near Los Angeles, certainly makes a very nice ap-

pearance. It is a very creditable Edifice to the Church, as well as to the accomplishment of our brothers and sisters.

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and in a very few moments I wrote these words. Sister Perry.

I brother Cadman might add a few words here of my past acquaintance with sister Perry. I first met Bro. Perry before either one of us were married. This was in the Pittsburgh Steel Foundry at Glassport, Pa. The place was not much of a town at that time, I believe it was in 1899. We were both working there when we met each other, after awhile we became separated from each other, and after a few years again we met in the same shop. By this time we both had married. I was living in McKeesport, while Bro. Perry was living in Glassport. For some reason we became very friendly with each other in a religious way. He carried our conversation home to his wife, and she began to send in questions to me on the scripture. In a little while I was invited to their home, so at the end of one of our days work, I went home with Bro. Perry in my working clothes, and ate supper with them. Our conversation was all on religion. They were both members of the Presbyterian church. After this we got separated again. With my family I moved to St. John, Kansas, and Perrys moved onto a farm some where in Ohio. And through correspondence and contact with the church, I believe it was the late Bro. Nephi Federer who was sent out into Ohio and baptized brother and sister Perry.

Brother Perry passed on to his reward some years ago, I preached his funeral sermon, Sister Perry who is now somewhere in the eighties, is in a womans home at

pearance. It is a very creditable Edifice to the Church, as well as to the accomplishment of our brothers and sisters.

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Meadville, Pa. and is very well for her age. Although she was raised a Presbyterian, yet through obedience to the Restored Gospel, and as old brother Thomas Stevens used to say in his testimony, I believe Sister Perry also has become as solid as the Rocks of Gibraltar.—I imagine I can hear old brother Stevens still bearing his testimony, he had been rather a rough young man, but many times I heard him declare: "I have been changed from a raven to a dove, from a lion to a lamb, and I am as solid as the rocks of Gibraltar. Sister Perry it always seemed to me that you and Ernest was brought to the church in a mysterious way, and may the grace of God sustain you the balance of your days. Brother Cadman.

#### MUNCEY, ONT. NEWS.

On February 25th, 1956, Sister Lucille Schnake passed on to her reward. She died at home on the Indian Reservation at the age of 72 years.

We are very sorry to see her go, but we rejoice to know that she has gone to the Paradise of God to await the morning of the First Resurrection, where we shall meet again. She was a sister that was staunch in the service of the Lord. To her, the church came first. In spite of her affliction, her testimony rang out in honour and glory to her God, in thanksgiving for all His goodness and mercy. She was a sister that suffered without complaint. She bore her cross with patience. She was a soul that was truly born again. She took hold of the Gospel and held on to

it to the very end. She left behind a wonderful example.

It is a wonderful thing to see a Lamanite, one of God's covenant people converted to the Restored Gospel. In them we can see the unfolding of the scripture in the Book of Mormon comes to life. They have a promise that is rich, and a heritage that is glorious. Her children took her body to Moraviantown for burial, so we were unable to have a service in the Muncey church. Bro. Anthony Gerace.

P.S. Bros. A. B. Cadman and Anthony DiBattista made a trip to the Reservation in November of 1932 and baptized Sister Schnake while on that mission. I myself have met in many meetings when she was present, and I don't think she ever failed to raise to her feet and give praise to her God. I have been in her home on the Reservation often, and I always found her to be very devoted to the Lord. She was a sister to our late sister Pheobe Hall, both of them obeyed the Gospel in 1932 and have now passed on to reap the reward that is laid up for them. Seventy two years is not a real old life, yet it is a long time too, to live as the poor Indian people live with so few of life's comforts, and especially in a land of full and plenty—a land they could once call their own. Bro. W. H. Cadman.

#### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Will our family ties be broken...  
When we reach that blissful shore?  
Will there be a heartfelt sadness...  
In that home forever more?

Are we roaming here as pilgrims,  
Does our souls great hope possess?

Are we marching on to victory,  
To that home of peace and rest?

No our family ties won't sever,  
In the mansions in the sky;  
There will be no gloom or sadness,  
There our pleasure never dies.

Yes we're roaming here as pilgrims,  
'Till we reach that golden land  
Then our Blessed Lord and Master,  
Will extend a welcome hand.  
(Our late Bro. Albert Sarver)

#### BROTHER LOUIS DEFABIO PASSES ON

Brother Louis DeFabio of Detroit, Mich. passed away on Jan. 23, 1956. He was Born 1879, on Nov. 21, in Italy. Came to America 1903

and was Baptized 1934 into the Church of Jesus Christ. Ordained Deacon 1951.

Left to mourn his passing are his wife Autilia, 4 daughters, 4 sons, 15 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren also many relatives. atives.

Interment was in Gethesemne Cemetery.

Our sympathy is extended to his beloved wife and all the family in their sorrow.

#### PERRONE — BARBETTA, NUPTIALS

William F. Barbetta and Florence V. Perrone were united in marriage in Glassport, Pa. on November 17, 1955.

Brother Anthony DiBattista officiated at the ceremony which took place in the home of Sister Rose Patello, a sister of the bride.

Their witnesses were Sister Patello and her brother, William Guzzi.

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Dear Bro. Editor:

I sincerely hope when this article reaches you, you Sister Cadman, and all bros., and sisters, will be found in the best of health, spiritually and naturally, and moving on to perfection. Thank God we are fair, and are doing the best we can, to work in this direction. The year has started out with two deaths, a number of sick bros., and sisters, a baptism reported in Grand River, 4 in Windsor, two from Branch No. 2, and just traveling along fast, it will not be too long, that we will be at Years end again. Recently in my dream, I heard the Lord speaking, and the words, He was uttering, is found in Matthew, 5th. Chapter, parts of 44th. and 45th. verses, 'Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; That ye may be the children of your Father, which is in Heaven, also Luke 22nd Chapter, 31st. and 32nd. verses, the part in this passage, specially stressed, And when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.' I sincerely hope and pray, that this very year, we will see a great change in the Church for the best, wherein bros. and sisters, will love each other more, the strong will bear the infirmity of the weak, seek to lift each other up. I shall now give a brief synopsis of our proceedings here in the Branches, and Missions, this past month. My

wife and I, spent the 1st Sunday in Windsor in the Morning, and had a very refreshing time. Subject was found in Joshua 24th Chapter, part of the 15th verse. "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." After returning to Detroit, we went and spent a short period of time with sister Marietta Ruzzi, which was enjoyed mutually. Our sister, has had wonderful experiences, of which we await their fulfillment. We then attended service in Branch No. 1, in the afternoon, bro. Nick Pietrangelo was the speaker. He spoke from the 1st Psalm, with a good spirit accompanying his talk. We have now procured a very nice Site for our New Church Building, and will be proceeding with details, at the appointed time of the Lord. The second Sunday was spent at Branch No. 3, Main subject being found in Matthew 18th Chapter 15th. through the 22nd. verses. This subject deals with the Spiritual Law of Offenses, and forgiveness, I would suggest to the Church General, that if we have anything, against each other, we frankly forgive one-another, if we expect to enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

As the Lord told Peter, not only seven times, but seventy times seven. Bro. Fred Damico, spoke after me, and a wonderful time of blessings was experienced by all. The 3rd. Sunday, we spent in Branch No. 1, the chief subject was found in Rev. 19th Chapter, and part of the 10th verse, "Worship God". This subject, I believe, have something to do with the end of our lives, when we come down to the end of the road, if we are dressed in this fine Linen which is the Righteousness of Saints, we will greatly rejoice that we had made Jesus' Gospel our choice. The 4th Sunday was spent in Sarnia, on our way there we passed by Port Huron, and found the Saints quite active. In Sarnia we had quite an enjoyable time, our subject was found in Matthew 24th Chapter, 36th. through the 51st verse. The subject being watchfulness. Watch therefore, for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. The 5th. and last Sunday of the month was spent in Branch No. 1. The meeting was introduced by bro. Anthony Pietrangelo. He read a portion of scripture found in John 11th. Chapter, 1st and 2nd. verses, and gave a very good talk on the power of God to His children, when we find favour in His sight, bro. Concetto Alessandro also spoke words of great comfort to us. In the after-

noon we had feet washing, our bro. and sisters Jackson, Walker, Maness, and children from Sarnia, were present with us in this meeting and all told, we had quite an enjoyable time. Best wishes, the peace, and love of God, to all our bros. and sisters, throughout the Church, from Your bro. in Christ, Matthew T. Miller.

#### News Items

Feb. 4th 1956. Recently I received a letter from Bro. Schultz of Del Ray, Fla. in which he relates of them having a very good meeting at a home in St. Petersburg where Sister Aqualina, and sister Schultz were renewed back into fellowship into the Church. Bro. Wm. (Billie) Tucker was present in the meeting. Bro. Schultz says it was a wonderful meeting. Brother Sirangelo was present in the meeting, though he left his home at 3:30 a.m. to be there. The return trip made a journey of over 500 miles for him to drive. God will surely bless people who serve Him faithfully and travel so far to be in a meeting. May God bless our folks in Florida.

In a letter from Bro. Furnier dated Feb. 9, 1956 at Los Angeles, Calif. He says "Floods have ceased now for the time being at least. Land slides in California are a menace. Had another quake this morning at 6:33 also another at 7:24 a.m. Didn't get much of a jar here, but some places in Los Angeles it shook things up pretty well. Bro. Alma is in the San Fernando Valley, they felt it up there. New Hall was mentioned as feeling it, New Hall is near where the brothers and sisters live in the valley. My wife and I have been over to Louis Biscotti's at El Monte, then we visited some friends in Colton, near Riverside, then to Fall Brook, about 55 miles from San Diego. The quake shook San Diego up pretty well. We just got out of there in time. We left there Wednesday afternoon and the quake came this morning (Thursday).

Attended the District Conference in Los Angeles, myself, wife, and Bro. Alma. Had a nice time.

I will be glad to leave here and get back in the part of the country where there are no earth quakes, ha ha. Bird says, she would rather have snow."

A letter from Brother Biscotti dated Feb. 14th informs me that they are having wonderful meetings at Painsville, Ohio. He reports

two baptisms in January and one thus far in February, and having good attendance at their meetings. He also reports that his daughter is now located in Germany with her husband who is a Lt. in the U. S. Army, Field Artillery.

In a letter from Bro. Nickolas Pietrangelo dated Feb. 13th he says we are having wonderful meetings among the Indian people on the Reservation near Sarnia, Ont.

A letter dated February 16th by Bro. Joseph Lovalvo informs me that on last Sunday he baptized two converts at Monterey, Calif. and would have another one on the next Sunday. That will make eight souls baptized since he started to hold services in that city. May the Lord still continue to bless his labours.

Feb. 21st from Bro. Cotellesse of Detroit informs me that Bro. Burgess of Windsor is very poorly, sorry to hear it but we hope he will be well soon. He has been very faithful in attending to the work on the Six Nations Reserve (Grand River) but is unable to make the trips under his present condition.

Bro. Cotellesse is also very attentive at the same Reservation, and he informs me that they had a baptism there just recently, and expected to baptize another on their next trip. Sister Lewis is still in the hospital on the Reservation, she is well up in years and is one of our faithful Indian sisters. May the Lord Bless her.

In a letter from Bro. Reno Bologna of Detroit to Sister Sadie Cadman thanking her Sunday School Class (known as the Class of Ruth) for a donation sent him for a treat for the Indian Children S. S. School at Muncey, Ont. He writes very encouragingly of the work being done among our Indian people. He says there is from 12 to 14 children in the morning, and groups of 30 to 35 people attending the afternoon service. He ends his letter with the following, "So we labour prayerfully with expectation that some day we may be able to show fruits of our Labour." May the Lord bless you Bros. Reno, Tony Gerace, David Capone and Frank Vitto and all others who are labouring with you. I believe it was Nephi who prayed that the Gentiles might have charity for his people. I am glad to see my young brethren interested in the Lamanite people W.H.C.

#### GOOD TO READ

Brother Editor:

In going about my work this week (no date given WHC) I was troubled about the many things that arise in our life that does not concern our soul's salvation. Being cast-down I was made to count over the things that I think should concern us more. I pray that they may help each of us in His Church, So I numerate these blessings as follows:—I know He is a loving God who is all powerful and that nothing is impossible with Him. —I know that He sent His Son into the world to lay down His life and suffer all manner of pain and torture, to lay down a perfect plan of salvation, a plan without any flaws.

I know that if we follow in this path to the end, He will look down on us every minute and protects us from all evil and danger, seen or unseen.—I have seen His Mighty Arm move many times in healing our children and our loved ones.—I know He expects us to love one-another, and that through our love for ONE-ANOTHER we may cause others to seek and fulfill His perfect plan which He has laid down, that we might show our love to one-another, also our love to Him.—I know that He expects this people to carry the Gospel to the House of Israel, and it cannot be done if we contend with one-another. He has taught us that contentions are of the Devil.

I know that He loves all His children, and though I may be one of the least, yet I know He considers my every prayer, my desires and any trouble, Yea, He cares about my welfare.—I know this because I have felt Him near me many times, and His love has fulfilled my soul.

What a wonderful God we have, and how wonderful to know that He cares for us, even me who is so little in His Kingdom. These are the most valuable things to us, so why do mortals contend over the things that do not concern the way of salvation, or that hinders the way of and progress of the work of the Lord.

My desire is to see our people more concerned about the way of salvation, and drawing closer to the Lord, and rebuke all contentions for they are of the Devil, so saith the Saviour. Brother B. Martin, Roscoe, Pa.

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## Mothers the World Needs

By Kathryn Blackburn Peck

Mothers with courage; mothers who pray,  
These are the kind the world needs today.  
Mothers who think, who study and plan;  
Mothers who laugh as much as they can,  
Having the gift that is better than money—  
The habit of seeing that some things are funny.  
Mothers whose faith never wavers nor falters;  
Mothers whose spirits the world never alters;  
Loving the right and scorning the wrong;  
Facing the problems of life with a song;  
Mothers whose bravery transcends their fears;  
Winning the battle with patience and tears,  
Never submitting to weakness or sin—  
Storming heaven's gates till the children are in.  
Mothers heroic, not guilty of whining;  
Hands graced with service and faces with shining.  
Mothers of purity, virtue and faith,  
Steadfast in life and triumphant in death;  
Looking beyond the dark pathway of sorrow,  
Seeking a home in God's joyous tomorrow,  
Leading the children; pointing the way—  
These are the mothers the world needs today!

From the "Herald of Holiness"

### The Little Sister

#### I

I'm the little sister, to you I make my plea,  
My aim in life - to teach the young a righteous way to see.

I was formed to bring the youth to Church, and show them of God's ways.

I'm the little sister, Come, I'll teach you praise.

#### II

I'm the little sister, I long to teach the young.

I want to guide them in their youth, to praises yet unsung.

To teach them of God's will

with men, and Heaven up above.  
I'm the little sister, I want to teach you love.

#### III

I'm the little sister, I also want the old,

To help support my worthy cause, Please don't leave me cold.

Let's all join in with one accord; not just two or three.

I'm the little sister, I'll teach you unity.

#### IV

I'm the little sister of Christ's true Church so grand.

Won't each of you come join me and take me by the hand?

Help me on my mission so that I'll be proud to say,

I'm the little sister, I am your M. B. A.

Brother Jonathan Molinatto

## A TRIBUTE TO MOTHER HEAPS

(Now Deceased)

Written Years Ago By Sadie Cadman.

If I had more time to consult her sons regarding her life, no doubt many, many interesting experiences could have been given on the life of this good saint who has gone to her reward several years ago.—But I will give a few things I was acquainted with and there may be others who could add to these few remarks.

Sister Heaps was a quiet kind speaking woman, humble and very pleasant in her manner; and always had a smile for all. She was born in England, and one thing I remember quite well, she told me that I never have forgotten. She was a servant girl in an England home, and she and another girl roomed together on the third floor or attic of the house. She said they were both Christian girls and they would get up early every morning—many times at day-break to read their Bibles before they were expected to attend to their duties in the home.

No doubt this early Christian training, and accepting Christ as her Saviour was the secret of her life which was devoted in always finding some one to listen to her gospel story, and as this is in honor of both mothers and fathers, I just wondered if it would be out of order to say a few words about Bro. Heaps along with Sister Heaps.

for so much of their life, as I knew them was inseparable.

We have had our Italian saints in our Branch, who remember years ago, when some of them were young, how brother and sister Heaps had a S. School in their home when they lived in Gallatin and how they would go from house to house gathering in the children, and no doubt inviting the older ones too.

Then I remember when we came to Monongahela to live, the visits of brother and sister Heaps. Bro. Heaps was a teacher in the Branch and sister Heaps always went with him on his visits.

The children then who are our young people today, remember well how Br. Heaps always pulled their hair or hit them on the head with his hat, and then gave them a stick of candy. But to us older ones their visits were food for souls. They sang their hymns and he always called on Mother Heaps to lead in prayer.

Everybody welcomed them to their homes. They not only visited the saints homes to encourage them, but the last time before brother Heaps became sick and too feeble to visit—they visited our neighbors across the street and next door who told us they were glad to have them ask a blessing on them. Bro. Heaps loved music. If I remember rightly he was a choir leader in England.

So many times when he gave his testimony in meeting, before he sat down he would sing a hymn and mother Heaps always joined in with him. One hymn he sang, the chorus of was "The mistakes of my life are many, The sins of my life have been more" and then something about entering the door. On Christmas MORNINGS At The Diamond where they lived for many years, brother Heaps always took his violin and he and Mother Heaps visited the doors of their neighbors to sing Christmas Carols and wish them a Merry Christmas.

Brother Jimmie tells how the saints held meetings in their home and his father would send him with a note of invitation to all around inviting them to come. Then we have often heard Jimmie say how the Lord touched

his heart in these meetings and he would have to go out and cry. And how he could stand to hear them all speak or testify, but when his mother spoke it always touched his heart.

When there was sickness in any home Sister Heaps was there, many tell of her visits and her little bottle of oil she carried. And how they were healed by her faith and prayer. Another thing that impressed me in Sister Heaps life was her reverence for the House of God, and the example which was a lesson to me. No matter when she entered the meeting room, or home where meeting was, as soon as she sat down, her head was bowed in prayer.

This would still be a good example for us all. Sister Heaps was a lover of the Nephi Record as she always called the Book of Mormon. She knew it from cover to cover. She had a wonderful memory. She could recite scripture and knew many chapters.

A few years before her death, she lost her sight with a cataract on her eyes which hindered her reading the scripture but she was comforted in the great affliction and had made preparation all those years when she had sight, by writing the many scripture verses and chapters in her mind, learning the word of God. So she could repeat the wonderful promises she had found in the book of Life. If I remember rightly, one of her favorite hymns was "Wonderful Words of Life," and her favorite chapter was the 53rd chapter of Isaiah which we heard her repeat many times. How we would enjoy listening to her again.

Sister Sadie B. Cadman

#### CONFERENCE IN MONONGAHELA, PA.

Our annual General Conference convened here at 2:00 p. m. on April 5th according to our appointed time. The weather was not very favorable, and too, the Water Company here has a big job on their hands in laying a new water line, so the streets approaching our church was torn up very bad, but we appreciated them getting the street in as good a shape as it was in front of our place of worship. To make things worse, there was rain and snow during our sessions of business. But after all, these things are to be expected. We got along very well I am sure.

We had a large gathering of

Elders at this Conference, who met in business sessions throughout Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and including evening sessions. Much business was handled in the way of the reports from our different Churches throughout the land. A nice delegation was here from our various Churches in California, our Churches in Michigan, Ohio, New York, New Jersey and in Ontario, Canada, besides the many places in Pennsylvania.

The general routine of business was carried on, and the reports from the afore said places were all interesting. Much missionary work carried on in many places, and converts obeying the Gospel. In California a successful effort is being carried on among the Mexican people Brother and Sister Pardue taking the lead in that work. Brothers Joseph Lovalvo and James Heaps have accomplished much in the State of Kansas. And in a general way at various places, missionary work is very gratifying to all who wish to see the Gospel spread.

In very recent times some of our brethren and sisters have labored among the Sioux Indians in South Dakota with satisfactory results, two of the Indian converts from there were present in this Conference, as well as five or six from the Six Nations Reserve in Ontario. At this latter place in the little Indian town of Ohsweken, a building has been recently purchased, and will be remodeled into a place of worship. Also in South Dakota a move is being made for the purchase of some property there, for our Indian people to worship in. Youngstown, Ohio, Modesto, Calif., Detroit Mich. and Painesville, Ohio are getting ready to build themselves places of worship. While in the San Fernando Valley, California, our folks are about to dedicate their new building. Also our folks in Erie, Pa. will dedicate their new building sometime in May. So it would seem that there is much in the way of progressive action going on at present.

The vacancy made with the death of our Brother Charles Ashton as First Counsellor was filled by the election of Bro. Thurman S. Furnier of Detroit, Michigan, and the office of Second Counsellor was filled by Bro. Joseph Bittinger of West Leisenring, Pa. Bros. Russell Cadman of Fredonia, Pa. Wm. Genaro of Warren,

Ohio and Gorie Ciaravino of Detroit were elected to fill three vacancies made in the quorum of twelve apostles. A move is being made towards building an edition to our building here in Monongahela so as to better accommodate the crowd which attends to the General Conference here. On Sunday our upper floor was filled to the limit, while the lower floor was also well filled up and were served with a loud speaking instrument.

The Sunday Morning Meeting was lead by Bro. Joseph Lovalvo of Modesto, Calif. followed by Paul D'Amico of Lockport, N.Y. then James Heaps of South Gate, Calif. formerly of Monongahela, Pa. Mark Randy our next speaker was from Modesto, Calif. while T. S. Furnier who followed him is from Detroit, Mich. Bro. W. H. Cadman who spoke briefly was the last speaker for the occasion, and the benediction was pronounced by Brother Henderson of Windsor, Ont. Many good and interesting things were brought out by the various speakers.

There was much disappointment because of Br. A. A. Dick of Africa failing to be present. According to word received he expects to board ship at Lagos, Nigeria on April 10th. So we expect him to be with us before this reaches you in the Gospel News. Brother A. B. Cadman was absent from several sessions of this Conference because of sickness. Brothers Geo. Neill, and Isdris Martin, and Sister Nancy Surace was in charge of providing for the Conference, and along with their brothers and sisters, they did a good job. There is much appreciation for you all. I am sure. Sincerely Brother W. H. Cadman.

#### SIRS WE WOULD SEE JESUS

(Continued by Bro. Heaps.)

Luke, first chapter "For as much as many have taken in hand to set forth a declaration, of things that have been believed among us, it seemed good to me also." I believe Luke gives us a full account, sufficient that we can believe that Christ was born in Bethlehem, and the angel said the Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and that which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God, That is sufficient for me. First that the prophecies were fulfilled, and that He was born of the Holy Ghost. Jesus was born of the Vir-



gin Mary, but He was the Son of God.

Some no doubt have gone to the extreme in their adoration of Mary, but I believe some have not honored her as she should be honored. The angel said: Thou art Highly Favoured of the Lord. I believe she was a good woman—a Virgin. The atheist and the agnostic have tried to tear down the Divinity of Christ—Joseph could not understand it either, and he would not make a public example of her, but was minded to put her away privily, then the angel said, fear not to take Mary to be thy wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. Matthew first chapt. Why is it that men cannot understand the workings of Holy Ghost, God created heaven and earth by the Holy Ghost, "The Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters." Gen. first chapt.

Bethlehem signifying the (House of Bread) as to its location there never has been any doubts. It is six miles south of Jerusalem, the original name was Ephrath, in Micah it is called Bethlehem Ephrath. It was the birth place of David. Many writers refer to him (Christ) as Jesus of Nazareth, well, they could refer to me as Jim Heaps of California, but I was born in England. Boaz had possessions here, Ruth Gleaned in the fields round about; the Birth of Jesus brought it to the attention of the world. The brothers and sisters of Jesus as spoken of in the scriptures, are thought by many to be children born to Mary after the birth of Jesus, but the scripture does not say so, many ancient writers attribute them to be the children of Joseph's to a former marriage, but the scripture does not say so, neither can it be proven by the scripture that Mary gave birth to any one except the child Jesus. But it is immaterial as to whether they were her children or not. The point that must not be overlooked is, that Christ was born of a Virgin—her who had never known MAN. The Lord now begins to reveal unto the world that a Saviour is born—proving again that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word shall be fulfilled.

And Lo there was shepherds watching their sheep by night. The angel told them: This day is born a Saviour which is Christ the Lord and I bring good tidings of great joy. It was not joy only for them,

but it has been joy to countless thousands who have accepted Him. You will notice the obedience of the shepherds—come let us go and see this thing that has come to pass, and they found Him as they were told. Immediately there were a multitude of voices saying: Glory to God in the Highest, on earth Peace and Good Will toward men. Luke asserts that Jesus was circumcised on the eighth day, according to the law. At the same time they were to offer a sacrifice of two pigeons or turtle doves. In this service the mother had to be purified. The rich offered a lamb, the poor gave pigeons or turtle doves. It places Jesus among the poorest, and the apostle Paul says II Cor. 6:10 as sorrowful yet always rejoicing, as poor yet making many rich, as having nothing, yet possessing all things. Second Cor. 8:9 "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor that ye through His poverty might become rich, If I had a congregation right now, I would start to preach. I feel it swelling up in my bosom, but I must go on and write.

You will notice the doves, it signifies peace, it was the form of a dove that rested on His head when He was baptized. Amid the general declension of the Jews, there were Simeon and Anna, who was looking for one to console them, moved with spiritual impulse, He came into the temple at the days of Mary's purification which was about forty days after the circumcision of the Child, and took the child in his arms. It was revealed unto him that he would not see death, before he had seen Jesus. There was something in the babe which responded to the soul of Simeon, and he saw in Him the Lord Christ—Now let thy servant depart in peace, for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of His people Israel. He shall be for the rise and fall of many in Israel. Truer words were never spoken. John says He came to His own and His own received him not, but to as many as received Him, to them He gave power to become the Sons of God. Anna who had devoted her life, after her husband had passed away, to the temple came in and joined Simeon in thanksgiving, and reported the case to all that looked for redemption in Israel. While Sim-

eon's words are recorded, Anna's are not, but when they had performed all things according to the manner of the law, they returned to Nazareth, and the child grew and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon Him. To be continued by Bro. James Heaps.

#### Do Not Add or Take From

Recently I received a letter from one of our members, asking me about the 18th verse of Rev. 22 which reads "For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book."

So many people will refer to this scripture, and use it against the Book of Mormon, claiming we have added the book to the word of God. And at the same time they claim that John had reference to the Bible when he speaks of 'this book'.

The Bible is a Book of many books, which were gathered together by the scholars of the past ages, and assembled together in one book now known as the Bible. When John referred to 'this book' he was simply referring to the book he was writing which is known to us as the "Book of Revelation." And we must conclude that to meddle with what John has written therein, is a very serious thing to do. We might differ with one another as to what it means, but to add or take from it, no doubt we would be doing what angels would fear to do.

The Book of Mormon is simply a revelation of God's will to this generation, that we might be enlightened in His will as to our day—the Saviour says in Matthew 10:26 "for there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid that shall not be known." The Book of Mormon is one of the things which was hidden, consequently it is one of the many things that are to be revealed to worthy men and women. It has made plain to us today, the great work of the gathering of Israel, which must be, before Christ will come again.

In the book of Deuteronomy chapter 4, verse 2 Moses says: "Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the Lord your God which I com-

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## EDITORIAL

King Benjamin speaks of the Christ to come in the Book of Mosiah, chapter 3 beginning with verse 6.

"And He (Jesus Christ) shall cast out devils, or evil spirits which dwell in the hearts of the children of men. And lo, He shall suffer pain of body, hunger, thirst, and fatigue, even more than man can suffer, except it be unto death; for behold, blood cometh from every pore, so great shall be His anguish for the wickedness and abominations of His people.

And He shall be called Jesus Christ, the son of God, the Father of heaven and earth, the Creator of all things from the beginning; and His mother shall be called Mary. And lo, He cometh unto His own, that salvation might come unto the children of men even through faith on His name; and eve after all this they shall consider Him a man, and say that He hath a devil, and shall scourge Him, and shall crucify Him. And He shall rise the third day from the dead; and behold, He standeth to judge the world; and behold, all these things are done that a righteous judgement might come upon the children of men.

For behold, and also His blood atoneth for the sins of those who have fallen by the transgression of Adam, who have died not knowing the will of God concerning them or who have ignorantly sinned.

But who, wo unto him who knoweth that he rebelleth against God! For salvation cometh to none such, except it be through repentance and faith on the Lord Jesus Christ. And the Lord God hath sent His holy prophets among all the children of men, to declare these things to every kindred, nation, and tongue, that thereby whosoever should believe that Christ should come, the same might receive remission of their sins, and rejoice with exceeding great joy, even as though He had already come among them." From

the 6th to the 13th verses inclusive. There is a difference between the man who willfully sins, and him that ignorantly sins, and we are taught that obedience is better than sacrifice. The mercy of God, of its self will save no man, the justice of God also has its claim. Him, whom died upon the cross has taught us, "I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." John 3-5. And in III Nephi He teaches the Nephite people in chapter 11-34 "And whoso believeth not in me and is not baptized, shall be damned."

mand you." In sense, Moses forbids them to add to, or take from that which he writes, but Moses did not write the whole Bible. I will further say that good scholars will not confuse the words of John to mean the whole Bible, unless they do it willfully.

In Matthew 11-25 Jesus says: "I thank thee, O Father, Lord of Heaven and earth because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight." Then in Luke 8-17 "For nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest; neither anything hid, that shall not be know and come abroad" I might add, that it is the mission of the Gospel, not only to save, but to reveal the secrets of mens hearts, to unfold the mysteries of God among the children of men. The mission of the Gospel of Jesus Christ will yet reveal the hiding places of the whole twelve tribes of Israel, and bring them back to the lands of their inheritance, even bring them from the north country, so saith the prophets of old. The Book of Mormon which has been revealed or uncovered in these the last days, were translated from plates which had been hidden for about 1400 years—eventually, they were revealed to Joseph Smith and it has uncovered the fact, that the American Indian people are a part of the House of Israel, and we, this Gentile Nation have made war with them and taken their land from them. Yea, the hidden things are being uncovered as Jesus said they would be. Sincerely (WHC)

## FOR THE GOSPEL NEWS

The beginning of our work in Bethelboro Mission. I had been

going to the County Home to hold Church every week for nine years, but lately, just every two weeks. Sister McManus, who was baptised in the church a number of years ago by Brother Martin King at Smock Branch, through the years has tried to do the best she could and keep the faith of the church. She took sick at her daughter and son-in-law's home and said she would like to have me come and have prayer with her at Brother Paxton's home. We made an appointment to go from the County Home to there, as we leave out at 8 o'clock. Brother Dan Paxton met us and took us to his home, and we had prayer, my wife, Sister Thomas, my granddaughter, Kay Thomas, and myself. They asked us to come back so we appointed a meeting for the next week and continued going for some time. The daughter and son-in-law did not belong to church and Dan was not interested at first. An old man that made his home with them got baptised, and then the daughter, and son-in-law, too. We got the school house at Bethelboro for church and then the door of this church was opened to us. We get it free of charge. It is a small church with a piano and an organ, nice pews and it will sit about two-hundred people. We have baptised twenty-four and renewed old members, and now we have a mission of 31 and at our gatherings we have from 50 to 60, and our Sunday School is between 70 and 80 every Sunday. I think this is wonderful, I thank God for all of His goodness to us. I travel about 10 miles one way to get there and the roads get very bad in the winter, but God has always taken care of us. We have prospects of a great future to gather more in the vineyard of the Lord. Sister Thomas takes cards and goes from house to house and asks the people to come to church. She finds a great blessing in this work. I have two sons and three daughters that belong to the church. That is all my children. I have one grandson, who is in the Navy, that was baptised last year. He is 19 years old.

What a wonderful change has come in the home of Brother Dan and Mabel Paxton. He is a wonderful worker in the church as a Deacon. The Brothers and Sisters are welcome at their home at all times, as they have been in our home for 47 years. We have tried to do our best and take care of all the saints who come our way.

Our doors are never locked, night or day. May God bless all the Brothers and Sisters, the strong make stronger and the weak make strong. God Bless you all.

Bro. & Sister Thomas

Nigeria, Africa

A Dream By

A.A. Dick - Jan. 1956

It was on Saturday night Jan. 7th, 1956 at 9:30 after the dismissal of our Bible Class with the youngmen I went home. Hymn 479 was sung by a few brothers who followed me to my home. Prayer was offered by brother, W. A. Udo, also followed in prayer by myself. We bade one another good night. I went to bed at 10:30. I do not believe I spent 15 minutes in the bed. I became weak at the same time a heavy sleep got hold of me.

In my dream, "I saw a group of people crying and running away. No long after I saw them, I saw a post office messenger coming to my house and he gave me a telegram and contents were as follows: "Elder A.A. Dick, P. O. Box 43 R, Uyo, Nigeria. Visitors arriving today Church of Jesus Christ Secretary."

Soon after I had finished reading the telegram, I saw a group of people coming to my house crying and some were running. I opened the door and all of them stopped before me, saying in a big voice, help us, help us. Then I asked them what kind of help they needed from me, one of them spoke on behalf of the others, that their father has one stone in which the father used to kill all kinds of animals every year, and as they fail to do, the stone kill them. They said they went to one Pastor to come and destroy the stone, but he refused to come. I asked them whether there is any church in that village and they said no. I went with them in the dream to their home. They took me to the place and showed me the stone in question, and on my return to my home I saw brother A. B. Cadman in my house. I asked him how he managed to be here without writing to me. He told me that he had cabled me. I asked him whether he sent the telegram I received, he said yes, but I told him that I did not see his name in reply. He said he told the Secretary to cable me. Then I told him the dream. He said I should lead him to the place. I went with him and he destroyed the stone." End of dream.

About 5 a.m. I heard some one

knocking at the door and I opened the door for him. He told me that I was called by his villagers to come and destroy a stone. I told him to go that I would come after him. I went with the following Elders: Bro. S.U. Bassey, N. Akpan, A. Udom. Soon after we arrived at the place, they took us to the place and they ran away. In fact the stone and its house was fearful to look at. There I asked each of the Elders to pray, and we sung a hymn 108 in Efik. (our native tongue) Each of us bring grass and put in the house and set fire to it, and a big snake came out of it and we killed it.

We baptized 100 from the village and established a very good group there. No trouble and I wish all of you to pray. The place is called Afaha, ten miles from my home. In fact the people are happy and enjoying the whole thing. I hope they will do more by obeying the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Amen

Brother A. A. Dick

#### SUNDAY SERVICES IN NIGERIAN CONFERENCE

Sunday School was opened with hymn no. 9, prayer by Bro. A. A. Dick. Bro. C. E. Otu teaches mens class, Bro. S. Akpan teaches womens class. Bro. D. Akpan teaches young men. All enjoy Faith & Doctrines which was written in Efik. (Brother Dick has translated some of our Doctrinal Pamphlet into their language) Sunday School was closed with the Lord's prayer by all.

11:30 a. m. Service was opened with hymn NO. 60, prayer by S. Akpan. Bro. S. U. Bassey announce that no other matter (business) will be discussed today than preaching. all matter (business) suspended till September Conference. Hymn No. 153 & 103, reading scripture by S. U. Bassey, Matthew 3, verses 1 to 10. Preaching by A. A. Dick: — Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance verse 10 and now also the ax is laid unto the root of the trees, therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire. Brother Dick's opening remark in the conference was Repentance without love is death; see James 2:17, also his closing remark come again, repent and bring forth fruit for repentance, else you will be cast by the axe and put into fire. The house was spiritual and everybody enjoys Hymn No. 51, follows with Hymn No. 182 Doxology, Benedic-

tion by Bro. Dick.

NOTE:

It is time for us to partake the Lord's table by 2 p.m. Morning service dismiss with Lord's prayer and salutation. Evening service open with hymn 77, prayer by A. A. Dick. 1st Cor. 11-23, 25 short preaching by Bro. Dick. Testimonies were given, Hymn 148, prayer was offered, all enjoy partake the Holy Communion. Evening service was dismissed with the Lord's prayer. also salutation. Remarks: 18 souls were baptized, in 1954 we had 64 groups with 1339 souls, in 1955 we became 75 groups with 2785 and before December '55 we became 84 groups with 2829 and January '56 to 4th of March '56 we became 2859 with 85 groups. See the difference, in fact we are enjoying the true Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We spend seven pounds for feeding, we spend fifteen shillings for photo, we spend one pound ten shillings for posting and typing.

#### NIGERIA, AFRICA JANUARY 1956

Ikot Ebak - Abak Branch

Elders N. Akpan, S. U. Bassey were on Missionary Trip. We visited 17 groups of Churches this month and preached to them but no one was baptized. All are well. We had meeting with them in all the groups. Communion was held at Ikot Ebak on last Sunday of this month. All enjoyed of partaking the Holy Communion.

Preaching was done by Elder S. U. Bassey. We had a meeting with the young men and Bro. W. A. Udoh did his best. Mrs. A.A. Dick, holds Sisters' Meeting at Ikot Obong with the sisters and all enjoyed. The works are in progress. Some Elders from some groups attended our meeting. Bro. M. Akpan gave a short testimony all rejoiced. Bro. J. Udo sang some Spiritual Choruses and all enjoyed too.

Elders

Dear Editor,

With joy and love of God I forward this report made by the Elders to you, requesting you to allow it to be published into the Gospel News, thanks. May God bless you is our prayer.

O. A. Akpan

#### MY TRIP TO IKOT UKAP

On Sunday, 11th December, 1955, I went to Ikot Ukup a distant of 46 miles going and back. I left my house at the hour of 8 and arrived

there at 9:30. In fact, I enjoyed my trip to Ikot Ukap. 23 souls were baptized, 400 souls attended the revival service. All the stations or groups Bro. Sampson Akpan the Elder, were present. The service was enjoyable one. The house was white and the spirit of God was there. The house was white with bright faces. One of the sisters told the house that while I was praying she saw a man with white dress and with a crown on his head standing in the middle of the house and that she cannot look at his face because his face was very bright.

Ever since we start revival meeting this is the third time that all enjoy the blessings of God and many who were sick were healed by laying on our hands with prayer. Bro. Sampson Akpan, the Elder in charge of Ikot Ukap groups has shown a very good effort in promoting the Lord's work in his area.

A. A. Dick

#### REPORT OF MISSIONARY WORK

On February, 1956, Bro. S. U. Bassey, A. Udom, Nelson Akpan and D. Akpan went to Itu District to visit the brothers and sisters in the Church of Jesus Christ. We had meeting with them and all enjoyed of seeing us bringing the gospel to them, but no one was baptized.

On the same month we left to Mbioto where we had meeting on the 18th February with them. We baptized two sisters there, and all were glad of hearing the true Gospel preached to them. Four of us were able to visit 20 groups of Churches. We always meet with Brothers and Sisters who are willing to hear us preaching to them. Bro. A. Nnachi wrote to us that, he has one member who has just been baptized and that he has 40 people in this group. Communion was held at the Centre. We had a very good attendance, in the evening meeting we had. Some sisters gave short testimonies and we all enjoyed. The work is in a very good progress.

Elders

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O. A. Akpan

Out of 85 groups with 2859 souls, 70 groups with 600 attended the conference. Though only 70 groups with 600 attended the conference, we still rejoice. A. A. Dick, Chairman, N. Akpan Vice Chairman, O. A. Akpan General Secretary.

#### God Provides

I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread. (Psalms 37:25).

During the time of the great depression (1931) our family was hard pressed for the bare necessities of life. At the time of this experience we were nine and no one was working. In June of this year our plight became desperate and I prayed to God that I might find work and help sustain the family.

After praying I fell into a deep sleep and was blessed with an inspirational dream. It appeared that I walked in a diningroom, the tables were set with beautiful linen and adorned with sparkling silver. In the center were bouquets of white lilies.

The next morning a strange lady called at the house and inquired if I needed work. Replying that I did she took me to a house and showed me through the dining room. I was amazed to see the decorations exactly as they had appeared in my dream. To my further gratitude I was hired as a waitress.

Many times since that day twenty-five years ago I have thanked God for His help in moments of peril. I thank him and praise him for His readiness to aid when I am needful and worthy.

Ivy Fisher Stelfon Branch, N.J.

St. John, Kansas  
March 21, 1956

Dear Brother Editor:

I suppose you have received a letter in regards to Brother Joe's visit here. We are really happy that we have five new brothers and sisters in the gospel here.

Brother James Heaps came Saturday from Los Angeles, California. A carload came. Brother and Sister Marshall; Sister Esther Flo, Sister Ruth Flo and Sister Nacosia. We surely had a nice time visiting here at my home on Saturday evening and attending the services on Sunday. The brothers and sisters from Lincoln and Salina, Kansas were here to spend the day and Johnny Nacosia who is stationed at the army base in Fort Riley was here. I believe that

on Saturday night Sister Nacosia and her son Johnny were the happiest in our little group.

Our gathering was saddened though by the death of Sister Jones, she with her family had planned to be with us on Sunday and she was eagerly looking forward to it but she had also been looking forward to going to a better home and the Lord seen fit to call her last Friday. We took dad down on Friday after Sister Phyllis called us and he stayed until Saturday afternoon, then we took Sister Robinson, and Brother Heaps and dad and returned to Wichita Monday morning for our dear sisters funeral services which were conducted by dad and Brother Heaps.

The brother and sisters from California left for their home on Monday morning as they mostly all had to be back at their jobs. They had come especially to bring Brother Heaps this far on his way to the east where he plans to do some visiting and also attend the general church conference.

We hope that many of our brothers and sisters will pay us a visit this year. If any of you brothers and sisters are going to California don't forget we are just about half way between and our highways leading to St. John are just as good as those north and south of us so please plan your route on No. 50 and make us a visit.

Remember us here in your prayers, for many years there has been something to hinder the progress of the gospel here but now we are hoping that we may all put our shoulders to the plow and not turn back and each try to help with the services and show unto the world the love of God so that the world might know that we are his servants. Dad has striven for a long time to keep the church open and now he is old and needs all the help he can have as his days here on earth are numbered.

We are enclosing the love of our brothers and sisters in the St. John Mission to all of you brothers and sisters in the gospel.

Your sister in Christ,  
Sister Eva Delp

FEBRUARY 27th 1956  
-DETROIT-

Dear Bro. Editor:

I sincerely hope, that when this article reaches you, our sister Cadman, and all bros. and sisters, throughout the Church, will be found enjoying the full love of God,

and will be looking optimistically toward our coming Conference, which we are earnestly praying will be filled with joys untold, and the Lord will make His appearance in our midst, so we can enjoy some of those original blessings in which we are told, that in some cases the saints were so blessed, that, that which was said or done, was forbidden to be written. In my estimation, I would think that we will have some very important decisions to make, hence my continuous prayer is, that our dear Heavenly Father, will see us fit to be considered, will take over our cause, and so direct, bless, and help us, that at the conclusion of our Conference, every-one will be able to say, Glory to God, we are at the Fountain drinking, Glory to God, we are on our journey home. We will then be able, to conclude, as is said in 2nd Corinthians, 17th verse, Now the Lord is that Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. The 1st Sunday of this month, the Robothams, my wife and I, went to London to visit sister Gadd, we had lunch with her, and enjoyed very much our short stay there. We found our sister, much improved in health, and she was overjoyed to see us. We had much difficulty leaving her, but were booked for Muncey, so after a word of prayer, we left. We arrived there about 3 p.m., and were gladly surprised, to find a very good audience, in the Church Building, one side of the building was practically full, and there were others, on the other side. Bro. Frank Vitto was the speaker, he spoke from St. Matthew 18th Chapter, 1st five verses, and gave a good talk. Bro. Reno Bologna, is in charge of the work, and is doing a very good job. We heard some very good testimonies, from bro. and sister Nicholas and others, and were really wonderfully blessed, that we had the opportunity of being there. The second Sunday, we visited Branch no. 3, and spent a very enjoyable time there. The third Sunday, was spent in Branch no. 1, and it was also highly enjoyable. We have now just finished painting the church building, and renovating it, with hopes of a good sale, to help us out in our new building, which we hope to get started soon. The last Sunday of the month, was spent in Sarnia, on our journey there, we stopped in Port Huron, and were

quite pleased to find quite a few bros., sisters, and their children in the Church Building, enjoying themselves spiritually. In Sarnia, sister Maness's sister, has obtained a fractured shoulder, and was prayed on in the Hospital, by Bro. Anthony Pietrangelo, she is now feeling much better, and is very appreciative to our Heavenly Father, for His goodness, kindness, and mercy. We had a very enjoyable time in Sarnia, and came back with great hopes, that as Paul said in 1st Corin. 16th Chapter, and 9th verse, For a great door and effectual, is opened unto me, but there are many adversaries, that through the help of our dear Heavenly Father, we may be able to remain humble and faithful, to the end, overcome the devil and his host, and in the last day, obtain eternal life. I have visited Sister Marietta Ruzzi, recently and found her still very thankful our Heavenly Father, is always with her, and extend to her blessings untold. She extend greetings, to bros. and sisters throughout the Church. Sister Raphael Difalco, has just lost her dear little boy Alex, we all extend utmost sympathy to the family, in their bereavement. May God watch between us, while we are absent one from the other, is the prayer of your dear bro. in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Matthew T. Miller

#### SISTER RITA MASCARELLO PASSES ON

Sister Rita Mascarello, died on January 28th 1956 in her 57th year. She was born February 4th 1899, and was baptized in the Church of Jesus Christ, October 2nd, 1938. She leaves to mourn her passing, a daughter Mary Mascarello, one bro. and other relatives. Funeral service was conducted at Branch No. 1, by Bros. Joseph Johnson and Anthony Pietrangelo. Interment at the White Chapel Cemetery. Funeral Director Delos G. Gitre was in charge of the funeral. We extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

Bro. Matthew T. Miller

#### Obituary

Sarah Ann Harris Jones was born December 19th, 1878 in Neath, South Wales England. She came to America in June 1908. She passed away at her home near Wichita, Kansas March 16, 1956 at the age of 77 years, 2 months and 27 days. She was married to Rees

P. Jones in England, January 8th, 1902 and to this union were born 6 children, four of whom preceded her in death. She is survived by her husband and two daughters, Mrs. Phyllis Wergin, Miss Maude Jones; also one granddaughter, Amelia Mae Wergin, several nieces and nephews and a host of friends. She was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ, August 7, 1910 in West Virginia and remained faithful until death.

Her last testimony was that she was ready to meet her Saviour whenever he called her home. She died with a prayer on her lips.

The last rites for Sister Jones were conducted from the Downing Mortuary in Wichita, Kansas by Evangelists James Heaps of Los Angeles, California and Charles Sanders of St. John, Kansas. Burial in Maple Grove Cemetery where her son Godfrey was buried.

#### NIGERIA, AFRICA EXCEEDING GREAT PROMISES BY A. A. DICK

Reading through Ephesians 3 recently two words in Verse 20 . . . exceeding abundantly . . . stood out in the text as diamonds in a mass of treasure. These are days when promises in Christ are being fulfilled to a wonderful degree, but man still doubts the exceeding greatness of the power of Christ Jesus.

The lives Sarah and Zacharias furnish examples of what I want to say. When told by the Lord her heart's desire was going to be granted in that she would bring forth a son in her old age Sarah laughed at the idea. The Lord asked, "Is there anything too hard for the Lord?" Gen. 18: 14. The Lord's word came to pass, despite her doubts. Right Rev. Caxharias could not believe what the Angel told him about a son he was to have who would be a harbinger of Christ, God's matchless son, the Saviour of mankind (Luke 1:18). Like Sarah and Zacharias of old, we may have been praying all our lives for God's blessings, but when God comes on the scene to grant our prayers we doubt His great power and love which is able to do exceeding abundantly' above all we ask or think. "Yes, friends we must take heart, God is able to bring every holy desire to pass. He is not bound by the laws of limitation sin and death. He died and arose that these promises might be fulfilled.

Have you prayed, for deliverance from sin or some failings and do you think your prayers are unheard? Deliverance is there for you in the blood of Jesus now as you read this article (Heb. 7:25).

Have you prayed for healing? Oh, Jesus is able to heal and do far more wonders in your life today. (Matt. 9:6).

What about that looming financial crisis in life? God is able to supply all our needs (note, a l l needs, not some needs) abundantly according to His riches in Christ Jesus! (Phillip 4:13).

Have you prayed for the baptism in the Holy Spirit? You can be baptised and filled here and now (Acts 10:44)

And what about the Revival we have prayed for so long a time? It is at the door (Zech. 4:6, Mark, 16:20).

This is no theory — it is deep revelation. Me thinks we are on the verge of great discoveries of science (the atomic power, etc.) cannot compare with the revelation of the love, wisdom, power, and grace of t h e One "who is able to do 'exceeding abundantly' above all that we ask or think according to the power that worketh in us." To Him glory for what He did on Mount Calvary, is doing and shall ever do for you and me, objects of His eternal love.

Friends, let's stop doubting and believe all things are possible in Christ Jesus! Bro. A. A. Dick

#### Perri-Benyola Nuptials

(Due to an error in the March Issue, I am reprinting this wedding announcement, Sorry).

Joseph Perri, son of brother and sister Eugene Perri of New Brunswick, N. J. and Mary Benyola, the daughter of brother and sister Joseph Benyola of Hopelawn, N. J., were united in marriage in The Church of Jesus Christ at Hopelawn on Sept. 10, 1955.

Elder Paul Benyola a cousin of the bride officiated. The bride was given away by her father. The wedding music was played by Mrs. Carl Huttenberger and Mrs. Michael Feher sang. The maid of honor was Mrs. August D'Orazio, Miss Darlene Velardi and Miss Doris Todone were brides maids. Mr. August D'Orazio was the best man.

A reception was held in the Hun-

garian Reformed Hall at Woodbridge. The couple left for the Poconos on their honey-moon. On their return home they will reside at 395 New Brunswick Ave. Fords, N. J.

The bride had attended the Middlesex County Vocational and Technical High School at Perth Amboy, N. J., and was employed with the Moser Jewel Co., in Perth Amboy. The groom attended the New Brunswick High School and was employed by the Triangle Conduit and Cable Co.

The young couple are members of The Church of Jesus Christ. May God bless them.

Wakpala, South Dakota

Dear Brother Cadman,

On our Lord's day February fifth, nineteen fifty-six we had our prayer meeting at the home of Mr. Louis Meeter. During testimony time Mr. Henry Three Legs announced that he wanted his youngest daughter anointed and so after the prayer meeting we went to his home to follow the ordinance of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen. The youngest daughter Nellie, was very sick and her breath was coming in short gasps but after the anointing when we left we had been told by her dad that Nellie wanted to dress, get up, and play. She stood up in bed but fell as the result of being confined to her bed two days and two nights with a very high fever leaving her very weak. She is well now and attends Sunday school thanks to Our Holy and Mighty God, of Israel, Amen.

Again on Our Lord's Holy sabbath day on the twelfth of February during testimony time in our prayer meeting Sister DeMarrias, asked to be anointed because she was very troubled about Sister Baker and our daughter. She was on the verge of being very sick but after the anointing Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, lifted the heavy load off, of her and she said that she felt wonderful. Glory to the highest, is the name of Our God, of Israel, Amen.

On the evening of February fourteenth, one of Sister Howard's daughters and also one of Mr. Henry Three Legs's daughters both came and said that Sister Howard wanted to be anointed. Sister DeMarrias and I went down to their place right away and when we got

down there we found Sister Howard, very sick and in pain. Going home from a prayer meeting that we had at the home of Grandma Gabe's on the evening of the twelfth, Sister Howard fell and hurt herself and as a result she took sick. After t h e anointing the fever left her and she wanted to sit up so Sister DeMarrias helped her to sit up or propped her up so she was sitting up when we left her. Again we praise the most high God, of Israel, Amen.

Brother Cadman, I just want to let you know that we need a place of worship. All the homes around here are too small to have Sunday schools and prayer meetings in. The crowd is increasing continually. I have not contacted the party about the burial grounds as yet.

This is my report for this month from this part of the vineyard.

May the Father, of Israel watch over and bless you all is my prayer. Your Brother in Christ Jesus, Mr. Earl F. DeMarrias Sr.

#### Were You Persecuted? Read About Paul.

Editor:

Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool) I am more; in labours more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft. Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one. Thrice was I beaten with rods, once I was stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep;

In journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among FALSE BRETHREN; in weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness. Beside these things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of ALL the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? who offended, and I burn not?

(Pauls crowning words are as follows) "IF I MUST NEED GLORY, I WILL GLORY OF THE THINGS WHICH CONCERN MINE INFIRMITIES." — Yea blessed by the name of the Lord, Amen. Second Cor. II ch. WHC.



# THE GOSPEL NEWS

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## WHO IS THY NEIGHBOR? By SISTER HANNA, PORT HURON, MICH.

Who is thy neighbor? he whom  
thou  
Has power to own and bless,  
Who's aching heart, and burn-  
ing brow  
Thy soothing hand may press.

Thy Neighbor? he who drinks  
the cup,  
When sorrow drowns the brim,  
With words of ever cheering hope,  
Go share thy lot with him.

Thy Neighbor? Pass no mourn-  
er by,  
Perhaps thou canst redeem  
A breaking heart from misery,  
Go thou, and comfort him.

### Peter Says:

"But the day of the Lord will  
come as a thief in the night; in  
which the heavens shall pass  
away with a great noise, and the  
elements shall melt with fervent  
heat, the earth also and the works  
that are therein shall be burned  
up.

Seeing then that all these things  
shall be dissolved, what manner of  
persons ought ye to be in all  
holy conversation and godliness."  
Second Peter Chapter 3.

### Again Peter says:

"But as he which has called you  
is holy, so be ye holy in all man-  
ner of conversation; Because it  
is written, Be ye holy; for I am  
holy." First Peter Chapter 1.  
Our Faith & Doctrine Pamphlet  
Says:

"We believe that all men must  
obey the Gospel before they can  
be saved." See John's Gospel III:  
5; Acts X: Mark XVI: 16, and  
Acts II:38 Paragraph 8 on page  
6.

### MR. KEFAUVER HITS 'CRIME ON TV.'

PITTSBURGH, PA (UP)—"Sen.  
Estes Kefauver "sees" television  
programs which stress crime and  
violence as a "Possible contribut-  
ing factor" to the nation's rising  
juvenile delinquency rate.

Kefauver, pausing briefly in his  
campaign for the Democratic nom-  
ination for president, charged the  
TV industry with "Inadequate re-

gard for sociological consequences"  
in some of its programing."

P.S. Mr. Kefauver is no doubt  
correct in charging the responsi-  
bility of "juvenile delinquency"  
as he has done, but the direct  
responsibility is on the parents  
who allow crime to be brought in-  
to their homes on the TV, Radio  
or any other agency.

It is strange to me, that profess-  
ing Christian people will allow  
crime and immoral scenes to be  
brought into their homes today as  
they are. What else can we ex-  
cept but juvenile delinquency?

It is not these wonderful inven-  
tions that are at fault, but the way  
they are being used. It seems that  
everything that scientific men  
bring forth, can be used for good  
as well as for evil, and the  
adults, and especially professed  
Christians of our day will have  
much to answer for before God,  
for placing before the eyes and  
minds of the youth of today, the  
awful things that they are showing  
which undoubtedly is at the root  
of so many of our young Children,  
might I say? to spend the rest  
of their days behind bars.

Let us put the blame where it  
belongs — the inability of par-  
ents to control their own homes  
and raise their children as should  
be. And also, the law of civilized  
nations allowing such things to be.  
WHC.

### A.A. DICK OF NIGERIA, AFRICA ARRIVED IN NEW YORK

After traveling across the Ocean  
for approximately one month over  
the 5,000 miles between the  
United States and Africa, Br. A.A.  
Dick, arrived in Staten Island, New  
York on Saturday, May 5, 1956.

A group of our brothers and sis-  
ters met him along with W. H.  
Cadman and Bro. Bittinger of Penn-  
sylvania. Bro. Dick spent that day  
and the following Sunday meetings  
in Bronx, New York. However, at  
7 p.m. Sunday night approximate-  
ly 200 people convened in our Hope-  
lawn Branch to meet Brother Dick.  
Bro. Dick was introduced to the  
congregation by Brother Joseph  
Benyola and took a seat on the  
rostrum.

Bro. W. H. Cadman then fav-  
ored us with a solo, Hymn No.

153, with the congregation join-  
ing in on the chorous. Later in the  
evening he also sang Hymn No.  
404. Bro. Cadman proceeded to  
explain the conditions and various  
customs of African ways in com-  
parison to American living, bring-  
ing out very emphatically the  
abundance of blessings we have  
here in America that our brothers  
and sisters in far off Africa do not  
have. He mentioned the  
fact that our refrigerators  
automatic washers, well-dressed  
people, etc. were very impressive  
to Bro. Dick along with the  
beautiful church buildings and  
homes we have. While, at the same  
time, the people of Africa have  
very little. Their buildings are  
crude and rugged with the ground  
for floors, and very few or no  
chairs at all to sit on, holes in the  
walls for windows and doors, and  
no modern appliances whatsoever,  
little food and clothing. And yet,  
while it is wonderful to be privi-  
leged with all the things we have  
here in America, Bro. Cadman  
stated that when we have an abun-  
dance of good things we have a  
tendency to forget about God, but  
when we are in want of something  
we turn our thoughts and ask  
for aid.

Here is an experience which im-  
pressed me very much. When Bro.  
Dick was baptized and Bro. Cad-  
man and Bro. Bittinger were an-  
nointing him for the bestowal of  
the Holy Ghost, a man in their  
congregation not a member of our  
church, saw a dove resting on  
Bro. Dick's head and as Bro. Cad-  
man and Bro. Bittinger were pray-  
ing the dove sat on their hands.  
This to me signifies how pleased  
our Lord must have been in the  
conversion of Bro. Dick into the  
Church of Jesus Christ many thous-  
ands of miles away from us.

Bro. Dick followed Bro. Cadman  
and spoke very good English con-  
sidering the fact that he had never  
been to America and expressed  
his appreciation to God for permit-  
ting him to make this trip. He stat-  
ed his only desire is to obey the  
commands of God. Bro. Dick in-  
formed us that they now have 2,859  
members in the Church of Jesus  
Christ in a total of 84 churches,  
which we were extremely happy  
to hear and pray that God would  
continue to work with our broth-

ers and sisters in Africa as well as everywhere else. Bro. Dick then favored us with a hymn in his own dialect. The congregation sang Hymn No. 205 at his request.

Brother Bittinger concluded the meeting with very inspiring words of life as well. The New Jersey M-BA Choir sang, which ended a very enjoyable day in the service to God.

On the following Monday and Tuesday evenings meetings were held in Stelton and New Brunswick respectively. Our brothers left New Jersey on Wednesday morning to visit with Bro. Dick in Pennsylvania and other parts of God's vineyard.

We can surely say the whole experience was enjoyed by all and certainly will be a commemorable occasion. May the Lord be with you wherever you go.

By Mary B. Persico

#### A SALUTATION BY BROTHER DICK

To Mr. President, Officers, Members and Visitors of The Church of Jesus Christ:

It is my greatest pleasure to witness such an occasion graced with the presence of old acquainted friends that I have known in Africa, and some of whom I corresponded with but never met in person. This kind gesture of yours by such a grand reception, almost leaves me without words to express my appreciation only in the Lord Merciful Blessing, brought me safely to these shores.

I was so sick on the ship that I thought I would never be able to shake hands with you kind brothers and sisters of The Church of Jesus Christ. The Officers, Friends, Members and well wishers of the Church of Jesus Christ in Africa, Nigeria, send to you their kindest regards and felicitations through me. I am over carried with joy for this great opportunity given me by you to come to the United States of America and shake hands with good Christian hearted People.

I have a long story to let you know about Africa, Nigeria and the success of our work there, but at this time I can only continue to Thank God for the many fold blessings bestowed upon me and you for your brotherly love for mankind, and to pray for the continuous success of our work throughout the world in the Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

What I have seen, also bear an eye witness, is not what I was told, though I cannot express myself in the way that all of you may understand me. If those Missionaries who came out to Nigeria, Africa, came with full love of Christ as did The Church of Jesus Christ of today, I would have been able to speak and write, for the little I am today, my wife taught me, she having been to High School. I believe if you people will continue with this kind of love, of which I have borne eye witness, our children in The Church of Jesus Christ today will be able to speak and to write. I say again and again, thank you. Let this kind of love continue. Amen., as at present in Nigeria, Africa.

#### PRAYER

Oh God our merciful Father, I pray Thee, giving thanks from the bottom of my heart, as Thou has cared for, and brought me safely across the Atlantic Ocean for many days and nights and has poured such a great love into the hearts of these brethren, to bring me from far-away Africa to this part of the world, may you cause such love to continue growing in our hearts, may you also cause the work of the Restored Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ to cover the world is my daily prayer in Jesus Name Amen. THANK YOU OVER and OVER.

Brother ANietie Akpan Dick. of the Church of Jesus Christ in Nigeria, Africa.

#### DO YOU TAKE TIME TO THINK? IF NOT, WHY NOT?

Matthew 7: 1, 2 "JUDGE not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgement ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. — May I ask: Is it not a very serious matter to misjudge another? According to the words of Jesus, You shall be judged with the same judgement. —And then Jesus says: "And why beholdest thou the MOTE that is in thy brothers eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?" In other words thy own faults are worse than the one you may be finding fault with. And then Jesus addresses you thus: "Thou hypocrite, (A very severe indictment, is it not?) (Yea thou hypocrite) first cast out the BEAM out of thine own eye; and then shalt THOU see clearly to cast out

the MOTE out of THY brothers eye. (Very good advice is it not? and may I add; to you that see every bodys faults, is it not possible that you are on the brink of a very deep PRECIPICE?) Remember that when thou finds fault with anothers habits or customs, your OWN ways may not be very pleasing.

In James third chapter, he shows that man can master the horses by putting bits in their mouths, — we can master the huge ships with a very small helm, then he describes our little member — the tongue. He says it boasteth great things — yea, Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth! And the tongue (tho little) is a fire, a world of iniquity; so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and IT (the tongue) is set on FIRE of HELL. What a terrible condition the little tongue can create, James says that it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison, he says no man can tame it. We can tame the beasts of the forest, but not the tongue — with it we bless God, and with it we curse men, yea, all out of the same mouth we bless and we curse. MY BRETHREN, THESE THINGS OUGHT NOT SO TO BE, saith James the apostle of the Prince of Peace.

Brother Cadman, W. H.

#### RADIO ADDRESS BY THURMAN S. FURNIER

Good morning radio friends: The last time I addressed you over this radio station, on the following subjects: "The results of the apostasy," "The Reformation," and "The birth of Protestantism," I promised to speak during some future broadcast; of the circumstances under which some of the Protestant churches were set up, and how they obtained their names.

At this time, I will endeavor to furnish that information in brief, as time will not permit me to go into detail.

It will be necessary for me to mention by name the several divisions of Protestantism in order to distinguish one sect from the other.

With due respect to the honest hearted peoples of the Protestant world, we cannot help but take note of the division among Protestant churches.

Very few of them agree in the basic principles of salvation, as taught by Jesus Christ himself, and maintained by his early followers.

During the sixteenth (16th) century, at the time of Martin Luther's revolt against the church of Rome, Henry the 8th, reigned in England.

In connection with all other countries of Western Europe, Britain was deeply stirred by "the Reformation" movement.

The king openly defended the Catholic church and published a book in opposition to Luther's claims. This so pleased the pope, Leo X, that he conferred upon King Henry the distinguishing title, "Defender of the Faith." This took place about 1522 A.D., and from that time to the present British sovereigns have proudly borne the title. Within a few years after this title of distinction was conferred upon him, we find King Henry among the bitterest enemies of the Roman church, and the change came about in this wise: Henry desired a divorce from his wife, Queen Catherine, to give him freedom to marry Anne-Bolyn. The pope hesitated in the matter of granting the divorce, and Henry, becoming impatient, disregarded the pope's authority and secretly married Anne-Bolyn. The pope there-upon excommunicated the King from the church. The English parliament, following the king's directions, passed the celebrated Act of Supremacy in 1534 A. D. This statute declared an absolute termination of all allegiance to papal authority, and proclaimed the king as supreme head of the church in Britain. Thus originated the Church of England, without regard for or claim of divine authority, and without even a semblance of priestly succession. At first there was little change in doctrine or ritual in the newly formed church. It originated in revolt. Later a form of creed and a plan of organization were adopted, giving the Church of England some different features. From 1553 A.D. to 1558, A.D. during the reign of Queen Mary, known as "Bloody Mary", (and a daughter of the divorced Catherine), the new church was carried back to the Catholics, and a bloody five year period was this. While the heads were going under the bloody axe of Mary, hers went with them. Then Elizabeth, a half sister of Mary, and the daughter of Anne-Bolyn, came to

the throne, 1558 A. D. The Catholic's were again overthrown, and again the Church of England came into power. (See pamphlet, "the Trail of Blood" by J.M. Carroll, page No. 34 and 41). The church of England by its own admission and by the circumstances of its origin, is a man made institution, without a semblance of claim to the powers and authority of the holy priesthood. As late as 1896 the question of the validity of the priestly orders in the Church of England was officially and openly discussed and considered, both in England and at Rome. Lord Halifax chairman of the English Church Union, conferred with the Vatican authorities to ascertain the possibility of bringing about closer union between the Roman Catholic Church and the Church of England. This involved the question of the recognition of the priestly orders of the Anglican Church by the pope and church of Rome. The movement was favored in the interests of unity and peace by the English premier, Mr. Gladstone. The pope, Leo XIII, finally issued a decree refusing to recognize in any degree the authority of the Anglican orders, and expressly declaring all claims to priestly authority by the Church of England as absolutely invalid. Assuredly the Church of Rome could take no other action than this and maintain the consistency of its own claim to exclusive possession of the priesthood by descent. Assuredly the Church of England would have sought no official recognition of its priestly status by the Church of Rome had it any independent claim to the power and authority of the priesthood. The Church of England makes official declaration of degeneracy and loss of divine authority in these words: "Laity and clergy, learned and unlearned, all ages sects, and degrees, have been drowned in abominable idolatry most detested by God and damnable to man for eight hundred years and more." (See Church of England "Homily on perils of idolatry," page No. 3.) The "Book of Homilies," in which occurs this declaration by the Church of England, dates from about the middle of the sixteenth century. According to this official statement, therefore, the religious world had been utterly apostate for eight centuries prior to the establishment of the Church of England. The fact of a universal apostasy was widely proclaimed for

the homilies from which the foregoing citation is taken were "appointed to be read in churches" in lieu of sermons under specified conditions. During the reigns of Edward VI, Queen Mary, and Queen Elizabeth, persecutions between Catholic's and Protestant's were extensive and violent. Several non-conformist sects arose, among them the Puritans and the Separatists. These were so persecuted that many of them fled to Holland as exiles. From among these came the notably colony of the Pilgrim Fathers, who crossed in the Mayflower to the shores of the then recently discovered continent, and established themselves in America, (Plymouth Rock) December 21 1620. Beginning with the Colonial period, in the early part of the seventeenth (17th) century, the first settlements were established in Virginia, and a little later in that territory now known as the New England states. Religious, or more properly speaking-irreligious persecutions, in England, and on the Continent, were, at least, among the prime causes which led to the first settlement of the first United States Colonies. In some of the groups of immigrants which first came, not including the Jamestown, Va. group (1607 A.D.) and those known as the "Pilgrims" (1620 A.D.) were two groups, one at least, called "Puritans" - these were "Congregationalists." Governor Endicott was in control of their colony. The other group were Presbyterians.

To be continued

#### EXCERPTS FROM A LETTER, WRITTEN BY SISTER HANNA AT PORT HURON, MICH. ...

Well, Bro. Cadman, we here in Port Huron are now a Branch instead of a Mission, and today Bro. J. V. Johnson was ordained a Teacher, and Bro. Arthur Brown a Deacon. Now we are all hoping and praying that we will be able to advance in the Gospel in this part of the Lords Vineyard. There are many honest hearted people in our fair city who are not satisfied where they are in some of the churches, but dont know where to go to find something better. We will have to pray much, that Our Heavenly Father will direct them in the right way.

Brother Criscuolo is our Pastor and Bro. P. Capone and Bro. John

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## THE GOSPEL NEWS

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## EDITORIAL

But behold, the Jews were a stiffnecked people; and they despised the words of plainness, and killed the prophets, and sought for things that they could not understand. Wherefore, because of their blindness, which blindness came by looking beyond the mark, they must needs fall; for God hath taken away his plainness from them, and delivered many things which they cannot understand, because 'they' desired it. And because they desired it God hath done it, that they may stumble. See Jacob 4-14 in the Book of Mormon.

As is recorded in the Acts. 1: 6, The Jews were evidently looking for a Messiah to come that would restore their kingdom to them again, that they might be relieved from the domination of the Roman Empire. Jesus told the few that were His followers on this occasion as follows: "It is not for you to know the times or seasons, which the Father hath put in His own power. But ye shall receive power after the Holy Ghost is come upon you 'etc. Their commission was to preach the Gospel to all the world, and as far as the written word is concerned, they did not bother any more about their National Kingdom, but did preach the Gospel even unto death, while the Jews who rejected Him because of their blindness and iniquity, lost their kingdom and were scattered throughout the world.

The predicted apostasy was fulfilled, likewise a restoration came to pass. And as the Jewish Nation rejected their Messiah, looking beyond the mark, casting aside the Chief Corner Stone, they suffered the consequences of their wilfulness, and are still paying the penalty for their blindness, and I wonder how much longer, until He appears on the Mt. of Olives and fights their battle for them, as is recorded by Zechariah the prophet.

I wish to draw the attention of all believers in the Restored Gospel to: is it not just as possible for Gentiles to over-look the mark of their day as well? Is it not possible for them to get more concerned about the erection of temples, churches, sitting under their own vine and fig tree, or building up the City of Zion, and their minds set on the BIG THINGS of the last days and neglect the all-important matter of living righteously and preaching the Gospel to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people. Rev. 14:6. I ask: is it not possible for Gentiles under the Restoration to be carried away with their own ambitions, even as did the Jewish people?

Remember all ye that believe in the Gospel restored, that faith, repentance and obedience to the commands of God must be taught by the servants in the vine-yard in these last days — yea, much labour must be done, pruning and dunging, digging, etc. before the good fruit shall prevail in the vineyard again. When nothing shall hurt or destroy in all God's Holy Mountain. God's command to His servants in the past was: Preach the gospel in all the world. I read THAT HE DOES NOT CHANGE. Editor.

Visconti are his Counsellors. We had a good S. School today, good preaching service, Sacrament, Feet Washing, and Fellowship Meeting. There was 27 in attendance. There was several cars from Detroit, and we appreciate their help.

I hope that Bro. Dick arrived O.K. and that he will enjoy his stay in the land of the free. I enjoy reading the Nigerian letters in the News. It is time to send in my pay for our wonderful Gospel News. I enjoyed Sister Cadmans tribute to Mother Heaps, she must have been a wonderful Sister, and cheered many a sad and discouraged soul along the way.

MRS. ARTHUR FEDERER  
PASSES ON

Sister Federer passed away at the Misericordia Hospital in Philadelphia on April 17, 1956 at the age of 61 years. She is survived by her husband Arthur and seven children and was the daughter of William and Ella White. The funeral services were conducted by Brothers Joseph Benyola and

Paul Benyola on Friday, April 20, 1956 at 2 p.m. at 600 N. 63rd Street. Interment took place at Fernwood Cemetery, Philadelphia.

A group of New Jersey brothers and sisters attended the funeral along with a large number of friends and relatives of Sister Federer. Brother Joseph and Brother Paul Benyola had the privilege of meeting and talking with the late Brother Nephi Federer's son and daughter. They informed them it was 37 years ago on April 21st that their father met with the fatal accident which took his life.

All who attended this funeral service were very much pleased in the manner in which our church conducted the services.

We extend our sympathy to the family of our dearly beloved Sister Federer.

Sister Mary Persico  
Hopelawn Branch Editor

MRS. ROSE VIOLA  
PASSES ON

On April 18, 1956 Rose Viola, wife of Brother Anthony Viola of Brooklyn, New York passed away from this life, after an illness of two years. She was buried on April 21, 1956 in Hoboken, N. J. Brother Anthony is our newest convert in Brooklyn and has proved himself a worthy follower and worker in the Church. We extend our sympathy for his loss, and may the Lord fill his life to the fullest with His blessings.

Sister Mary Persico

## LAWSON-CASANTA NUPTIALS

In a double ring ceremony performed by her father in the Church of Jesus Christ. McKees Rocks on April 21, Ermelinda Casasanta became the bride of Richard Lawson. She is a daughter of Brother Dan and Sister Fannie Casasanta of McKees Rocks and her husband is a son of Mrs. Violet Lawson.

Given in marriage by her uncle, William Colangelo, the bride was attended by her sister, Betty Ann Casasanta. Eleanor DeMasso, a cousin was bridesmaid.

Lawrence Olivier acted as best man while Al Lawson was an usher.

After a reception the couple left for a southern trip. They will reside in Bellevue, Pa.

## FREDONIA MISSION

Dear Brother Editor:

Knowing your love for the Lam-anite people, we thought you would

be interested in what we did while our two Brother's were with us. Brother DeMarias and Brother Usefulheart left South Dakota Wednesday March 28th by bus. We did not know at what hour they would be arriving so Sister Martha Kelly planned to meet all the busses on Friday. Fortunately they were on the first bus she met. As they were very tired from their trip. Sister Martha took them to her home and gave them a good hot meal.

After Brother Russel Cadman was through work he took them to his farm, where they visited while here.

We had three nightly meetings, Saturday the Brother's and Sister's from Niles, O. met with us, also Brother Robert Quinn from Meadville, Pa. Monday evening a car load from Youngstown, O. came and Tuesday evening a good turn out from Warren, O. was represented, also Brother and Sister Kunkle and children from Imperial, Pa.

We had good testimony meetings all three evenings, with much good singing. We enjoyed the testimonies of our Lamanite Brothers telling about their work in South Dakota and their love for the Gospel. Brother Usefulheart sang for us in his native tongue, and also played the piano for several hymns. For these three evenings there were nearly 70 members and friends gathered in Brother and Sister Cadman's home. We were thankful for this opportunity and for the blessings we received.

On two occasions the Brothers visited Brother and Sister Love, they were very interested in their farm and cattle.

Easter Sunday the Lamanite Brothers, Russel and Ethel along with their daughter and son-in-law and Bob Quinn met with the saints at Imperial, Pa. Thursday morning Russel took the Brothers to Monongahela for the April Conference, they were very happy for this privilege as this was the first Conference they have been to.

We can honestly say it was a blessing to have the good Brothers with us, and hope they received a blessing being in our midst.

Sister Eleanor Sproul

#### NEWS FROM WARREN, OHIO.

We would like to write of a very good meeting here in Warren, which might be of interest to the Gospel News Readers.

On Sunday Meeting, April 22, 1956 was opened by Bro. Peter Milinatto and a very good lesson was taught us from the 37th chapter of Ezekiel concerning the Valley of Dry Bones, and the sticks of Judah and Joseph. Brother D. Giovannone followed him in the Italian language. A visitor was present who had very recently come from Italy, also a number of visitors where present from Youngstown.

The afternoon meeting was opened by Bro. Fr. Giovannone, who gave a very interesting talk on the reward to be expected in serving God. Bro. A. A. Corrado then followed, relating many experiences he has witnessed in which God has manifested Himself. He told of his air-plane trip back from Italy in which they encountered the tail end of a hurricane and he pleaded to God for help. His mind went to the song: "Peace Be Still." Shortly after him petitioning God, the weather cleared.

As our meeting continued, more visitors arrived, some from Painsville, Youngstown and Lorain, Ohio. Bro. Rocco Biscotti then gave us a very interesting talk on the responsibilities of the Elders, Evangelists and Apostles of the Church. He told of experiences which were had by Bros. Gorrie Ciaravino, Russell Cadman and Wm. Gennaro, who were to be ordained into the Quorum of Twelve Apostles. In conclusion he pleaded for all members of the Church to play their part faithfully.

The ordination of Bro. Gennaro took place in this meeting, Bro. Biscotti setting him aside by the washing of his feet. While the brethren had their hands laid on his head, and Bro. Corrado was offering up the prayer, Bro. Biscotti spoke in the gift of tongues. The interpretation was given by Bro. Fr. Giovannone, "Thy will be done, Thy will be done." The Lord's supper was then administered, and the ordinance of "feet washing" was attended to.

Our meeting was closed by the forming of a circle by all present, and following the closing prayer, everyone returned to their homes well satisfied and happy for spending a wonderful day in Church. By Betty and Bro. Wm. Gennaro, Jr.

P.S. In Church was a good place for them all to spend the day. Bro. WHC.

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Mr. W. H. Cadman  
President of The Church of Jesus Christ

Dear Bro. Cadman:

I sincerely hope you, sister Cadman and all other bros. and sisters in general are faring well and will continue to do so ever. Thank God we in this part of the Vineyard are fair, Our dear sister Ruzzi, is very poorly, a little up one day, and the next almost to the bottom of the Valley, the time before the last that I was in to see her, she told me, she saw Jesus at the Gate waiting for her, and whenever the call came she was ready to go. I am sure this is a wonderful fate to be experienced by the people of God, Happy if with my latest breath, I may but gasp His name, Preach Him to all and cry in death, Behold, behold the Lamb. I was very well impressed with our recent Conference for one thing, thank God, dear Bro. Cadman, you were with us this time, and through the help of God, was able to help us, steer clear of many pitfalls, the evil-one had set up to overthrow us, as we proceed into futurity, may our Heavenly Father, help us to be Wise as Serpents and harmless as Doves, for the evil-one is surely setting up traps to insnare us, the only way we shall over-throw him, is by continous prayer and fasting, almost unceasingly. I do thank God also for bros. Demaris and Usefulheart, who were among us, may God abundantly bless them. Sorry bro. Dick didn't get to attend. During this month, I had the following Grand Opportunities, 1st. Sunday at Branch No. 3, where I heard bro. Fred Damico preach an excellent Easter Sermon found in part of Luke 24th, Chapter, and also had the pleasure of asking the Blessing of God on his baby Girl. 2nd. Sunday being in Conference and heard bros. Paul Damico, Joe Lovalvo, and others give us wonderful talks. The 3rd. Sunday, our speaker in the Belgian Hall in Detroit Branch No. 1, in the morning was bro. Joe Lovalvo. In this service we had two Baptisms a baby blessed, a sister renewed into the Church, and bro. Anthony Scolaro, ordained as an Elder. In the afternoon, bro. Gorrie Ciaravino was ordained as an Apostle, at Branch No. 4, by bro. J. Lovalvo. There were two other Apostles present, bros. Paul Damico, and Rocco Biscotti, while the ordination was proceed-

ing, the Spirit spoke saying, "This is the same Church, that I have accepted in the days of Alma, and the Church of Philadelphia." The sisters who were baptized in the morning at Branch No. 1, were then confirmed, with a good feeling accompanying. The 4th Sunday we had a wonderful service in the Belgian Hall in the morning, and in the afternoon, we met at Branch No. 3, for washing of feet, and also the Ordination of bros. Paul Vito, and Silverio Coppa, as Elders of the Church, this was also a very blessed occasion, at the close of which, a bro. being ill, was anointed, and a young man offered himself for Baptism. The last Sunday of the Month, Mr. Lloyd Robotham, took us to Port Huron, and Sarnia, where we had a very enjoyable time. The Lord is working, and we are expecting great things from Sarnia. Do pray for us. Your Bro. in Christ,

Matthew T. Miller

#### THE PRIZE

When life's sun is slowly sinking,  
Far beyond the western hill;  
When our earthly journeys ended  
And our voices on earth are still,  
Will we meet our loved ones yonder?  
Will we walk the golden strand?  
Will we clasp glad hands of welcome,  
When we reach that promised land?  
Will we hear the angels singing?  
Or has our journey been in vain?  
Did we miss our home in heaven  
Or that mansion we should gain?  
My dear brothers and dear sisters,  
If we serve the Saviour right  
We will find the precious doorway,  
Matters not how dark the night.

Though we trod along life's pathway,  
While the angry tempest roars;  
If we put our trust in Jesus  
We shall gain the peaceful shore.  
Safe upon that shore we'll anchor,  
When this fleeting life is past;  
Jesus then will gladly greet us  
Safe with in His Fold at last.  
(Our late Bro. Albert Sarver)

#### AN OLD LETTER

I was checking over my letter file a few days ago, and came across a letter which was written

to me a number of years ago, by brother Nephi Federer. The letter reads as follows: Fayette City, Pa., Dec. 16, 1917. Dear brother Thurman, and all the brothers and sisters, I Nephi salute you with mine own hand, and seal this epistle with my blessing to you all, as tonight I feel grateful to my God and your God for his blessings which we receive from time to time, and today we were made to praise God for his wonderful love to us in both morning and afternoon meetings. While speaking from Romans 11: 12-14, coupling this with the overthrow of the Turks by the British Army, and the capture of Jerusalem, which was taken from the Jews by the Turks, who worship Mohammed, a little over 600 years ago, and will be given back to the Jews never to be taken from them again. While writing and meditating on the fulfilling of the declarations made by the prophets, I feel to stir my good brethren and sisters up in remembrance of their pure minds to prove faithful to our trust, that we may be able to be used as instruments in the hands of God to play our part in restoring our brethren, the Nephites, who have fallen into the hands of the Lamanites, and are in prison in the land of Mid-doni, and the land of Ishmael, as Ammon, Aaron and their brethren did in days gone by, as we well know that the powers of this world cannot deliver them from spiritual blindness, and captivity they are in, but it will require the power of God invested in his Priesthood (Authority) in us to cause the scales to fall from their eyes, and be converted, and be restored to their land (this land) in authority. Again the Jews cannot be restored to their former favor with God by the military powers of the nations nor by us, but Christ is to appear on the Mt. of Olives, and by the prints of the nails in his hands shall convince the Jews, which cry out my Lord and my God, and the lands are to be married. Well enough at present, I didn't think to preach you a sermon, but as I said in the beginning I have felt very good in spirit this day, and can say "Hail the day so long expected," — The fig tree begins to bud. Thank God, I feel to say praise the Lord O my soul. Well I wish I was with you all tonight and felt to talk as I do to write. Brother Thurman your letter received. Glad to hear

from you. Went to Smock on the Sunday you went to Uniontown, fine, now in regards to your branch meeting, now we are having a time on New Years Eve., and have built on some of you, if not all to be here, and we could do your branch business on New Years day. Now I feel it would be a benefit if we could all be together for New Years Eve, at our watch meeting, and hold two meetings on New Years day. Some from the Valley, Mon. City, Roscoe and Smock are expected to be here. Write soon and let me know what you think especially come for New Years Eve. Tell brother Barnhart, Nephi expects him, as he is going to get off work. Your brother in Christ, Nephi the less. (End of letter) At the time this letter was written, I was employed as an office clerk at Sunshine, Pa. (coal-mining town, near Masontown, Pa.) We held services in a school house, brother Nephi was our principal speaker. The school house was located at Woodside, (another coal mining town, near Martin, Pa.) He assisted us in the organization of a branch of the church at Martin, Pa. We had much success, having baptized 45 or 50. Brother Nephi and I were very close friend and brothers in the gospel. We spent many happy days together. He was a Father to us when we were but infants in the church. I was with him when he died in the hospital. He never lost consciousness from the time he was injured until his death. The last words he said, as he took hold of my hand, and raised our hands together were: Hold up thy brothers hand." You will note by the trend of his letter that the interest of our brothers was to recover the Lamanite's (seed of Joseph) from the error of their ways, and their blindness which they drifted into on account of the traditions of their fathers. You will also note their interest in the whole house of Israel. Those days we did not have the opportunity or an opening to preach the Gospel to the Lamanite's, and longed for the day to come when we would be granted that privilege. Today the field is open. We realize the greater work among the seed of Joseph will come when Zion travails. See Isaiah 66: 7, 8 — Micah 5:3 — and Jeremiah 30: 6, 7. Let us not be negligent but do all we can for them, with



what we now have. With the small effort we have already made, a number of them have been made happy, and have obeyed the Gospel, having been born again, and rejoice to know that God has remembered the covenant which he has made with their fathers. God bless them, and may their testimony bring many of their people light and understanding.

..... Thurman S. Furnier

#### NEWS ITEMS

A letter from Brother Gabriel Mazzeo of New Brunswick, N.J., informs me that their Church will hold a weeks revival meetings beginning on June 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and on the tenth which is Sunday, they will hold their semi-annual-gathering. You are all welcome.

A LETTER from Bro. Fred D'Amico dated April 19, says they had a baptism at the Port Huron Mission, I am glad to hear of interest reviving in that part of the vineyard.

A CARD from Brothers Randy and Jos. Lovalvo dated April 20th at Winslow, Arizona where their car is broke down and are waiting for repairs. He says: we stopped at Lincoln, Kansas and had another baptism. They also were at St. John, Kansas holding meetings. They also stopped at Sopris, Colorado where he says: we had a very good meeting.

On Sunday April 29th, we had a very nice crowd of visitors at our service here in Monongahela. There were some present from Youngstown, Ohio, some from Meadville, Greenville and Fredoni, West Leisenring and West Elizabeth, Pa. Also Brother and Sister Furnier were here from Detroit.

Brothers Russell Cadman, T. D. Bucci & Joseph Bittinger occupied our pulpit in the morning meeting. Our recent conference had authorized three brethren to be ordained into the quorum of Apostles, Russell Cadman being one of them, he was ordained in the afternoon session. We had a very nice day in the service of God.

In a letter from Presiding Elder George E. Johnson of the Roscoe Branch, informs us that they are now reaping the fruits of their labours.

Since holding a series of meetings a short time ago, they have baptized three converts into the fold. Good news brother George. WHC.

On May 5th brother Bittinger, my-

self and a number of others from New Jersey, and Brooklyn were at the docks on Staten Island, when the Steamship "Swedru" from Lagos, Africa pulled in with Brother Dick on board as one of the passengers. It was quite a long trip, having left Lagos on April 10th, but brother Dick was very well and every body was glad to see him. One of the sisters in Hopelawn, N. J. promised to write up an account of our visit in Bronx and New Jersey before returning home.

In a letter from brother and sister Molinatti of Dillsboro, N. C. dated May 8th, they inform me that they had quite a time on their return trip home from our recent Conference. They report that they had two blow-outs and ran into a blizzard at the Tennessee-North Carolina state line. It was a big snow storm and was a frightful experience for them, but they arrived home all right, of which they were thankful to God for. May the Lord still extend His protection towards you is my prayer. Bro. WHC.

I received a phone call from Detroit on May 11th, informing me that Sister Ruzzi just passed on that afternoon. She has been poorly for a long time, and news of her death was expected. An obituary will appear in the next issue of this paper. I am preparing to go to Detroit to attend the funeral services. WHC.

Brother Cox of Salina, Kansas writes me as follows: "We are happy to report two baptisms in St. John, on April 22nd, our new Sisters are Mary E. Rich of Great Bend and Maud Budge of St. John, and we are praying and fasting for that can be helped here in Kansas. It is wonderful to read the Gospel News and learn of the good work that is being done in all parts of God's Kingdom. It is especially heartening to read the reports from Africa, South Dakota and Detroit. May the Lord bless the saints everywhere and may the labourers and the harvest be plentiful." Sincerely Brother Wm. Cox.

#### AN EXPERIENCE

(CANOGA PARK, CALIF.)

In a letter dated May 10th Brother John Azzinaro writes me: Our little boy Danny took sick about six weeks ago with a cold and virus, and he began to complain of headaches etc. We had prayer for him, and he himself would request to be prayed for, but he was not healed. We finally took him

to the hospital for a test, including spinal taps.

We were informed that our boy had spinal meningitis, and that it was very fatal, and would leave him with a physical disorder. They gave us no hopes.

Our church here fasted and prayed for our boy on March 3rd, and that night God did answer our prayers and our neighbors were surprised to see our boy come home without any physical disorder, for they all knew how dreadful the disease of "spinal meningitis" really is. We are very thankful to our Heavenly Father that our boy is completely healed. How can we thank Him enough for this blessing; for He is so wonderful. We can say that we are serving a living God and that He is the same God today, as in the days of the prophets of old. I recall the words of one of our hymns: "How can we sufficiently praise Him for the great things He has done for us."

Brother Cadman I wish to thank you all for remembering our boy in your prayers, not forgetting the Elders in our recent Conference for offering up a special prayer in his behalf. Surely God has answered the prayers of the faithful, for the evidence is with us today.

Bro. John Azzinaro

#### COMMANDING NEEDS

BY A. A. DICK

"What wilt thou that I should do unto thee?" (Luke 18:41).

The scene of our text is laid just outside the gates of Jericho — a city made famous by the miracle of the walls falling after Joshua and the hosts of Israel had marched around the city in obedience to the command of God.

Paul uses graphic words in the 11th Chapter of Hebrews to describe this act of God and of man — for both had a part in this great victory.

In practically every Bible miracle both God and man worked to bring it about. Too long have men asked God to do the impossible while they looked on and received; but the scriptures declare that "we are labourers together with God." Notice how Paul describes it.

By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about seven days."

#### RESULTS FOLLOW FAITH:

Faith that moving, acting, undefinable something, was the force that brought results. The walls fell "after" . . . after they compassed about the city seven times.

In the 6th Chapter of Joshua God

is giving the instructions for victory in these words. "And ye shall compass the city, ye men of war, and go round about the city once. Thus shalt thou do six days.

And seven Priests shall bear before the ark seven trumpets of rams' horns: and the seventh day ye shall compass the city seven times, and the priests shall blow with the trumpets.

And it shall come to pass, that when they make a long blast with the rams' horn, and when ye hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people shall shout with a great shout; and the wall of the city shall fall down flat, and the people shall ascend up every man straight before him" Joshua 6:3-5.

Now the results are recorded thus in Joshua 6:16 and 20. "And it came to pass at the seventh time, when the priests blew with the trumpets, Joshua said unto the people — Shout: for the Lord hath given you the city. So the people shouted when the priests blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass, when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him and they took the city".

#### GOD AND MAN, PARTNERS.

The people here joined hands with God to overcome this obstacle in the way of complete victory and this is the history of all deliverances.

It is on this same principle that blind Bartimaeus found his sight. He could have sat there by the Jericho road in all his helplessness and silently prayed for the Lord to stop and do something for him.

#### DEAD FAITH

He could have said in his heart, "well I don't know if it is His Will to heal me. I will just hide my face and pray and if it is His Will, then, He'll come and deliver me." He could have sat there in all his need and said, "Now, the Lord knows my heart and He hears the faintest cry, so there is no purpose in creating a scene right here in the presence of the Lord, I'll just try to project my thoughts to Him, and if the thoughts are right, I am in tune with Him. He will heal me."

#### EVADING FAITH

But Bartimaeus used none of these threadbare excuses. He began to

cry out with a loud voice. He was taking no chances of being unheard. Besides, Jesus was passing by. He may never come that way again, and it was now or never. There are people reading this who know deep down in their hearts that this is their time to be saved; this is their time to be healed; it is NOW or NEVER!

Great emergencies always justify extravagant measures! The disciples were leading the way out of Jericho — they were walking ahead of the Lord when this poor man's cry filled the air and at once they began to rebuke him and command him to hold his peace.

#### PEACE AT ANY PRICE

Isn't it strange that so many who walk before the Lord are so concerned about disturbances? They wanted this man to hold his peace when he had no peace to hold. For years he had lived in rebellion against this blindness; for years he had strained against the door of a surgeon. He had never resigned himself. He had never accepted what some called 'His fate.' And now...when faith would leap up and grapple with his captors, these well meaning, but thoughtless disciples rebuke him and tell him to hold his peace. But he cries "So much the more".

#### FAITH THAT DEMANDS

Thank God for a faith that will not be subdued; a faith that speaks above the roar of lions; a faith that can be heard above the crackling flames; a faith that rises above all the opposition of men and devils, and presses home its claim of victory. The crying of this man caused Jesus to stand still, and He commanded him to be brought unto Him. You will notice that up to this point the poor blind man had done all the work himself. The Lord had done nothing; but, now, this poor derelict stands before the Lord of all creation. In substance Jesus said "you have done much toward your need, what will you have me do? That is why I am here; that is why I came into the world — to give myself, a ransom for many".

Here is personified loved offering all it has on the altar of devotion! Here is John 3:16. "For God so loved the world . . ." Coming to life in flesh and blood, and walking out to reveal its passion toward the

least among men. This scene is set forth so vividly in the words of this song.

"One sat alone beside the highway begging. His eyes were blind, the light he could not see: He clutched his rags and shivered in the shadows, Then Jesus came and bade his darkness flee. When Jesus comes, the tempter's power is broken, when Jesus comes, the tears are wiped away; He takes the gloom and fills the life with glory, and all is changed, When Jesus comes to stay."

In the 20th Chapter of Matthew this scene is placed in a most striking position. It describes Jesus and the twelve coming out from Jericho, and James and John had put their heads together and persuaded their mother to appeal to Jesus for the two highest positions in the Kingdom. You will recall they were on their way to Jerusalem. The disciples thought to crown Jesus King and put Him on a throne... but He knew He was to wear a crown of thorns and die upon a cross.

#### JEALOUSY

When the other ten disciples found out what James and John were up to, they were moved with indignation against the two brothers. But Jesus called them to Him and said, "Whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant, even as the Son of Man came not to be ministered unto but to Minister and give His life a ransom for many." At this point in their conversation they came to the place of the blind man crying, out of his great need, and the disciples begin to rebuke him. But Jesus used this occasion to give them, and all who would know the Way of the Lord, a lesson.

#### APPLIED PREACHING

He calls the blind man out and speaks to him as a servant would speak to his master. "What will ye that I shall do unto you?" Here stood Deity in all his omnipotence facing this poor blind beggar, a human derelict; and Deity humbly says...I paraphrase his remarks: "Command me, blind beggar, I am at your service." Immediately the answer came back, "Lord that I might receive my sight." And lo! Deity obeyed the voice of this lowly creature, and at once his sight was restored.

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## A BEAUTIFUL SOUL

She had in life put on the garb  
Of Immortal City,  
And left this world, when her  
call came  
Serene and peacefully.

Her soul through years was ha-  
bited,  
To dwell in the ideal;  
To her the unseen heaven above,  
Was home and very real.

She drew from that unseen realm,  
Her loveliness of heart,  
And shared with one and all of us  
The thing supreme in Art.

The faith and love and friendly  
cheer  
Which was to her lifes breath,  
She breathed upon this world she  
blessed  
And left to us at death.

It is a fairer world since she  
Bequeathed to it her grace,  
For some how God's own love and  
care,  
Seemed smiling in her face.

And to our hearts, when glad or  
sad,  
Her life shall ever be  
A benediction and a joy...  
A heavenly memory.

Selected by Sister Hanna.  
Port Huron, Mich.

## GOD'S GARDEN

God's garden is a glorious sight;  
As we travel on the road,  
And see the trees, in autumn  
dress;  
It is wonderful to behold.

The brown and red, and green and  
gold;  
All in their place, it seems;  
They must be cared for tenderly;  
By gentle hands, unseen.

Where are the men who question  
God,  
His power, and his light;  
Can they now see, in each tall  
tree,  
His wisdom, power, and might?

And is there any artist,  
With colors blended, rare;  
"Who can with brush and can-  
vas,  
Draw a picture, to compare?

To the forest in the autumn,  
The wonder work of God;  
The beauty, that his word brought  
forth  
For this old earthy sod.

Worlds fail this humble servant,  
To try and tell you all;  
How the splendor of His garden,  
Has left my soul enthralled.

Margaret Heaps

## ARRIVAL OF BRO. A. A. DICK FROM NIGERIA B.W.A.

Saturday May 5. Time about  
3:45 P. M. The moment had final-  
ly arrived that we would be able  
to meet our Brother A. A. Dick  
from Africa.

Brothers, Wm. H. Cadman, J.  
Bittering and family with a group  
of brothers and sisters from New  
Jersey, as well as brothers and  
sisters from Brooklyn, represent-  
ing the Bronx Branch, were on  
hand to welcome our brother  
upon his arrival.

As brother Dick walked down  
the dock, there was a beaming  
smile upon his face as he saw  
and recognized brothers Cadman  
and Bittering. Everyone present  
was delighted to meet him and he  
made quite a favorable impres-  
sion to all. We left Staten Island  
and started out for Brother S.  
Valenti's home. We came by way  
of Manhattan in order that Bro.  
Dick could get a glimpse of down-  
town financial section of New  
York. While on the ferry brother  
Cadman pointed out the Statue of  
Liberty and the skyline of New  
York to brother Dick, who looked  
on with interest.

Before reaching Brother Va-  
lenti's home, Bro. D. Rose drove  
down Willoughby Avenue in order  
that Bro. Dick might get a look  
at Mission Number 2. We passed  
by and stopped for a second and  
Brother Dick desired to go inside  
and take a look at the church.  
After going inside he took out his  
personal Hymn book in Efik and  
sang hymn no. 1, The Gospel Re-  
stored. We all joined in singing  
a verse or two in English, after  
which brother Dick desired to  
offer a word of prayer of thanks  
and praise unto the Lord for

bringing him safely to America.  
Bro. D. Rose, said this little inci-  
dent reminded him of the time  
the Jaredites set foot on the  
promised land and the first thing  
they did was to kneel down and  
thank and praise the Lord God for  
all His blessings.

At home that night we spoke  
of many interesting things with  
our brother concerning his ex-  
periences in the work of the Lord  
in Africa, which was enjoyed by  
all of us.

On Sunday morning we started  
out for the Bronx Branch and  
again our Brother was enjoying  
the sights on the way to the  
Bronx.

At the Branch he was wel-  
comed by everyone. Bro. V. Lupo  
turned the service over to Bro.  
Cadman who called on Brother  
Dick to open the service. At this  
time Brother Dick related the  
experience which led him to know  
of the Church of Jesus Christ,  
pointing out the importance of  
obedience to God's calling, refer-  
ring to 1 Samuel, when Samuel  
was called by the Lord. He was  
followed by Brother Bittering and  
Brother Cadman who gave us ad-  
ditional words of exhortation. It  
was a wonderful service and the  
blessings of God were felt among  
us. At the close of the morning  
service Brother Dick was pre-  
sented with a Year Book and  
copies of the Holy Bible in Efik  
language on behalf of the Bronx  
Branch, for his use while visit-  
ing here.

Bro. Lupo then announced the  
lunch was prepared for all to eat.  
After eating, Bros. Cadman, Bit-  
tinger & family and Bro. Dick left  
us and were taken to Hopelawn,  
N. J. by Brother J. Benyola.

We are very thankful unto the  
Lord for guiding Brother Dick to  
reach this land safely for the  
first time, and everyone was very  
happy to meet him and may the  
Lord bless him on his stay  
in America, while visiting the  
Brothers and sisters everywhere.

Sister Belle Rose  
Bronx Branch

**Radio Address — By Bro. Furnier**

(continued from last issue)

Among these two groups, however, were a number of Christians with other views than theirs, also seeking relief from persecution. Thus in the new land of America, where many adherents of The Church of England, Congregationalists, and Presbyterians have come seeking the privilege of worshipping God according to the dictates of their own consciences, there was soon set up three established churches. The peculiar views of the church were made the established religion of these colonies. Before the Massachusetts Bay Colony was twenty years old, with the Congregational as the State Church, they passed laws against the Baptists and others. By the authorities in this colony, Roger Williams and others were banished. Banishment in America in those days was something desperately serious. It meant to go and live among the Indians. In this case Roger Williams was received kindly and for quite a while lived among the Indians, and in after days proved a great blessing to the colony which had banished him. He saved the colony from destruction by this same tribe of Indians, by his earnest entreaties in their behalf. In this way he returned good for evil. No religious liberty for any except for those who held the governmental authority. The children of Rome, (the Protestants) followed in the bloody footsteps of their mother (the Catholic Church). Their own reformation is yet far from complete. (See pamphlet "The Trail of Blood." By J. M. Carroll, page 45-47.) In the revolts against the Church of Rome, notably in the Reformation, the zeal of the Reformers led to many fallacies in the doctrines they advocated. Luther, himself, proclaimed the doctrine of absolute predestination and of justification by faith alone, thus nullifying belief in the God-given rights of free agency, and impairing the importance of individual effort. The sectarian dogma of justification by faith alone has exercised an influence for evil since the early days of Christianity. The idea upon which this pernicious doctrine was founded, was at first associated with that of an absolute predestination, by which man was foredoomed to destruction, or to an utterly undeserved salvation. Thus, Luther taught as follows: "The excellent, infallible, and sole prepa-

eration for grace, is the eternal election and predestination of God.' 'Since the fall of man, free-will is but an idleword'. 'A man who imagines to arrive at grace by doing all that he is able to do, adds sin to sin, and is doubly guilty'. 'That man is not justified who performs many works; but he who has much faith in Christ'. (For these and other doctrines of the Reformation see D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation, Vol. 1, PP-82-83 119 122.) It is true that Luther strongly denounced and vehemently disclaimed responsibility for the excesses to which this teaching gave rise, yet he was not less vigorous in proclaiming the doctrine. Note his words: 'I Doctor Martin Luther, unworthy herald of the doctrine of our Lord Jesus Christ, confess this article, that faith alone without works justifies before God: and I declare that it shall stand and remain forever in despite of the emperor of the Romans, the emperor of the Turks, the emperor of the Persians,—in spite of the pope and all the cardinals, with the bishops, priests, monks, and nuns.—in spite of kings, princes and nobles, and in spite of all the world and of the devils themselves. and that if they endeavor to fight against this truth they will draw the fires of hell upon their heads. This is the true and holy gospel. and the declaration of me, Doctor Luther, according to the teachings of the Holy Ghost'. Calvin and others were no less extreme. During the sixteenth (16th.) century "a refusal to conform to the established worship was regarded by all, by Protestants as well as Catholics, as a species of treason against society, and was dealt with accordingly." "thus we find Calvin at Geneva consenting to the burning of Servetus (1553 A. D.) because he published views that the Calvinists thought heretical; and in England we see the Anglican Protestants waging the most cruel, bitter, and persistent persecutions, not only against the Catholics, but also against all Protestants who refused to conform to the established church." (See Myers General History P. Number 527) From the sixteenth (16th.) century down to the present time, sects professedly founded on the tenets of Christianity have multiplied apace. They are now to be numbered by hundreds. On every side the claim has been heard, "Lo here is Christ", or Lo,

there.

There are churches named after their places of origin—as the Church of England; other sects are designated in honor of their famous promoters—as Lutherans, Calvinists, Wesleyans; others are known from some peculiarity of creed or doctrine—as Methodists, Presbyterians, and Baptists; but down to the beginning of the nineteenth (19th) century there was no church even claiming name or title as the Church of Christ. The only church existing at the time venturing to assert authority by succession was the Catholic Church which was wholly without priesthood or divine commission. If the "Mother Church" be without divine authority or spiritual power, how can her children, (Protestants) derive from her the right to officiate in the things of God? Who dares affirm the absurdity that man can originate for himself a priesthood which God shall honor and respect? Granted that men may, can and do, create among themselves societies, as associations, sects, and churches if they choose so to designate their religious organizations; granted that they may formulate laws, prescribe rules, and construct elaborate plans, organization and government, and of ganization and government, and that all such laws, rules and schemes of administration are binding upon those who voluntarily assume membership, — granted all these powers and rights—whence can such human creations derive authority of the holy priesthood, without which there can be no Church of Christ? If the power and authority be, by any possibility, of human origin, there never has been a Church of Christ on earth, and the alleged saving ordinances of the gospel have never been other than empty forms. The Roman Catholic Church declares that all Protestant denominations are either apostate organizations or institutions of human creation that have never had even a remote connection with the church that claims succession in the priesthood. In short, the apostate "Mother Church" aggressively proclaims the per-fidi (Violation) of her offspring. Dear friends, My allotted time has now expired. God being my helper I expect to speak further on this subject during some future broadcast. May God bless you.

**AN EXPERIENCE OF A.A. DICK**

(Requested of him by some)

It was in September 1951 I had an open vision about 12 a.m. We were seven people in the room. We were praying and at the hour of 12, we shut the light. My wife went to bed, she called me and I answered her saying: I will not come, for I want to have a fine night to night with my people. Soon I finish speaking with my wife. It seemed as we were drunk, each of us did not know himself.

The house became bright, there was no light in the house. I heard a voice calling me "Dick," I did not answer and it called again Dick. The man who sat near me answer the voice. He said: Dick I bring you and your people the Gospel which you and your people will surely serve, that I should go to Rev. S. D. Etibengs' house and in his house I will see a book on his table called an denominational book, and in the book, names of different Missions are therein I should contact the name of the Church, and that is the Church I and my people will serve.

I do not know this man nor did I know his house; after this voice end, one of the brothers who was present ask me if I heard the voice speaking, I say yes. I called my wife and asked her whether she heard the voice, she say leave me alone. The house was not bright again, we all felt a fear. All of us were in the house and we slept therein." The end of the open vision."

Then I dreamed a man appeared before me in white, speaking to me saying: Lets go to the man's house, I said I will not go. He says lets go, then in the dream I went and took my knife and follow him, then I went with the man to the mans' house. Not very long after I heard some one calling me and I woke up. In the morning I spoke to my people, those who were not there, or with the seven of us, they told me that I should not go, that I should wait until I hear again.

In July 1953 we were fasting and praying, we enter the meeting at 6 a.m. until 6 a.m. the following day. It was at the hour of 12 a motion was passed that we sleep there. Brother Wilson put out the light, 20 minutes pass 12 we hear someone walking in the Church, Brother Nelson call me

and I answer. He say: put on the light and we hear some one walking in the Church. I reply to him that the lamp was taken by brother Wilson. Not very long after we heard something falling outside of the Church, and there was lightning and thunder.

The Church became bright and the house shined, some of the brothers and sisters ran away to their homes. As the house became brighter, it seemed as though some heavy load press upon us and those who sat near me were not able to run away. We heard someone singing, at the end of their singing they shout hallelujah Amen. Their voice speak to me, Dick, it is time for you and your people to obey, go now to the man's house and you will see the book I told you of, and the very first name of the Church you and your people are to serve. The house still is brighter it seems as I follow him to the man's house which he spoke of.

Soon the voice end, and brother Nelson ask me if I heard the voice, I say yes. He ask me what I think of it, I say I will go in the morning. He ask everybody to close their eyes so that we may pray. Before we say Amen, we heard someone say Amen, and some one's hand touched each of us.

In the morning I went to cut my palm fruits, the palm tree is about 12 feet high. There I heard a voice say: Dick won't you go? "obey." I then look around and I see no one. Then I come down and soon I reach my house and I saw my friend at the door, he want me to follow him to the hotel and have some drink, which he bought and was unable to finish. I follow him and while going on the way I fall down and was wounded on my left side. I was carried back home, later while I was being carried to the Church, one of the brothers pray and one of the sisters say she saw one holding my hand and I follow him. Then brother Nelson ask me whether I did go to the man's house? I say no. He then went out of the Church and I was deathly sick for three weeks. It was on the 9th day of August 1953, brothers Sunday and Wilson came and carried me to the man's house. We did not know the way, but on our way it seemed as some one was guiding us. When we reach the place the sun became

red and brother Sunday say, look up, and we looked up, it seemed as hands were waving in the sky. Turning to the right, we saw one looking through the window of his house and he called my name saying: Dick are you the visitor who I had dreamed of should visit me, and that I should not go out? I say I don't know. He entered his house and he gave us a seat, looking at the table I saw the book, I asked his permission to look at it. He said with all pleasure you may. There I took the book, in opening the book the very first name of the Church I saw, was The Church of Jesus Christ, Monongahela, Pa. In the history of the Church I read about Joseph Smith, The second name of the Churches was the United Brethren Mission, also with all others, but I did copy twenty of them. When I reach home on the 10th day of August 1953, I contact The Church of Jesus Christ, Monongahela, Pa. I also enclose a copy of our Faith. The end.

Brother A. A. Dick

**SIRS, WE WOULD  
SEE JESUS**

John's introduction of Jesus to his public ministry was from A.D. 26 to A.D. 27, about one year. When questioned as to his calling, by the learned and the lofty, that plain living, humble attired man of God cried out, "I am only a voice crying in the wilderness." It was John the Baptist, the great evangelist of all time, and yet his temple was a rocky waste, and his fare, locusts and honey.

The wonderful birth of this man and the manner in which he obtained his name must have had great effect upon the character of the child. He grew up in the study of the law, grieved at the spiritual deadness of his time; upon his spirit must have fallen the influence of a mighty one, a Messiah, a deliverer. His nation had the prophets and had set their hearts on some of them coming back among them and would not have been surprised if Elijah would have come among them. Outside of Moses there was no other man which they would liked to have seen. He was outstanding, to their mind he was colossal. He was the grandest and most romantic character that Israel ever produced. His history fascinates us. "His rare, sudden and brief appearance, his undaunted courage, and the glory of his depar-

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## EDITORIAL

Matthew 24, 6, 7—"And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars see that ye: be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places." I have quoted the words of the Saviour as written. The apostle Paul in II Timothy 3, 1 says: "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come." I will add that perilous times can come upon the earth in divers ways, and may come in ways least expected by mortals.

On May 11th I recieved word of Sister Ruzzi in Detorit passing away. I attended her funeral services. At that time the tornadoes were playing havoc in various states, and especially they hit hard in the State of Michigan. The city of Flint was hit with three tornadoes in one day, so I was told while I was in Detroit. The damage was very heavy. Lincoln Park, where many of our brothers and sisters live was also struck hard. Allen Park, where some of our folks also live was visited by a tornado. I was told that one just passed over Bro. Reno Bologna's house and then descended to the earth and wrought havoc with other homes. One also struck not too far from Windsor, Ont. and from the pictures I saw in the papers, damage would run into thousands, and possibly millions of dollars. It was reported that 17 or 18 tornadoes struck in one day. Just a few days prior to this destruction by tornadoes, the papers and radio's announced the news of earth quakes in California, Mexico and felt in other places. Also in California, they were having the worst floods in history, also landslides.

In addition to these destructions by earthquakes and tornadoes, we are having very cool weather, so much rain that farmers can hardly get in their crops. How easily famines could visit this fair land of ours.

The newspapers reported I believe it was 37 or 38 thousand fatalities on our Highways in 1955. Are we living in perilous times? Are we taking these conditions serious? If not, we are just as the Saviour said we would be —"But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be." Yea they were busy eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark. etc. Well did Paul prophesy of the perilous times of the last days. And in Rev. 14, 6, 7 the angel was to fly in the hour of God's judgements. May I warn: let us not close our eyes to the conditions of our day.

Editor

ture, threw such a halo of brightness around him as none has ever been able to equal." No wonder the Jews said, "Art thou that prophet?" It is noticeable that the last prophet of 400 years before had said these words, "Behold, I will send Elijah, the prophet, before the coming of the great and fearful day of the Lord." (Mal. 4th Chapter, 5th verse) The people were in expectation and all men mused in their hearts of John whether he was Christ or not. They could not understand this voice crying in the wilderness; his food was locusts and wild honey, he was a Nazarite separated from birth as Samuel and Samson. He held no office and was very blunt and brief in his speech. Jesus said of him, "What went ye out to see in the wilderness? A reed shaken by the wind. But what went ye out to see, a man clothed in soft raiment. Behold, they that wear soft raiment are in kings houses. But what went ye out to see, a prophet, yea I say unto you, and more than a prophet for this is he of whom it is written, behold I send my messenger before their faces which shall prepare thy way before thee. Yea, I say unto you, among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist. Notwithstanding, he that is least in the kingdom of Heaven is greater than

he." What a wonderful testimony Jesus gave of John. Jesus said that he was a burning and a shining light and ye were willing for a season to rejoice in this light. Isaiah looked down through time and said, "Hark, a voice is crying in the wilderness."

Some passer-by heard the voice and reported it and they told one another until all Judea flocked to him. "Repent, repent, for the kingdom of Heaven is at hand." The crowds of common people drew the great and the learned. He had no compliments for the Rabbi's. He saw before him men and women full of sin. "Ho, generation of vipers, who has warned you to flee from the wrath to come." The soldiers came to him. He said to them, "Assault no man and be content with your wages. Bring forth fruits meet for repentance, and begin not to say within yourselves, we have Abraham to our fathers." And John looked upon the stones that were in the wilderness and said, "Children of Abraham are you. God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham, and now the axe is laid at the foot of the tree." How shocking this must have sounded to the Jewish ears.

"Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John to be baptised of him." (Math. 3rd chapter) Luke adds, "And Jesus was about thirty years of age." Jesus did not come to John for instruction, for John said, "Why comest thou to me. I am not even worthy to stoop down and loose the shoes of thy feet." He remembered his preaching, "I indeed baptise you with water, but there cometh one after me who shall baptise you with the Holy Ghost." When John saw him coming he said, "Behold the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world."

((To be continued))

## BRO DICK WRITES

Dear Brothers and Sisters I have at this time to inform you that I will leave the blessed land of America for Nigeria Africa after the July Gathering at Detroit on 28 to 29 July 1956. Thank you all who bring me from far away Africa to this blessed land. I hope in future I and my wife will repeat this trip on our own, though it will cost us \$1804.00, I believe God will provide our needs. I believe I will have a great work to do in Africa, and in Nigeria, many are calling me to preach



to them, the letter I received on May 5th, 1956 at New York read as follows:—

My dear beloved brother in Christ Holy greetings to you and to all the Saints in Jesus Precious Name, I received your kind letter sent by Sister Nelly of No. 5 Water Street, and I was indeed sorry I did not meet you in Monrovia as I had just arrived by Pan American World Air Ways from the Gold Coast, and was up at our Main Station. I certainly would like to come to the States to attend your Conference and bring my entire work over to your Organization, so that I may turn my Nigerian work over to you, and I can have more time to work in Liberia.

Kindly speak with the head of your Mission and if it is all well, say I would like them to send me a letter of invitation and I shall rush there, as I already have a passport for U. S. A., Do brother try and get the letter of invitation and mail it to me as early as possible and I can manage the fare, God bless you and all His People over there. Your Sincere Friend and Brother Reginald H. Jackson of Community Height, Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa.

I also received another letter from the Folks at Lagos, Nigeria, Nine Hundred Miles from Abak my home, Read as follows:—

My dearest Dick, Regards our Church here, We want to hand over the Church to your Mission, Mr. Obong is making arrangement to hand it over to another Mission but we do not agree. If your Mission will agree to have it, kindly reply to this as quickly as possible so that we may know what steps to be taken. I have no time to write much to you as yet till I get a reply. Take an immediate step about the Church, Salute Elder Cadman and all in the Masters Field. I wish you Gods' blessing Amen, Your dear brother J. E. Ebong.

J. E. Ebong.

#### LAGOS - NIGERIA

Dear Brothers and Sisters, pray for this call to be the true call I will go, though the folks will not understand me for they do not speak as we do. But if I will have means of transport to go there with my wife, she can help me. I believe if this call is of God He will provide both assistant and the means of transport, Dear Brothers and Sisters what do you think

of this call? Will you send me? Consider this need, it is most important. Again there is other needs Brother and Sister Daniel Picciuto of Mentor, Ohio, spoke to me that they will like to come to Africa, Nigeria, therefore I request all of you to pray for them while I am praying too. I believe God need them there. In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. Dear Brothers and Sisters I say to you all, Goodbye till we meet again, Your Brother.

Anietie A. Dick.

#### DETROIT, MICH.

On May 31st. 1956, bros. President W. H. Cadman, Evangelists, Reno Bologna, and Matthew T. Miller, went to Muncey Ont. Canada, to officiate at the funeral of bro. George Cecil Nicholas. We arrived there at about 11 a.m. Saw sister Nicholas, and several others of the family, also the body at his daughter Faye's home. We then went to Mt. Bridges to Mr. and Sister Barclay's home, where we had dinner, and returned to Muncey. At the home Bro. Reno, sang a hymn, and bro. W. H. Cadman, offered a lovely prayer. We then started out for the Church Building. It was a wonderful procession, I have never seen so many cars in Muncey before. Arriving at the Church, the Canadian Legion No. 477, represented by four soldiers, gave the armed salute while the body was being taken into the Church. Since the dedication of our Church Building, I believe this is the first time, I have seen it as crowded, as it was on this occasion. Bro. Reno, sang several of our late bro's. favourite hymns, the statistics of his birth, death, etc., was read by bro. Miller, who also offered prayer. Bro. Cadman gave a well ordered talk, his subject was taken from Revelation 20th Chapter, 4th verse to the end of the 6th. verse. He said, whether our bro. was weak or strong, he did the best that he could, whenever he saw him, he was always interested in having some passage of the Scriptures explained, and we hope he is now safe in the arms of Jesus. Our bro. also said so many other good things too numerous to record. At the grave, bro. Reno sang for us again, and closed with prayer. The Canadian Legion, then took over, and offered quite an impressive Military Ceremony

To all who mourn we extend deepest sympathy.

Bro. Matthew T. Miller

#### BRO. GEORGE CECIL NICHOLAS PASSES ON

Bro. George Cecil Nicholas, died May 29th., 1956, in his 68th year. He was born Jany. 28th., 1888, and was baptized in the Church of Jesus Christ, 1936, later becoming an Elder of the Church. He leaves to mourn his passing, his wife, three sons, four daughters, and grandchildren. Funeral Service was conducted in the Muncey Church Building, by President W. H. Cadman, and bros. Reno Bologna, and Matthew Miller. Interment at the Half Moon Cemetery. Funeral Director, E. J. Harding, was in charge of the Funeral. We extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

Bro. Matthew T. Miller

Dear Bro. Editor:—

I will endeavour to give you a write-up of our beloved Sister Almerinda Marietta Ruzzi's (beloved wife of Anthony, dear mother of Dominic Moraco and Mrs. Marian Maisano, also 3 grandchildren) Funeral Service. She departed this life at 1:30 p.m. Friday 11th, and was taken to the A. A. Peters Funeral Home on Gratiot until 10 a.m. Monday. In State at the Church of Jesus Christ, 13,420 E. 7 Mile Road, from noon until time of service Monday, 1 p.m. We felt wonderfully blessed to have had bro. W. H. Cadman, President, accompanied by 1st. Counsellor T. S. Fournier, and Apostle A. A. Corrado, in charge of the funeral, bro. Cliff Burgess singing her favourite hymns. Service was introduced by bro. A. A. Corrado leading off with prayer. Bro. T. Fournier read the Statistics regarding her birth, departure, when baptized, etc. etc. and bro. W. H. Cadman gave a talk that was heart soothing to one and all of us. He spoke mostly from 1st Cor. 15th Chapter, 19th verse, (If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable) also other appropriate verses. Saying that he had never heard anyone say anything about sister Ruzzi that was not inspiring, and that she is just one more friend of ours gone before us to view that beautiful Land, who will be there to welcome us, if we prove faithful and get there too, also will be disappointed if any fail to make the Goal. Mentioned about

bro. A. A. Dick, coming here from Nigeria B. W. Afirca, having no friends here, but when he saw those whom he knew, how glad he was to see them I would say that the funeral, was adequately taken care of. Our sister departed, was conscious practically to the end, felt the things that were happening, and told of them, and even saw in vision and described it clearly, two wreaths, one a beautiful Ring of flowers in Yellow and another in the shape of a heart. On Sunday these two flower pieces arrived from California, One from Bros. Joe, Jim, and Marco, and the other from the Modesto Branch. We have truly missed our dear Sister, but can do nothing about it, we must bow to the inevitable, and say Thy will be done. There were many other loving tributes paid, at this funeral, too numerous to mention which we appreciate very highly. We join the bereaved in utmost sympathy, may God abundantly bless one and all of us.

Your bro. in Christ  
Matthew T. Miller

#### **BRO. BENEDETTO VALVONA PASSES ON**

Bro. Benedetto Valvona born in Italy April 10, 1885 passed on to his reward April 19, 1956 at 6:30 p.m. Bro. Valvona was baptized on Dec. 29, 1935, and a member of Detroit Branch No. 3.

Left to mourn his passing are his wife Carmella, 3 daughters, 3 sons, 2 sisters, 7 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild, and numerous relatives.

Services were held at The Church of Jesus Christ Branch No. 3, with Bro. Alfred D'Amico officiating. Buried at Gethsemane Cemetery.

May the Lord comfort his loved ones and fill their hearts with His Love.

#### **SISTER ALMERINDA MARIETTA RUZZI PASSES ON**

Sister Almerinda Marietta Ruzzi, died on May 11th, 1956 in her 72nd year. She was born April 7th, 1885, and was baptized in the Church of Jesus Christ, Branch No. 1, Feb. 21st, 1926. Held the office of Presiding Deaconess, and President of the Ladies Uplift Circle, for many years. She leaves to mourn her passing, her husband Anthony, Son, Daughter, and three Grand-children. Funeral

service was conducted at Branch No. 3, by bros. W. H. Cadman, T. S. Furnier, and A. A. Corrado. Interment in the Gethsemane Cemetery. Funeral Director, A. A. Peters was in charge of the funeral. We extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

Bro. Matthew T. Miller.

#### **MRS. WM. RABE PASSES ON**

Sister Jessie Rabe, a resident of Monongahela for the last 43 years, and a member of The Church of Jesus Christ for quite a number of years, died on June 2nd after a long siege of illness. She leaves no known relatives, except a foster son, his wife and child. She was born in West Virginia on April 6, 1887, making her now past 69 years old.

Funeral services were conducted in the L. M. Frye Funeral Home in this City, and was interred along side her husband in the Monongahela Cemetery on June 5th. Brother W. H. Cadman officiated at the services. Her struggle in life is now over, and she has now gone to reap the reward that is laid up for her.

#### **MRS. BERTHA CONVERSE PASSES ON**

A short time ago I received a letter from Edith Dillman of Moscow, Idaho telling me that Sister Converse had taken a stroke and was laying unconscious in a Hospital in Lewiston, Idaho. I answered the letter and ask the lady to keep me informed of her condition.

I have since received a letter from her dated May 15th informing me that Sister Converse passed away on May 11 - 56, and was buried on May 15th. Madame Dillman tells me that she visited her once before she died, and that her mother and sister-in-law also visited her, but apparently Sister Converse hardly knew them. There is nothing said of the funeral service, but it is added that there was a lot of beautiful flowers for the occasion. Evidently she was held in high esteem by her neighbors.

Brother Costa, late of Sopris, Colo. and I (Bro. Cadman) visited in Idaho I believe in 1940 when Brother Robert Newby and his wife were both baptized and brother Newby was ordained an Elder, and he later baptized sister Con-

verse. Sometime later Sister Converse's husband was baptized. We stayed all night at the Converse home while we were there. Sister Converse seemed like a devoted woman, and while I feel sorry that she has passed on, yet we are glad that she had the opportunity of obeying the Restored Gospel. She was thought very well of by the Indian People in that neighborhood. May there have been much good in her life, that will still live on, though she has now gone to reap the reward that is hers through faithfulness to her Lord.

Brother Cadman

#### **MARTINCICO FRANCESCA PASSES ON**

Sister Martinico Francesca died on April 11th, 1956, in her 72nd year. She was born Sept. 27th, 1884, and was baptized in the church of Jesus Christ, Apr. 28th, 1946. She leaves to mourn her passing, two daughters, two sons, and grand-children. Funeral Service was conducted at the Hebble Funeral Home, Battle Creek, Mich., by bros. Concetto Alessandro, and Nicholas Pietrangelo.

Matthew T. Miller

#### **MRS. BERTHA BLANK PASSES ON**

Sister Bertha Blank was born Feb. 28, 1882 in Italy, was passed 74 years at time of death. She had been in ill health for the last ten years and passed away on April 29th. She had been a widow for 26 years. She leaves to mourn her passing four daughters, Mrs. Rose Constanzo of S. Amherst, Ohio. Mrs. Thresa Genaro and Mrs. Marion Crawford of Warren, Ohio. and Mrs. Lillian Mezenski, Oakland, Calif. one son Sam also of Oakland, Calif. One brother at Cleveland, Ohio. 20 grandchildren and 22 great grand children.

She had resided in Warren for 20 years and became a member of The Church of Jesus Christ 33 years ago. Services were attended to by Bros. A. A. Corrado and Frank Giovannone, interment in the Oakwood Cemetery.

**KING - KING NUPTIALS**

Jack King, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Mikolay of Fredricktown, Pa. and Jennie Vandalia King, daughter of brother and sister Charles E. King Sr. of Grindstone, Pa. were united in marriage in the Vanderbilt Church of Jesus Christ on May 5th, 1956, Elder Alvin Swanson officiating. The bride was given away by her father.

The wedding music was played by sister Newanna King, and Miss Margie Swanson sang. A reception was held and a buffet lunch was served afterwards at the home of the brides parents.

The bride attended Redstone High School, and the groom Ellsworth High School and was on leave from French Morrocco where he is serving with the U. S. Air Force. Their many friends wish them happiness.

Sister Edna Barnhart

**BYERS - LILLEY NUPTIALS**

Raymond Lilley son of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Lilley of Adah, Pa., and Freda Byers of New Salem, Pa. daughter of William Byers of Masontown, Pa. were united in marriage in the home of her foster parents James Barnhart of New Salem on March 18, 1956, Elder Milton Barnhart officiated.

A reception was held and a buffet lunch was served afterwards at the home of the brides foster parents. They have made their home in Cleveland, Ohio.

Sister Edna Barnhart

**Napolitano - Cline Nuptials**

Miss Agatha Ida Napolitano, daughter of Brother and Sister Jack Napolitano of 22844 Oakwood East Detroit, Mich. and Mr. Lawerance Cline of Frazer, Mich. were united in marriage, on Saturday morning June 2, 1956.

Evangelist Alfred D'Amico of the Church of Jesus Christ, officiated at the ceremony, which took place in the Church of Jesus Christ branch 3. building.

Grace Taormina was the Maid of honor and Richard Remmert the best man.

We extend our best wishes to the young couple.

**THE DIVORCE EVILS**

(Q) "My husband died in January this year. At the time of our marriage in 1944, he told me that he was single but later said that while he had been married be-

fore, he had secured a divorce. "On applying for Social Security benefits, I was required to furnish a copy of the divorce decree and it was revealed that the divorce didn't become final until 1947.

"I was refused Social Security benefits; however, I was told by the party in the Social Security office that she didn't know about the status of the children. How about the common-law marriage? Would that apply in my case?

**NAME WITHELD**

(A) You have a very technical case, one that can only be decided by the Social Security Administration. However, certain things can be considered.

As your position was not discovered until after your husband's death, no agreement could have been entered into pertaining to a common-law marriage. As no divorce had become final until 1947, up to that time you couldn't have qualified for a common-law wife, as the man in the case was already married. From this, even if your state recognizes a common-law marriage, it wouldn't have been possible for such to have been in force before July, 1947, at which time the divorce was declared final.

If you paid the burial expense, there should be no question about your being eligible for the lump sum since the man had enough Social Security credits to his account.

You should have a further investigation of your position made at the Social Security office.

**(Copied)**

P. S. Lying and deception, are some of the accompanying evils of the 'damnable divorce evil of our day. This poor woman is the innocent victim of a man's wrong doing.

(Editor)

**ERIE MISSION DEDICATION**

On May 27th the Erie Mission held its official Dedication Service with approximately 275 attending which filled the building to capacity. Besides members and friends from the Erie area, there were many from other parts of Pennsylvania, Ohio, New York, Michigan and Windsor, Ont., Canada, and our Brother Dick from Nigeria, Africa. Before the morning service one-half hour of group singing was enjoyed with Brother Dominic Bucci leading and Sister Mary Mancini at the piano. Sis-

ter Elaine Sechez sang a very fitting number for the occasion, "Fill This Temple." Bro. John Mancini gave recognition to the 3 oldest brethren of the church—Bro. W. H. Cadman, Bro. A. B. Cadman, and Bro. Charles Behanna. He also gave a short resume of the struggle to obtain the present building and thanked all those who had helped in any way to make this possible. Our Children—seven all born since starting the mission here—sang and recited. Bro. Bucci then gave a few remarks in regard to the part Bro. Mancini had played in this.

Brother W. H. Cadman, President of the Church, read and expounded, Isaiah 66:1, after which Sister Florence DiBattista LaRosa of Glassport sang, "Bless This House." Meeting was adjourned and lunch was served in the room for that purpose at the rear of the Chapel.

Afternoon service was taken up and we heard, first from Bro. Dick of Africa and then from the Elders of the various branches. Then the older sisters of the Church expressed themselves. At the close of the service Joseph J. Manes, son of late Bro. George Manes and Sister Manes, of Youngstown, Ohio, asked for baptism which was performed by Bro. Piccuito from Painsville, Ohio in Lake Erie after the afternoon service. Bobby Dyer, grandson of Bro. and Sister DiBattista of Glassport, and son of Sister Esther DiBattista Dyer of Erie, sang at the conclusion of the service. Early evening a short confirmation service was held in the church with a good feeling prevailing.

At the request of Brother Cadman, contribution boxes were set in convenient places for an offering from all who would help the Erie Mission out some in the debt they still have on their property, which is a very nice property.

The Erie Mission wishes to thank one and all for coming to help us celebrate this very happy occasion.

Sec. Mary R. Mancini

**Wakpala, South Dakota**

Dear Brother Cadman,

I am sending in my report from this part of the vineyard of happenings in my work for Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen.

On Our Lord's Holy Sabbath

Day on May sixth, nineteen-fifty six we had our Sunday School and prayer meeting at the home of Mrs. Laura Oka. The crowd was small, but the ones that were there with us came with a full purpose of heart. I anointed Mrs. Laura Oka, for heart trouble and afterwards we had been told that she felt better. We knew that, the one and only great physician Jesus Christ, healed her.

On Our Lord's Holy Sabbath Day on May thirteen, we had the Sunday School and prayer meeting at our home in town. We had a small crowd. Sister DeMarrias, and I are working for Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen. It just happened that the evil lure was given to some of our people in large amounts by the federal government and it went to their heads and so the ones that were coming to the prayer meetings quit coming. We still know that, there are others who are seeking so we still need a church.

On our Lord's Holy Sabbath Day on May twentieth, nineteen-fifty six we had our Sunday School and prayer meeting at our home in town. The crowd was the same but our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, was with us, as we always felt His Holy presence, Amen. We are still having our prayer meetings also on Wednesday evenings.

On Our Lord's Holy Sabbath day on May twenty-seventh, nineteen-fifty six we had our Sunday School and prayer meeting in our home out here in the country. I thought that it would be just sister DeMarrias, the children, and I, that would have Sunday School and prayer meeting, but it was not long before a car drove up to the house and it was Brother James Meeter and his family. Brother Meeter also brought along Mrs. Josephine Gabe. Soon after they arrived Mr. Louie Meeter and his family came and they brought Mr. Louie White Bull along. After that Mrs. Hilda Tiyona, her daughter Darlene, and she brought along two of her nieces.

Brother Meeter, sister De Marrias, and I received the Holy Sacraments and we truly felt His Holy presence. Brother Meeter told me that he has been holding prayer meeting all the time that

he was living in Cheyenne. He also told me that there are some are ready to come into the church of Jesus Christ, including his wife.

I had asked Sister DeMarrias to close the Sunday school with prayer and in her prayer she gave thanks to Our Heavenly Father, in the name of Jesus, that He, had answered her prayer. She said she prayed that He, will bring some to the prayer meeting and her prayer was answered. It rained quite a bit but they all got out alright.

May Our Father, of Israel watch over and bless you all is our prayer, Amen.

**Your brother in Jesus Christ,  
Mr. Earl F. DeMarrias Sr.**

#### BETHELBORO MISSION NEWS

Dear Editor:

I was appointed as Librarian for the Bethelboro Mission and for my first write-up I'll begin by telling how I grew up among the members of the Church.

When I was a little girl I can remember my grandfather, Charles Keller when he was Right Hand Counsellor to Bro. Martin King at the Smock Branch. We used to go to the meetings and really enjoyed them. I can also remember the many times my mother called upon my grandfather to anoint us children when we were sick, and we always got well.

My mother and father, Stella and Henry Gibson belonged to the church, and they always took us to Sunday School and church services. When my grandfather and grandmother (Mr. and Mrs. Keller) died, brother Oran Thomas was called upon to preach at their funerals. He also came to visit them while they were sick. The Keller family is grateful to him for the wonderful services he rendered.

One summer day in May last year, my brother Charles Gibson was stricken with an illness while driving his gas-truck, and was rushed to the Hospital. Brother and Sister Thomas came to visit him several times, and anointed him. After he was able to leave the hospital, we all attended the Church at Bethelboro and it was only a short time until Charles was baptized by brother Thomas.

A few months later a prayer meeting was held at sister Mildred Thomas's home and it was a wonderful meeting. We sang an old hymn that we used to sing when I was a girl. The Lord called me that night and I asked to be baptized. The next day brother Thomas baptized me at the Nellie Reservoir. It was a cold wet day, but there was quite a few of the saints there.

My name is Virginia (Gibson) Bokulichs. I'm thankful to God for the blessings I have received since I have come into The Church of Jesus Christ.

The Sunday School Class at Bethelboro has a nice record of 70 to 80 members. The children had an Easter Program which turned out to be very successful, and the church was filled to capacity besides some were standing.

They also had a program for Mothers Day, and the oldest mothers were Sister Dessie McManus and Sister Wringer, they received carnations, Sister Naomi Cottom received a carnation for being the youngest mother present. There was two baptisms on Mothers Day — Sister Ruth Riley and brother Harold Grimm.

Sister Virginia Bokulichs

#### News Items

On May 30th in the afternoon I received a phone call from Bro. Reno Bologna of Allen Park, Mich. informing me that brother Geo. Nicholas of the Muncie Reservation in Canada had passed away. I made ready and left on the late train out of Pittsburgh that night to be present at the funeral. Bro. Bologna met me at the depot in Detroit at 7:40 a.m. I got in his car, and after eating a good hot breakfast provided for me by his good wife, we started for Canada. The Muncie Church was filled with Indian people paying their last respects to a World War I Veteran. I first visited brother Nicholas's home 24 years ago this fall. He later obeyed the Gospel, and I was glad for the privilege of seeing him laid away to rest. I returned to Detroit and attended meeting in the West Side Church and left on a late train for home, arriving on Saturday morning.

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## SOME EXPERIENCE

I was working out in the yard and the sky became dark, then it started to rain. I went into the house to get out of the rain and I sat down to rest — it was dark in the house but I did not turn the lights on; I just sat and rested.

All of a sudden there was a flash of light and a terrible crack of thunder in the sky. The lightning struck the telegraph pole along side of the house and melted the wire which went into the house from the pole. It smashed my radio to pieces, broke the windows in the house, and broke part of the wall so hard that the plaster came off to the laths. The electric plug in the wall for the radio was broken to tiny bits. I felt for the moment that my time was up, and that I must die — but after uttering a few words of prayer, the sun shone and the rain stopped and I felt the Glory of God in my heart. Praise the Lord. Sister Elizabeth Pallagi, 204 N. 32 West Ave. Tulsa, 7, Okla. (formerly of Hopelawn, N.J.).

## LIFE FROM THE DEAD

In a letter I received from Secretary Akpan in Nigeria, dated June 12th there is the following contained therein: "Attention please, for your information — Grace, the daughter of Brother Dick died today in the hospital, as I had already informed you that she was in the hospital. Tell Brother Dick not to worry for such trouble happen to him."

Brother Dick was up in New York State visiting in Rochester and Lockport when I received this news. Brother Paul D'Amico brought him back to Monongahela the following Sunday Morning to our meeting here.

At my home I made Brother Dick acquainted with the news of his child's death, which was very sad news for him. While he was away, there was quite a little mail accumulated here for him. He took the mail with him and went to Bro. Harry Robinson's home in Clairton, Pa. While there he opened a letter from Nigeria, and in it was the following note from his wife: "My dear Husband, Trust and Obey in the Lord, Grace died and she was taken to the grave, and while on the way to the grave

she came back to life. Thank God and serve Him in Spirit and in Truth. I am going to write a few words to the Gospel news. I am just stealing this time to write to you, Bro. Nnachi just came here and I gave him this letter to enclose in his letter to you. Grace is with us again."

Signed by his wife E. A. Dick

P. S. While Brother Dick was at Brother Robinson's home where he opened some of his mail he then phoned me these wonderful news. In our morning meeting I announced the child's death, in the afternoon meeting, I announced her return back to life again. It makes me think of the saying in Luke 15, 9. "Rejoice with me; for I have found the peace which I had lost." — Let us all rejoice with brother and sister Dick because their child that died has come to life again. Praise the Lord for all His goodness. I understand the child is about eight years old.

Bro. Cadman

## G. M. B. A. MEETING

The conference of the General Missionary Benevolent Association was held in the Church building at West Aliquippa May 19, 1956. There were representatives present from five states and the Dominion of Canada. The morning session was given to business. Brother Dick was present from Africa, and he spoke briefly in the morning, giving his impression of the Church here in America and telling of the conditions of the Church in Africa. The remaining business was concluded in the afternoon, after which several Brothers spoke. Brother Dick again expressed himself, and Brother Bittinger also gave a few remarks. Brother Joseph Collison gave a short talk, telling how much help the M. B. A. has been to him. Brother Malintoni spoke on what the Church had to offer the young people, and Brother Tony Piccuit gave a short testimony. In the evening service the West Aliquippa young people presented an inspiring program of readings and song entitled "A Message to the Youth of the Church." After the program, Brother William Cadman showed slides of pictures taken on his trip to Africa. The next con-

ference is to be held on Saturday, November 10 in New Jersey.

Sec.: Sister Ruth E. Akerman

## GENERAL CIRCLE MEETING

The meeting of General Circle was held in the Church at Monongahela, Pa. on June 30th 1956. There was not so many present as was expected — Some who always attend were on vacation and some of our Vanderbilt Sisters were on Missionary Work with their husbands in South Dakota.

We were glad to have several sisters from Canada with us. Good meetings were enjoyed throughout the day. The spirit of love and oneness always has been among us and still exists today. Interesting reports and letters were received and enjoyed by all. A report from the Circles in Africa telling of their meetings and progress was also given. In it they requested the Sisters of America to buy a bicycle for Sister Dick to visit the different Circles. We were all glad to help with this, as they have no way to travel over there as we do here. Sister Dick is a wonderful worker over there from reports and letters we receive. She has had a great responsibility resting on her since Bro. Dick has been over here, and God surely worked out His Way in bringing her into the Restored Gospel — and while she not only works in the Gospel, she teaches several subjects in their school and also cares for six little orphan children. Before the former Sister Dick was drowned, she translated our little law and order book in Efik, so all sisters could understand the object of the Ladies Circle — And they have tried hard to keep the laws. Our little booklets of our 35th Anniversary were received in this meeting, and many were sent out to those Circles who had ordered them. We have many left and would like for each member to have one, and get one to give to a friend. We are sending eight over to Africa that each Circle can have one. Sister Adelia DiPiero 615 Hemlock Way, Glassport, Pa. was appointed to receive any donations for Sister Dick's bicycle. Offerings will be appreciated.

Our donations were made and given to the Church as usual. Our General Circle will meet in Glassport, Pa. on Sept. 23:

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Sec. Mary Wilson — Sadie Cadman, Pres.

### THE MONONGAHELA SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Monongahela Sunday School of The Church of Jesus Christ, has adopted the practice of presenting Bibles to our graduates each spring. Last May there were six of our young people finished High School, and a special program was given in M.B.A. when Bibles were presented to them. The following is a copy of the program used at that time. Some requested that it be published in the Gospel News so that the graduates might keep a copy in the Bibles they received.

**THIS IS YOUR LIFE...** Yes this is your day. A day when you can enjoy the thrill of accomplishment of tasks completed, and anticipate the adventures that are before you. We, your friends of your Church, wish to share with you tonite some of that thrill and perhaps meditate with you about your most important gift—your life.

As we look back with you over the eighteen or so years of your life thus far, certain events stand out from others, like Milestones marking the years. When your life began, your whole world was your Mother. She supplied your every need and your happiness was complete in her presence. Soon you became aware of father, and perhaps brothers and sisters, and gradually realized your life and world had to broaden to include others in your home. Then your scope broadened still further, until it encompassed playmates, and finally, the school room with teachers and school mates. Here you learned how large the world really is, and how big the lessons of this life are. Then came a period when you began to take all these wonders for granted. You no longer were conscious of your dependence on Mother, Daddy, teachers and others, but began to feel self sufficient, even to the degree that at times you resented your dependence and rebelled at the restrictions and rules imposed on you.

Also, as we take this backward look, we are aware that sometime there began to form in your mind, a vague idea that you were also a member of another family than your own immediate one. You depended also on another

Mother than your own, your Church. This mother too supplied your first needs, you were carried to the House of God, (perhaps your very first excursion into the big world) by your proud parents and there, gratefully presented to your Church and your God, and a prayer of faith was pronounced over you, asking your Heavenly Father to care for you, protect you and lead you in spiritual paths. The Elder who pronounced this prayer felt privileged to be selected to introduce you to your second family—your Heavenly Father, your Church Mother, and a great crowd of loving brothers and sisters of all ages. As you developed, you began to depend upon this family even as you did your family at home. Here you learned your childish prayers and songs. You learned that Daddy and Mother could care for you only because your Heavenly Father cares for all. In your childhood problems, illnesses, and perhaps tragedies, you learned that the prayer of even a child can be heard. Perhaps you can personally remember a time when you were incapable of prayer, and an Elder was called to intercede for you. Each of you no doubt could tell of your experience of answered prayer. You learned in Jr. Church what it means to worship God, and in S. School what it means to serve God daily, and in M.B.A. you have gained a better understanding of God's Word. All these have been for the purpose of becoming more closely associated with that large family of God, and to prepare you for the day that you may become truly an accepted part of it. We have benefited by your examples of attendance and your willingness to do your part in special occasions and programs. We pray that there will not be a period in your life when you will no longer acknowledge your need of this family group or when you feel so self sufficient as to discount the value of this association with the family of God. Perhaps this is why a hymn, "Our Church" has become a favorite of young and old. It seems to express our dependence, our pride, and our faith in our Heavenly Father, our Church and Mother and our Church family.

And now, you have reached another important milestone, your graduation. Your years of public

schooling are now behind you. Lessons have been studied and tasks completed (in varying degrees) and you have reached the age variously called the energetic, enthusiastic, terrific and terrible teens. You are no longer children, yet, not adults. You are developing in all directions—mentally, physically, emotionally, morally — at a very rapid rate. Your energies and capacities seem unlimited. Sometimes the teens are a painful period, when no one seems to understand how grown up you really think you are. It is a rebellious period, when you want to strike out for your self and use this new found independence of yours by throwing away old disciplines. It is an uncertain period when ideas which seem so harmless and so sane to you, are described by adults as dangerous, and leading to dire consequences. It is a period when decisions are doubly important, when wrong or right choices of friends, habits and activities can influence your whole future. It is an impatient period. You are so eager to taste and see and experience all these exciting mysteries that are before you. But it must be also a sobering period. You must beware of throwing off all the shackles which bind you to your past. Perhaps you now rebel (either secretly or openly) at restrictions of the home. You wonder why it is necessary for you to attend church regularly, and you may think, "My friends don't do it." Perhaps you are questioning and doubting the teachings of your parents and your Heavenly Parents. You wonder, "Why?" to so many questions, and don't seem to find a satisfactory answer. You are no longer satisfied to take another's opinion blindly, but you want to form your own opinions from your own reasoning. To you, everything is harmlessly attractive and you are eager to try out each new idea.

What does this mean? Are these stirrings in you, wrong? Should you not have these ambitions and questions? You would not be young if you didn't have them. You are as the young birds trying out and strengthening their wings before their full ability to fly can be developed. This is all part of being a teen-ager. You are having growing pains. The solution is not to destroy and crush your ideas, but guide



them into the right channels. Keep a level head. Make decisions after careful thinking. When you need help, you have a boundless source of guidance in your Parents and Church and God. Understand yourself and remind yourself that the path you are floundering and stumbling in today, will be your road of life tomorrow. Ask God to be your companion, to guide your steps, to pick you up when you fall, to forgive your mistakes, to walk with you each mile of the way, and you can face the future with heads high, eyes alert, and hearts clean. No better advice could be given to you than that contained in the hymn, "Yield Not to Temptation."

And now, what of your future life? Will it be happy, or sad? long or short? Success or failure? No one can answer these questions for you. Our tomorrows are with God, but we can plan and work for the time which God sees fit to allot to us each.

No doubt each of you has his own dreams and ambitions for the future. Perhaps yours is higher education, yours the service of your country, yours nursing, yours marriage and family. Today there is a bewildering array of avenues open to you. What will the years bring you—happiness, health, suffering, defeat, pain, perhaps even eventually death? We all wish the fulfillment of your desires, yet you must be prepared to expect failures and disappointments. They are the mellowing experiences of life. Everyone has them. It is the way you meet them that counts. You can rise above them, or you can be crushed by them.

What of your future in the Church? Will you become our leaders? Will you accept from us the priceless heritage of the Restored Gospel? Will you receive the responsibility of carrying this Gospel to the unsaved of the world and then pass it unblemished to your children? Really the question is not, for we must. Great men before us suffered, worked, and die, that we might enjoy the Gospel today. We must do our part, and press on. Eventually, your generation must take up the work and carry on. God's work will progress. If you fail Him, He will have to find others. It is a breath-taking task, filled with wonderful possibilities. We are now verging into a period

when prophecies seem to be in the beginning of fulfillment. What wonderful things you boys and girls may live to see! We are already beginning to see the house of Joseph coming to the Lord; you may live to see Isaiah's "Nation born in a day." Events seem to be shaping up for the appearance of Christ on the Mount of Olives to house of Judah. You may live to see that prophecy fulfilled. Some of you may be the ones God is depending on to carry on the works just begun in Africa, and Italy or in the gathering of the lost tribes of Israel. Events seem to indicate that the Kingdom of Zion may be established in your life time, and the thousand years of peace begun. Many of the older brothers and sisters would love to be now at your age, that they might live to see and assist in this marvelous work before you.

Do you thrill at these things, and at the same time, do the responsibilities of the future brighten you? Does it sound impossible that you could help to accomplish such wonderful work? It would be impossible for any one alone, but one person and God can do anything. Keep in touch with Him, live your life one day at a time, and be ready when He needs you. There is one standard by which He will measure you, one Book of rules to keep. He will not judge you by your success in business, or the wealth you may acquire, or the position you may gain. He will search out the hidden treasures in the heart, the humble spirit, and him who is servant of all.

To help you to acquire this abundant life of service, your Sunday School wishes to give you this Book of Rules, the Bible. We give it to you in remembrance of all you have meant to us these past years, in appreciation of all you are to us now, and in hope of the fulfillment of a truly wonderful future for you. Written by Sister Ruth Mountain. Brother Idris Martin-Supt. of the Sabbath School.

#### RADIO ADDRESS

By THURMAN S. FURNIER

Good morning radio friends: This is the tenth of a series of messages on the following subjects: "The falling away of the gospel," or "The great apostasy," "The results of the apostasy," "The Reformation," and

"The Birth of Protestantism." The fact of the great apostasy is admitted: Many theologians who profess a belief in Christianity have declared the fact. I will now quote from Smith's Dictionary of the Bible. QUOTE: "We must not expect to see the Church of Christ existing in its perfection on the earth. It is not to be found thus perfect, either in the collected fragments of Christianity or still less in any one of those fragments." UNQUOTE. John Wesley, who lived from 1703 to 1791 A. D., and who ranks as chief among the founders of Methodism, comments as follows on the apostasy of the Christian Church as evidenced by the early decline of spiritual power and the cessation of the gifts and graces of the spirit of God within the church. I will now quote from John Wesley's works. Vol. VII, 89: 26-27. QUOTE: "It does not appear that these extraordinary gifts of the Holy Spirit were common in the church for more than two or three centuries. We seldom hear of them after that fatal period when the Emperor Constantine called himself a Christian, and from a vain imagination of promoting the Christian cause thereby heaped riches and power and honor upon Christians in general, but in particular upon the Christian clergy." "From this time they almost totally ceased, very few instances of the kind being found. The cause of this was not, as has been supposed, because there was no occasion for them, because all the world was become Christians." "This is a miserable mistake; not a twentieth part of it was then nominally Christians, so-called, was waxed cold. The Christians had no more of the spirit of Christ than the other heathens." "The Son of Man, when he came to examine His church, could hardly find faith upon earth. This was the real cause why the extraordinary gifts of the Holy Ghost were no longer to be found in the Christian church—because the Christians were turned heathen again, and only had a dead form left." UNQUOTE. There are diverse views concerning continuance of spiritual gifts. I will now quote from B. H. Roberts, outlines of Ecclesiastical History. Part 11, Sec. 5: 6-8 QUOTE "Protestant writers insist that the age of miracles closed with the fourth or fifth century, and that after

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## EDITORIAL

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Editor

that the extraordinary gifts of the Holy Ghost must not be looked for." "Catholic writers, on the other hand, insist that the power to perform miracles has always continued in the church; yet those spiritual manifestations which they describe after the fourth and fifth centuries savor (taste; scent) of invention on the part of the priests, and childish credulity (ready belief) on the part of the people; or else, what is claimed to be miraculous falls far short of the power and dignity of those spiritual manifestations which the primitive church was wont to witness." "The virtues and prodigies, ascribed to the bones and other relics of the martyrs and saints are puerile in comparison with the healings by the anointing with oil and the laying on of hands, speaking in tongues, interpretations, prophecies, revelations, casting out devils in the name of Jesus Christ; to say nothing of the gifts of faith, wisdom, knowledge, discernment of spirits, etc.—common in the church in the days of the Apostles." (See 1st. Cor. 12: 8-10) "Nor is there anything in the scriptures or in reason that

would lead one to believe they were to be discontinued. Still this plea is made by modern Christians—explaining the absence of these spiritual powers among them—that the extraordinary gifts of the Holy Ghost were only intended to accompany the proclamation of the gospel during the first few centuries, until the church was able to make its way without them, and they were to be done away." "It is sufficient to remark upon this that is assumption pure and simple, and stands without warrant either of scripture or right reason; and proves that man had so far changed the religion of Jesus Christ that it became a form of godliness without the power thereof." UNQUOTE. Compare these man made ideas with the inspired words of the Apostle Paul, contained in I Cor. 13: 8-10 — "Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophecy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away." It is evident from this scripture; that these spiritual gifts were to be enjoyed in the church as long as their was sufficient faith to produce them. Yes, they are to be found in the church, when that which is perfect is come, or when Christ makes his second appearance. John Wesley says: And we quote from his sermon No. 71. QUOTE: "The times which we have reason to believe are at hand, if they have not already begun, are what many pious men have termed, 'the Latter Day Glory.' And yet wise men of the world, the men of eminence, the men of learning and renown, cannot imagine what we mean by talking of any extraordinary work of God: They cannot discern the signs of these times. They can see no signs at all of God's arising to maintain his own cause, and set up his kingdom over the earth." UNQUOTE. Roger Williams, founder of the Baptist church in America, says: QUOTE: "In the poor, small span of my life I desired to have been a diligent and constant observer, and have been myself many ways engaged in city, in country, in court, in schools, in universities, in churches in old and New Eng-

land, and yet cannot in the holy presence of God, bring in the results of a satisfying discovery that either the begetting ministry of the Apostles and messengers to the nations, nor the feeding or nourishing ministry of pastors, and teachers, according to the first institution of the Lord Jesus, is yet restored and extant" "The apostasy of anti-Christ has so far corrupted all that there can be no recovery out of that apostasy, till Christ shall send forth new Apostles and plant churches anew." UNQUOTE. This last quotation will be found in "Struggles and Triumphs of Religious Liberty," pages 238-239. Sir Isaac Newton, an English philosopher; born in England, Dec. 25th. 1642, said: QUOTE: "About the time of the end, in all probability, a body of men will rise up, turn their attention to the prophecies, and insist on their literal interpretation in the midst of much clamor and opposition." UNQUOTE. I again quote from the same author: QUOTE: "There must be a stone cut out of a mountain without hands before it can fall upon the toes of the image and become a great mountain, and fill the earth" 'An angel must fly through the midst of heaven with the everlasting gospel to preach to all nations before Babylon falls and the Son of Man reaps his harvest.' UNQUOTE. To be continued.

## ITALIANS IN TENTS AS EARTH QUAKES

SANTA SOFIA, Italy, June 28 — (AP)—Earth shocks were recorded in this Central Italian city today for the 33rd consecutive day. There were no reports of damage or casualties.

A total of 2,800 persons of the city's 8,222 population have been living under tents, fearing the quakes will cause their homes to collapse.

Quoting from the Book of Mormon, III, Nephi 26:3—"And He (the Saviour) did expound all things, even from the beginning until the time that should come in His glory — yea, even all things which should come upon the face of the earth, even until the elements should melt with fervent heat, and the earth should be wrapt together as a scroll, and the heavens and the earth should pass away."

In the II Book of Nephi 27:2 In speaking of the last days, it says:

"And when that day shall come they shall be visited of the Lord of Hosts, with thunder and with earthquake, and with a great noise, and with storm, and with tempest, and with the flame of devouring fire."

According to the Pittsburgh Post Gazette of June 29, 1956 Our Senators in Washington have been told, that: "Nuclear War by U. S. could cause Several Hundred Million Deaths." Far more people than lives in the United States of America. Truly the Apostle was inspired when he predicted: that in the last days perilous times shall come."

Bro. Cadman

### GOOD COUNSELL TO THE PROFESSED CHRISTIAN, AS WELL AS TO OTHERS

Nationally - circulated church publications meanwhile are reminding their readers that there is one simple thing that every Christian can do to check the spread of Sunday selling: Quit buying on Sunday.

They won't stay open on Sunday very long if they don't do any business on Sunday," said the Christian Herald in a recent editorial.

"for this infringement of the Sabbath, the buyer shares the blame," said the Catholic weekly, America. "It takes two to make a Sunday sale."

The above three paragraphs are taken from an article published in the Daily Republican, Monongahela, Pa., of recent date. The Christian Herald is right when it says: "They won't stay open on Sunday very long if They don't do any business on Sunday." Says the Catholic Weekly America: "The buyer shares the blame. It takes two to make a Sunday sale." May I ask all professed Christian people. Where is your consistency in buying on Sunday simply because the place of business may be open and has something that you want to buy?

Whether Sunday is the original Sabbath Day or not, is much questioned, but we must remember that it is the day that the Christian world accepted as the Sabbath, and they undoubtedly will be responsible if they do not hold it sacred. One of the greatest offences with the People of Israel was the transgression of the Sabbath Day. Yea, even though they were His chosen people, the apple of His eye, He did not spare them in their transgressions.

Sin is the transgression of the law, and to my mind, there is no excuse for the buyer or seller in Sunday business as it is carried on in Christian America today.

W. H. Cadman

### DAN VITO LOFFREDO PASSES ON.

Dan Vito Loffredo was born August 21, 1883 in Italy, and would have been 73 years old. He has lived in Lorain for many years and was baptized in the Church of Jesus Christ on February 8, 1928. On February 26, 1939, he was ordained in the office of teacher. He loved the Church and faithfully upheld it until the end when he was called home by the Lord on the 2nd of May. Surviving him are one sister; Mrs. Catherine Magdalen and a host of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were in charge of Bro. Joseph Altomare and assisting him was Bro. Alfred Dominico and Bro. Patsy Fyre. He was laid to rest in the Elmwood Cemetery of Lorain.

Our Church members of Lorain and also his friends will remember his favorite expression: "Hold the Fort," and his favorite hymn was "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," which was sung as part of his funeral service.

Sis. Josephine Dominico

### SISTER FRANCESCA CANDELA PASSES ON

Sister Francesca Candela, died on June 11th. 1956, in her 67th year. She was born Dec. 6th. 1889, and was baptized in the Church of Jesus Christ, Oct. 13th. 1940. She leaves to mourn her passing, her husband, Nephew, and other relatives. Funeral Service was conducted at Funeral Home, by Bro. Concetto Alessandro. Interment at the Gethsemane Cemetery. Funeral Director Delos G. Gitre was in charge of the Funeral. We extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

Matthew T. Miller.

### DULLES' SON TO BE PRIEST

NEW YORK, June 1—(AP)—Avery Dulles, youngest son of Secretary of State Dulles, will be ordained June 16 into the priesthood of the Roman Catholic Church. He is a member of the Jesuit Order.

Francis Cardinal Spellman will conduct ordination ceremonies for the 38-year-old Dulles and 35 oth-

ers at Fordham University Chapel, it was announced yesterday.

Secretary Dulles is a life elder of the Brick Presbyterian Church on Park Ave.

The secretary's son became a Catholic convert in 1940 while attending Harvard law school. In 1946, he entered the Jesuit House of Studies at Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

He will celebrate his first solemn mass June 24 at Georgetown University in Washington, D. C.

### NEWS FROM ROSCOE, PA.

Brother Editor:

The Roscoe Branch has been blessed so much that we feel to make it known to all. Since our week of evangelistic meetings, we have had five baptisms, four children blessed and two weddings in our Church, young people coming into the church to carry on the Lord's work. —Reinforcements now appearing, Victory is nigh."

We lost from our presence Sister Ruth Kendall. She passed away on April 4th at her home in Stockdale. Christ said: "Let your light shine." Our sister did this in all her suffering. She praised God for his mercy towards her.

Two marriages performed in this Branch as follows: Bro. Ralph Waltz to Anna Jane McMasters, by Elder George Johnson. Bro. Ralph is the son of Brother and Sister L. O. Waltz, of Roscoe. The bride is from Washington, Pa.

Also William McDuffie was united in marriage to Betty Lou Stanish by Elder L. O. Waltz. The bride is a granddaughter of sister Ruth Kendall, the groom is from Florida.

### EVANSON-GIBSON NUPTIALS

Mr. Richard Gibson, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Gibson of East Cleveland, Ohio and Miss Barbara Evanson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Evanson of West Side Cleveland, were united in Marriage in The Church of Jesus Christ in Cleveland on Saturday June 23, 1956, Elder Oliver Lloyd officiating.

The bride was given away by her Uncle, the Pianist was Albina Bartrucci, maid of honor was Miss Judy Wolfe, bridesmaid was Carol Evanson sister of the bride, flower girl Joyce Evanson. Best man was Mr. Paul Kelly, ushers Mr. Carl DiSanto, and Kenneth and Ronald Gibson brothers of the bridegroom. The Gibsons are formerly from the Vanderbilt Branch

of the Church.

By Elizabeth Lloyd

### MANES - PANDONE VOWS PLEDGED YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

The Chapel of Friendly Bells was the setting for the wedding Saturday, May 26, of Miss Teresa Jean Manes, daughter of Sister Sara Manes and the late Bro. George Manes, to Donald Gene Pandone, son of Bro. and Sister Pandone. Bro. A. A. Corrado officiated.

The bride carried a White Bible with an orchid and stephanotis.

Miss Dorothy Opatich was honor maid, and bridesmaids were Miss Mary Zoodie and Miss Rosita DeAngelis. Richard Pandone was best man for his brother, and Albert Kucala, and John Giovonni, uncle of the bridegroom, ushered.

A reception was held at the Arco Club, after which the young couple departed for their wedding trip to the Pocono Mountains.

Sister Dorothy Damore

### Reaping Fruits of Their Labors

Brother Editor, this past week it has been on my mind to write of how the Lord has blessed us since we began the Freehold, N.-J. missionary work. From the first our brothers were inspired to go there, God has watched over and led them. When first I accompanied them we went to a home they had never visited before.

The woman who answered our knock at the door gave us a cool reception indeed. We understood her attitude when she related a dream of two weeks before. Three men had come to her, and although only a dream she was impressed enough to realize, they were the very ones that now stood before her.

During the same evening she told another dream she had when one of her daughters passed away. Seeing the daughter in a dream she reached for and failing to grasp her, the girl said, "Mother, when you find that old fashioned way, walk therein and you will find me."

After attending several services at Stelton, this woman gave her testimony to a friend. Impressed, she expressed a desire to come to church with her. Together they began to attend meetings frequently. During one of these visits a most gratifying blessing was

showered on the newly interested woman.

While at a brothers home she suddenly became very ill. Silently she prayed to God for strength to make the journey home so as not to burden anyone. Seeing that she was not well, the elders anointed her. She was healed instantly and proceeded home thanking and praising God.

The third lady of which I would like to write, was attending church regularly but was undecided as to the right way. In prayer, she appealed to the Lord that she too, might have a testimony as one of the saints. In answer to her prayers she had a dream of a well of springing waters and saw the saints drinking. One of the sisters called to her to come and drink with them.

These experiences have all borne fruit, for these sisters were recently baptized. Along with them were three others from the New Brunswick branch. I rejoice in my heart that I can write to you of such encouraging results. The most inspiring perhaps is of one of the other candidates, a young man stricken in a wheel chair.

For years I had seen this lad carried up and down the church steps. Also, I watched as two elders carried him into the waters of baptism. And now, just a few days after his union in the church, he is walking again!

It is truly said there are no bounds to God's power.

Bro. Matthew Rogolino

P. S. This is a wonderful experience for the Young man mentioned above, for on my recent trip to New Jersey, the young man was carried in and out of the church.

Bro. Cadman.

### REVIVAL SERVICES IN NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

On June 4th throughout the 8th we here in the East held revival services. A good crowd turned out every evening, the Lord granting us good weather.

Each evening the M.B.A. Choir sang several selections. Various brothers occupied the pulpit, and gave us inspiring talks. I'm sure their sermons were enjoyed by all present.

Friday evening about 8:30 Brothers W. H. Cadman, A. A. Dick and brother and Sister Bittinger walked in. We were indeed happy to see them in our midst. The brothers then took over the rest

of the services we were so enjoyed that the young folks decided to hold a service on Saturday evening. In this meeting a young girl asked for baptism. We also had the pleasure of having some of the folks here from Rochester, N. Y. — two car loads came, may God bless their efforts to come so far to visit with us.

The baptism was performed on Sunday Morning, brother Ansel D'Amico of Rochester officiated. We then gathered at the School building where we held our semi-annual gathering. Over 350 of us including many friends were present. The M. B. A. Choir rendered us a few selections.

Bro. Bittinger was our speaker in the morning meeting. The afternoon was taken up mostly by Bro. Cadman, his theme being the Falling Away of the Gospel and the Restoration thereof. The young sister who was baptized in the morning was confirmed in this meeting, and various ones bore testimony to the Gospel of Christ. Sunday evening services were held in the New Brunswick Church by the M. B. A. There was various hymns sung and some speaking. On Monday evening we attended a meeting in Brooklyn, No. 1 Mission, and we had an enjoyable time there.

C. Mazzeo.

### From Lockport, N. Y.

On Sunday, June 17, 1956, a gathering was held at Lockport, N. Y. The Lockport and Rochester Branches united together. We also had a representation from Ohio and Canada, including Brother A. A. Dick of Nigeria, British West Africa. The Church was nearly filled to capacity.

Instead of our usual classes in Sunday School, we had a talk given to us by Bro. Joe Calabrese of Tiffin, Ohio, telling of his work in the Gospel and of his desire some day to have a Church established in Tiffin.

Before our morning service, the children of the Lockport Sunday School recited the 23rd Psalm together, "The Lord is my Shepherd." They then sang the hymn, "When He Cometh, When He Cometh, to make up His Jewels." At this time the blessings of the Lord were being showered upon us for a young lady, Sandra Hatch, stood up and requested baptism.

The morning meeting was turned over to Bro. A.A. Dick who was

followed by Bro. Joe Calabrese. Bro. Calabrese performed the baptism of Sandra Hatch. We went to Bond Lake to baptize, and when Bro. Joe came out of the waters, a young man of Niagara Falls, Ontario asked to be baptized. He was asked if he wanted to go back and change his clothes, but his desire was not to wait. He wanted to go into the waters dressed as he was. The desire was granted. This young man whose name is Donato Petrangelo, is the first to be baptized in the city of Niagara Falls, Ontario.

Brother Ansel D'Amico introduced our afternoon service, bearing his testimony. The Group from Rochester, N. Y. had also favored us with two selections which were enjoyed. The new candidates, were confirmed by the laying on of hands. It was during this meeting that another young lady asked for baptism, and was followed by an elderly woman who also was moved upon to obey the Gospel. These two sisters, namely Carmela D'Angelo, and Concetta DiMillo were baptized by Bro. A. A. Dick. These were the first two baptized by Bro. Dick in America. All rejoiced to see four more souls added to the fold.

At the conclusion of the day everyone felt like Peter of old, "It Is Good For Us To Be Here."

Bro. John Moore

#### YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

Brother Editor:

This is my first experience in writing for the Gospel News and I am rather uncertain how long the articles are to be.

In the last few weeks we have had a lot of God's Blessings and I know that they have touched all of us.

Starting with our ground breaking exercise which was held on Wednesday evening, May 9, 1956 shortly before our regular meeting. Our branch was well represented on the premises of our new Church Building of the future, which will be erected at 2750 Gibson Street, Youngstown, Ohio. After singing Hymns of Praise, Bro. A. A. Corrado lead in prayer, after which all our Elders took turns turning over the ground with a new shovel bought expressly for the occasion. Even the rainy and cloudy weather held out until the exercise was over. Pictures of the occasion were taken so that it may be a joyous reminder to our future members.

We also were greatly blessed

this past Sunday when Bro. Ceasar DiPiero, son of Bro. Dominic DiPiero and Sister Min DiPiero, asked for Baptism. His Uncle, Bro. Dominic Bucci, Baptized him and after the Baptism, we held Confirmation services at Bro. Frank Wooley's residence.

Youngstown has indeed been blessed of late, for now we have 3 new members-Bro. John Manes, who was Baptized at the G. M. B. A. Conference in Aliquippa, Pa., and Bro. Joe Manes, who was Baptized in Erie Pennsylvania at their dedication. Bro. John and Joe are the sons of Sister Sara Manes and the late Bro. George Manes.

As I am coming to the end of our joyous news, I ask that we be remembered by everyone in their prayers, and that more from our branch be added to God's fold, for the "Harvest is Great but the Laborer's are few."

Dorothy J. Damore

#### PAINESVILLE, OHIO

Dear Bro. & Sis. in Christ:

We of the Painesville, Ohio Branch are writing to notify you of the wonderful service we enjoyed with the presence of our Brothers and Sisters from Monongahela, Pa. Sunday April 22, 1956.

We can truly say that we enjoyed the blessings of God by the inspiring talks given by three of our visiting brothers, Melvin Mountain, Idris Martin, and George Neill.

Along with the spirit which prevailed we all witnessed the power of God manifested through the gift of tongues during the ordainment of laying on of hands which was requested by a visiting sister.

All present surely recieved a blessing. May God bless you all is our prayer.

Dolores Picciuto, Secretary

#### FROM DETROIT, MICH

To the Branches and Missions of The Church of Jesus Christ:

We members of Detroit, Michigan Branch No. 1, have been contemplating the erection of a new church building for some time.

With this in mind, we have acquired necessary land on which to build, and also just recently sold our old building.

Our proposed structure will be a modest one, and even so, we are in need of funds.

Permit us to seek your financial assistance in whatever amount you may feel to donate

toward this cause.

We are anxious to commence construction as soon as possible.

Mail your donation to:  
Mr. Concetta Alessandro  
6549 St. Clair  
Detroit 13, Michigan.

#### MODESTO, CALIF.

JUNE 1, 1956

Editor:

The Saints of Modesto Branch are so happy to announce (after many months of fasting & prayer) that we expect to start erection of our first Church building in a week or two if God wills. We are very few in number here (only eight or nine families) but we believe in unity there is strength.

The Lord will provide for His people is a surety, so we trust He will grant us the needed strength, both natural and spiritual and even financial aid. Would each of you like to share our blessing by contributing to our cause?

Please send all contributions at your earliest convenience to Grace La Commare, 1501 Oakwood Dr. Modesto, Calif.

We pray that our church might be a haven for the sinner wherein he'll find God and yield to Him, and a place of worship for the saints wherein God's Holy presence is felt and His love and peace that passeth all understanding abides. May God bless one and all of you for your efforts in our behalf. Sincerely

Sister Arlena Gamble, Asst. Sec

#### DETROIT 13, MICH.

Dear Bro. Editor:

I hope you, sister Cadman, bro. Dick, and all there are faring very nicely. We in this part of the Vineyard are fighting desperately, but the Lord is with us, so we fear not any man. The 1st Sunday of this month, we attended service at Branch No. 2, and heard bro. Peter Capone deliver a wonderful talk on the 28th Chapter of Deuteronomy, which was quite inspiring. That afternoon we went out to Inkster, where bro. John Gammichia, is holding services, and had quite a delightful time, bro. Gammichia and other bros. from the West Side, have stuck faithfully to this work, and seem to be making quite a success of it. The 2nd. Sunday we were at Branch No. 3, where bro. T. S. Furnier gave us a Historic talk, on the 18th. Chapter of Isaiah, all were delighted. The 3rd Sunday I was at the Belgian Hall, where Branch No. 1, now holds Services on Sundays and gave a

talk on the 1st. Chapter of John, particularly on the 39th. verse, where Jesus said, "Come and See." I sincerely wish hope and pray, that this whole world will not only come and see, but will be pleased to taste of Salvation full and free, so that the Kingdoms of this world, could be the Kingdoms of our Lord, and every man in every place, could some day be bros. and friends, what a grand place this would be. The last Sunday we had bro. Anthony Scolaro, with us in going to Sarnia, we stopped in Port Huron, where the Saints were in session, and were pleased to see everyone faithfully attending the Masters' cause. In Sarnia bro. Scolaro gave us a very nice talk on the 22nd. Chapter of Alma. I was very pleased to hear our young bro. launching out on this subject, because I am always hopeful that all our young men, could be like the sons of Mosiah who were so dedicated, and consecrated to God, and were used as Instruments in His hand, to bring about such Noble accomplishments, innumerable souls to the Glory of God. Our bro. and sisters in Sarnia were fair, sister Jackson, and sister Maness's girl Sandra, were not too well and were anointed. Love to all bros. and sisters, through the Church May the Grace and Love of God, dwell in you richly, is the prayer of your bro. in Christ,

Matthew T. Miller

#### DETROIT, MICH.

Editor:

It is with much satisfaction and joy that I write this note. We, here in Detroit have been privileged once again with the presence of Bro. Joseph Lovalvo and brother Mark Randy from Modesto, Calif., as most of you know, Detroit is their home-town.

It was wonderful having them here and hearing their voices once again. We frequently think of our brothers in the priesthood, who through much of their efforts, helped to bring us closer to the waters of regeneration. I often try to visualize the exuberance which was felt in the days of old, when the apostles administered unto the brothers and sisters.

We here in Detroit, have had a week of anticipated blessings.

Meetings were held every night of the week. Many of the words which our brethren spake unto us, were accompanied by God's Holy Spirit, which we feel unworthy of. Bro. Lovalvo attended a service at Branch No. 1, and preached during the morning. The blessings of God were felt and two more souls rendered obedience to the Gospel. Bro. Anthony Scolaro from Branch 1 was ordained an Elder. There was a wonderful feeling of encouragement in our midst, for we know that God has called him to help propagate the gospel.

The afternoon service was held at Branch No. 4. Once again we were blessed with the presence of Bro. Paul D'Amico and Bro. Rocco Biscotti. Our Church building was filled beyond capacity. Brother Paul opened the meeting with some inspiring words. He was followed by Bro. Biscotti and Bro. Allen Henderson. During the course of the afternoon service, Bro. Gorie Ciaravino of Detroit Branch No. 4 was ordained into the Quorum of twelve apostles. We are happy to have an apostle, once again in this part of the vineyard. Bro. Lovalvo closed our service with some enlivening words, not only to the laity, but especially to the priesthood.

Bro. Randy and Bro. Lovalvo continued holding services, one at Branch No. 3 and at Windsor. They also met with the General Uplift Ladies Circle. They were blessed with wonderful liberty in preaching, and many times our cups did run over. The week ended with Bro. Lovalvo meeting at Branch No. 2, M.B.A. That night Bro. Lovalvo felt to leave the meeting open to testimony, after he gave a few comments. What a wonderful spirit accompanied each testimony. Those moments will not be forgotten. During the course of the meeting Bro. Ferrante exclaimed that the Lord had shown him, earlier, what was to take place that evening. It was very encouraging to all present, especially the young.

May the blessings of God continue to accompany Bro. Lovalvo in his untiring efforts to spread the Restored Gospel. In closing, I pray that we, as a united people shall stand together, not only in the moments of encouragement,

but in the hours of discouragements. Bro. Frank G. Vito.

#### BRANCH NO. 3. NEWS.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

To keep in touch with the Saints of God everywhere. While it is impossible to fellowship with each of you in person we can meet and converse through our Gospel News.

Having just returned from the G.M.B.A. Conference at West Aliquippa, Pa. we here in branch No. 3, still are feeling the warmth and goodness of the love of God, shown by our Brothers and Sisters there. No matter where we went we were made welcome, and to feel at home.

There is no limit to the love of God and the way it swells the soul is indiscrible. This I wouldn't change for the world and all it's treasure.

I personally along with many others had the great privilege of meeting our Brother A.A. Dick from Nigeria, shook his hand and sat under the sound of his voice.

One thing impressed me greatly, our Brother said he appreciated all that our church has done for his people, but yet the thing he pleaded for was our prayers. May God Bless him and his efforts is our prayer.

Previous to our above trip, our elders and prospective elders attended conference at Mon. City, Pa. All having had a very good time, arrived home refreshed and ready for another six months of labor for God. I don't know how to explain it, but each one seemed to be filled with the goodness of God. They seemed to shine and be radiated with His love.

April 29th. we held our feet washing services. At which time Brothers Paul Vitto and Silverio Coppa were ordained Elders. The spirit of God was felt as it flowed freely from one vessel to another.

On this day while one of the elders was being ordained, his brother asked for his baptism. One of the brothers present witnessed a shaft of light coming from heaven, which rested on the head of the elder being ordained and then piercing the heart of the young man who asked for his baptism. At the termination of our service, we all went to the river where Brother Ralph Leet officiated. Sister Ilene Coppa



# The GOSPEL NEWS

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## A PRAYER

Give unto me of Thy Spirit again,  
For I have hungered so long;  
Lately my days have been empty and vain,  
Void of celestial song.  
Look upon me with compassionate eyes,  
Able as only Thou art;  
Let from my soul fervent feelings arise. . .  
Enter the door of my heart.  
Foolish was I, when I rested to say;  
Weary am I, Tired, sore,  
Now, I am stumbling and finding the way  
Rougher than ever before.  
Come, with thy tenderness, mercy and love,  
Linger the rest of my days  
Help me to focus,  
Never to waver my gaze.  
Catherine Poma

## Very Gratifying

Brother Editor;

A few days ago when I felt discouraged, I visited the home of Brother Joseph Collison, and after he talked to me I felt much better. The next day while thinking over some of the things he told me, these lines came to me;

### "Trusting in Jesus"

When you feel downhearted  
Not knowing what to do;  
Turn your heart to Jesus,  
He will help you thru.  
If your friends all leave you,  
And your hopes are gone;  
Turn your heart to Jesus,  
He will help you on.  
When Satan tries to tempt you,  
And lead you astray;  
Turn your heart to Jesus,  
He will guide the way.  
If you'll always trust Him,  
When troubles come your way;  
He will surely help you  
Along life's rugged way.

Sister Coumo, Windsor, Ont.

## EXPERIENCES OF MOSIAH'S SONS

Mosiah 28:3 — "Now they were desirous that salvation should be declared to every creature, for they could not bear that an human soul should perish yea, even the very thoughts that any soul should endure endless torment did cause them to quake and tremble.

May I ask, are you concerned about what you will have or not have, in the triumphant Kingdom of Jesus Christ? Woe unto him that is at ease in Zion. Editor.

## CHURCH UNIT WINS ITALIAN LEGAL FIGHT

ROME—(UP)—Italy's Constitutional Court ruled Thursday police permission is unnecessary for hanging a sign or putting up a poster. The decision was a victory for American-backed Evangelical churches in this predominantly Roman Catholic nation.

The sign—"Chiesa Di Cristo"—identifying the church's building was torn down by police three times.

A church suit contending the police action was illegal was carried through five courts until it reached the newly established Constitutional Court, Italy's highest tribunal.

Last October, Cline R. Paden, of Lubbock, Texas, a central figure in the fight over the sign, was compelled to leave Italy.

Giacomo Rosapepe, Rome attorney, who represented the Church in the long fight, Thursday wired Paden to return to Italy.

P.S. The above clipping was sent to me by brother Corrado of Youngstown, Ohio. Attorney Rosapepe is evidently winning the fight in behalf of the rights of Protestant Churches in Italy. Bro. Corrado informs me that this same Attorney is employed in behalf of incorporating the Church of Jesus Christ in Italy.

Italy has been dominated by the Roman Catholic Church for a long time, but if I understand the scriptures, (including the Book of Mormon) her days are numbered.

A letter has been received recently from Brother Todar. His writing is hard for me to read, but if I understand him right, he has baptized two or three converts since arriving in Italy.

Jesus teaches us that there is nothing hidden but what shall be revealed, nothing covered but what shall be uncovered. Yea, the folly of Catholicism shall be uncovered, even as was the folly of

Jannes and Jambres made manifest in the days of Moses. Second Timothy chapter 3,9,9. Editor.

## Blind Admiration

"African Challenge, Mail Bag, Lagos, Nigeria, W. Africa."

"It comes as a shock to most of our people to find that the majority of white people are not truly happy, in spite of their material progress, and that all the inhabitants of so-called Christian Countries do not follow Christian moral standards.

The fact that we are surprised shows that we have been blindly admiring Western civilization, without having our eyes open to that which is harmful. This attitude can have disastrous moral results, as revealed in the life-story of an Indian student on page six of this issue. Discovering that European materialism could not bring him happiness, he became disillusioned, not having found the faith which alone could give him peace of heart.

We admire European scientific advancement, but unfortunately some think that the materialism and low morality of many whites must also be fashionable and smart. How many of our young people have learned to drink, smoke, swear, and live loosely because of the example set them by Europeans whose learning they have admired? They forget that, having reached a high level of civilization, Europe has in some moral respects gone backwards. That is why religious leaders in European countries are constantly pleading with their people to repent and turn to God. The old Roman Empire fell not because of lack of physical strength but because of inner - moral rotteness. The truth is that the scientific progress of a nation does not guarantee its moral progress.

We have long felt that it would be a help to the growth of Christianity on this continent for our people to realize that all men are sinners, regardless of their race and level of civilization. In every nation there are the godly and the godless; there are high and low standards of morality. If our eyes were open to this fact we

would not be misled so easily. We need to elect that which is good and reject that which is harmful. In science and culture we may accept European standards, but let us remember that in spiritual matters, the standards of other nations may not always be the standards of God. What we all (whether black or white) need to follow is God's standard of holy living."

P. S. I have copied the above from the "African Challenge" an African paper that I have subscribed for since returning home from Nigeria. The contents therein cannot be successfully denied. Had the American Indians had better examples set before them than what they have had by the white man, they no doubt would of been better off today, likewise, we learned while in Africa that the natives learned much that was not good from the white people. May I say there is a God in Heaven who cannot be deceived. My old father one time declared, that most all nations had fallen because of adultery, and that our nation would meet the same fate. We may talk of the rottenness of the Roman Empire, but what about Christian America with all of its corruptness in most every form, high up as well as lowdown. What has become of the virtue of the marriage vows? Our country is filled with the divorce evil. What about keeping the Sabbath Day Holy? And the many corruptions which are abounding throughout this land of America? Americans! Americans! wake up, your doom is certain unless you repent and obey the Gospel of Jesus Christ. You are closing your eyes to the revealed word of God, the Book of Mormon, which shows plainly your fall. W. Cadman

#### Radio Address By Bro. Furnier

(Continued from Last Issue)

These quotations of Sir Isaac Newton were taken from "Totten, in "Our Race News Leaflet," for June 1898, pp 325, 326., and "Observations on the prophecies," pp 250-251. You will note that I have taken the testimonies of reliable and honorable men, such as John Wesley, Roger Williams, and Sir Isaac Newton, who lived during the early days that Protestantism was being established, to prove that these men realized there had not only been a depar-

ture, (or a falling away) from the gospel of Jesus Christ, but they were convinced that Reformation and Protestantism had not restored the Primitive Church, with Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors, Teachers etc. (See Eph. 4:11.) The purpose of these several offices is explained by Paul to be: "For the perfecting of saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ." "That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the slight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive: (See Eph. 4:12-14.) Isaiah, the prophet beheld in vision the condition of the earth in the era of spiritual darkness: Isaiah 29:9 "Stay yourselves, and wonder; cry ye out, and cry: They are drunken, but not with wine; they stagger, but not with strong drink." Why was this condition to come upon the people? Allow John the Revelator to give the answer: Rev. 17:1-5 "And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication. So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet color, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH! Again let us listen to the words of this inspired Apostle: Rev. 18: 3 "For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies."

On account of the true gospel of Jesus Christ and the holy priesthood having been taken from the earth, many have stumbled,

many men have, and are, teaching by their own learning instead of being guided by the Holy Spirit. Instead of the church being one, many churches have come into existence, one church teaches the opposite from that taught by another, thus "they stagger, but not with strong drink," "They are drunken, but not with wine." Wycliff and Huss, Luther and Melancthon, Zwingle and Calvin, Henry VIII of England, John Knox in Scotland, Roger Williams in America—These and a host of others builded better than they knew, in that their efforts laid in part the foundation of the structure of religious freedom and liberty of conscience. — of which the world had long been deprived, — and this in preparation for the restoration of the gospel as had been divinely predicted. In conclusion from the evidences that have been given, I leave this question with you: Do you believe it necessary that a restoration or reestablishment of the church should take place? We affirm that if the Church of Jesus Christ is to be found upon the earth today it must have been reestablished by divine authority. We further affirm that The Church of Jesus Christ, and the holy priesthood has been restored, as was divinely predicted, to the world from which it was lost by the apostasy of the primitive church. In view of these facts, and that churches exist in such endless variety in this age, we respectfully invite an earnest investigation of the scriptures of Divine truth, and ask that you will consider the teachings and doctrine of The Church of Jesus Christ, which has been restored in these last days. At some future time I expect to speak to you on a series of subjects; "The Restoration of the Gospel." May God bless you.

Thurman S. Furnier.

#### His First Years

Matthew 2:1—Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying where is He that is born King of the Jews?

The word Magi does not appear in the Bible. By this name the Greeks denoted the priests of Persia, as the Levites among Israel, and the Brahmins of India; so the Magi of Persia were entrusted with the religious matters of the

day. Some say they were able to fore-tell the future by reading the stars and by interpreting dreams. The Romans classed them as magicians, and banished them from Rome in the year of 16 B. C. The world was in a turbulent condition—looking for something to happen. Four hundred years of silence from heaven, when Malachi had said, behold I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord. In the worst spiritual condition of the world, God was going to speak again. Some was getting hungry, as it was in the days of Eli. The light had gone out in Temple. There was no open vision—the glory of God had departed, and the world of the Lord was precious in those days.

Jesus was born a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of His people Israel. What a wonderful Light it was, men of all ages looking forward to it. The wise said we have seen His star and am come to worship Him.

There shall come a star out of Jacob and a sceptre shall rise out of Israel. Numbers 24:17. From birth until He was twelve years old, we have very little recorded, but I believe as the word says, He grew and waxed strong in spirit. At the age of twelve, Joseph and Mary were going to the Feast of the Passover, which was their usual custom. The Jews believed the age of twelve to be the dividing line between childhood and youth. At that period one was called the Son of the Law, and was given to the study of the law. He did not put himself forward as a father among those white-haired Rabbis. His hour had not yet come. At twelve He was ready to ask questions, and to answer questions. We are not told what these questions were; but the priests marvelled at Him. When the Paschal Ceremonies were ended, Joseph and Mary started to return to Nazareth, they did not at first perceive that Jesus was not in their company, and when they came to search, He was not there. They went a days journey before they knew He was missing, and after three days they found Him sitting in the midst of the Doctors. I expect they were doctors of the law. Mary was the one to speak to Him. She knew her relation to Him—Son why hast thou dealt

with us so, Behold your father and I have sought you sorrowing. up to that time He seems to have regarded Joseph as His father. But in His public teachings, He never acknowledged him in that relation. Jesus said unto them: how is it that you sought me, wist ye not that I must be about my Fathers business? as if He would remind His mother that He was the Son of God, and that the angel had said—He shall be the Son of the Highest. Mary had pondered all these things in her heart, and most probably after the death of Jesus told them to Luke. This sounds like a mother's narrative repeated by an Historian. The veil was still on these Jewish Rabbies, their eyes were still blind. While they marvelled, no doubt this Boy was disappointed. Jesus questions would be running along the line of messianic hope and promise, which His gifted ancestor David had drawn, and the feelings of Isaiah to open the spiritual freedom of humanity. Later in his teachings to the same priest's, He said unto them: what think ye of Christ, whose Son is He? Luke says that He went with Mary and Joseph and was subject unto them, and increased in wisdom and stature and favour with God and man.

For eighteen years we have an unbroken silence as to Jesus. History does not give any information regarding Him, but during those years, no doubt He lived an active life, working with Joseph in the carpenters shop. He kept humbly folded in His own soul, those things, until His hour was to come.

to be continued

Bro. James Heaps.

9374 Woodlawn  
Detroit 13, Mich.

Dear bro. Editor:—

I sincerely hope you, sister Cadman, bro. Dick, and all else there, and everywhere are fine, enjoying the peace and love of God, and are just having a wonderful time. Thank God, we in this part of the Vineyard, are still struggling hard to retain our identity, sometimes the battle seems hard, but with the help of God, I am sure we can do all things. As is said in Ephesians 2nd. Chapter, 19th. verse through the 22nd. verse, "Now therefore, ye are no more strangers, and foreigners, but fellow-citizens, with the Saints, and

of the household of God; and are built upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner-stone; In whom all the building fitly framed together, groweth into an Holy Temple in the Lord: In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit," also a short quotation from the Ensign in our Law and Order, page number 27, and again in Conference the word of the Lord, as it was given, "Hear O my people, this is the word of the Lord unto you today, the Church must be one, and my people one, for unto you is committed the work of God in these last days, and you my servants feed the flock of God, over which I have made you overseers, for great is the responsibility that rests upon you; for unto you are given the keys of this last Ministry, and to lift the last warning voice to the world; therefore, be faithful to the end of your calling, Amen." Therefore, we went from place to place, as the spirit directed us, and the Lord confirmed our word, by the power of His spirit, the signs following them who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, and obeyed His commandments." Thankful to say that this month, we still had the opportunity of visiting around. 1st. Sunday, we enjoyed a nice Service in Port Huron, and then went to the Farm, with bro. Silver Criscuolo, where we had a wonderful time. 2nd. Sunday, was spend in Branch number 3, where we spent a grand time also. 3rd. Sunday in Belgian Hall, where a nice talk was given by bro. Domenic Morvaco. Thank God, we have had the foundation dug, and basement laid, for Branch number 1, Church Building, which we hope will progress now, in leaps and bounds. (smiles.) 4th. Sunday we went to Port Huron and Sarnia, where we had a wonderful time. Sister Jackson from Sarnia, was operated on, but is coming along very nicely. Glad bro. Dick has been able to get around so nicely, and seems to be enjoying such a wonderful time, in this country, may the Lord abundantly bless him. Greetings to all bros. and sisters, throughout the Church. Your bro. in Christ, Matthew T. Miller.

#### OUR TRIP TO SOUTH DAKOTA

Brother & Sister Joseph Shazer,  
Sister Dela Lowther & Brother

## THE GOSPEL NEWS

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## EDITORIAL

"Will they be damned?"

"It is unthinkable that those who have never heard or understood the gospel should be in misery 'for ever.' God has a wonderful plan, and I am sure the Judge of all the earth will do right. I do not wish to appear critical, but when I read statements which to me appear to be untrue, I feel I have a responsibility to mention it.—B. G. England.

We agree that God would not unjustly condemn anybody." The foregoing is copied from the "African Challenge."

As a minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, I have always taught the immutability of God—He is unchangeable. And it is a blessing that He is, for mortals are so frivolous. I learn much about the character of God in His Holy Word, He is merciful and He is just, and we as mortals should not question His doings. It should suffice us, that His ways are just, and that He is the sole Judge—Mercy cannot infringe on His justice.

We have an instance in First Samuel 15 where Saul thought he was doing a good turn, but he transgressed the plain word of God that had been given Him. Justice was administered and Saul lost his throne in Israel. He was not ignorant of the command of God.

We also have the instance of Jonah who was commanded to go to Ninevah and cry against it. He tried to avoid his duty as required of God, but he eventually fulfilled his mission and the people of Ninevah was warned as to what God intended to do. They repented at the preaching of Jonah and God's mercy was extended to the Ninevites. God did not deal with them in their ignorance of His will.

In the case of the flood in Genesis 6:6, 7 God determined to destroy man and beast from off the face of the earth, but Noah found grace in the sight of God and

mercy was extended to him and his family, but justice was administered to the world.

The Saviour of the world has taught us, both in the Bible and Book of Mormon, that without being baptized by water and the spirit, we cannot see nor enter the Kingdom Of Heaven. May I ask, how can His word be broken? Was He not responsible for what He taught? His word undoubtedly will stand, when rolling years cease to move. But how about God's creatures who have lived in ignorance of God's will? Are they to be doomed forever? Has His mercy ceased? On the other hand has judgment exceeded God's mercy? Surely not, yet yet the fact remains, that without baptism of water and the spirit he shall not see nor enter the Kingdom of Heaven. It was God's Son who said so; When He died on the cross, it was for the purpose that all men might be saved in heaven—but through obedience to His will, and that required knowledge of His will. It is evident that the mercy of God reached even beyond the tomb, for Christ preached to the spirits while they were in prison. Read First Peter 3:19,20. In this world God's mercy is extended towards us in drawing us to Him, but His mercy alone will not save us, it requires obedience to the Gospel, of which we have always preached.

In Rev. 20:7,8 the devil is loosed and he goes out to "decieve" the nations, if these nations did not come forth in the second resurrection, where did they come from? Christ had reigned on the earth during the thousand years with the saints of the first resurrection.

In Rev. 21:24, 25 the nations bring their honor and glory into the Holy city, the gates are not closed to them. In Rev. 22:15 it is the dogs, and sorcerers, the whoremongers, the murders, idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie that is on the outside. How can the people of all ages who have served God as best they knew how, be classed among such people as herein described.

In the Book of Mormon Second Nephi 9:25 "where there is no law there is no condemnation" and the mercies of the Holy One of Israel have claim on them. Jesus has taught us that without being born of water and the spirit we cannot be saved. The Church of Jesus Christ has always taught

the same thing. And in this chapter I have quoted from, Nephi, he says "all men MUST repent and be baptized" in order to be saved in the Kingdom of God. And so says the faith of His church on earth.

Yea, it is unthinkable that those who never heard or understood the gospel should be in misery for all eternity. In our day there is beyond doubt millions upon millions who have never heard of the Restored Gospel, much less having a chance to obey it, without first having an opportunity to reject the mercy of God as it is extended to them, how can they come under condemnation? But woe unto them who know the will of God and do it not. We unto them whom God's mercy has moved them to obey, and they would not. There must be some knowledge in the soul of right and wrong, before condemnation or justification can be. It requires obedience, not mercy alone, to save our souls. And how can this be unless the Gospel in some measure is preached to all the children of men. Editor.

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and Sister Barnhart left their home on June 24th, and after spending three nights on the way, they arrived at Wapakala, s.d. on Sunday Morning and had a meeting in the home of brother and sister Demarrias. And had Sunday School and preaching services in the afternoon. Brother Shazer's topic was taken from Third Nephi 11 chapt. A Mrs. Sophie Crow 75 years old was baptized at the close of this meeting. Bros. Barnhart & Demarrias also took part in the speaking.

Another meeting was held in a cabin in Wapakala, Bro. Shazer's topic was taken from the third chapter of Jacob. On the afternoon of July 3rd, a meeting was held in a Mrs. Gunners home, opened by Bro. Barnhart and followed by others bearing testimony. On July 4th a meeting was held in the home of brother Demarrias, and was spend mostly in testimony. Thursday afternoon a meeting was held at the home of Mr. & Mrs. La Beau on the Maur river, during this meeting seven children were blessed, a lady appointed, two people ask for baptism. On July 6th we met at the home of Bro. Isaac Useful Heart at a place known as On The Trees, the spirit of God prevailed in this meeting. We also visited

some of our folks at Green Grass and Eagle Butte. On Saturday July 7th we met at the home of Bro. and Sister Howards home, brothers Shazer and Barnhart speaking from the Book of Mormon. In their meetings on July 8th the sacrament was served, and the ordinance of washing feet was attended to, and two baptisms took place by Bro. Demarias. Four renewals took place and one child blessed.

On July 9th we visited Cherry Creek and held a meeting under what is called a Squaws Cooler, not many present. I understand a Squaws Cooler is something like we call a Grape Harbor.

On July 10th we left Wakpala for home arriving on July 14th safe and thankful to our God for being with us on our journey. Bro. M. Barnhart.

#### Read "Religious Experiences"

I draw your attention to some parts of it. Turn to page 18 of the Second Series printed in 1954 and start at the first paragraph. It is as follows;

"The third and twelfth verses (inclusive) of this chapter gives us an account of the destruction of the spoiling party, previously mentioned. The fifteenth verse describes the kind of people who will then possess this land; (meaning America) the seventeenth, 'That they shall see the King in his beauty' (Meaning Christ, previously noticed by Isaiah 32:1, and shall behold the land that is very far off' Far off from where? From Palestine, of course, where this book was revealed and written. The same New Jerusalem, that has been previously noticed, as having to be built upon this land, is again brought to our notice in twentieth verse, corresponding precisely (in sense with other passages herein referred to. We are then informed, 'That there (in this land the Glorious Land will be unto us a place of broad rivers and streams; wherein shall go no galley with oars neither shall gallant ship pass thereby.' Would that compare with Palestine? No, not in the least degree. In those conditions, we shall be able to say The Lord is our Judge, the Lord is our law-giver the Lord is our King; he will save us.' We shall not be able to announce these facts until the conditions actually exist, and the Almighty has given us a code of laws for the control of our na-

tional affairs, as He did in the days of Moses.

Here is a Kingdom, then, that we are looking for; the Kingdom of Christ; called by our brother, Daniel, "The Ancient of Days," which will fulfill the covenants made to Israel; prepare the way for the permanent coming of the Messiah, who shall eventually come to the ancient of days; introduce immortality and assume everlasting dominion."

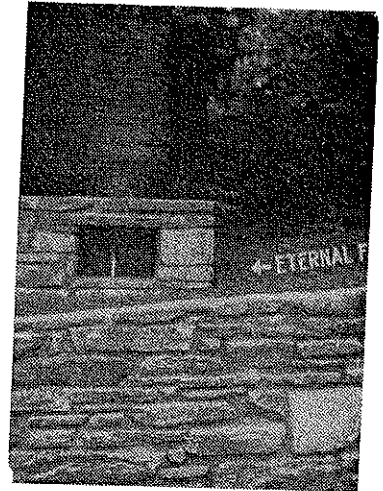
On page 8 of Religious Experiences in the last paragraph I read; "They (meaning latter day saints as a whole) have been encouraging themselves by the promises made to Israel, under the covenants, and have neglected the first step in that direction, which is preaching the Gospel to the seed of Jacob." This same paragraph also says; "That we were not Israel in a sense of being beneficiary under the covenants made to Israel, until we were incorporated with Israel, and that we would not be incorporated with Israel until we (Gentiles) had carried the Gospel to Israel." end of quote. Therefore, the whole life of President Cadman, now deceased, was not taken up with what we would enjoy in the reign of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ or as to what it is going to be like and-so-forth, but, he was urging the preaching of the Gospel that the vineyard might be pruned for the last time, when the Kingdom of Jesus Christ would rise triumphantly, and as Jesus taught His disciples to pray; Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven.

In Jacob 5:41, 42 I read that the Lord of the vineyard wept because all the trees of His vineyard had been corrupted, in other words, the apostate condition was complete. The necessity then, of the restoring of the Gospel that the vineyard might be pruned for the last time, which will eventually bring about the time when the Church, the TRUE Church of Jesus Christ will develop into a Kingdom of power, a national Kingdom which will subdue all others. The time when we shall sit under our own vine and fig tree, and learn war no more, will come after the servants of the Lord has worked with their might in pruning the vineyard for the last time.

Dear brothers and sisters, I am only writing that which has been our hopes and expectations all these years. Brother W. H. Cadman.

#### NOTICE

The General Meeting of The Ladies Uplift Circle will be held in the Glassport Church on September 23rd beginning at 10:00 a.m. Everybody welcome.



"This fire will burn forever as a symbol of 'Friendship Eternal' between the white man and the red man. It was kindled with a flame from a Cherokee Indian Council fire that has been burning in Oklahoma since 1839. The original fire was taken to Oklahoma when all but a remnant of the proud Cherokee nation was removed West over the infamous 'Trail of Tears'. In May 1951 four tribal leaders from the Qualla Boundary, Cherokee Indian Reservation, retraced that trail of heartbreak taken by their ancestors and brought back live coals from the Oklahoma fire. One of these tribal leaders, Arsen Thompson, who plays the role of Elias Boudinot in 'Unto These Hills' is the official caretaker of the flame. The eternal flame here at the Mountainside Theatre was kindled from the century old Oklahoma fire on June 23, 1951. The mountains shall bring peace to the people and the little hills by righteousness. Psalms 72:3."

P.S. On Thursday, July 19th our youngest daughter and her husband along with our daughter Ruth Mountain took their father and mother off for a few days trip. We landed in Cherokee the next day, and visited there until Monday morning when we started back home—a short but a very nice outing. I was at the home of Brother and Sister Molinatto and ate supper with them. I met Sister Iori there from War-

ren, Ohio. We visited the open air Mountain Theatre up on the mountain side. They are dramatizing the past history of the Indian people titled "Unto These Hills", it is very interesting and is largely attended to, better than 1400 present the night we were there, and that was a poor evening. It is all in the open, the seats being built on the mountain side, and will seat 2900 persons, so we were told. I took this picture, but the engraving there on is not readable. Sister Molinatto since, has sent me a written account of what is on the plaque, which I thought would be interesting to the readers. Out of the 17,000 Indians that started on that trail, moved by the U.S. Government, 5000 died on the way. The forepart of this article then, is a duplicate of what is on the plaque. The eternal flame is very plain in the picture which I took.

Our time was short, but I attended meeting at an Indian home on Big Wich mountain on Sunday Morning with brother Jonathan and his family. I spoke to a few Indian people that were gathered together for the occasion.

On Sunday night we attended the Birdtown Church on the Reservation and made a short talk to them, we also done some singing for them. There was quite a crowd at the church, and we enjoyed spending the evening with them.

We started back home the next morning, and arrived on Tuesday night. Then on Friday I left by train for our gathering in Detroit, where I met brothers Dick and Bittinger who had returned from their visit to California. There was a large crowd gathered together on this occasion. We had meetings all day on Saturday and one long meeting on Sunday. As for myself, I enjoyed these meetings. Quite a number of our Indian members were present from Canada. Brother Peter Williams from the Muncey Reserve was baptized on Saturday. Our meetings was well represented from various places, from the west as far as St. John, Kansas, east as far as New York City—and we must not forget brother Dick from faroff Africa was one of our speakers and also he sang in his native tongue for us.

After attending a meeting on Monday night with our Sisters in Detroit and a meeting at the

Windsor Church on Tuesday night, I boarded a late train for home, and found all was well.

Bro. W.H. Cadman

### WONDERFUL

On 28th June 1956 I received a letter from Elder Sampson U. Bassey (Chairman of Ministerial Board) telling me in his letter that he with other Elders have made a visit to The Church of Jesus Christ, Calabar and have cleared the misunderstanding between the Saints and the Teacher in charge; Also he tells me in his letter which reads as follows: — You will be happy to hear that Mr. Bassey O.A. Ekpuks has been appointed the Chairman of the District Planning Committee by the School District Officer, for the (Free Universal Primary Education in Eastern Annang, Abak.) I and Brother Nelson contact him for instructions. Mr. Ekpuks and the members of his Committee approved Ikot Ebak to be a Centre. In fact God will not allow those who Serve Him in Truth and in Spirit to be defeated. You must take note of what sad news I heard from Brother Cadman on Sunday Morning, but in the afternoon in one of the letters from home, God turned the sad news to joy. Is this not Wonderful news? My child still lives.

Therefore Brothers, Sisters and Friends of the Church of Jesus Christ, I do request this from you, let us spend a Day in every Week in praying for the Missions' Works in Nigeria, Africa, Also Pray to God to make the Way possible for our young Brother and Sister Daniel Picciuto of Mentor, Ohio who want to come to Nigeria, Africa. Bros. and Sisters of The Church of Jesus Christ U.S.A., I say Thanks to you All, You have made me to have a Wonderful trip to this Blessed Land of America.

Note my address from August 1956, A.A. Dick, The Church of Jesus Christ, P.O. Box 53, Abak, Nigeria, West Africa.

### "Awake"

Brothers and Sisters of The Church of Jesus Christ, U.S.A. I suggest that we should awake and run with patience the race that is set before us. Many are calling you and I in Africa, therefore awake. Blessed are the upright.

Note Matthew 5:13, 14, Ye are the salt of the earth, Ye are the light of the world. Let us leave

off murmuring and do the right. There are twenty millions looking for the right. Please do not allow the evil to over-rule you. I have just a little experience in reading First Nephi 13. I wish every one of you to read it over and over with understanding: do not allow the Church of evil to rule over you, —therefore awake. Fear not in telling the truth. Bro. A. A. Dick.

### Brother Cannella Passes On. Stelton, N. J.

Brother Cannella after a long illness, died on May 15, 1956. He was baptized into the church thirty years ago. He was ordained a deacon in the church and was much loved by all. Services were conducted by Elder Rocco Enzana. May the Lord bless the bereaved family.

### Mrs. Noltz Passes On.

Mrs. Noltz the mother of brother Ralph Leet died on June 20, 1956. She was not a member of the Church. Bro. Peter Capone conducted the funeral service with Leet assisting. Interment at Muir, Michigan. She leaves to mourn her passing, four children, 12 grand children, 4 great grandchildren and many others. We extend our sympathy to brother Leet and family.

### Genevive Mazzucco passes on in Florida.

Sister Mazzucco died on April 5, 1956, in Miami, Fla. She was born in Italy and came to America in 1902. She was baptized in the Church at Bronx, N. Y. in 1933 and truly was a faithful member of the Church. Services were conducted in the Slade Funeral Home by Bro. Ernest Schultz on April 7th. She was 75 years old.

Sister Mazzucco's husband died on July 3, 1956 at his home at the age of 86. Services were conducted in the Slade Funeral Home by Bro. Ernest Schultz. Both brother and sister Mazzucco have been faithful in the Church, and have passed to their reward very close together, May the Lord bless the bereaved loved ones.

### WHILE IN DETROIT

By Bro. Dick

I have seen something in my short trip to America, What is it? (Love) Perfect love casteth out fear. It is the truth that The Church Of Jesus Christ in America is established in the Love of



Christ. Truly it is The Church of Jesus Christ of old now restored to the children of Men. If a Brother or Sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, and one of you say unto them, Depart in Peace, be ye warmed and filled notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit?

Paul in speaking to the Children of Corinthians say something like "Though I speak with the tongue of Men and of angels and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal." And now abideth Faith, Hope, Charity, these three; But the greatest of these is Charity. It is true, if I have no Love for you, how can we walk together. Bear ye therefore in mind, that through Love we have the Light of the World, John, Chapter three, verse Sixteen Tell you and me how God Love us. Therefore if we want to be a true Follower of Christ we must Love one another, no matter what part of the world we may come from. By so doing one day you will gain.

One day you will hear some one calling you saying: come up my dear brother and sister and enjoy with me, one day I was naked and you clothed me, I was in need and you care for me, You will say, Lord where did I see you being naked and I clothe you, He will say to you one of the little ones you help was I In Nigeria, Africa about 50 different Missionaries are therein, preaching on different beliefs. Yet they lack something, What is it: The Love of Christ.

A person whom you did not know before, He stays over Six thousands miles from you. He request help from you, and you honour that request, What does this show? Is this not the True Love? Brothers and Sisters of The Church of Jesus Christ in Nigeria, Africa. I have seen some thing here in America of which if I am going to tell you all what I saw, you will not believe. Brothers and Sisters in American are Honest, Full of Good Reports, all are born in the Love of Christ. To let their Love continue in the work of The CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST in Nigeria, Africa as from now onward do not use any deception in the Church, so that it may not affect others.

Without Love we will not have the Light, therefore Love one another as you Love yourself, by so

doing the blessing of God will be upon you. Bro. A.A. Dick.

#### WAKPALA, SOUTH DAKOTA

Dear Editor:

Greetings, from Wakpala. I'm sending in my report from this part of our Lord's Vineyard again. Our Brothers Joseph M. Shazer, Milton Barnhart and Sisters, Mrs. Joseph M. Shazer, Mrs. Milton Barnhart and Mrs. Delvis Lowther arrived here July 1, 1956 on Our Lord's Sabbath Day and we had our prayer Meeting and Sunday School here in our home and another soul was Baptized today.

It was during the Prayer Meeting that Sister Crow gave herself to The Lord, It was a beautiful day when she Repented and accepted The Lord. We had Prayer Meetings during the week while our brothers and sisters were here.

On Our Lords Sabbath Day July 8, we had our Prayer Meeting and Sunday School at the home of our Brothers and Sisters, Before the prayer meeting and Sunday School the evil one made his appearance but eventually was driven out thru much prayer until The Light and Life of the world, Lord Jesus Christ, Blessed us with his Holy Presence again. We had feet washing and also Bro. and Sister Howard, Sister Eileen Howard and Sister Ella Baker had hands laid on them for Grace and were restored back into the Church and the Bros. and Sisters all received the Holy Sacraments.

After Prayer Meeting Mrs. Jim Meeter and Miss Leona Baker accepted Lord Jesus Christ, repented and were Baptized and we returned back to the abode of our Bros. and Sisters and had hands laid on them for The Reception of The Holy Ghost. The Blessing of God was asked for Kathleen Baker, daughter of Mrs. Ella Baker and the Ordinance was fulfilled.

Our Brothers and Sisters left for home on July 10th. On July 11, after Prayer Meeting, Mrs. Anita Le Beau asked for Baptism and so we went down to the river to fulfill the Holy ordinance and came back here to have her Confirmed and another name added to the Lambs Book of Life.

On our Lord's Holy Sabbath Day of July 15, We had the Sunday School and Prayer Meeting

out here in our home and all thru the Prayer meeting as usual, we felt the Holy Presence of the God of Israel, And after the Meeting, Frank No Heart asked for Baptism and so we went down to the river and Baptized him and came back up to our home to confirm him, and we know that his name is also added to the Lambs Book of Life.

Brother No Heart sure gave a wonderful testimony and he sure had some wonderful callings from God. Sister DeMarrias prayed during testimony time and the Spirit was felt by us all.

On Our Lord's Day of July 22, we had Sunday School and Prayer meeting out here in our home again and as usual we had a nice gathering. Sister Crow asked to be anointed and after the anointing she felt better. The Holy One of Israel, healed her of her affliction, Praise the Holy Name of Jesus, amen.

After the wonderful prayer meeting, Mrs. Cordelia No Heart asked for Baptism and again we went to the river with happy hearts and I Baptized her and we came back to our home to confirm her. So we have another new Sister in The Church of Jesus Christ. And we have some more souls in the sheep fold now.

On Thursday, July 26, Sister Anita Le Beau came over to our home bringing with them her little daughter who jumped onto her Grandpa's pitch fork that was laying in the back, and one of the tines penetrated her foot and went in two and a half inches.

Sister Anita asked me to anoint her and right after the anointing she started to walk immediately. They carried little Carmen Joette Le Beau in and she was healed by the Holy One of Israel, amen.

On Our Lord's Day of July 29 we had the Sunday School and Prayer meeting at the home of Sister No Heart and we had a wonderful meeting again, and again we felt the Holy Presence of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, amen. After Prayer Meeting we were called over to Grandma Reels home and I anointed a sick baby there.

The baby had a very high fever and when I anointed her, the fever started to leave her little body. Again we praise the high and Mighty name of our God. Amen.

Earl DeMarrias, Sr.

**CHURCH DEDICATION**

Dear Editor:

Our first desire is to thank God for the Gospel of Christ Jesus. For were it not for His mercy towards us, none of us would be in this church enjoying the blessings which God sends us.

We here in the San Fernando Valley, are also very thankful that God has blessed us with a building, in which we may worship God. The brothers and sisters here had long envisioned a place of worship, and now Thanks to our merciful Father he has fulfilled our desires. We here in the valley are certainly indebted to Bro. & Sister Alex Cavallaro, who gave us a humble place in which we worshiped God for the space of a few years.

The work began here in the valley in 1951, Bro. Rocco Meo, and a few others taken part in establishing a mission in the valley. Many came out here from the east, and many souls were also brought in to the Gospel. The brothers and sisters here, soon saw the need for larger quarters, and a more central location. So with much prayer, and work, a building was in sight.

A lot was bought and in February of 1955, work was begun on our new edifice. Bro. Mark Randy, of Modesto, came here to the valley to begin our building. He was able to stay here about six weeks helping our brothers put up the Main structure, and roof. Frank Mercuri, husband of sister Santina Mercuri, then came and helped in working towards completing our building. We might add, the brothers and sisters here are very grateful to Frank, for helping us, and for doing such fine work, being very proficient in the trade of cabinet making.

Our brothers and sisters worked hard, for many months and now thanks to God on July 8, 1956, we dedicated the building to the glory, and honor of God.

**Dedication Services**

On Saturday evening, July 7, at 7:30 p.m., we had a program prepared and given by the San Fernando Valley Branch Choir.

The service was opened with

introductory remarks by Bro. Robert Watson Jr., our presiding elder. Prayer was offered by Bro. John Dullise, after which the choir sang "Our Father".

Many wonderful selections were sang by the choir under the direction of David Dichera, Bro. Richard Castelli, was Master of Ceremonies, calling upon members of the choir for many beautiful arrangements, solos, duets, and quartets.

Our guest speaker was Bro. Joseph Bittinger, second counselor, of the General Church. Another choral selection was then sung, after which the evening service was closed in prayer by Bro. Mark Randy.

**Sunday Morning Service**

At 10:00 a.m. Sunday July 8, 1956, the dedicatory service was opened with prayer being offered by Bro. Mark Randy.

A hymn was then sang by the congregation, which was very large, and filled the building beyond capacity, with many chairs in the aisles.

Brother Joseph Lovalvo, was the guest speaker. Bro. Lovalvo, gave a wonderful sermon, with good evidence of the spirit being present. Bro. Lovalvo, used for his text the Story of Christ, showing how Christ came to be the king of the world, and how the Father did crown him king. And how he yet lives as the king of our lives. Surely, the sermon touched the heart of all present.

One young man, being so greatly blessed gave his life to Christ, coming up to kneel before the altar.

Brother Joseph Bittinger, then followed, speaking on the same subject, and also bearing his testimony. The morning service was then dismissed with prayer by Bro. James Heaps.

**Afternoon Service**

Brother A. Dick, our visitor from Nigeria, opened the afternoon service with prayer. Brother Dick, spoke to us concerning the church in Africa, he also gave us his testimony as to how he came into the Gospel. He related many

wonderful experiences he received and also some experiences of his people. He also exhorted the saints to be strong and firm in the gospel, continually giving God praise and honour. Our brothers words were very much enjoyed, and we indeed found it a privilege to meet our Brother from Nigeria.

Many of the brethren of the ministry took part in the afternoon service in bearing their testimonies. Bro. James Lovalvo, requested to be anointed, as he hadn't been well, having just come out of the hospital. Bro. Dick, anointed our brother praying in his native tongue.

Brother Joseph Capone, returned from the waters of baptism, with our new brother in Christ, brother Capone, performed the baptism of Brother John Manchua. Brother Rudy Meo, then officiated in laying on of hands for the reception of the Holy Ghost, confirming our brother in the Gospel of Christ.

Sacrament was then administered to the Brothers and Sisters.

Afternoon service was dismissed with prayer by Bro. Harry Marshall.

Bro. Richard Castelli

**Lying, Stealing Out They Pay Debts, Too**

ROME, July 25 (UP) — An Italian scientist said he has found an honest man. In fact, he found a whole tribe of them.

Prof. Tullio Tentoir, an ethnologist, said he found the honest men when he went into the jungles of Venezuela to study the habits of the Piarca Indians. The expedition was undertaken under the auspices of the Italian Ministry of Information, in collaboration with the Venezuelan Institute of Culture in Caracas.

Tentoir said the Piaras walk around naked and have almost no technology. But they are wise and spiritual.

"They cannot conceive of social inequalities," he said. "They do not kill. They do not rob. They do not make war. They do not lie. They do not argue. And they scrupulously pay their debts."

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## "I Have Found A Friend"

I wished upon each distant star,  
To find, each star would fail  
me.  
I stained the years with bitter  
tears  
And wondered what could ail  
me.

I walked a lonely road, alone  
And found I had no sister nor  
brother.  
I sang an empty song all day  
Because I knew no other.

I knelt and made a fervent  
prayer  
Which no one ever taught me.  
I read some shining Bible  
words,  
That Christ one day had  
"Bought Me."

I saw a cross with arms out-  
stretched,  
In gray-skyed cloudy weather,  
Christ came down; we linked  
arms

And now we walk together.

Sister Nancy Tassone  
Glassport Branch.

## GOOD FOR THOUGHT

In the course of my obser-  
vations, the disputing, contradict-  
ing and confuting people are gen-  
erally unfortunate in their af-  
fairs. They get victory some-  
times, but they never get good  
will, which would be of more use  
to them. Benjamin Franklin.

## QUAKES ROCK SOUTHERN STATES

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Sept. 7  
AP—Two "low intensity" earth-  
quakes rocked Knoxville and a  
wide area of east Tennessee,  
southeastern Kentucky and west-  
ern North Carolina today, but  
there were no immediate reports  
of injuries or damage.

The first tremor was felt at  
9:37 a.m., Pittsburgh time, and  
the second followed 13 minutes la-  
ter.

Berlen Moneymaker, Tennessee  
Valley Authority geologist, de-  
scribed the shocks as "earth trem-  
ors of low intensity."

## MACEDONIAN CALL (By Harry Lorber Jr.)

This poem is respectfully dedi-  
cated to Brother Dick.

At Troas, Paul and Silas stood,

The Lord had shut each gate:  
Not knowing whither they  
should go,

On God they had to wait:  
By Paul in nightly vision, stood  
A man of Greece who prayed,  
"The gospel, we have never  
heard,  
Come over, give us aid."

To us from Africa has come  
That urgent gospel call;  
With millions hungering for  
Christ,

Can we do less than Paul?  
Let us step through the open  
door,  
Which God for us has made,  
And heed the plea to brother-  
hood,

"Come over, give us aid."

You've seen this land which  
God has blessed,  
You've gone from shore to  
shore;

In mercy, may the Lord sup-  
ply

Your every need and more;  
We thank Him for His bless-  
ings, like

The stars of night arrayed;  
And for the chance to heed  
your plea,

"Come over, give us aid."

May you return to God's broad  
field,

With doubled energy,  
And with assurance that our  
prayers

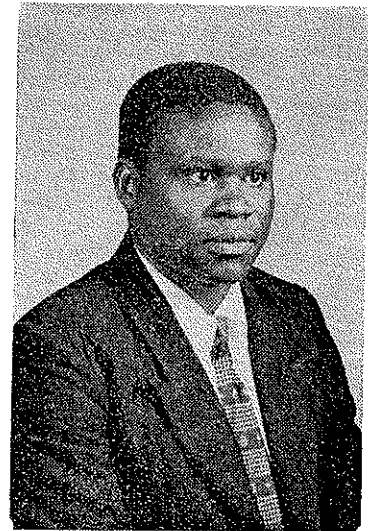
Are with you constantly;  
The gospel, may you preach in  
all

Its fullness, unafraid,  
And pass it on to those who  
cry,

"Come over, give us aid."

## BROTHER A. A. DICK LEAVES FOR HOME

On August 24th brother and sister  
Bittinger and their daughter  
and grand child, and myself left  
our home for New Jersey with  
brother Dick on his long journey  
home to Nigeria. Br. Bittingers  
daughter had a new Dodge car,  
a very roomy trunk in it and a  
rack on top the car, which was  
heavily loaded with baggage, be-  
sides six of us in the car. Which  
made a big load, nevertheless we  
had a fine trip, arriving at Bro.  
Joseph Benyola's home at 5 p.-  
m. where a big supper was await-



ing us. Also, there was three  
trunks of baggage added to our  
load for brother Dick, to be taken  
to the Docks on its way to Africa.

We spent a wonderful day (Sun-  
day) at the Hopelawn Church, a  
baptism in the morning and a  
good day throughout, including  
the M. B. A. meeting in the eve-  
ning.

On Monday Morning we loaded  
up two cars with our baggage and  
went to the Docks in Brooklyn and  
had it all checked to Lagos, Ni-  
geria. The ship had been sched-  
uled to leave on the 28th, but it  
was postponed until the 29th. We  
spent our spare time attending  
meetings in New Jersey and  
Brooklyn, also took Bro. Dick up  
on the Empire State Bldg. a won-  
derful sight, not only for him but  
for us all. While in New Jersey  
we took him to see the Monument  
which was erected to the honor  
of the great man Edison. I will  
add that while we were on the  
busy streets of New York, broth-  
er Dick met an acquaintance  
from Nigeria.

On Wednesday the 29th of Au-  
gust we went with brother Dick  
to see him on his ship. It was an-  
chored along side a very large  
Pier, a very busy place and, a  
very dangerous place to be, it is  
a big job loading a steamer with  
the much freight of all kinds.  
However, we boarded the ship  
with brother Dick. (by this time  
Bro. Bittinger with his family was  
obliged to return home in order  
that he might fill his appointment  
with other brethren to go to South

Dakota on a mission among our Indian people.)

About 7 or 8 of us was on the ship and spent an hour with him on board. Apparently there is not much passenger traffic between New York and Africa, consequently, the "freighters" are equipped to carry 12 passengers each.

Brother Dick had a very nice room, a room nice enough for any one to abide in for a trip across the Atlantic. We had prayer with him in his room, and he wept as we bade him goodbye. His boat would not leave the Dock until about 5 p.m., and would call at Portland, Maine for more cargo before starting across the Atlantic. His next stop would be in Africa. He will hardly land at Lagos much before the first of October. He arrived here in New York on May 5th and has had a wonderful visit, and may it serve a purpose to the honor and glory of God, in the spreading the Restored Gospel among his people in Nigeria. May the Lord preserve him from all dangers.

Bro. Cadman

#### ANGLICAN SAYS BRITAIN TAKING 'ROAD TO ROME'

LONDON, Eng., (AP — An Anglican archdeacon predicts that Britain may become a predominantly Roman Catholic country before the end of the century.

Ven. Eric Treacy, Archdeacon of Halifax, cites this possibility in appealing to the Church of England to plan more for the future and to attract more "loyalty."

The Church of England has been recognized as the established church with the monarch the sworn "Defender of the Faith" since King Henry VIII broke with the papacy in the 16th century.

Writing in his parish news letter, Archdeacon Tracey says:

"By A. D. 2000, I fear, the Anglican Church will no longer be the established church."

The Roman Catholic Church appeared to be staking its hopes of success on "a mathematical certainty." This was based on an inflexible marriage policy, a discipline which banned birth control, and full use of church schools to "ground" young people in the Roman faith.

#### His Temptation

(By Brother Heaps)

Immediately after the exciting scene of His baptism, Jesus en-

tered upon a fearful season of spiritual trial. It is usually known as the 'Temptation'. The history is given by Matthew, Luke and a brief statement by Mark,—using Mark's record Chapt. 11, 12, 23, "and immediately the Spirit driveth Him into the wilderness, and He was there forty days, tempted by Satan, and was with the wild beasts: and angels ministered unto Him."

It cannot now be known in what place the temptation occurred, although tradition assigns it to one of the mountains opposite Jericho, from whose top the tempter exhibited all the kingdoms of the world. The side facing the plain is perpendicular, and about as high as the Rock of Gibraltar. It may be instructive to know how many views have been given on this subject. Some say it was in the spirit, or as a morning dream some has considered it as a parable to instruct His disciples as to their spiritual perils and remedies. The theories of Satan appearing in body form (has been questioned). Speaking to Jesus as a man, has been denied, but Jesus said get behind me Satan, then he who was in the form of a man knew the scriptures, and kept saying to Jesus, "It is written."

Jesus was a man born of a woman, tempted in all points, yet without sin, for He was the Son of God, and being a man He was to be tempted, and the spirit of Satan entering into a man was the tempter. Just as the spirit of God can enter a man, so can the spirit of Satan enter a man. The Book of Mormon tells us there is an opposition to every thing. The devil knew that this man he was tempting was Divine, hence he must go to some one Divine or spiritual to tempt Him. And just a word right here, the devil is going to a lot of people and tempting them on the word that is 'written'. All the splits and confusion in the world have been, because of things that are written, and Satan giving the wrong interpretation. But He (Christ) was tempted before He started on His mission, and came forth in the power of the Spirit, and entered into the temple, and picked up the written word, and began to read in Isaiah. "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me for He has anointed me." The sense of humaneness never left Him, He grew in wisdom. If Satan knew that He could not sin, why try to tempt Him, it would be just a

waste of time. But he knew the human side of Jesus, and He (Jesus) got hungry, and knowing this weakness tempted Him, and He (the devil) is the same today. He knows every man's weakness and that is where he tempts him. But Jesus was miraculously sustained for forty days—with nothing to eat, it was a miracle. You will notice the question: "If thou art the Son of God? Satan knew that He was the Son of God, as is proven a little later when Jesus met the man among the tombs, he cried out: "I know thee who thou art, Jesus thou Son of the Most High God—Jesus said. Come out of him, thou unclean spirit. He asked him: what is thy name, he answered, Legion for we are many, proving that he knew that He was the Son of God. The bible says that angels ministered unto Him, angels announced His birth. God spoke from heaven at His baptism, Psalms 54:4 "Who maketh His angels spirits, and ministers a flame of fire."

Just as Satan entered Judas, and he betrayed Christ, so Satan entered this man to tempt Jesus. To be continued. Bro. James Heaps.

P. S. While Brother Heaps draws our attention to the various theories of men relative to the form of the devil, or the being that tempted the Saviour, let us all remember that according to the written word it was the devil himself that tempted Christ, and he had power to take Him and set Him on a pinnacle of the temple, also took Him into an exceedingly high mountain. He appeared to our first parents in the form of a serpent and deceived mother Eve. On one occasion I read where he appeared in the form of a great red dragon. He can also appear as an angel of light, for he is a fallen angel, so saith the word of God. Editor)

#### QUESTIONS FOR ELDERS, EVANGELIST'S and APOSTLES

How many souls do you bring to Christ since you were called to the offices above? Where are they from? Since you were called to any of the offices above, how many trips have you made abroad?

The word of Christ—Go ye into the world and preach my Gospel, if they fail to obey, let the dust of your feet be as judgement against them. Have you done that? Go ye into the world and make all the people my disciples, have you done this? Christ did not say

preach my Gospel in the land of America and make the Americans only my disciples, did He say so? You have been elected as Presiding Elder of a small group of people, have you taught that you have done all these things?

Preach my gospel to all nations. Does the word nation refer only to America? Many of the offices we are holding in The Church of Jesus Christ fail to do what the Elders, Evangelist's, prophets and the saints of old were doing, we are judgments against ourselves.

Attention Please—See Matthew 25, start at verses 13 to 30. Why do you hide your talents? They will be taken away from you, and you will be cast into outer darkness, there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Saints of the Church of Jesus Christ, awake from sleeping, do away with murmur; let us do the will of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Note, Please do not object to the coming of brother and sister Daniel Picciuto, allow them to come over to Nigeria, God will take care of them. Send them on in our behalf. Forget about them being young in the Priesthood. If he would not have been fit, he would not have been called to the Office. Sisters send your donation for the support of the Missionary Work. Brothers do the same thing. Let the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ reach all Nations and not America alone. Please cross the two big Oceans. By the way, what are the duties of Evangelist's in the Church of Jesus Christ? Evangelist's are chosen to labour in the name of the Lord, especially to preach the Gospel abroad. The responsibility of declaring the great message of God to the world rests upon them particularly.

May I know from you Evangelist's whether this matter was to you, or have you the Law and Order of the Church? I have said that we are making judgement against ourselves in the offices we are holding, if we fail to do what we are chosen to do in the office. Awake Evangelist's of The Church of Jesus Christ, carry the message abroad. Saints send them your support. Awake!

Br. Anietie A. Dick

LUDWIGSBURG GERMANY  
JULY 7 1956

Dear Editor:

I hope this letter finds you in the prime of health and good Cheer. Although you probably

haven't noticed, two years have elapsed since I received my first copy of the Gospel News and at this writing I have 7 days left before I leave for home. I would like to ask, therefore, that you please transfer my remaining copies (if any) to the address at the end of this letter because they will not forward them to me.

I would like to thank Branch No. 2 for arranging to send, for the past two years, The Gospel News. I can hardly wait to re-join their fellowship. May I also compliment Bro. Matthew T. Miller on his infallibility to provide an article with almost every issue on Branch No. 2 and the surrounding branches. It was one feature I could depend on to appear regularly and interestingly.

Recapitulating my past two years, I had the opportunity to travel extensively and did so. I visited Germany, Holland, Luxembourg, France, Austria, Switzerland and Italy. But of all the travels, I shall never forget my 3,000 mile journey with Bro. Paul Francione. I had met Paul, after a series of letters from home telling me that he was in Germany, on a 3 day pass here in Ludwigsburg, after a long wait.

I had purchased an Old English Model car especially for this trip, and loaded it with a taperecorder and plenty of tapes, cameras to take movies and slides and plenty of film and luggage. I then traveled 200 miles to meet Paul in Regensburg, Germany where he too added his contribution of luggage camera and films to the already staggering auto. In the early morning of July 16th we departed for Italy, pausing for a few hours to buy a new tire and exchanging some money. We traveled quite steadily till we reached Bolzano, Italy, when suddenly and mysteriously to us, the car quit in the middle of nowhere. This held us up for the night while we waited for the car to be repaired.

Early the next morning we left again, driving all day and late into the night, till we reached Pescara, our destination. Sleeping there in a Pensione, we traveled the remaining distance to Paul's relatives at Rocca Marriga where we were greeted very warmly and spent 3 wonderful days. From here we pushed on to Rome where we rested at my uncle's house. Then Paul, my uncle Guiseppie Romano (brother John Romano's brother) and myself left for San Greggio near Buccino

where we hoped to find our Church. After an all day drive (trouble free) we arrived. We began asking people for our Church and no one seemed to know what we were talking about, although Paul and I speak Italian fluently. The only church they directed us to was a new Baptist church just being erected. We tried other people but received the same answer. Discouraged, we decided to go back, but before we did, we ask once more. This time we got a ray of hope. A fellow mentioned a church that was not organized and at once we asked where it was. He pointed to a hill nearby and told us to ask there. Our car labored hard to go up for it was quite steep, but it went till the road ended. Leaving my uncle to watch the car we asked a young man nearby to guide us to a family from our Church, and this he did quite readily. We made the rest of the way on foot. After winding around many narrow streets we found that the family was out in the fields still working. Their son, however, ran out and called them in and were received very warmly in front of everyone. Part of their joy, we found, was not only in seeing us, but of a baptism that had occurred there earlier that day. We took some hurried pictures, but I rather doubt that they will come out for it was quite late in the evening. Then we went to the evening service where we met Bro. Dominic Todora and he was surprised and happy to see us. I am sorry that we were unable to get photos but I did manage to record the service from beginning to end. After the meeting we said our farewells and left for Anzio. We had to leave soon because the boat to Ponza left early the next morning and we had to catch it.

Driving all night we arrived at Anzio about three hours before departure time. We slept for two hours and then boarded ship very tired to say the least. At Ponza we had no trouble at all for the people that cared for the Church are related to me. We stayed with them and saw the Church, but could not make contact with the Elder there. I spent a wonderful three days but sorry to say Paul took ill and spent most of his time in bed and near the house. We left Ponza rather reluctantly and went to Rome. Here we stayed another day, bade my uncle and his wonderful wife goodbye and

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## THE GOSPEL NEWS

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## EDITORIAL

I have preached about all my life as a Minister of the Gospel, that Paul realized a possibility that after preaching to others that he might fall from grace himself. Now I am questioned. The scripture is as follows

First Corinthians 9, 27. "But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway." I have always claimed and preached that Paul realized the possibility, that after he had preached to others, he might become a castaway himself. If the language does not imply so, then the English language is not a vehicle, or a means by which we can convey our thoughts to others.

The following is this same verse of scripture as translated by the various scholars in translating the scriptures.

Translation by Campbell, MacKnight and Doddridge as follows:—"But I bruise my body, and lead it captive, lest perhaps having proclaimed to others, I myself should be one not approved."

Douay Translation, "But I chastize my body and bring it into subjection: lest perhaps, when I have preached to others, I myself should become a castaway."

New World Translation. "But I browbeat my body and lead it as a slave, that, after I have preached to others, I myself should not become disapproved somehow."

Moffitt Translation. "No, I maul and master my body, lest, after preaching to other people, I am disqualified myself."

Translation of 1881. "But I buffet my body, and bring it into bondage: lest by any means, after that I have preached to others, I myself should be rejected."

Revised Standard Version 1946. "But I pommel my body and subdue it, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified."

I have quoted seven different

versions of the scriptures of First Corinthians 9-27, and the one 'thought' is sustained by them all, that there was a FEAR on the part of the writer, that after preaching to others, he might become a castaway himself—and the Apostle Paul is the reputed writer.

To all you who profess to follow Jesus Christ, I wish to draw your attention to some warning words of Paul—Colossians 2-8, "Beware lest any man spoil you through VAIN PHILOSOPHY vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. Editor.

P.S. According to Webster's Collegiate, and Winston's Encyclopedic Dictionary, the word "Lest" denotes fear. Therefore the Apostle entertained a fear lest he might become a castaway himself. Yea, I read where Nephi of old, in his trials, petitions the Lord: "May the 'Gates of Hell' be shut continually before me."

## Something Special!

Take Note: I wish to appeal to all members of The Church of Jesus Christ in behalf of financial help. We have come to the day when we need money to carry on with. Our buildings are costing lots of money, and especially do I appeal to you for help that we carry on in our missionary work, here in America, Italy and Nigeria, and no doubt in the near future people of other nations will be calling upon us for missionary workers. You that have something to leave behind you, before going, make the Church one of your HEIRS.

I am not asking you for something that we are not doing ourselves, (my wife and me) Our will has been made out for years, and with what there is left the Church will get a share. But do not forget to help while you live, it will be less to leave when you are ready to go. Please do what you can. W. H. Cadman.

(Continued From Page Three) pushed for home.

I must say that God really took care of us. Once while passing an auto we blew out the right front tire and lost control of the car for a while. Fortunately we got away with just a good scare and a ruined tire. We put on the spare tire and no sooner than we traveled about 10 miles when a huge piece of rubber was torn from our spare. We limped into the next town with the tube exposed wait-

ing for it to blow any minute. We bought two tires and started out once more.

Our next breakdown came on a Sunday in a small town. Our starter became clogged while waiting at a railroad crossing. Fortunately a mechanic riding by on his scooter directed us to a shop that was surprisingly well equipped for just our trouble. He had us on our way in about an hour.

I arrived in Ludwigsburg on the evening of the 30th very tired but happy. I never have stopped to figure the cost of that trip for the next morning I was handed my orders to go home and one month's pay. Since then I have had just enough time to pack.

I hope you find this letter of interest. Everyone at San Greggio and Ponza Island send their love and blessings to all the branches in the States. May I also say here that we have some very courageous members at San Greggio. It takes a lot of courage to face town people who heckle you on the way to church, I was walking with this family from San Greggio down the winding streets to church when I heard a neighbor ask where she was going in a teasing tone of voice, knowing all the while the other neighbors were watching trying to embarrass us. I felt somewhat squeamish, but I heard our sister turn and say in all humility and sincerity, "to church, would you like to Go? You're all welcome." Nothing more was said. I could not help but take heart and walk proudly side by side with such a courageous husband and wife to our Church. The Church of Jesus Christ, for this woman displayed the courage of every other member there at San Greggio, Italy. (may God bless them WHC) They have to put up with quite a bit, but I can safely say they are staunch in their belief in Jesus Christ. They ask for our prayers that God may bless them continually, and I do so humbly ask the same. Bro. Frank Morle.

P.S. A wonderful letter brother Frank, Bro. Cadman.

## DETROIT

Dear bro. Editor :

I shall endeavour to give you a brief summary of what transpired, while bro. Dick was with us in these parts of the Church. Some of us went down to Michigan Central R. R. Station, to meet him and bro. Bittinger, arriving at 2:40 a.m. July 26th. We were very



happy to know bro. Dick, and to have these bros. into our home. They rested that day, and went with us to service that night at Branch No. 3, where our M. B. A. meeting was turned into a preaching Service, this meeting was mostly taken up by bros. Bittinger, Dick, Alma Cadman, and was enjoyed by all. On Friday, bro. Biagio Scarsella from Branch No. 2, took these bros. to see the Fords Works, which they enjoyed immensely. Friday night we were back at Branch No. 3, and they also turned their M. B. A. meeting into a P. Service, and we received a wonderful blessing. The stage was now set, with a beautiful background for our gathering on Saturday and Sunday. Our 1st. Speaker on Saturday, was bro. W. H. Cadman, (President) he spoke from Rev. 3rd. Chapter 11th. verse: Behold I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown, bro. Cadman and several other bros. gave wonderful treatise on this subject, to the fullest enjoyment of our souls. After this Service, many of us went to the Lake, to baptize a bro. from the Muncey Indian Reservation. I felt quite blessed to be in the water on this epochal occasion, and see the Lake-Shore just covered with bros. and sisters, and others, and thought of a day to come, when we will be baptizing the people day and night. This bro. was confirmed in the afternoon Service by bro. Paul Damico. Bro. Clifford Burgess, the President of the 70's, took a standing vote of the Evangelists, that bro. A. A. Dick, be called and ordained an Evangelist. His feet were washed by one of the Brethren, and he was ordained an Evangelist by bro. Patsy Marinetti, of Rochester, New York. Throughout the day on Saturday, we received innumerable blessings. Sunday Morning Service was introduced by bro. T. S. Furnier, who spoke mostly from the Book of Haggai, main subject "Building the Lord's House," bro. Furnier gave quite an inspiring talk on this subject, making reference to recent revelations to the Church, that the saints should be watchful and careful of what we are doing. When bro. Furnier was through speaking, bro. Joseph Shazer, went forth to the Rostrum, and said that a voice spoke to him, to go and tell bro. Bittinger, we are a wasteful people and a wasteful nation. Bro. Alma B. Cadman

gave a nice talk, and read a dream from a sister in Rochester depicting the Peaceful Reign of Christ, what will be enjoyed therein. Bro. Alma said, in the Peaceful Reign, everything that is left in Zion, shall be called Holy. A bro. in this meeting spoke the tongues, and a sister gave the Interpretation, which was, (Too much worldly affairs, and not enough of God's work). Bro. Paul Damico made mention that the Indians recently, in their gathering, had it revealed unto them, that one would be raised up to liberate their people from their present woe. A handkerchief was anointed for the sick. Prayer was offered by bro. Ansel D'Amico. We had many of the Lamanites in our midst from Grand River, Muncey, and Sarnia Reservations. After the Gathering bro. Dick spent a lovely time, in our midst, visiting Branches No. 3, Windsor, No. 4, No. 2, Sarnia and Port Huron. also bro. Silverio's Farm, and left for Lorain on Monday, August 6th. I personally want to thank all who were so very kind and courteous to our bro. May God abundantly bless and prosper him, where-ever he may go, and also all the Saints of the Most High God.

Your bro. in Jesus Christ, Matthew T. Miller.

#### Stone-Scaglione Nuptials

On June 23, 1956 at 10:30 a.m. Eletha Jane Stone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Stone of Elizabeth, Pa. and Donald Scaglione son of brother and sister Joseph and Ruth Scaglione of River Hill, Monongahela, Pa., were united in marriage in The Church of Jesus Christ, Elder Benjamin T. Cherry officiating.

A reception was held in the evening at the home of the groom's parents. A shower had also been held at the Scaglione home preceding the wedding. Many beautiful and useful gifts were received. After a short honeymoon, the new Mr. and Mrs. Scaglione are at home in their newly furnished apartment on River Hill. We extend best of wishes for the young couple.

#### Neil-Christman Nuptials

On July 5th 1956 at 7:30 p.m. Patricia Neill, daughter of brother and sister George Neill of New Eagle, Pa., and Richard T. Christman, son of brother and sister Jacob Christman of Imperial, Pa. were united in marriage in

The Church of Jesus Christ in Monongahela. Elder James Moore of Imperial, Pa., officiated at the double ring ceremony. The Church was decorated with ferns, and garden flowers.

Brother John Majoros sang, while Mabel Bickerton was at the piano. The bride was given away by her father, best man James Moore Jr., maid of honor Divida Christman, sister of the groom, attendants were Connie Fuller and Virginia Martin, ushers Steve Kentchen and Ronald Curran. After the ceremony a reception was held in the Ginger Hill Grange Hall with about 200 friends present. Both Richard and Patricia are members of the Church, and after a short wedding trip, they are at home in New Eagle, Pa. Best of wishes for the young couple are extended.

#### ALQUIPPA, PA.

##### Weddings

On June 23, 1956 Bro. Paul Palmeri of Aliquippa, Pa. was united in marriage to Ruth Eleanor DeLuca also of Aliquippa, Pa. in the West Aliquippa Church. The ceremony was performed by Bro. Thomas Ross.

Also on July 7, 1956 Ruth D'Antonio daughter of Bro. and Sister Domenick D'Antonio was united in marriage to Charles Jumper. The wedding was performed at the home of Br. and Sister Domenick D'Antonio by Bro. John Ross. We extend our sincerest congratulations to the newlyweds.

Victoria D'Antonio

Aliquippa, Pa.

#### Brother Anthony Rossi Passes On

Brother Anthony Rossi, died on June 16, 1956 in his 68th year. He was born on September 20, 1887 and was baptized in the Church of Jesus Christ, July 11, 1926. He leaves to mourn his passing, his wife, seven children, sixteen grandchildren, a sister and other relatives. Funeral Service was conducted at the West Aliquippa Church by Bro. Thomas Ross and Bro. Philip Mileco. We extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

Victoria D'Antonio

April 14, 1956  
Roscoe, Penna.

Brother Editor,

The time has come again for us to take part in the wonderful

ordinance of feet washing. At this time always, I think of Jesus washing the Apostles' feet, and how he loved them so very much and how they in turn loved him, and how we are given that privilege also to do the same thing Jesus has done, and to show our love towards one another, and our love towards Him who set the example.

As we are thinking along these lines our mind dwells on the many things we are privileged to do and see and bear witness to, that our beloved Saviour has taught and did before us, and the Beauty of The Church Of Jesus Christ.

To see one of our Elders, a man of God, stand in the waters, holding up his hand and declaring to all, that he has been given authority of Jesus Christ, and then to see him bury the brother or sister to be, in baptism like Jesus himself was baptized.

To see a man of God, take a child in his arms, like Jesus did and ask a special blessing of the Father upon it.

Like Jesus, to be able to wash our brother's feet and to have our own feet washed by our brothers, and to feel that great love between us that only God can give.

To see our brothers in the Ministry lay hands on the sick, and pour their hearts out to God to heal them of their afflictions.

To see our brothers and sisters declaring the goodness of God, in pure testimony, being filled with the spirit.

To clasp our brother or sister's hand and feel the Love of God between us.

To see and feel a Brother in the Ministry of God preaching with the spirit of God upon him.

When offenses come, to see a brother or sister in humility ask to be forgiven and to see in turn a brother or sister say from the bottom of their heart I forgive you, and know they really do. This we know is as it should be, as our Heavenly Father forgives us of our shortcomings also.

To me Brother Cadman these are the most beautiful things any man could behold and how thankful I am to be able to say, "God has been so merciful to me to let me be a part of this beautiful Gospel of Jesus Christ."  
Brother Bud Martin Roscoe, Pa.

**MODERTO, CALIF.  
AUGUST 1956**

Dear Editor:

Here are some items for The Gospel News. We have been happy to have so many visitors from near and far. Among them was Bro. A. A. Dick from Nigeria and Bro. Bittinger from Pennsylvania. We were blessed with talks by both these brothers. After the meeting we asked Bro. Dick many questions about his people. We hope they will visit us again. The saints from Monterey, Richmond and San Jose also visited us.

Bro. Joseph Lovalvo is progressing nicely in his missionary work. In Monterey the saints have a strong desire to serve the Lord. They have blessed meetings. One of the sisters in a vision saw Christ in their presence. In Oakdale Bro. Lovalvo prayed for the sick and they were healed. The meetings in Richmond have been glorious also. We had a fine report from St. John, Kansas of their progress. They are to be commended.

Our Church building is taking shape rapidly. The finish colored graystone is beautiful. We dedicated the corner stone a few weeks ago. Bro. Mark Randy encased therein, some pamphlets and the history of our Mission from the beginning. For the present we are holding our meetings in the home of Br. Randy, saving the money we paid out for rent, for our new building. We have had donations both in money, material and labor from some who are not members of the Church. THE Lord truly does help His people. Our Ladies Uplift Circle has had some bake sales for the building fund cause. Two Sundays ago we had a baptism, brother Randy's daughter was baptized. In this meeting Brother Lovalvo called on several of the young folks to bear their testimony (and brother Randy's daughter was moved upon to be baptized. He, the Lord works in mysterious ways, His wonders to perform.

Sister Arlene Gamble.

#### FOR THE GOSPEL NEWS (From California)

Dear brothers and sisters everywhere. Please allow me to convey through the medium of our paper, my heart felt gratitude for the scores of Greeting Cards wishing me a speedy recovery from my affliction. I wish I could write to each one of you and express my thanks for your concern and love towards me. I am certain that your prayers have

done me a world of good.

For many weeks I endured an excruciating pain in my spine and lower ribs, which after many examinations by the most competent physicians, the combined opinion of these Medical Men is an apparent Arthritic Condition for which not too much can be done. Therefore I am like many others, whose trust and hope shall be in the Power of the Almighty, in whom I believe with all my heart, can, if He wills, either heal me completely or at least alleviate the pain to a bearable point.

I am feeling better at this writing, although in considerable pain I manage to labour, both naturally and spiritually. Yesterday, August 26th, while visiting at Modesto, Calif. we had enjoyed a wonderful outpouring of the Lords Spirit in preaching the Glorious Gospel Restored, and in which meeting a woman desired baptism. After dismissal of the meeting, and as we retired to the Rivers edge, my brother-in-law Dr. Michael Randazzo, who is going to make his home in California, (and who also was in the meeting) suddenly decided to also make a covenant with God! As I was walking with him towards the River he embraced me and cried, "I am ready!" The glory of God descended on us all and right there on the shore of the River, while even some strangers looked on, we shed tears of joy unashamed for another soul who cared to come to Jesus through the Waters of Baptism. My prayer is that my brother-in-law can be instrumental in the hands of God and eventually and always can be referred to like Luke as "our beloved Physician."

In conclusion, I ask all of you to continue to pray for me, as my desire is to do something for Him each day of my life. May the Lord bless all of you.

V. James Lovalvo.

68-Power St.  
Toront, Ont.  
Aug. 30, 1956

Dear Bro. Editor:

I feel to write you a line that I think would be very encouraging to our Brothers and Sisters everywhere, who read our Gospel News, to hear of how the Gospel is being preached to my Race of people, (Indians, as we are called by most people to-day) on the Grand River Reservation, near Brantford, Ont.

We had a very wonderful Meet-

we had a very wonderful meeting the last Sunday we met, which was Aug. 19th.

I felt very sad in my heart, the Sat. evening previous, when Bro. Burgess told us how he had quite a time to get another Brother to make the trip with him. I can't tell of anyone else who has made as many trips (down home, as I call it) as he has. He has been more than a Brother to all of us, he has been like a father to us. Yes, I remember the day I made my Covenant with my God at the River's edge, he was there, along with Bro. Joe Lovalvo, and that was sixteen years ago, and he has been bringing us this wonderful Gospel all these years. I know that the Lord will surely Bless him for it. When he felt discouraged, (as I'm sure he must have) the Lord saw fit to touch the hearts of more Brothers to come our way, on early Sunday morning a car load of Brothers came. There was Bro. Frank Giovannone, from Warren Ohio, Bro. Frank Gennaro, from Niles, O. Bro. W. Gennaro from Warren, O. and Bro. Nicholas Ritz from Youngstown, O. Also late Saturday night Bro. and Sister Maness came from Sarnia, who I was so glad to meet, as they are of my race of people. We also had Sister Ford, Sister Loretta Garlow, and Br. Como, also Sister Loretta's young brother, who came with Brother Burgess, and was able to help with the driving.

Shortly after these brothers left their homes in Ohio they came across some bridges that were down from a storm, a tornado, which caused them to travel miles out of their way. They were undecided whether to go forward or turn back, but they knew the Lord was on their side so went on their journey. After arriving at a place where they could 'phone home to find out how everything was, only to find all the telephone services out of order. Just imagine the courage it took to go forward not knowing how conditions were at home.

I'm telling you we had a little taste of what Heaven must be like that Sunday. Also to make our Meeting even better a friend of mine from Toronto was Baptized. She went with me and my little son from Toronto. I feel so thankful to God for answering my prayers that after being alone here in this big City for sixteen years He has seen fit that I have a Sister-in-Christ here with me.

It means so much to me to be able to just talk of the things of God to someone who understands.

I'm so thankful too that I was able to visit more this summer with my brothers and sisters near and far, than I have done for years. We, (I and my son) spent a week in Windsor where we just had a wonderful time, seeing those who I hadn't seen for a number of years. I also had the pleasure of meeting and hearing Bro. Dick from Africa speak. I can find no words to explain or describe him, other than he is a Marvel, and is truly a Man of God, and is not afraid to give his life if necessary for his Maker.

I could just go on and on writing of God's Wonder's, and His many blessings, but I must not make this too long, as I do hope and pray that you will be able to find some small corner in your Gospel News for this bit of good news, from our part of God's Vineyard. May God bless you all.  
Sister Irene Rigby.

Aliquippa, Pa.

#### "A Wonderful Blessing"

On Sunday August 19, 1956, we had a car load of visitors from Detroit, Mich., Bro. Dominic Thomas, Bro. Joseph Milantone and their wives.

Our Sunday morning service was opened in the usual manner by Bro. Joseph Milantone and followed in speaking was Bro. Dominic Thomas and as we enjoyed listening to our brethren as the word of God was divided to us, a good spirit prevailed and the spirit of God worked on four young men of our branch. One asked for baptism during the meeting, two after the meeting closed and one at the river. The baptisms were performed by Bro. John Ross and Bro. Dominic Thomas.

In the evening we were gathered at the home of Bro. Dan Tamburrino and while singing the spirit of the Lord moved another young man and he asked for baptism and was taken to the river at nine o'clock in the evening. While at the river his wife also asked for baptism making a total of six for the day. All in all, the Lord sure did pour down his blessings upon us and a great joy was felt by all.

The Lord sure has blessed our Aliquippa branch since the G.M.-B.A. here in May with a total of ten baptisms all young folks from

our branch and we are hoping and praying that the Lord will continue to bless us.

Victoria D'Antonio

July 17, 1956

Dear Bro. Cadman,

I received a letter from Bro. Buonofilio of Italy. He tells me that the preaching of the gospel in the southern part of Italy is still going on without much interference. He went on missionary work in the Province of Foggia, where a brother of Youngstown, Ohio is residing. Interest in the Gospel has been created. He expects some fruit to grow.

Also received a letter from Bro. Todaro. He has visited all the missions in Italy. Even went to see my mother. Hope that some day the work may grow in Italy and throughout the world.

A. A. Corrado

#### EXCERPTS FROM A LETTER BY BRO. DeMARRIAS SR. SOUTH DAKOTA

On our Lord's Day August 5th we held our S. School and prayer meeting at the home of Sister Baker, we administered communion and the spirit of God was with us. On August 8th we were invited to Grandma Reels home for prayer meeting. Her daughter Sandra was sick, we anointed her and she was healed. The house was filled with people of the Catholic faith and I really enjoyed preaching to them out of the Stick of Ephram (Book of Mormon) and they gave me their undivided attention. We had another meeting in my home that evening.

On August 7th we had a terrible wind, hail, and rain storm around Wakpala. In the little town it is said that hail stones were as big as golf balls, breaking the windows on the west side of the school building, and in one store and some in the Lutheran Church. According to brother DeMarrias's letter, they are busy holding meetings. Our prayer is that God will bless them.

#### NEWS ITEMS

On a card of recent date from brother Joseph Lovalvo, he informs me that he had two more baptisms at Monterey, Calif., one of them was Isaac Smith of Blaine Hill, Elizabeth, who is in service and stationed in Fort Ord in California. Bro. Lovalvo says the Lord has given the people

there, some wonderful experiences.

On a card from Bro. Paul D'Amico of Lockport, N. Y. He says: I baptized Mary Hill Staats (Indian sister) into the Church. We had a nice day, three car loads from Detroit, one from Ohio, and many Indian people were present. Last week - end Russell Cadman and family was with us, also Gorie Ciaravino, and Domenic Moroco and their families were here. Our Mission in Buccino, Italy, had five baptisms recently. We have had six here in Lockport since June. I feel very good in this part of the vineyard. P. S. Very good news on both these cards.

#### MORE NEWS FROM NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

Brother Editor:

We are happy to write that we are reaping the fruits of our Revival Meetings. Last Sunday we had six baptisms. We expect one more next Sunday. The new members are two from Asbury Park, N. J. one from Freehold, Jack Vanderveer, the young man in the wheeled chair, Lydia Perri, and our youngest son Gabriel.

I also wish to write about a great wonder that took place. On Sunday morning Jack was taken into the water by two brothers to baptize him. At night, before retiring he knelt to pray and with no trouble at all, he found that he was able to get back in bed. Previous he had to struggle. Next evening he called us to his home to show us that he could walk. He wanted to wait until Sunday to tell us the good news, but he was unable to hold it any longer. When we arrived at his home we found him with a contented look on his face. He then arose from his chair and walked across the room without any support. You can imagine the joy we felt in our hearts. We praise God and thank Him for all blessings.

Jack was unable to walk for three years. Some months ago, he tried to walk supported with crutches, he succeeded taking a few steps, but with much effort and great pain. The pain was so terrible that he had no desire to try to walk again. Now when he walks he has no pain. Praise the Lord.

On Tuesday evening he desired

us to hold service in his home. The blessings of God were wonderful. During the service, his wife Florence, asked for baptism.

We truly are grateful to our Good Lord for all the wonderful Blessings He grants us, though weak mortals we are.

Sister Carmela Mazzeo.

#### JESUS CHRIST AND HIS APOSTLES

Jesus our Saviour born in Bethlehem,

Raised up to be known amongst the children of men -

As humble and meek and kind hearted too

He preached to the people whether many or few.

He spoke of salvation offered to all,

Who would believe and obey and answer his call.

Some did believe and were baptized,

But not many came from amongst the wise.

In number were twelve, the apostles he chose,

And many would not listen and became his foes.

These are the names of them we give

Remember them well as long as you live.

First comes Peter then Andrew his brother,

Then James and John that follow in order,

Philip and Bartholomew are next in line

Thomas and Matthew makes one less than nine.

Then comes James whose father was Alpheus,

Then Lebbaeus whose surname was Thadaeus,

Simon the Canaanite which makes eleven -

Then Judas Iscariot - unworthy of Heaven.

Sister Mary Perri  
Hopelawn Branch

#### APOSTLE PAUL SHRINE BUILT

The market place in Athens where the Apostle Paul discussed religion with bystanders and philosophers 1,900 years ago is to become a permanent shrine.

The ancient market place, re-

stored by the American School of Classical Studies aided by Rockefeller funds, will be dedicated as a Museum of the Agora, Sept. 3.

Thousands of objects, excavated from the market place, will be seen in the reconstructed area.

#### Paul at Market

According to Prof. Eguene Vanderpool, one of the chief excavators for the American School of Classical Studies in Athens, Paul sought a large audience and so visited daily the market place or Agora.

Describing the Agora, the Book of Acts explains:

"All the Athenians and strangers which were there spent their time in nothing else but either to tell or to hear some new thing."

#### Caused a Stir

Paul's teaching caused something of a stir, Prof. Vanderpool pointed out, with the result that his preaching came to the notice of the Council of the Aeropagus on Mars Hill, south of the market place.

Realizing Paul was preaching a new doctrine, the court felt it should hear about the philosophy first hand. Members of the court, Prof. Vanderpool said, apparently summoned the apostle to appear before them.

#### Famous Oration

It was on Mars Hill that Paul delivered his famous oration recorded in Acts, in which he said:

"Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious. For as I passed by and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with inscription, 'To the Unknown God.'

"Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, Him declare I unto you."

The court concluded Paul was not preaching a subversive doctrine, the professor explained, but were inclined to joke about the apostle's teaching of immorality

Brother Dick landed in Free-town, W. Africa on September 17, 1956.

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## THANKSGIVING

(By Margaret Schaffer Connelly)

O Lord we come to Thee with praise

On this Thanksgiving Day,  
We offer up a song of love  
For blessings; and we lay  
Our burdens all before Thy feet  
O Lord of hosts, our King—  
Thou art our refuge and our stay

And of Thy power we sing.  
We bring our lives as offerings  
Throughout the coming year.

Keep Thou our feet toward Thee,  
Lord

And dry our every tear.

(From "Herald of Holiness")

## Book of Knowledge FIRST THANKSGIVING

THANKSGIVING DAY, so rich in meaning in the United States, commemorates a great event in the nation's history. In the fall of 1621, the Pilgrims who had founded the little colony of Plymouth in Massachusetts had been in the New World for nearly a year. In the springtime of that year, sowing had taken place, and all summer the fields had been watched with great anxiety, for the colonists knew that their lives depended upon the coming harvest.

The crops were fruitful beyond all expectation. And one day, late in the fall, Governor William Bradford sent four men into the forests to shoot wild birds — "We will hold a harvest feast of thanksgiving," he said. He invited the Indians who had been friendly to the strangers to rejoice with the white men. The Indians came, bearing gifts of venison, and the harvest feast lasted three days.

This was the first Thanksgiving celebrated in America. And little by little, as new colonies settled in the land, the custom of a yearly Thanksgiving Day spread throughout the country.

In 1789, President George Washington perfectly expressed the spirit of the day in his Thanksgiving Proclamation:

"Whereas it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humble to implore His protection, aid and favors . . . Now, therefore, I do recommend and assign Thursday, the twenty-sixth day of Novem-

ber next, to be devoted by the people of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being who is the Beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be; that we may then all unite in rendering unto Him our sincere and humble thanks for His kind care and protection of the people of this country, and for all the great and various favors which He has been pleased to confer upon us."

In 1864, President Abraham Lincoln issued the first presidential proclamation appointing Thanksgiving Day as a holiday on the fourth or last Thursday of November. Succeeding Presidents continued the custom, and since then Thanksgiving Day has been regularly observed throughout the United States. The proclamation by the President is sent to the governors of the different states, each of whom issues a proclamation for his own state.

The first Thanksgiving was celebrated by the Pilgrims in Plymouth colony in 1621, a year after they came to America. The feast marked their gratitude for a rich harvest of crops, upon which their very lives depended. Friendly Indians shared in the celebration, which lasted three days.

## SAVIOUR DIVINE

Help me to love Thee more each day,

Help me to walk the narrow way,

Help me to purge the words I say,

Saviour Divine.

Help me to turn the other cheek,  
Help me be strong, for I am weak;

Help me to find the faith I seek,

O Saviour mine.

Help me, for all alone I fail;

Help me, my strength indeed is frail,

Help me, or naught will I avail,  
Saviour benign.

Catherine Poma

## CONFERENCE AT ROCHESTER, N.Y.

Our Conference convened in our Church at 416 Wilder St. Rochester, N.Y., on October 6th at 10:00 a.m. with Elders present from the various Branches of the Church throughout the States. The Conference was presided over

by President W. H. Cadman and his Counsellors Bros. T. H. Furnier and Joseph Bittinger.

During the morning and afternoon meetings, none but Elders were present, but the evening meeting was opened to all the members who happened to be in Rochester for the Sunday Services.

Our regular routine of business was carried on as usual. Reports of missionary work was given by various ones engaged therein. The brethren who had been in South Dakota recently, gave an interesting report of the work in that state. Also two young sisters were present in this Conference from South Dakota, and several from Canada. Brother Cadman reported that Bro. Dick had arrived home in Africa on September 26th safe and well. He also reported that Bro. Dick would be disappointed in that we were not yet able to send a Missionary to his people.

According to the reports coming in to the Conference, there are several Church buildings now under construction in various parts of the country, and the need of financial help is urgent. We also decided to buy a property in Wakpala, South Dakota to house our missionary workers in, who may be sent to that part of the vineyard. As I understand it, part of this building was a store room, which will be suitable for a church room. A resolution was passed asking all our members to give us one dollar each to help buy this property. The work in Italy was given due consideration, also Brother and Sister Molinatto who have moved near the Cherokee Reservation in North Carolina, were remembered by us. They are holding meetings in Indian homes on the reservation. May the Lord be with them. Brother Burgess reported that they had purchased a building on the Six Nations Reserve in Ontario, Canada and are remodeling it for a Church building. It is a nice sized room and was used for a ware room. They are also preparing or dividing the upstairs into three of four living rooms, in order to provide living quarters for the workers who go there. It is requiring lots of financial help to accomplish these things.

The building is located in the Indian Village on the Reserve, known as Ohsweken about 14 miles from Brantford, Ont. I wish to draw the attention of all our members, that we have reached the time, when it is requiring much finance in order to carry on with, and where we are building new buildings, they should be built as economical as possible. Greater stress should be towards the preaching of the Gospel rather than the building of Churches. The business sessions of Conference closed at about 10:00 p.m.

Sunday morning meeting was held in a large Auditorium in what I believe was called Edgerton Park. There was possibly 350 people seated in the meeting, which was devoted to preaching the Gospel. Bro. John Mancini of Erie, Pa. lead the service, and was followed by several speakers from various parts of the Church. I might say that the highlight of this meeting was the testimony of a young brother from Hopelawn, N.J. He was wounded in the Korean war. While visiting in New Jersey, I, W. H. Cadman saw this brother only in a wheel chair. I saw him carried in and out of our services by our brothers and about three months ago they carried him into the waters at Perth Amboy, N. J. and baptized him, plunging him under the water. At this conference he walked into our meeting without aid, walked up on to the Rostrum without aid, and occupied about 15 or 20 minutes in bearing his testimony of what God has done for him. Apparently he is a well man. He and his wife are a very young couple, and she has now followed him into the water and was baptized in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Amen.

This meeting was closed at about one o'clock p.m. and most every body started on their way home again. All appreciation possible is extended to the saints in Rochester and Lockport, N. Y. in providing for the many visitors to the Conference. On our return trip home, the car I was in called at Cumorah Hill, a very sacred spot to me. We stood near the traditional spot where the angel of God visited Joseph Smith, and the Golden Plates were delivered into his hands, from which the Book of Mormon was translated.

We did not leave the spot without offering up a few words of

prayer in memory of that great event in the annals of God's dealings with Mortals.

Surely God moves in mysterious ways, His wonders to perform: He plants His footsteps in the sea, And rides upon the storm.—Let us all praise God Yea, the unchangeable God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Brother Editor.

#### MY TRIP TO AMERICA

On 10th March 1956 I and Brother Sampson Akpan make a trip to Ikot Akpabin Mission, where we hold a meeting there with the Brothers and Sisters, all enjoy our visit with them. On Sunday afternoon I return to my home, Brother Sampson Akpan visit the folks at Edim Idim Okpot Mission where He was to hold a Meeting with them. I arrive at my home in the evening. Mr. O. A. Akpan, brought me a telegram which arrive at my home few hours after I left home for Ikot Akpabin. My wife was not in the house; I send for Bro. Sampson Akpan, the Church Bell was ringing the near by Brothers and Sisters were present.

I told them that now I am leaving to visit Our Brothers and Sisters in America, many ask why I should not give an early information, I told them that Christ will not tell you when He will come, But be ye prepared. Not very long after Bishop E. E. Ephriam, of Pentecostal Mission visit us. We sang a few Hymns also Prayed. Then I salute them. My suit case was carried by Mr. Sunday John to Uyo. I left for Calabar Immigration Office where I receive my passport. On 12th March, I sent Cablegram to Bro. W. H. Cadman, telling him that I have left for Lagos, while returning from Calabar I met with ten Elders at Uyo Post Office waiting to see me. My wife who came with them had left to see her girl friend. Soon after I start moving I saw my wife running toward me. I stop for her, she ask me where I am going to, I told her that I am going to Lagos and America, she salute, There were reasons that I fail to make it known to many even my wife. The reasons are best known to Brothers. W. H. Cadman, and Joseph Bittinger. I arrived at Lagos on 15th March, Visiting American Consulate Office, He gave me two Cheques one of the Cheques is \$950.00 my going and return fare I sent it back to

Brother W.H. Cadman requesting him to pay it through Shipping Company in New York. The other cheque of \$289.00 I carry that with me, I gave it back to Brother W. H. Cadman in New Jersey.

I remain at Lagos for three weeks before I have a ship to America. On 7th April, the Passenger Manager I-C, E.D.L.Ltd., Lagos. Tell me that I should leave on 10th April By M-V Swedru. They ask me to take Vaccination against Smallpox also Vaccination against Yellow Fever. I went to the Office where they Vaccinated me. Those in the Office were all corrupted. I was paying \$2.00 a day in a Hotel where I stay. In the three Weeks I spend \$42.00 I only have \$15.00 remaining with me. There I, was unable to take Vaccination for Yellow Fever. On 10th April we leave Lagos for America. By 2:00 p.m. We stop at three different ports in West Africa. I was the only Passenger from Lagos to Takoradi, there one English lady with three of her children join the ship for America-Canada. We also stop at Monrovia-Liberia, there we go on shore, I try to meet Bishop R. R. Jackson, whom I met in Nigeria 1954. I cannot, I left few lines for him through Mrs. N. B. knight. There Rev. J. B. Knight a Baptist Minister met with me, He was one of the Passengers from Liberia, I spoke to him about the Church, He enjoy my talk to him and wishes to be baptized. Dr. Rev. Martin, Baptist Minister and his wife join the ship as one of the Passengers from Liberia. We also stop at Free Town, there Dr. Johnson and His wife and another join the Ship, there we become 12 Passengers. I wrote to Brothers W. H. Cadman telling him that we will land in America on 1st May, 1956. also wrote to John Ross, to inform my wife. It took us fourteen days to cross the Atlantic Ocean and we landed at Norfolk, Va. From Lagos to America we drink Soup and ate bread every day. I was very sick. One day the ship stop for six hours on the Ocean. We felt fear. The Captain and other workers in the Ship have different food from what we eat, They do not drink soup as we do.

Arriving at Norfolk, Va., I try to get in touch with Bro. W. H. Cadman, on phone, the Operator ask me to put in a dime, I did so, he or she say Dial 211, I do not know what he meant. There



was one white man there looking at me. He come near me and ask me where I come from, I told Him that I arrive this morning on M-V Swedru, from Nigeria, he ask me whom I want on the phone, I told him that I want to speak to President W. H. Cadman, of Monongahela Pa., He ask me my name, I told him, He said, I should follow him to his house. I ask him to give me his name and address, he did so. I go back to the Ship, also write a few lines to Mr. S. S. Akpaidiok, that I have arrived in America, but not yet met the Brothers and Sisters, but a man by name of Freeman, a Baptist Minister at Norfolk, Va., took me to his home. I post the letter before I follow him to his home. On our way to his home he told me that he knew Bro. W. H. Cadman. He then get in contact with Bro. Cadman on his phone, he charge me nothing. There I also have good food. I stay in his house with him till evening. He gave me \$5.00 also a Hat. On 2nd May, 1956 we leave for Phila., Pa. I also met with Baptist Minister whom I believe Rev. Freeman told him to wait for me. This man Rev. Gray, took me also to his home I also have good food there. On 4th we leave Phila., for New York, where Brothers and Sisters met with me on 5th May. Bro. Cadman was almost fall into river, by trying to look for me, they wave to me I also wave to them. We remain in the Ship for almost 3 hours. Before I go down and shake hand with them.

Bro. Dominick Rose of Bronx Branch, give to me a Diary to record my tour while in America Bro. Cadman gave to me some letters one of the letters is written by the man I was trying to meet at Liberia, He request that the Church should send to him a invitation for him to come to America and attend the Conference in order to affiliate with the Church. Bro. Rose took us to his home, on our way we call at one of the Missions in New York where I sang Hymn No. I. also pray. We spend a night at his Home, On Sunday 6th May, I attend my first service at Bronx Branch in the morning. They give me an Efik Bible, after service we eat, We leave New York for New Jersey where we drove under the river across to New Jersey I am wondering how they make the way under the river, no doubt it is American wonders. We attended meeting with the folks in

New Jersey at Hopelawn Branch. Monday 7th May, folks at Hopelawn gave me a new suit etc, On Tuesday 8th May we attended Meeting with the folks at New Brunswick Branch where they gave me a Camera. On Wednesday 9th May we go to Monongahela, where we also attend a Meeting with the folks there, also attend Mothers Day meeting at Monongahela. On Friday Bro. Cadman receive phone call from Detroit informing him that Sister Ruzzi pass away. After service on 13th May, I follow Bro. J. Bittering to his home at West Leisenring. We attended meeting with the folks at Vanderbilt Branch, on 16th May. Look I forget to tell you that I was about to Freeze. I can-not stand the weather. I have to remain in the house. One day Bro. Bittering made a fire, there I warm myself On 19th May We leave West Leisenring for Monongahela, from there to West Aliquippa where we attended G.M.B.A. Conference On Sunday 20th May, Bro. Cadman show the pictures He took while in Nigeria, Seven Baptism were held at Aliquippa, Two at Monongahela, also five on Wednesday 23rd May. I remain at Aliquippa attending Meeting, there with the folks. On 25th the folks at Aliquippa took me back to Monongahela. On 27th May we attended Meeting at Erie Pa., where they had the dedication of the Church, We have one Baptism there. Bro. and Sister Piccuto of Mentor, Ohio wish me to follow them, I did so, I attended meeting with the folks at Painesville through the week, also visit Cleveland Branch on Sunday 3rd June. On June 5th I return from Painesville to Monongahela, Bro. Cadman and his son in law took me to cemetery where he show to me his and his wife grave. On Wednesday 6th June we hold meeting with the saints at Monongahela Church, Bro. Robinson came to see me. Bro. W. H. Cadman, speak in favor of Bro. S. S. Akpaidiok who request the Church to bring him from Lagos to America and the Church gave their consent. On 7th June Bro. John Ross, speak to Bro. Cadman telling him in inform me that Bro. Domenick D'Antonio of Aliquippa buy me Microphone. Sisters also meet in the home of Sister Cadman, I spoke few words also took picture of the Sisters. On 8th June we left Monongahela for New Jersey so as to attend their weeks meetings. We remain in New Jersey till 10th

June. Sunday the 10th June Sister June Pick was baptized by Bro. A. D'Amico, we had nice services, all enjoy the Blessing of God. Monday the 11th June we visit Brooklyn Branch where I open the meeting Bro. D'Amico follow me in speaking a few words.

On 12th June, we left for Rochester, N. Y. where I remain in the house of Bro. A. D'Amico visiting the homes of Bros. Sisters also attend meetings with them. I visited different places while at Rochester also visit where the Angel of the Lord appear to Joseph Smith. On Sunday 17th June we left Rochester for Lockport where I baptized two Sisters. I remain at Lockport with Brother P. D'Amico father-in-law, attending meetings with the Brothers and Sisters also visiting different places.

On 23rd June Bro. P. D'Amico take me to Monongahela, we stop at his sisters home at Aliquippa. Sunday Morning we left for Monongahela we met Bro. Cadman in the Church, he take us to his home there He told me of my daughter Grace who was reported dead, but in his home six letters were there for me, he told me that I should have them after Service. Soon after Service Bro. H. C. Robinson ask me to follow him to his home, there we called at Bro. Cadman home to get my mail, in one of the letters I saw attached a note from Sister Esemé (My wife) telling me that Grace (My daughter) is still living, she come back to life before burial. I visit Bro. Robinson home also visit Glassport Branch Sunday 24th June, the folks there give me a Bible cost \$29.95. I stay with Bro. Cadman through out the week, we also attend the L.U.C., on 30th June, I speak also in the L.U.C., other Brothers also spoke, I enjoy the way the Sisters are conducting their meeting. After the meeting Bro. J. Bittering took me to his home. On Sunday 1st July we visited the following Churches:—Roscoe Branch, Red Stone and Bethel Mission where we held Meeting in each of them. In any place I visit with the Brothers and Sisters I feel the blessing of God. Also enjoy my short visit with them.

I stay with Bro. J. Bittering till 4th July. I feel like staying with them always. If you will see how

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### THE GOSPEL NEWS

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### EDITORIAL

May I ask, is the true follower of Jesus Christ without the fear of God in his soul? May I ask again, is it not possible that there is a misunderstanding with many who do not understand a difference between the fear of God's wrath; and a Godly fear in their souls? To my understanding, and not only from what is written, but from my own experience, there is a Godly fear which dwells in the souls of humble followers of Christ. I wish to bring out the testimony of the servants of God as is written in His Word. One of the prophets says: "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." Isaiah 8-20.

To my mind the foregoing is a strong indictment against any who say they have a testimony, and yet have no fear of the Mighty God in their souls. The Psalmist says that "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: The scriptures says: "That the fear of the Lord is to hate evil; pride and arrogance, and the evil way, and the forward mouth, do I hate." Proverbs 8 -13. Am I to understand that the followers of Christ are exempt from hating EVIL? God forbid, for how can I love God and not hate evil? How can I love the commandments of God and love evil at the same time? If such was possible, I would not have the fear of God because I loved evil instead of hating evil, for the word says: that the fear of the Lord is to "hate evil." My experience is that I fear God daily, not His wrath, but rather that I may hate evil to the extent, that I fear to disobey Him and bring His displeasure upon me, or as Paul says: lest by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a cast-away.

Brothers and sisters, when I pursue the scripture on this subject, I hardly know what to bring out next, for the testimony of the servants of God in the scripture are so wonderful: Listen to David,

"The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than fine gold, yea, than much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and the honey comb." Psalms 19-9, 10. Brothers and sisters: Hear what God the Lord has spoken. I will add don't only hear, but listen to the word of God take the counsel of the wonderful man: Paul, and do not be led by the 'vain philosophy' of men. I am afraid I will never get done typing if I follow this subject as it is found in the scripture. Yea, to hate evil is the fear of God.

But some may ask, Bro. Cadman what about First John 4-18 "There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: etc" These are wonderful words, and surely the saints of God shall not live in fear of God's wrath going to be their lot after passing from this stage of action, are they? Note Paul's counsel in Hebrews 12-28 "Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us (the saints of God) have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and GODLY fear."

Paul further says: "But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed." May I say, take note of the testimony of the scripture, and also beware of the philosophy of men. Editor

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the saints there are doing you would like, they always make you happy, you will not feel discouraged among them. A. A. Dick, EDITOR: Note it will be continued. Dick.

### THE LIFE OF JESUS (By Bro. James Heaps)

Just a few lines to the Gospel News, for you can see I am writing on the Life of Jesus. Last letter we saw Him being tempted, now we see Him in the power of the Spirit. John had announced Him as the Messiah. While Jesus was being tempted, the Sanhedrin wanted to know who Jesus was, but John says: I am not Him, I am only a voice. Well any one who starts to build up a kingdom, has to have followers. John said to two of his disciples, behold the Lamb of God. St. John 1-35. And again the next day after John stood, and two of his disci-

ples, and the two disciples heard Him speak and followed Him, and Jesus turned and saw them following Him and said unto them: what seek ye? They said unto Him Rabbi, where dwellest thou? He saith come and see.

Something in this Man's teaching attracted their attention. They inquired of His place of lodging that they might have a private interview with Him, it being about 4 p.m. when they started the conversation with him.

These two men were Andrew of Bethsaida and John the Evangelist. The latter is not positively named in the narrative, but a comparison of statements in John's Gospel makes it quite plain. Of the former we don't have very much except He seems to have a high place among the Apostles. His brother Simon was a more marked character as we shall see. There are various traditions concerning Andrew; he is said to have been crucified on a cross, hence called St. Andrew's Cross. An apocryphal Book called the Acts of Andrew is mentioned by some ancient writers. From the lodging of Jesus with Andrew and John, this was the beginning of a ministry which was to spiritualize the Philosophies of the world.

Here was two men who was seeking after truth with a True and Holy Teacher; as Jesus said later on Blessed are those that seek after righteousness for they shall be filled. From this lodging went forth a power that far excelled the power of Alexander and the Caesars and Napoleons. A third disciple was almost immediately added to this company namely Simon, Andrew's brother. When Andrew left Jesus, he found his brother, and so powerful was the private discourse, that he did not hesitate to declare unto him, we have found the Messiah. Simons temperament was ardent, he probably had been a disciple of John. Jesus said thou art Simon the son of Jona, thou shalt be called Cephas, or a stone. The next day Jesus would go into Galilee and findeth a man called Philip and saith follow Me. There seems to be no hesitation on the part of these followers, and maybe Jesus had met them before at some feast or other. It is quite natural that He knew their characters. Philip was affectionate and kind hearted, John was the beloved disciple, one that leaned on Jesus's breast. Philip

brings another character, his name was Nathaniel—behold an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no guile. Whence knowest thou me: before that Philip called thee, when thou was under the fig tree, I saw thee. Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth, replied Nathaniel. Nazareth was small and insignificant, that he could not expect any good out of Nazareth. Philip said come and see. Nathaniel said you are the Son of God, You are the King of Israel.

Matthew gives us an account of James and John, they were mending their nets. Jesus called them and they left the ship and followed Him. Matthew 9-9 is the calling of Matthew. He was a collector of Customs, The other apostles we will mention in our next letter. Bro. Heaps.

#### LITTLE KATHLEEN ANN HOUGH PASSES ON.

The little daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Benton Hough of Elrama died very sudden on October 9th, was born on August 13, 1955. She was the grand daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John Nagy also of Elrama, and was the great granddaughter of Brother and Sister Cratty late of Monongahela, Pa.

The funeral services were at the Harry Drum Funeral Home at West Elizabeth on October 12th, with brother W. H. Cadman in charge. Music by Marilyn Vancik, singing by Sisters Ethel Crosier and Barbara Mountain. Interment in the Monongahela Cemetery. Little Kathleen Ann was beautifully laid away, and looked as though she had just fallen asleep. May the Lord bless the young parents who have been bereaved of their loved baby, but in their grief, may they think of David of old. For while he could not bring back his child, he praised God that he could go to it. May God bless you all.

#### INFORMATION TO YOU ALL

Brother A. A. Dick of Nigeria, West Africa who spent about four months visiting with the members of The Church of Jesus Christ here in America, set sail on August 29th in New York on his way back home. In a short letter I received from him, he arrived at his home on September 26th. He says he could not write me a long letter, for there was too many people coming to his home asking him lots of questions. He said that

he had a fine trip, and was well and would write to me later.

Leaving his home in Africa and coming to visit us over here from one coast to the other, and returning home again was a long trip. Our prayers have been answered relative to us asking the Lord to care for him on his long journey. Brother Cadman.

#### DOST THOU FEAR GOD?

Ecclesiastes 12-13, 14. "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil."

I fail to see where there is any exception made for any man or class of men, and if Solomon had of feared God as he should have done, he would not have been carried off into the many evils, that is written of him.

Psalms 5-7 David says: "But as for me, I will come into thy house in the multitude of thy mercy: and in thy FEAR will I worship toward thy holy temple." Can any man say that David was worshipping in the fear of God's wrath? I do not think so. Psalms 90-12 David saith unto the Lord, "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." I read that the fear of the Lord is beginning of WISDOM, and David wants wisdom. And in another place David says: "Establish thy word unto thy servant, who is devoted to thy fear." The servant is devoted to the fear of God according to David. While in Psalms 36-1 "The transgression of the wicked saith within my heart, that there is no fear of God before his eyes." Quite a contrast there is between him that is devoted to his God, and him that is devoted to the devil. Paul says, "There is no fear of God before their eyes." Romans 3-18. Then Paul in Philippians 2-12, "Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your salvation with FEAR and TREMBLING." Paul is speaking to his brothers and sister in Christ, undoubtedly giving them good counsell. Then in Second Corinthians 7-1 speaking to his dearly beloved says. "Let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting HOLINESS in the FEAR of the Lord."

May I ask, have some of us become so holy and perfect, that we need not have any fear of the Lord? Let the testimony of the scripture be true, though every man be false. In Ephesians 5-21 Paul exhorts the saints to "Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God." As for me, I cannot help but say, I like these scriptures. They are in so much accord with my own experience—and after all is said and done, The law of God should be written in our hearts and souls, they should be placed therein.

Here is a wonderful verse of scripture in Proverbs 22-4 "By humility and the FEAR of the Lord are riches and honour and life." If you will turn to Isaiah second chapter, you will find an account of unrighteous men going into the holes of the rocks, they shall go into the clefts of the rocks, and the caves of the earth, they shall cast their silver and their gold to the bats, May I ask why? Because the wicked fears the wrath of God. What a contrast. And then to: I read that Job was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil. And the Lord even told the devil that Job was a perfect man, one that feareth Him and none like him in the earth.

Well brothers and sisters, there is no end of testimony of the scripture relative to people of God fearing Him. The opposite is good signs of being lifted up in our own estimation. Let us take the admonition of Peter, he exhorts his brethren to be Holy, and pass the time of your sojourning here in fear. Sincerely

Bro. W. H. Cadman

#### D'AMICO-WHITTON

In a double ring ceremony Sat. Sept. 1, 1956 at the Church of Jesus Christ Branch No. 3 Detroit, Miss Arlene Julia D'Amico daughter of Bro. and Sis. Alfred J. D'Amico became the bride of Mr. Paul Philip Whitton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald M. Whitton of Louisville, Indiana. Bro. Paul D'Amico officiated. Br. Frank Contipianist, Sister Rosealinda Dixon organist and Sister Deloris Thomas soloist provided the nuptial music.

Br. Alfred D'Amico gave his daughter in marriage. The bride wore a white silk organza gown of ballerina length. The maid of honor was Miss Virginia Morley, who was followed by three brides maids.

The predominating flowers of

the wedding were mums.

Mr. Whitton selected Mr. Charles Maggio of Rochester N.Y. cousin of the bride, as his best man.

The couple took a short wedding trip and plan to reside in Detroit, where Mr. Whitton will resume his college studies at Wayne University.

Our very best wishes to the young couple.

Sister Ilene Coppa

#### NEWS FROM FREDONIA MISSION

Dear Brother Editor:

Thought it might be of interest to the Gospel News Readers of the good meetings we had on Sabbath Aug. 26th.

Mary Katherine Klein, daughter of Sister Lillian Love Klein, had previously asked to be baptized. We asked some of the Youngstown brothers to meet with us. Bros. A. A. Corrado, Frank Wooley and Rocco Berardino came over. The morning meeting was held at Bro. and Sister Cadman's home. Bro. Corrado opened the meeting and gave us a very inspiring talk followed by the other brothers. The spirit of God was manifested in our midst.

After lunch we all gathered at the Shenango River at New Hamburg for the baptism. Mary Katherine requested her uncle, Bro. Wm. Love, to baptize her, this he did. All rejoiced in singing praises to God.

Later we met at the home of Bro. and Sister Love for testimonial meeting and Mary Katherine was confirmed by Bro. Corrado. Many good testimonies were given. Everyone felt that it was a day well spent in the service of the Lord.

Bro. Russell Cadman, Bro. and Sister Furnier and Bro. Bittinger returned Friday evening Sept. 14th from a trip to South Dakota where they spent some time among the Lamanite people, they report three baptisms.

Sister Rebekah Love

Dear Bro. Editor:

It has been quite a while since I wrote, but we have had some wonderful Sermons and these are excerpts from them.

On August 12, we were honored with Bro. Dick's presence and were blessed by his Sermon. A lot of us felt so humble to hear a man who has so little, glorify the Gospel with his wonderful words. While a lot of us in this rich land of ours, with all sorts of ma-

terial possessions hesitate and keep putting off obeying the Gospel. Bro. Dick spoke on bringing forth good fruit, and that Salvation is attained by each one of us alone.

He spoke of the work in the schools in Africa, and how very few can graduate because of poverty and crowded conditions. And so it is also with Christ only a few are chosen, for just being a member of the Church of Jesus Christ is not enough.

The fruit of the Spirit is love and joy, for we must love our neighbor as ourselves. The elect must be very careful for the devil can be very deceitful even to the very elect. We Thank you, Br. Dick, for a wonderful Sermon, and with you go our prayers and blessings.

The Apostles labored for the Gospel, without pay. They received persecution, and went through all sorts of hardships. We also must labor without money or gain.

All in all, it was a wonderful day for us.

A few weeks later, we were also blessed with another wonderful Sermon by Brother Frank Wooley, who spoke on faith. He read the 11th chapter of Hebrews.

Then Bro. Dom Bucci followed with the Book of Mormon, on Moroni Chapter 8, concerning the disputation of Baptism. This led to a discussion on Baptism of little children. Little children cannot repent, and the first fruit of repentance is Baptism. Baptism cometh by faith unto fulfilling the commandments, and the fulfilling of the commandments, bringeth remission of sin.

On Sunday, September 30th, our rostrum was occupied by the visiting elders of New Jersey, namely, Bro. Sam Dell, Bro. Buffo, and Bro. Parry.

The Brothers came to wire our new building on the corners of Gibson Street and Marmion Avenue, and they also gave us a wonderful Sermon, besides.

God expects us to be a light unto others, because the things of this earth are left here and what good works we do here will go with us. We all enjoy our spiritual life, and our best with God is not enough. He wants us to make our covenant with him. Repent and be Baptised. And then will we know that Jesus died not in vain. God's work is not for one day but forever. We must prepare today,

because we know not of tomorrow. Let us serve God in health and strength. The good foundation will last forever, with the promise of eternal life.

The Old Testament speaks of one Mediator to come. This same Jesus has plans for you and me. We want to meet him at the resurrection as a Lamb and not as a Lion. Man cannot save your soul, but Jesus can. Very few accept Jesus, but he forgives all. Paul says, gird yourself with the truth, and so now we are listening to this Sermon, one God, one Faith, one Baptism.

Sister Dorothy Damore.

#### 9374 WOODLAWN DETROIT 13, MICH.

Dear bro. Editor:

I heard that you were in Muncey and Branch No. 4 recently, but did not get to see you. I sincerely hope you had an enjoyable time and that you, sister Cadman and the rest of the saints everywhere, are making good progress in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I presume by this bro. Dick has safely landed in Nigeria and we will soon be hearing from him how the work is progressing in that section of the world. Thank God, we here in Detroit are fine, and believe we can say as Paul did in Philippians 3rd. Chapter, part of 13th. and 14th. verses, "Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those which are before, I press forward to the mark for the prize of the High Calling of God in Christ Jesus. I will now detail briefly, my observations in the Church for the five Sundays of this month, and other incidents as I saw them. 1st. Sunday was spent at Branch No. 3, where Bro. Paul Damico delivered a wonderful Sermon on the Resurrection of Lazarus as found in the Gospel according to St. John 11th. Chapter which takes up the most of the Chapter. There was much encouragement to faith in this lesson, but I think part of the 44th. verse, where Jesus said "Loose him and let him go," is the most significant to us. If, after we have obeyed this marvelous Gospel, we live right, in the sight of our Heavenly Father, He will loose us from all earthly bondage and we will be free to do His implicit will. The same day, there was a bro. baptized at branch No. 2, and one also in Windsor. The 2nd. Sunday we spent in Branch No. 2, and Inkster, and heard bro. Dominic,

and Frank Giovannone of Warren, Ohio, deliver two good talks on the 25th. Chapter of Matthew, the subject being the Wise and foolish virgins. The parts that struck me greatly, were the end of the 12th. verse, where the foolish were told, I know you not, and also the 13th verse, Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh. Once we have obeyed the Gospel, it should be our greatest privilege, to live worthy of it, so that when the last day cometh, we may be found at God's right hand, and not be turned down as the foolish virgins were. The 3rd Sunday was spent in Belgian Hall, where we now hold services until our Church Building is sufficiently advanced that we can use it. My talk there was found in Alma 13th. Chapter, 14th. verse to the 20th., also Genesis 14th. Chapter, 18th. 19th. 20th. verses, bro. Concetta Alessandro also speaking on the subject. The lesson in these Books portrays to us that this Melchizedek, King of Salem, also High Priest after the Holy Order of God, being a Holy man of God, blessed Abraham, and received tithes from him, and also preached repentance unto his people who had waxed strong in iniquity, and abomination, and had all gone astray, and were full of all manner of wickedness, and behold they did repent, and Melchizedek did establish peace in the land in his days. Now if this one man of God, was such a potent factor in the hands of God for such a great accomplishment, how much so also, should we with such a great force as we possess, be able to organize, to bring the world to God? The 4th. Sunday, we visited Port Huron and Sarnia, bro. and sister Furnier, had brought back two young sisters, Lilly Mae, and Darlene, from South Dakota, and he followed us in his car into Sarnia. There was great rejoicing to have bro. and sister Furnier, also our young sisters, with us in our meeting, also bro. Domenic Cotellesse, and bro. and sister Burgess. Bro. Furnier introduced our meeting, and spoke on the Parable of the Prodigal Son, as found in the 15th. Chapter of Luke, 11th. verse to the end of the Chapter. Bro. Furnier gave quite a treatise on this lesson which was enjoyed by all. There was good singing by our young sisters from South Dakota in their native tongue, they were also joined by others in Sarnia, doing likewise, with bro. Burgess giving

us a great rendition. I could say this was a well spent day, with the Lord. The last Sunday, Mr. Lloyd Robotham, took my wife and I, also our young sisters from South Dakota to Muncey. Our bro. and sisters there were overjoyed to see them, we also had visiting with us in Muncey, bro. Maness, and Plain from the Sarnia Reservation. It would seem as if there were many good things for us to enjoy in Muncey also. Our lesson in the Sunday School was taught by bro. Anthony Geraci, studying the 29th. and 30th. Chapters of 2nd. Nephi, this brought quite a warm discussion, and every-one seemed to have been benefitted. Our young sisters and bro. Plain sang also in their native tongue, and bro. Reno gave us many renditions, all of which we enjoyed tremendously. I would think these bro. are doing good team-work, in Muncey, May the Lord greatly bless them. When we returned to Detroit, we found that two bro. were baptized in Branch One that Sunday, may God be praised for them. By the time this article is published if all goes well we may be conducting Services in our own Church Building. May God bless one and all. Your bro. in Christ, Matthew T. Miller.

**CHEROKEE, N.C.**  
(Excerpts from Sister  
Molinatto's letter)

Brother Editor:

We just received the latest Gospel News yesterday and we enjoyed it so much. Particularly the article by Bro. Dick regarding the Apostles, Evangelists and Elders. I have had a desire to write for sometime and after reading Bro. Dick's article, feel inspired to do so.

How truly wonderful it is to be in the work of the Lord. We should forget about big modern homes, the latest fashions and making lots of money. The time is swiftly coming near, yet more near, when these things will not matter. Then how sad many will be that they did not awaken sooner, not only the brothers, but the sisters also. Surely there is much work to be done overseas, but there is much to be done here too, among the Lamanites especially. I do believe if the sisters would get behind the brothers, more would go out to do missionary work. As I write I am receiving a wonderful blessing and pray that more of our people will soon be out doing the work of the Lord as they should be.

We are thankful for the part we have chosen and pray that the Lord will continue to be with us. We have several visitors in our meetings and will soon establish another meeting in a widows home. We dearly love these Lamanite people and are looking forward to the day the Lord will touch their hearts and they will make a covenant to serve Him.

We are happy in our new home and pray the Lord will bless my parents for providing it for us. It is just a humble mountain home, but it is our home. Our prayers to be closer to the Reservation have been answered for which we thank God. He has also blessed us with a cow and some chickens, so we will soon be living off the land so to speak, and will be able to devote every day to His work. So we pray that our many sisters in the Church will urge their husbands to go forth. Not just visit the Reservations, but move there and be among them every day, so that they can be taught continuously and not be left without a shepherd.

For surely the evil one will work after the seed is planted. To be among them continuously will make it harder for that one. We know through experience, when a person puts forth a little effort to do God's will, He will open the way and be with you. Remember us in your prayers.

Sister Virginia Molinatto  
R. D. 1 Bryson City, N. C.

P. S. Brother and Sister Molinatto and your little family, there is not many that will pick up and leave their loved ones as you have done to labor in the vineyard of the Lord, and too, to move into a mountainous country among strangers. May the Lord bless you in every way is my prayer. I am afraid that big money and modern structures and homes is having its effects among God's people. Jesus taught His disciples to pray that the Lord would send more labors into the vineyard.

Br. Cadman

**SMOG GUILT ON CIGARETS**

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 3 (AP)—Something else has been blamed for Los Angeles, smog—cigarets. The latest report of the Air Pollution Control District comes up with the calculation that 64,806,230 cigarettes are smoked every day in Los Angeles County. This, the APCD estimates, adds 12 tons of contaminants to the air every day.

So cigarets join backyard incinerators, gasoline refineries, automobiles, and other things on the list of most wanted culprits.

P. S. What terrible conditions are in this world today, and are brought on mostly by mortals stooping so low. Cigaret smoking has gotten to be a curse today, and I hear it said so often, that women are worse than men in the terrible—might I say the terrible plague that has befallen the human family. The apostle Paul has declared that perilous times would come in the last days—and cigarets, strong drink, and the reckless handling of the automobile is certainly playing a big part in making this world a perilous place to live in. And were it not for the faithful words of the prophets concerning days to come, the world might well give up in despair.

The Saviour taught His people to pray: "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven." Jesus surely did not teach His disciples to pray for something that would not be, did He? Read the words of the prophet in Isaiah 65—he says: "There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that has not filled his days. The child shall die an hundred years old" etc. and farther down in the chapter he says: "They shall not build and another inhabit, they shall not plant, and another eat; for as the days of a tree are the days of MY PEOPLE, and mine elect shall LONG ENJOY the work of their hands." And then the prophet concludes in the last verse as follows: "the wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock; and dust shall be the serpents meat. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain saith the Lord." What a change will yet come to pass to the faithful on the earth. Editor

#### ANCIENT CEMETERY FOUND IN BOGOTA

BOGOTA, Colombia, July 15 (AP) — A 500 - year - old cemetery of a vanished Indian civilization has been unearthed near here by workmen digging the foundations for a factory.

Tombs containing 20 skeletons and pottery adorned with gold figures were opened before archeologists took over. The pottery is that of the Chibcha Indians, whose civilization was wiped out by the Spanish conquistadores.

P. S. When one reads the Book of Mormon, the book that the prophet Isaiah says was to come out of the ground, yea it is to whisper to us out of the dust and will be considered as a "Strange Thing", for once a mighty nation of people possessed this land of America before the days of Columbus. The Saviour visited them after He arose from the dead. And now, down in Colombia a 500 year old cemetery, not known by the white man's history, is speaking to us, telling us of a vanished civilization that was once upon this Western Hemisphere. Editor.

#### A TRIP TO MUNCEY, ONT.

At the request of Bro. Reno Bologna of Allen Park, Mich., on Sept. 14th I left my home for Detroit where brother Bologna met me at the R. R. Depot and took me to his home, and from there we left on Sept. 16th for the Muncey Indian Reserve where we spent several days visiting among the Indian people, and attended services in the Church on Sunday, which was very nicely attended to.

Aside from attending Sunday service, we visited a number of homes, homes we had never been in before, and many of the folks we had never met before. We were received in their homes very kindly and we conversed with them concerning The Church of Jesus Christ and our interest in the Indian race of people. We noticed that some of the Indians are building themselves very nice homes. I have been going to this Reservation ever since I made my first trip in 1932, and many changes have taken place. It was the time of the tobacco harvest while we were there and many of the Indians were busy in the fields harvesting tobacco,

and I understand that wages are very good.

Many of the Indians have very poor homes to live in, and the comforts of life are not very abundant. May God bless them—who are outcasts of the wonderful people known as The House of Israel, who were once the chosen people of God, yea, the "Apple Of God's Eye." But while they have been cast off, yet better days are in store for them—and, we hope in the near future.

While spending the major part of our time with the Indian people, we also spent two nights at the home of Sister Barclay and her husband in Mt. Brydges, Also visited brother and sister McGee near Strathroy, also the home of Joseph Van Bree near St. Thomas. Joseph was not at home but we had a nice visit with sister Van Bree and her children. We also spent one evening with sister Gadd in London. She is about 86 years old and is very bright and active for one of her age. She is a good entertainer and we enjoyed the evening with her. On the Reservation we left Sister Nicholas sick in bed. She obeyed the Gospel on our first trip to Muncey in 1932 and is still holding on. Her husband, brother Geo. Nicholas has passed on to his reward.

On returning to Detroit on Sept. 19th we stopped at the Moravian Reservation and visited at the home of Sister Lewis (formerly sister Laird of Brantford, Ont.) She was very glad to have us visit her. We found her very well. We did not meet her husband. Our next stop was at Chatham where we called on a man whom we understood was interested in the church. Our next stop was at Windsor, and then back to Bro. Bologna's home. The next evening I attended a special meeting, at No. 4 Branch, a nice crowd was present. At the close of the meeting, I was taken to the Depot where I boarded a late train for home. I arrived home in time to attend the Ladies Uplift Circle meeting the next day at Glassport, and with a few other brethren, I enjoyed their meeting. We hope our visit to the Muncey Reservation will be of some encouragement to all. Bro. Cadman



# The GOSPEL NEWS

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The Traditional Birthdate Of  
The Saviour Is Near Again, I  
Wish You All A Merry Christmas,  
Brother Cadman.

## THE CHRISTMAS SEASON IS HERE AGAIN.

All hail! the voice of angels  
cries,

The Saviour comes to earth;  
An infant weak in Bethlehem  
lies,

With joy around His birth.  
Glory to God in highest strains,  
On earth good will and peace:  
Let mortal men their voices  
raise,

And sing redeeming grace.  
Veiled in flesh, Messiah comes  
To conquer hell and death;  
The Fathers first and only Son,  
For us resigns His breath.  
With Him the Father freely  
gives

All blessings to enjoy,  
That in His presence saints may  
live,

And praise their tongues employ.  
Communion with their God  
they'll hold,

His will to them revealed,  
His righteousness and truth be-  
hold,

And by His blood be sealed.  
Selected.

## THINK ON THESE THINGS

"And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass,

which the Lord hath made known to us and they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart." Luke 2:8 to 19.

To many, Christmas simply means giving and receiving gifts and a time of festivity. But when we "think on these things" as told by Luke, it means so much more. To God, the Heavenly Father, it meant the giving of His only begotten Son, "For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten son." (John 3:16)

To the shepherds, it was first fear and then rejoicing, as the angel announced the birth of the Saviour, their King.

To the wise men, who no doubt had studied the prophecies, it was a fulfillment of the scripture, "There shall come a Star out of Jacob." They said, "We have seen His star and are come to worship Him." By the guidance of the star they were directed to the home of Joseph and Mary. Here they gave their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, setting an example unto all to give Him our best.

On this land of America the Saviour's birth was announced also. In Helaman 14: 2-6 in the Book of Mormon, Samuel the prophet told of the great lights in heaven at this time. The sun would go down as usual but it would remain as light as noon day. It would be two days and a night but the night would not be darkened. This was to be the night before the Saviour's birth. Another sign, was a new star which was to appear such as they had never beheld. What rejoicing here as well as in Palestine in the birth of this child who was called, Wonderful, Counsellor, Emmanuel, The Rose of Sharon, and The Prince of Peace.

So let us "Think on These Things," the world's first Christmas story, a true story, that never grows old.

Mabel Bickerton

## OUR PILGRIM FELLOWSHIP.

Contributed by Sister Hanna  
We have a fellowship to keep,  
With Pilgrims of the past,  
Who sailed the Mayflower o'er  
the deep

With faith and courage vast.  
They were our Pilgrim Pioneers  
Of strong and sturdy stock  
Whose names are honored  
through the years,  
Enshrined at Plymouth Rock.  
These Pilgrims died, but not be-  
fore

They won the Pilgrims goal,  
And left to mankind evermore,  
Rich heritage of soul.

To honor them is our great gain,  
And to our God we pray  
That we may follow in their  
train

As Pilgrims of today. Selected.

## WON'T YOU COME HOME?

As I was about to retire for the night, and my heart being full of desire to know more about our Lord's works, that I may be able to teach His Gospel to all who would hear, I knelt by my bedside and asked my Lord to educate me to his teachings while I went about my work or even while I slept.

As I lay on my bed in deep meditation over our branch and the wonderful things of God, the words of one of our hymns came to me, "Won't you come back home." With these words I saw, as a vision, little children being alive in Christ, in the Father's house and I saw how the Father loved them so very much, but I also saw these children reach the age of accountability and one by one they left the house of the Father. Some traveled far from home and some traveled a short way, but each when they reached this age, left the wonderful home of the Father.

Then I saw the Father begin to miss his children because He loved them so very much. I saw Him go to the door of their home and call with a loud clear voice — "Wont You Come Back Home, your father dearly loves you, Won't you come back home?" He calls again and again. The children hear the Father's voice and are touched to the very center by His sweet loving call. We see some start back home at the very

first call. And as the Father keeps calling, they follow the voice. By and by, they reach home and fall before the Father in repentance and humbleness and say — "Oh Father forgive me." He answers and says "All shall be forgiven, since you have come back home." Then we see others that also hear and are touched also to the heart, and are filled with repentance and a desire to go back home once again, to be in the loving presence of the Father.

But each time the Father calls, Wait! Wait!" The Fathers pleading call comes again and again. Each time another said "Wait! Wait! Wait! and by and by the voice of the Father quits Calling, and a great fear comes over those that have waited too long, and have listened to the voice that said "Wait! Wait! Wait!"

As they try to find their way back home they become lost because they don't have the Father's voice to guide them as the other children did that harkened to the first call and followed the Master's voice, until they reached the safety of the Father's house

By Bro. Bud Martin,  
Roscoe, Pa.

#### First Step to Salvation

By Bro. A. A. Dick

Attention please — Before you can gain salvation for your soul you must be baptized for the remission of your sins, then the laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Ghost. While on this step or on other steps build yourself up with God in prayer, if not, the enemy of our souls will ensnare you. He always make a big promise which he will not do.

The devil taketh Jesus up into an exceeding high mountain and sheweth Him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them. and saith unto Him, all these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. Brothers and Sisters what makes the devil to do this? It is because of that voice, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." Note, the devil will not be pleased to hear good of you, but bad of you, soon as you obey the gospel He will be against you. Therefore, prepare yourself as a pilot, be sure of his aeroplane before he take it up. Righteous men must be in company with righteous men. The wicked man in company with wicked

men.

When you obey the gospel, bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance, if not, it will not be of any good to you.

You must have a change in your life. Live a Godly life, show an example to others. Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. Go back to the Law of the Old Testament — "The ten commandments", always remember them, keep them holy. Also go to the laws of Christ in the New Testament, always remember them, keep them holy. Love your neighbor as thy self. Do not be deceived, many are in hope that they will be saved, because they have kept the laws. What of fornication which is made so common. If you can remain holy in all your life you will be blessed and heaven will be open unto you. If you while in the first step, you can keep all the commandments while in the first step, you will be able for the other steps. Have change in your life, Live a Godly Life. Do not allow the world to condemn the Church because of you.

#### POEM

By Sister Nastasia

When Jesus calls me from all cares,

There is love within my soul;  
Without His help I could not bear

That which cannot be told.  
It is the splendor of His face,  
That cheers my weary heart;  
That splendor for me it is grace  
My soul from cares doth part.  
O how I need His love divine,  
To help me on with life;  
For there is something at all times,

For grace I seek and strive.  
From morn till night, day in and out,

I bear my toils here below;  
And many times I doubt and fear

To know if Jesus hears.  
O Jesus! Thou alone can pray,  
And intercede for me,  
My name before the Father lay  
And let my soul be free.

#### SIRS I WOULD SEE JESUS

By Brother Heaps

Dear Editor:

There are so many things in the life of Jesus, that we could write

about, but one miracle is outstanding in my mind this morning. And that is the cleansing of the leper. Leprosy is a type of sin, it is a most horrible disease and all the details of its symptoms and effects strike our imaginations most painfully. It is a special scourge of the east, perhaps it was mentioned first in the Books of Moses. The dryness and hotness of Egypt and Syria, and unwholesome diet and personal uncleanness could generate this disease. There are several forms of this dreadful disease, it must have been contagious, for under the law of Moses, they were put out of the camp. They were separated from their wives and children, having no company, except of the sufferers like themselves. The children of leprosy parents may be sweet and bright and beautiful, but just as certain as it lives, it will begin to show signs of this horrible disease. The symptoms and effects of the disease are very loathsome. There comes a white swelling with a change of the color of the hair, from its natural to yellow. Then the appearance of raw flesh then it spreads and attacks the body: nails loosen and drop off. The gums are absorbed, teeth decay and fall out, the breath is stench. the nose decays, fingers, hands, feet may be lost, the eyes drop out. The human beauty has gone into corruption, and the patient feels that he is being eaten as by a fiend, who consumes him slowly in a long remorseless meal, that will not end until he is destroyed.

As any one approaches him, he must cry out "unclean, unclean". He must abandon wife and children. He must dwell in dismantled houses, or in the tombs. He is a dreadful palpable of death. In Lev. 13-45 he was compelled as he were mourning for his own death. The rent garments, and to keep his head bare, and his lips covered, as was the tradition of those who were mourning for the dead. The Jews believed that it was inflicted by Jehovah as a punishment for sin, and that only God could heal it. It was brought upon Miriam for her actions against Moses, and God healed her through the prayer of Moses. When Naaman was cured, his flesh came back like that of a little child, he said "now I know that there is no God in all the earth but in Israel. While the law tells us about the disease, it tells us of the law of his cleansing. It was a bird with a blood dipped

wing Lev. 14-4. Then shall the priest take two birds alive and clean. One bird shall be killed in an earthen vessel of over running water, and the other bird shall be dipped in the water and the blood, and sprinkle the leper seven times and shall let the living bird loose to fly into the heavens.

What a type and shadow of Jesus in an earthen vessel—"and out of His side came blood and water." Heb. 9-13,14, for if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of an Heifer sprinkling the unclean sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ who through the eternal spirit offered Himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God. Sin must be blotted out. It cannot be covered or it will spread like leprosy. The bird that was let loose, why seek ye the living among the dead, He is not here, He is risen. Heb. 9-23,24. It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in heaven should be purified with these, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these, for Christ is not entered into the Holy Place made with hands which are the figures of the true, but into heaven itself.

Sin like leprosy spreads. We are living in a big city, thousands of young men and women just get a taste of sin and soon it spreads into the inner part of the body. We have been down on Skid Row that once were Doctors, Lawyers, and other business men. Now the heart is calloused, the mark of sin is all over them. Every other store is a Pawn Shop where these men pawn their watches, rings, shoes, hats and every thing they can spare, to buy liquor. O they need a Saviour, like the leper they are separated from wife and children, from home and friends without God in the world.

Jesus said they that are whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. Such was the leper in the days of Jesus stricken, smitten of God and afflicted, no one sat by his couch to comfort him, no hand touched his brow with cooling moisture, no kiss of love ever distilled itself on his lips, A poor wretch corroded with leprosy, had heard of the power and goodness of Jesus. Whose reputation had come down among the out casts of the tombs. He came near the Wonder Worker, and kneeled and fell on his face with faith to believe and said: if thou

wilt, thou canst make me clean, and Jesus reached forth and touched his fevered brow and said, I WILL BE THOU CLEAN, go show yourself to the priest. Then back to his wife and children—what a meeting! My brothers and sisters Don't grumble or complain, our little afflictions tho painful at present, ere long with the righteous in glory will end.

#### WARREN, OHIO SEPT. 12, 1956

Dear Editor:

On Sept. 2 1956 The saints of Warren and Niles met together in our Church in Warren, also a few were present from Lorain. Brother Samuel Casterella was our first speaker and was followed by Brothers Joseph and Frank Genaro all of Niles. Brother Frank attested the fact that we should have "consideration" for one another. (very good indeed, Editor).

The afternoon meeting was opened by Brother Joseph Genaro, and a number of testimonies were given and enjoyed, and a very good spirit prevailed throughout the day. One child was blessed and sacrament was administered to all the brothers and sisters. We all felt that it was good to spend the day together in the service of God.

By Sisters Jean and Betty Genaro.

#### SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, CALIF.

Dear Editor:

A few lines to let you know how we are getting along here in the San Fernando Valley Branch of the Church. We are having wonderful meetings and enjoying God's blessings. The past three weeks we have had fasting and prayer every day. We realize the need of God's gifts and manifestations in our midst. So we are calling upon the Lord that He may bless us with the gifts. We have already felt that He is pleased and we trust that He will grant unto us according to His will and pleasure.

We have had many brothers and sisters visit us from different parts of the country and enjoyed having them in our midst. We had one baptism since our dedication, Bro. Peter Ferante, son of Bro. Ferante of Detroit. The Lord was in our midst the day he was baptized. At the end of the meeting we formed a circle and Bro. Jim Lovalvo offered prayer, the spirit of God was felt by us all.

We are happy to say that we organized the Ladies Uplift Circle in our Branch and are enjoying the blessings of God.

We enjoy reading the many letters and articles in the Gospel News. It is good to know about our brothers and sisters from the different Branches of the Church.  
Sister Grace Brutz

#### HELMSMAN & THE SHIP

I see three helmsmen on a ship  
Who truly their Captain obey.

I see twelve others giving a hand,

Charting and mapping the way.  
Seventy others I see and behold.  
The load and the balance they check.

There are trimmers of sails who work at the mast,

And patchers and menders on deck.

Then there are those whose duties are small,

Yet an officer each, I am sure.  
It takes every one to handle this ship,

To move Her, and help Her endure.

But where are the rest? The rest of the Saints,

Are they just travelers of ease?  
Nay! They're the sails of this great ship,

To waft Her over the seas.  
"The Ship is slow", the Captain says.

"No creak of the masts I hear."  
Are all the sails unfurled?" He asks,

"To bear us to yonder pier?"  
"You trimmers of the sails, beware,

And do your duty right,  
Lest an unexpected storm arise  
And sweep you off in the night"

"To you whose duty is to mend,  
Never leave one breach,  
That other sails may courage take  
And honor what you teach."

"Now billow out ye Gospel sails  
With the winds of Whispering Hope.

Fill yourselves with faithful breezes,  
And tug and strain on your rope."  
"You have no other way to go,  
You cut your pattern clear.

If you don't want to push this ship,  
Then what are you doing here?"

"There are other ships of lesser worth

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### EDITORIAL

As I get older many things of the past, and especially in the far distant past, arise so fresh in my mind, and not only in things that pertain to ones spiritual life, but in natural things as well. And, in matters that would come up before me in my youthful days that I did not understand, I would seek for information from some reliable source.

I use to wonder at the many terms I would hear the Lord referred to. I would hear the terms as: God, Jehovah, I am. The God of Isaac and Jacob. etc. And then I would hear the name: Jesus Christ, The Lamb of God, The Son of God, The Son of Man, the Saviour the Redeemer, the Carpenters Son and many other terms or titles in which the Saviour of the world is referred to. These things more or less troubled my mind in my youth, until I searched the scripture and learned that these various titles had reference to two persons namely the Father and the Son. I cleared my mind on these things from a scriptural stand-point, and of course I was always taught that the Bible was the word of God, and, I teach the same thing myself in my endeavors to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The term Israel, caused much concern to me as well. I would hear the term Israel, the House of Israel, the twelve tribes of Israel, the lost tribes of Israel, the kingdom of Israel, the kingdom of Judah, yet Judah was of Israel. the remnants of Israel, and then I would hear of Jacob referred to as Israel. Well these things troubled my mind when I was quite young. So I delved into the scripture and I learned that the first time the term Israel was used in the scripture, was when Jacobs name was changed to Israel. see Genesis 32, 28. Well I soon got this matter cleared up in my mind. Jacob was now known by the name of Israel. It was now plain to me. Jacob was the father of twelve sons and all these boys

married and had children, hence the twelve sons became the fathers of twelve families, later known as the twelve tribes of Israel, all of them, the posterity of Jacob whose name was changed to Israel. They became known as the kingdom Israel, and Saul was their first king. Through wars and strife they became divided into two kingdoms, known as Israel and Judah. Because of wickedness, ten tribes became lost, and Israel became scattered to all parts of the world. To my young brothers and sisters, the word of God cleared these things up to me when I was yet very young. My parents taught me to believe the Bible to be the word of God, many preachers have taught me the same thing— and here I am, about to celebrate my 80th birth-day, and I am teaching the Bible to be the word of God. I seem to have been inoculated with the same spirit.

There was another matter troubled my mind when I was very young, and I remember of asking my father about the instance. I would hear so much about the world going to stand for six thousand years, and the seventh thousand would be the great Sabbath year. I could not find anything like that in God's word. I would hear it in the church and out of the church, and not being able to satisfy myself in the scripture on the matter. I was very young, and I ask my father about it. He answered me thus—that it was "supposed" because it took the Lord six days to create the world and the seventh day was the sabbath, that the world would last six thousand years, and the seventh thousand year would be the sabbath. My father said it was SUPPOSED to be. In other words all this predicting the world to stand six thousand years is based on supposition, and not on the word of God. That spirit has been rampant in the Christian world, and has also crept into people of the Restoration. Time, is a matter that many men has gone astray on. The word of God teaches me that from Abraham to David and on to the birth of Christ was 42 generations, allowing another 14 from Adam to Abraham or more if we wish, it would still be less than one hundred generations from Adam to Christ. When I go into the word of God to satisfy my mind as I did in my youth, I read in Deut. 7-9 Also in Psalms 105-8 and then in First Chron. of Him (God) commanding his word to a thousand generations. And

from Adam until our present time. is, indeed a very small fraction of a thousand generations. Yet the word of God declares that His commandments will go to a thousand generations. Yea, well as one of the writers said, a thousand years is as one day, and a day as a thousand years with the Lord. Editor.

### NOTICE

PLEASE —Do not forget the request of Conference relative, to helping us financially in buying the property in Wakpala South Dakota. It will serve as meeting place for our Indian people as well as a housing place for our Missionary Workers who go out there to labour among the Indian people. We ask all of you to do the best you can and may the Lord bless you. Send your offerings to The Church of Jesus Christ, Box 72 Monongahela, Pa. And thank you. Bro. Cadman.

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Sailing about on the seas.  
Would you be equally satisfied.  
To drive for one of these?"

"No! We're on a ship, a Capital Ship,  
With armor and steerage divine.  
We'll give You our all, O Master and Friend,  
And put Her first in the line."  
"First is the place where She should be,  
Our Captian's the Beginning, the End.  
He'll guide us on to a nobler voyage  
When the curtains of Time descend."

Brother Jonathan Molinatto

### COLUMBUS HAD FAITH

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS

I AM glad that Columbus Day is celebrated each year in America. Its one great lesson emphasizes the fact that we should never give up.

Columbus believed and had faith and courage, but the significance of his objective was fortunately screened from his eyes.

That poem by Joaquin Miller called "Columbus" has always been a favorite of mine. If Miller had written no other poem, this would have been sufficient to assure him lasting fame. I will only quote one brief statement:

"He gained a world; he gave that world its grandest lesson:  
"On! Sail on!"

Columbus had only three frail ships with which he sailed out into the watery expanse of the Atlantic Ocean. It took all the will and courage he possessed to keep his crew in line.

For 18 years he lived through a time of discouragement and apparent failure, until finally Queen Isabella came to his rescue and enabled him to put his ideas to the test.

He had the faith, and kept it. He had the will and used it.

#### DETROIT, MICH.

Dear Bro. Editor:

I shall endeavour to give you a write-up of our beloved bro. Nicolo V. Cotellesse (beloved husband of Mary, dear father of four sons, Dominic, James, Peter, Nick, and daughter Rose, 10 Grand Children, and other relatives) Funeral Service. He departed this life Oct. 10th. 1956, and was taken to Charles H. Nixon Funeral Home, Lincoln Park, Mich. until Monday Oct. 15th. In State at the Church of Jesus Christ, 2736 South Electric St. 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Service was introduced, with Sister Annie Carlini at the Piano, and a Choir of young sisters, singing very melodiously, quite a few chosen selections. First hymn, When I am Gone. Prayer was offered by Bro. Matthew Miller, Bro. Dominic Thomas read Statistic regarding his birth, departure, when baptized etc. etc., and gave us a fine talk on several passages of Scripture, Particularly, Luke 6th. Chapter, 43rd. through 45th. verses. Extemporating on our bros life, comparing it to a good tree, bringing in many inspirational thoughts of how he had lived and walked among the children of men almost perfectly, since yielding obedience to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and departing this life in the full ardor of a life designated to the service of God, a credit to his God, his family, and all whom he came in contact with in this life. All listening to our bro., felt wonderfully blessed. Bro. Joseph Bologna, spoke in the Italian tongue, a good spirit accompanying. We join the bereaved in utmost sympathy, may God abundantly bless one and all of us. Your bro. in Christ, Matthew T. Miller.

#### Theresa Margoire PASSES ON.

Sister Theresa Margoire of Brooklyn, New York Mission No. 1 died on October 13, 1956 sudden-

ly. Funeral services were held October 16, 1956 from the No. 1 Brooklyn Mission. Brothers Joseph Benyola, Gabriel Mazzeo and Rocco Ensana officiated at the ceremony.

Sister Margoire leaves to mourn her passing her husband, Vincent, and 7 children. She has been a member of the Church of Jesus Christ since October 1928 and a Deaconess for the past 20 years. Her testimony has always been that the Church was first in her life. Her life was filled with charitable deeds. We extend sympathy to her husband and family.

#### TAKEN FROM OUR CHURCH HISTORY

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(By our late President Cherry)

The birthplace of the Bickerton organization of The Church of Jesus Christ has been talked of by a great number of Saints of late years, so at the close of the 4th annual conference of said organization, the president, (Alexander Cherry) secretary and Evangelist Charles Ashton, Sisters Mary Ashton, Drusilla Gollick, and Bertha Ashton, paid a visit to that sacred spot, Tuesday July 9, 1907.

The lot where the old church stood is possessed by the P. McK. R.R. It took us about thirty minutes to find the old foundation. We made some inquiries of people living close by, but they could not give us any information as they did not know of a church being there. The foundation was clearly covered with debris of one kind or another.

We found it a little after eleven o'clock and when we stood gazing at the walls of the once honored and never-to-be-forgotten spot, where God spoke to our ancient brethren to ordain and set apart twelve Apostles, to be His special witnesses of this dispensation, we felt at that moment to sing: "What are these arrayed in white, brighter than the noon-day sun," We felt that we were standing on holy ground. We felt as if the spirits of our brethren were present to bid us welcome. We then bowed in solemn prayer and oh what a calm and holy peace in our souls that time will never erase from our memory. And, oh, how we felt the responsibility that rests upon us as their successors. We then sang a hymn and concluded we would have something to eat at this time. The sisters then prepared a lunch which was appetizing and we ate with a relish, thanking God for all things, and

especially for the privilege of being there.

Forty five years have brought many changes with man, but we found that God who set His church in order forty-five years previous, had not changed, as we felt his glory rest upon us; so much so, we did not want the silence broken, and tears coursed down our cheeks with that joy that is unspeakable and full of glory. Many happy reminiscences came into our minds, one at the time in 1863 when the ferry boat was filled with Saints and was about midway on the river when a terrible hurricane struck the boat, and the people on the banks crying and shouting: "all will be lost." Then the brethren began to sing that good old hymn: "Fear not brethren, lo 'tis Jesus holds the helm and guides the ship." Brother Gerge Barnes standing on shore asked God to rebuke the wind which immediately took place and the river became calm at once. Then in 1867 when the quorum of three, President Bickerton and his counsellors and President Wm. Cadman with his quorum of twelve Apostles and the quorum of Evangelists, as they formed in a circle at the close of conference to ask the blessings of God on the different quorums by each one of the presidents, The glory of God filled the building and many sinners cried out: "what shall we do to be saved?"

These were happy memories to us as we stood there thinking of the faithful men, such as Wm. Bickerton, Wm. Cadman, John Caldwell, James Nichols, B. F. Meadowcroft, Wm. Skillen, Cummins Cherry, Charles Brown, Arthur Bickerton, John Ashton and many others who had stood forty-five years before on the banks singing that grand old hymn: "Jesus mighty King in Zion, Thou alone our guide shall be and that they were no longer with us, but seemed to beckon us on and whisper in our ears: "be faithful." Then we turned our faces away with sadness at parting from such a holy place. All we could say was "Good bye until we meet again."

P.S. The Church was organized in July of 1862 in our newly built church on the bank of the Yougheny River at Green Oak, Pa., not far from McKeesport. It is now 94 years ago, and of course was before my birth into this world. My father and mother were among those that were on the boat that is spoken of in the

above article. Oft times did I hear my parents speak of the matter, and as I remember, it was my father that started that old hymn: "Fear not brethren, Lo 'tis Jesus holds the helm and guides the ship." The news were carried down the river, that a flat load of Mormons were drowned. But the boat with all its passengers came safe to land. This is a story that I heard my parents verify many times in my youth. Editor

#### Second Inaugural Address By Abraham Lincoln

Fellow Countrymen: At this second appearing to take the oath of the Presidential office, there is less occasion for an extended address than there was at the first. Then a statement, somewhat in detail, of a course to be pursued seemed fitting and proper. Now at the expiration of four years, during which public declarations have been constantly called forth on every point and phase of the great contest which still absorbs the attention and engrosses the energies of the nation, little that is new could be presented. The progress of our arms, upon which all else chiefly depends, is as well known to the public as to myself; and it is, I trust, reasonably, satisfactory and encouraging to all. With high hope for the future, no prediction in regard to it is ventured.

On the occasion corresponding to this four years ago, all thoughts were anxiously directed to an impending civil war. All dreaded it — all sought to avert it. While the inaugural address was being delivered from this place, devoted altogether to saving the Union without war, insurgent agents were in the city seeking to destroy it without war—seeking to dissolve the Union, and divide effects, by negotiation. Both parties deprecated war; but one of them would make war rather than let the nation survive; and the other would accept war rather than let it perish. And the war came.

One-eighth of the whole population were colored slaves, not distributed generally over the Union, but localized in the Southern part of it. These slaves constituted a peculiar and powerful interest. All knew that this interest was, somehow, the cause of the war. To strengthen, perpetuate, and extend this interest was the object for which the insurgents would rend the Union, even by war; while the Government claimed no right to do more

than to restrict the territorial enlargement of it. Neither party expected for the war the magnitude nor the duration which it has already attained. Neither anticipated that the cause of the conflict might cease with, nor even before, conflict should cease. Each looked for an easier triumph, and a result less fundamental and astounding. Both read the same Bible, and pray to the same God; and each invokes His aid against the other. It may seem strange that any men should dare to ask a just God's assistance in warring their bread from the sweat of other men's faces; but let us judge not, that we be not judged. The prayers of both could not be answered—that of neither has been answered fully. The Almighty has his own purposes. "Woe unto the world because of offenses! for it must needs be that offenses come; but we know to that man by whom the offense cometh." If we shall suppose that American slavery is one of those offenses which, in the providence of God, must needs come, but which, having continued through His appointed time, He now wills to remove, and that He gives to both North and South this terrible war, as the woe due to those by whom the offense came, shall we discern therein any departure from those divine attributes which the believers in a living God always ascribe to Him? Fondly do we hope — fervently do we pray — that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away. Yet if God wills that it should continue until all the wealth piled up the bondman's two hundred and fifty years of unrequited toil shall be sunk, and until every drop of blood drawn with the lash shall be paid by another drawn with the sword, as was said three thousand years ago, so still it must be said, "The judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether."

With malice toward none, with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive to finish the work we are in: to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphan to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves, and with all nations.

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O look on the fields that already are white,  
For the Lord hath commanded

to walk in the Light;

But beware lest instead of the Bright golden sheaves,

That we bring to Him only a hand full of leaves.

#### WORDS OF MORONI

Moroni's words in Mormon 8th chapt, beginning at verse 35. — "Behold I speak unto you (Gentiles) as if ye were present, and yet ye are not. But behold, Jesus Christ hath shown you unto me, and I know your doing. And I know that ye do walk in the pride of your hearts; and there are none save a few only who do not lift themselves up in the pride of their hearts, unto the wearing of very fine apparel, unto envying, and strifes, and malice, and persecutions, and all manner of iniquities, and your churches, yea, even every one, have become polluted because of the pride of your hearts. For Behold, ye do love money, and your substance and your fine apparel, and the adorning of your churches, more than ye love the poor and the needy, the sick and the afflicted. O ye pollutions, ye hypocrites, ye teachers, who sell yourselves for that which will canker, why have ye polluted the holy church of God? Why are ye ashamed to take upon you the name of Christ? Why do ye not think that greater is the value of an endless happiness than that misery which never dies—because of the praise of the world?"

P.S. While this has reference to the Gentiles at large, it would be well for all Gentiles who are believers in the Restored Gospel, to be careful, lest they become guilty of these things themselves. Editor.

#### LORAIN, OHIO

One morning as I awoke, I remembered I had made a promise, and quickly thought of, when God makes a promise he keeps it, and we are as he after baptized, we must "Be Holy as He," therefore I thought, So must I. That same evening these words came to me before returning to bed:

"BE YE HOLY AS I AM"  
Jesus Baptized us and an example did set,

So Must I.  
Jesus obeyed all God's commandments.

So must I.  
Jesus did as a light shine to all,  
So Must I.

Jesus told others of his father's love,

So Must I.



Jesus believed all his father's  
promises,  
So Must I.  
Jesus despised evil in all its ap-  
pearance,  
So Must I.  
Jesus loved the Father and all  
His ways,  
So Must I..  
Jesus loved all mankind,  
So Must I.  
Jesus suffered all things for "Gos-  
pel" sake,  
So Must I.  
Jesus to the end endured,  
So Must I.  
Jesus to His Father's mansion  
ascended,  
So Must I..  
Jesus a command gave us all:  
"Be Ye Holy as I am"  
So Must I.  
Amen — Praise God forever.  
Sister Rosemary DeFoggie

**Methodist Do Not Believe  
Second Coming of Christ**

Cincinnati — In the eighth of a series of articles on "What Do Methodists Believe?" published in the Christian Advocate, official organ of the Methodist Church, Dr. Walter G. Muelder, Dean of Methodism's Boston University, makes it clear that he does not believe in the personal, visible return of Jesus Christ to earth. In this denial, Muelder admits that the early Christians and the New Testament writers believed in the return of Jesus in bodily form. He also admits "that Jesus himself may have had expectations which were not fulfilled in the exact form in which he is reported to have entertained them." Instead of believing in the return of Christ in the way Christ and the early Christian Church taught it, Methodists regard "the second coming of Jesus" as meaning "that Christ is Lord of all, that divine love will win out and that victory over evil will be complete." Dr. Muelder is highly critical of the language of the reports of the World Council on this theme, declaring that liberal churchmen want "a frank statement" distinguishing fundamentalist views of "the second coming" and the disappointed expectation of early Christians from the deeper values and truths of the Christian hope. Copied from "Action." January 15, 1956.

This is strange to me for I have never read before that the Methodist Church did not believe in the literal second coming of Jesus Christ back to earth again. Editor.

**FROM THE SUNDAY DIGEST**

You need not scoff at the Church because it contains so many sinners. If it contained nothing but saints there might be no room for you. The Christian Church was founded for sinners in the first place, and unless you are a saint, you need it.

By H. N. Nimmo

**NOTICE**

The Ladies Uplift Circle will meet in their General Meeting on December 15th at the home of Sister Cadman in Monongahela. The meeting will begin at 10 a. m.

Salina, Kansas  
Oct. 7, 1956

On September 1, 1956 Bro. Joseph Lovalvo, his wife, his daughters Rose and Sharon, his son Leonard, and also his nephew Leonard James Lovalvo all of California arrived in St. John, Kans. Everyone here had been anxiously waiting and looking forward to their visit.

We had 43 people in our Sunday Morning service, and it was good to see our little church so full. Among them in attendance were John Nicosia of Los Angeles California, all members and several visitors from Lincoln, Kansas and the Salina group.

Our fellowship meeting began at 2:00 p.m. and a wonderful spirit was felt by all. There were some beautiful testimonies given and the love of God was surely present in each of our hearts. Three children were brought forth for blessings in this meeting.

The following day was Labor Day and a holiday for most of us. We all went to Lincoln, Kans. for Monday evening service. We had another wonderful meeting with Bro. Lovalvo's fine preaching on the latter days. We drove to Salina late that night with Bro. Lovalvo and family accompanying us.

They drove from Salina to Wichita the next day and enjoyed visiting Bro. Jones and his family. They held evening service in Bro. Jones home that night. On Wednesday evening everyone met at St. John church for our last night with Bro. Lovalvo and his family, as they left early the next morning for California. May the Lord bless all of them for their efforts and sacrifices to spend these four days with us. We, the saints here in Kansas, send our thanks to Bro. Lovalvo and his

family for the spiritual food and help they left with us.

Bro. Wm. Cox.

**GARDEN GROVE,  
CALIF.**

Dear Editor:

We praise in the name of Jesus with a thanking heart He gives us daily. And today my thought came upon you and Sister Cadman: May the Good Lord grant you both what the deepest desire is in your hearts and may this letter find you both basking in His wonderful love.

We, the saints in the west are doing hourly chain of prayers and the Lord has shown the fruits of our prayers. Why only yesterday while in travailing prayer on my hour, the Lord Jesus appeared to me. I saw Him as He was when He lived on earth. I saw He had a white gown with a blue (color of the sky) over the white and as I watched Him, my head went down to His feet, how His sandaled feet were troding the ground so gracefully, His feet looked so beautiful, still in that hard ground He walked and walked and the thought came to me: How fortunate our Ministry is, that they have cars to do the work that Jesus did on foot. It was a beautiful vision and the Spirit burst my heart — I seen Jesus walking back on earth in 1956, or before they counted time.

I continued my prayers and when done, a few minutes later, in walked Brother and Sister Bufa. While setting at the table luncheon, the occasion fit in to tell them of the experience I had. Under the spirit Brother Bufa knew it was from God. We all knelt down to pray and give God the glory. God is showing us the way to go forth and bring the glad tidings to the world as He did in Jerusalem. The chain of prayers are the purpose of the poor in spirit, to uplift the young and to bless our Ministers to go forth. Does He still speak? Yes, He speaks, even to come and show us how He walked the hard earth in sandals. I had no intent to tell this, but without control I wrote it. I believe its God's way of doing things.

Sister Mary Spata

Detroit, Michigan

October 26,

Dear Editor,

The Brothers and Sisters of branch No. 4 were all very happy to see our Brother Tony Gerace

ordained an elder. It is always a joyful occasion when one of our members has taken a step forward in the service of our beloved God, and we attended the morning service hopefully anticipating our heavenly Father's blessings. The feeling inspired us to lift our voices in song praising God's name and we were led by Brother Frank Vitto to sing several Hymns. As we sang our Brother and Sister Collison, from Windsor, joined us in our meeting and we were all happy to see them arrive.

Brother Vitto then opened our meeting in prayer calling upon God to be our guide through this day and also to remember our sick Sister Mazzio who is in the hospital.

Brother Dominic Moraco spoke followed by Brother Collison and their theme was the challenge of God's people and how our works must be strong and true for all to see. Our plea to others is to come and see but you cannot tell how sweet is the love of God until you taste of it for yourselves. Brother Gorie Ciaravino closed our morning meeting in prayer.

We returned to our afternoon meeting and the consoling service of feet-washing. Brother Tony Gerace opened our meeting, he spoke on a chapter from Mosiah concerning the fact that having come to the knowledge of the glory of God we can better realize our own nothingness and show our humility by our works.

After sacrament was passed Bro. Dominic Moroco gave us a brief explanation of humility in feet-washing and we proceeded with the ordinance. Brother Collison represented the ministry in washing Brother Gerace's feet and a prayer was offered by Brother Vitto. The elders anointed Brother Gerace and he was confirmed in prayer by Brother Dominic Moraco.

Our Sister Fera, who had been ill, asked to be anointed and our newly ordained elder offered prayer in her behalf with such great fervor we could feel the vibration in our hearts. May God grant him strength and courage is our humble prayer.

Brother Ciaravino asked God's dismissing blessing in another beautiful Sunday meeting.

Sister Betty Capone.

May 13, 1956  
Roscoe, Penna.

Dear Brother Editor,

My mind today has been much taken up with the men of God of long ago, and how even today, many hundreds of years later we can still feel the tie and love for these brothers, as we read over the scriptures and our mind is somewhat led out in how each of us is drawn to a different man of God of old, as being closer to us than the rest. When we think along these lines we always think of Brother Waltz's love for the Brother of Jared and though we know the brother of Jared was a wonderful man of God with so much faith that our Lord could not keep anything from him. Yet to me I've always been closer drawn to one, who to me there seems so little written about, but even his name fills my heart and soul with humility. I refer to Stephen, who I believe lived so much like our Lord and Savior, as the scriptures describe him being full of faith and the Holy Ghost, and when he was brought before the Council by false witnesses, all that sat in the Council saw his face as the face of an Angel. Surely this must have been the condition also when our Savior was brought before Pilate, and like our Savior also, when his time was come, and they began to stone him. He cried to the Lord to receive his spirit and he kneeled down and cried to the Lord to lay not this sin to their charge, having forgiveness towards his enemies, as our Savior did when he cried out on the cross, "Forgive them Father, they know not what they do," this man, so much like our dear Savior, to me I believe this is why I am drawn so much to Stephen, and I believe every Saint today, without knowing it, has the same desire to be like Stephen, Full of Faith, Full of the Holy Ghost, and a love so great that we could ask our Lord to forgive our enemies and to lay no sin to their charge. This is the life we all would like to live and may God help us in our prayer that we too, may become as Stephen, pleasing in the eyes of our Lord.

Brother Bud Martin  
Roscoe, Penna.

#### A NEW COMMANDMENT

I feel the need to kneel and pray,

And ask my God, this weary way  
No, not for riches, not for gold.  
No, not for health or wealth, untold,  
Not for forgiveness shall I plead.  
For this, how well He knows, I need.  
Not at this time shall I implore.  
'MY faith, my hope, wilt Thou restore';  
This time I shall not ask of Him:  
Bless my beloved: Grant a whim  
This time my ardent prayer shall be.  
For grace to love mine enemy.  
Catherine Poma

#### NEWS ITEMS

In a letter from Sister Fisher of New Jersey written on October 14, 1956 she says, they had a wonderful day in their place of worship. Brother Sam Dells son and also the youngest son of Brother Patsy Rogolino were both baptized, also three young brethren were ordained Elders. We attended to the ordinance of washing feet, and our sisters from Asbury Park, and Freehold, N.J. were with us. Our Church was filled up. Good news sister Ivy.

In the Monongahela Branch of the Church on Sunday October 14th we attended to the ordinance of Washing Feet in the afternoon meeting. A nice crowd was present, and among them were our two young Indian sisters from South Dakota and other visitors. The Indian sisters spent the day with us here and we were very glad to have them with us. May they return to their homes much edified with thier visit among the saints here in the east.

On October 19th Brother Shazer told me that they had a baptism in the Vanderbilt Branch on the last Sunday, and was to have another one on the next Sunday. I also received a letter from Bro. D'amico of Lockport, N.Y. telling me that they had a baptism since Conference.

In a letter from Brother William Meo of California, he stated that they had three baptisms recently. The letter was written in Whittier, but no date given.

It was announced last evening (Oct. 24) in prayer meeting, that our folks in Fredonia, Pa., had four more baptisms last Sunday. They are also building a new Church at that place, and our young brethren of Painsville, Ohio have proven to be a big help in its construction.