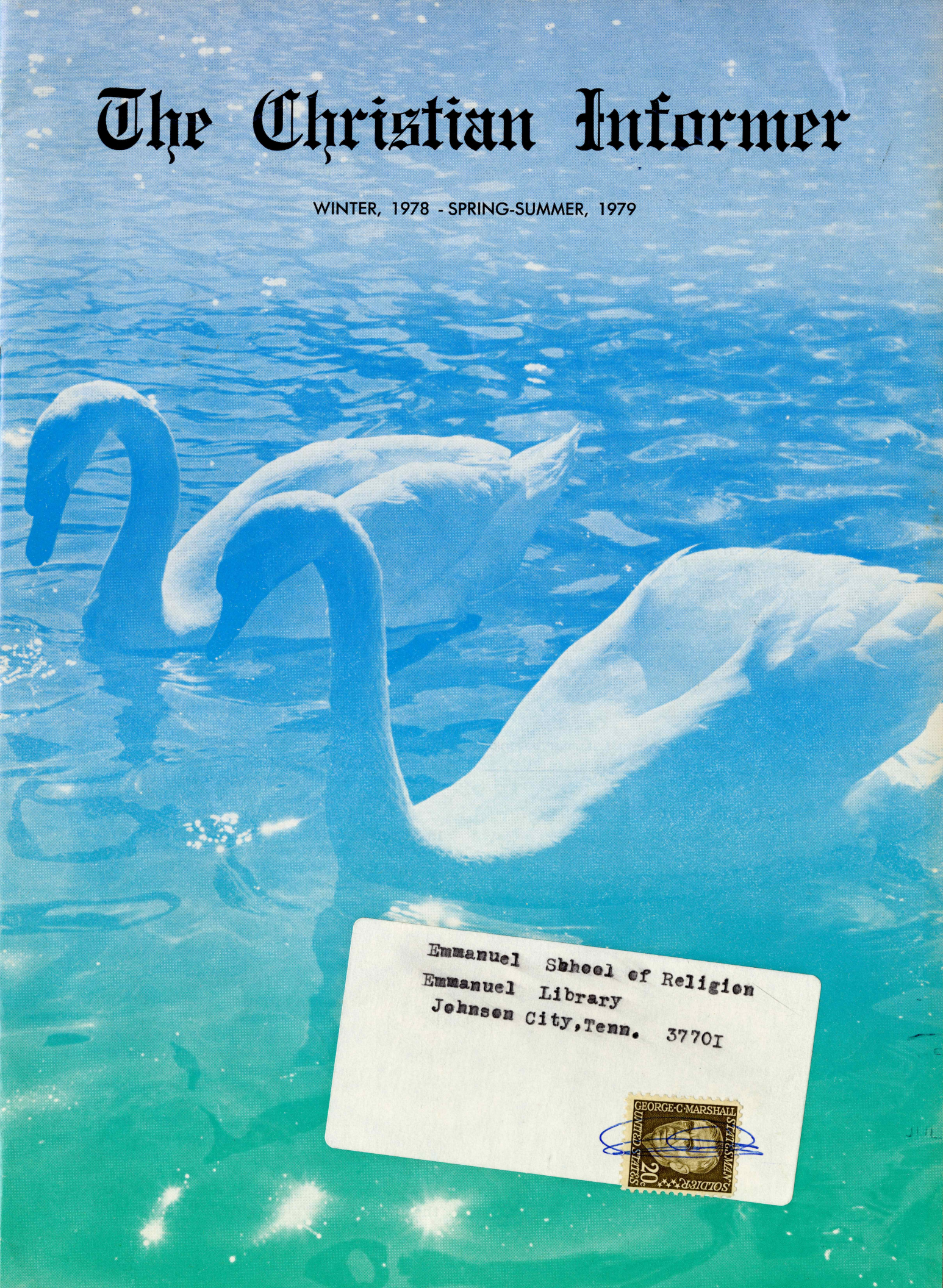


The Christian Informer

WINTER, 1978 - SPRING-SUMMER, 1979



Emmanuel School of Religion
Emmanuel Library
Johnson City, Tenn. 37701



THE CHRISTIAN INFORMER

Baltimore, Maryland

A Monthly Publication Devoted to the Restoration of
Primitive Christianity, Its Doctrine,
Its Ordinances and Its Fruits.

SINCE 1944

Ye should earnestly contend for the faith - Jude verse 3.

Subscription:
One year - \$1.00
Single Copy - 25¢

W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor, Editor and Publisher
Doctor of Sacred Literature

Office - Emmanuel Building, 1702 Madison Ave.

Phone: 728-0324 Baltimore, Md. 21217

if no answer call
922-0945

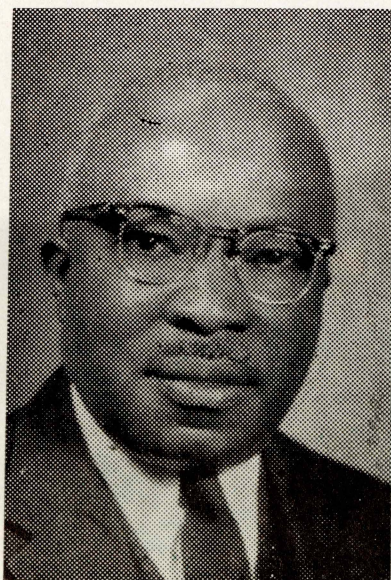
William M. Ellis, Associate Editor
517 Domino Dr.
Orlando, Fla. 32805

Rodney Warren, Associate Editor
215 Plymouth St.
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

A NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL
Official Organ of the National Christian Preaching
Convention

If you saw it in the Christian Informer it must be true.

VOICE OF THE EDITOR



W. H. Taylor

15 REASONS WHY I LOVE THE (true) CHURCH OF CHRIST (CHRISTIAN CHURCH)

1. Its founder is Jesus Christ. "Upon this rock I will build my church."—Matthew 16:18
 2. It honors Christ by wearing His name. "The Churches of Christ salute you"—Romans 16:16.
 3. It is the New Testament church. "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ."—I Cor. 3:11.
 4. It is the first church. "And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." Luke 24:47.
 5. It has no creed but Christ. "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."—Acts 8:37.
 6. It has no book of authority but the Bible: "All scripture is given by inspiration of God."—2 Timothy 3:17.
 7. Its members are Christians. "And the disciples were called Christians."—Acts 11:26.
 8. It observes the Lord's Supper every Lord's Day. "This do in remembrance of me."—I Cor. 11:24.
 9. It teaches that emersion is the New Testament mode of baptism. "We are buried with him by baptism into death."—Romans 6:4.
 10. It teaches Christian living. "Let your light so shine before me." Matthew 5:16.
 11. It pleads for Christian unity on New Testament terms. "That they all may be one." John 17:21.
 12. It teaches that denominational churches are Un-Scriptural. "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid."—I Cor. 3:11.
 13. It teaches that human names for the church are Un-scriptural. "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."—Acts 4:12.
 14. It teaches integration. "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus."—Gal. 3:28.
 15. It has no middle ground, either right or wrong. "So then because thou art lukewarm and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth."—Rev. 3:18.
- "Be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you."—I Peter 3:15.

A STRANGER

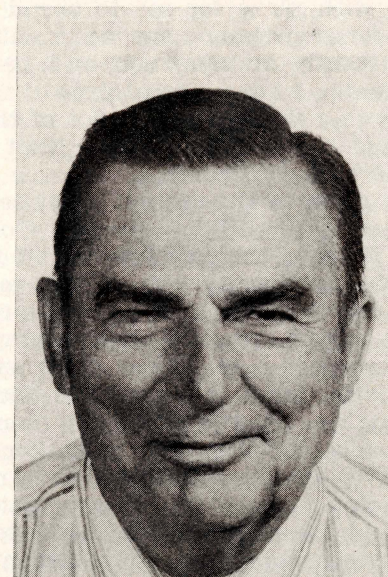
"I am become a stranger unto my brethren".—Psalm 69:8.

Because of the doctrine I preach, and of the things I have written about open-membership, the Missionary Society and other Un-Scriptural things in the church, I have become "a stranger unto my brethren."

I say with Paul in Romans 8:38-39. "For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

WHICH WAY ARE YOU LIVING?

Text: Romans 8:5-8



R. AINSWORTH CHAPMAN, B.S., M.A., B.D.-B.S., Oklahoma State University; M.A., Phillips University; B.D., Southwestern Theological Seminary; Graduate Associate Chaplain Officers Career Course, U.S. Army Chaplain School. Graduate studies Cincinnati Bible Seminary, Richmond Professional Institute of William and Mary, Union Theological Seminary, Kansas State Teachers College, Institute of Religion in Houston, Medical Branch University of Texas. Three years High School Teacher. Professor three years, Ozark Bible College. World War II Chaplain. Now retired chaplain with rank of Lt. Col. Eastern Christian College, 1967.

Let us consider three questions: What is your ambition? What is your state? What is your relationship to God?

I. What is your ambition?

"For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit." Romans 8:5 (R.S.V.)

The verb "set your mind" means to pursue; a concern that becomes an obsession; the dominant interest of one's life; the bent of his desires; the goal of all his activities. The contrast made by the apostle Paul is concerned with living according to the flesh or living according to the Spirit. If one practices any of the following: immorality, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, enmity, strife, jealousy, anger, selfishness, dissensions, party spirit, envy, drunkenness, carousing—he lives according to the flesh.

What is meant by the flesh-life or the Spirit-life? The word "sarx" (flesh) is used ninety-one times by the apostle Paul, meaning a number of things, such as the physical body; the sense of the ethical relationship between the flesh and sin. That the flesh is active in the production of evil is a manifestation of the flesh-life. It is one who lives a life of the flesh, not in the flesh. Jesus lived a life in the flesh, but not of the flesh. We cannot evade the choice between living according to the flesh and living according to the Spirit. This is a decision everyone makes. If you live a life according to the flesh, you live a life out of

touch with God. The flesh-life is a life lived without the Holy Spirit, Melancton said. The flesh-life is relevant to our contemporary world. The average man today lives the flesh-life because he lives apart from God. The average man's ambition is solely upon the affairs of this life. John Wesley said, "Those who mind the things of the flesh have their thoughts and affections fixed on such things as gratify corrupt nature: namely, on things visible and temporal; on things of the earth, on pleasure (of sense or imagination), praise, or riches." His description could well be written about a Space Age man today!

The devoted Christian has his mind set on the things of the Spirit. He really lives in another world. His motives and objectives are altogether different. He is supremely concerned with the Spiritual things (Colossians 3:2). It is this elevation of ambition which underlies the life of holiness. Hebrews 12:14 (A.V.) says "without holiness, no man shall see the Lord."

II. What is your state?

"To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace." Romans 8:6 (R.S.V.)

No contrast could be greater, could it, than death or life? Which state are you living in? The set of one's mind indicates the object of his thinking. To what are you devoting your thinking? The mind of the flesh is death. By this Paul means present death: one is spiritually dead now, not will be dead. He is dead now. As he also teaches in Romans 6:23, "the wages of sin is death." How different God's viewpoint is from the viewpoint of the world! Man who lives according to the flesh imagines that he has found life. You often hear the expression by the person who lives according to the flesh, "I want to live while I am living." He thinks he is making the most of life getting the thrills out of living, but God pronounces him dead. You are "dead in your trespasses and sins." (Ephesians 2:1)

The mind of the Spirit-life is in such close association with the Spirit that it cannot be separated by the tiniest word "is". This is merely supplied by the translator, not in the Greek text. We find two words for "life" in the New Testament, one meaning biological life, and the other meaning the life of God communicated to the regenerated soul of man by the Spirit. This life is set forth for the happiness of the Christian in communion with God. This comes from being in Christ, Jesus teaching that "I am the life." (John 14:6)

III. What is your relationship to God?

"For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, indeed it cannot." Romans 8:7 (R.S.V.)

Why is the flesh-mind death? "Because the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's laws, indeed it cannot." The contrast Paul is making in reference to our relationship to God is one of war or peace, as shown in verses 6 and 7. The flesh-mind is not only dead, it is in active opposition to God. Rebellion expresses itself in disobedience, as shown

in flesh-life. The word "submit" as used in the seventh verse is a military one. One must submit to God if he is to be at peace with God. The natural man wants no one commanding him, not even God. He develops a warped view of God. He does not see God as a loving Father, but rather as an Egyptian taskmaster. In 1 John 2:15 (R.S.V.) we read, "If any one loves the world, love for the Father is not in him." A person living according to the flesh does not love God nor recognize God's claim on him or submit to his wise laws. Indeed this person cannot (verse 7). Selfishness cannot submit to God, can it? Sin cannot obey God, can it? The Bible teaches "sin is lawlessness." (1 John 3:4) If the flesh rules, your life God does not rule. God cannot be other than good. This is nature. A man who is evil cannot be other than evil unless he repents, as Jeremiah teaches in Jeremiah 13:23 (R.S.V.): "Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? Then also you can do good wh oare accustomed to do evil."

Man living according to the flesh is in hostile resistance to God, while the surrendered Christian is no longer at war with God. His relationship is one of peace. This inward peace is the result of the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22). Inward peace is what our Space Age man is seeking. He hopes to find inward peace with tranquilizers and psychiatric treatment. This is a vain endeavor. Inward peace can be found only in Christ and in conformity with God's will. It is the result of a relationship with the Spirit. Inward peace is the by-product of the Spirit. Man can orbit the earth and has landed on the moon, but he has no lasting inward peace apart from Christ. It is attainable only in Christ, the Bible teaches. "Thou dost keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee, because he trusts in thee." (Isaiah 26:3 R.S.V.). See Phil. 4:7

R. A. Chapman
B.S., M.A., B.D.

**Sermon for Ground Breaking Service
at Joppatowne Christian Church
Sunday, April 22, 1979**

Loren D. Deckard, Minister, preaching

We want to give our attention to the Word of God and some thoughts that will be important to us over the next few months as we set our course for constructing this house of worship. Much more important than the building itself is our attitude in the way we use and our expectations for what it will do for the church. I want us to think about these things.

I would like to begin by airing some of my own pet peeves. That's a great prerogative a preacher has, but if not used with caution, one gets in trouble. However, I will presume to indulge myself a little today. I, personally, don't like to see God's creation ravaged for the building of highways, shopping centers, parking lots and all such things. I will use them after they are built, but I don't like to see God's earth ravaged for them. I always grieve a bit when I see something beautiful in nature torn down or cut away to make

room for something for the convenience of man. Another of my pet peeves is to constantly be bombarded with pleas for me to spend more of my money for something someone is selling. This is seen constantly on television and heard constantly on radio. I have a great deal of resistance to such salesmanship. I resent a lot of the things that are told me to convince me that I ought to spend more of my money.

Now, we come to the church ready to put another scar on a beautiful portion of God's creation. Many times in the past few years I have had people in the community comment to me on the beauty of this hillside at certain times of the year. We're going to scar that with a gravel parking lot and replace a bit of the grass with white dust. Now, also, for a year we have been telling the church, "You need to give more money." The people of this congregation have been giving faithfully over the years, and we have now said, "You are going to have to increase that by fifty percent." And the congregation responded by increasing giving more than fifty percent. Where do I get the gall to encourage people against two of my own pet peeves? I find the answer in what Solomon said about building the Temple.

Only if we can come to this building in the spirit in which King Solomon came to the building of the Temple, only then can it be justified.

If we are to attempt to build this house of worship in order that people may say in awe, "Look at that! That little congregation grouped together and with a mighty effort outdid themselves." If that is all we can say about it, it will not be worth the time, effort, money, and scarring of God's green earth. Or if Loren Deckard is to go around telling people, "I stayed with that church and led two building programs! Boy, I must be some super kind of preacher!" It is not worth it. It is not worth your money. It is not worth scarring God's earth. It is not worth the effort by many people that has gone into the planning and preparation for this. Then, how is it to become worth it?

Certainly all the people in this congregation must believe that it is worth it because you have gotten behind it as one, and you have given your money and labors well and have done it in a spirit of harmony and love. And so we dare to do this. We dare to launch out on faith to do something that will be good for this congregation and this community for years to come. And to attempt to answer the "Why?" of this, we go to Solomon, the great wise man and great king who at God's direction built a house for God so many many years ago.

We look now to see some very important things that Solomon said as he prepared to build the Temple. Look with me now to II Chronicles 2:5 and 6. We see Solomon's words, "The house which I am to build will be great, for our God is greater than all the gods." The only thing that can possibly make this sanctuary we will build to be a great house, The only thing that can make it rise above "Sav-A-Lot" or "Epsteins" or any other building in this town is the fact that it will be dedicated to God. If we, by our attitudes and be-

havior dedicate this building to ourselves or to Joppatowne Christian Church, it will, over the years, become the center of contention and selfishness that will be more heartache than help to the people of the community. If we dedicate this building to ourselves and to our own efforts and ingenuity, it will be time and effort wasted, and it will not be what is intended to be found in the house of God, but if we listen to the words of Solomon when he said "The house which I am to build will be great, for our God is greater than all the gods," we can begin to learn and begin to have as our attitudes those which will make this a great house of God that will be known in the community as a great place to be among a great people. If other things justify scarring the earth and taking people's money, much more does God's house justify scarring the earth and taking people's money. We can justify all the effort we are expending because our God is greater than all these "gods" of the world that men worship today. We will go to great lengths to justify things we need for our own convenience and likes. I am appalled at the prices of automobiles and gasoline today, but I will go on buying them because it is convenient for me and I convince myself that it is necessary for me to drive my automobile everywhere I go. We can set priorities for ourselves and convince ourselves that all kinds of things are necessary, but as we look to the house of God one thing must ring through all others as being necessary, and that is that this house will be God's house, and because He is great, we must give every effort we have to see that His house is great. To the community this house and what takes place within its walls will represent God. And you, as a part of the family that has built and uses this house, will also be a representative of God to the community, an ambassador of Jesus Christ; so our behavior, our reasoning, our attitudes, all of the things that we put into the construction of this house of worship become vitally important, for they all speak to the community not only of what kind of people we are, but also of what our God is.

Then Solomon goes on to say, "But who is able to build Him a house? Heaven even highest heaven cannot contain him. Who am I to build a house for Him? Except as a place to burn incense before Him?" How often we would like to build a place to contain God. Many people around us do have the attitude that we build church buildings and go visit God there. It is not uncommon at all for people to take this attitude, and if you ask them about it, "Oh no! we don't believe that!" but by their behavior they do it. People will apologize for saying a swear word in the house of God or in the preacher's presence as though God were kept there and not in other places. It is nice to give honor to the house of God, but why is bad behavior any more or less bad whether in God's house or in God's creation?

I'm not saying that the house of God should not be treated with respect, but once we say that this is where we keep God and it is okay to do things other places that we would not do there, we have gone a bit too far. For if we are God's children, his family, we take with us everywhere we go the principles of Christian behavior, and

they ought to be the same in your house and in mine, as they are in God's house. They should be the same in the shopping center or at work as they are in the sanctuary. Your principles of behavior do not change because you have come to a certain building to visit God. And we must know as Solomon did that it is impossible for us to build a house in which we can contain God.

Then Solomon presents his one answer for justification for presuming to build a Temple for God. "Who am I to build a house for Him?" Consider that here is the wealthiest and most powerful king of all times to that day. He obviously had upon his reign God's stamp of approval, and yet he could say, "Who am I to be building the house of God?" How can any people presume to build the house of God? How can any claim to be worthy to do such a thing or powerful enough to do such a thing? Solomon's answer is that it cannot be done, "Except as a place in which to burn incense to God." Only as a place of worship can I justify building a house of God. If it is to be any more than a place where we worship him, send up our prayers before his throne, do the work of his kingdom and encourage one another in the work and life of the Christian, we cannot presume to do it. If we presume to do it for any other reasons, certainly Solomon would say to us, "I can't see it, folks."

The community expects us to build a building to keep God in. It should preferably be red brick and of a "churchy" design lest people drive by and say, "That can't be a church." Everyone in town thinks our first unit building is a library because it looks like the contemporary library building. It is functional. It doesn't look like a church. Most comments about "looking like a church" express that we don't have in the fronts of our minds what is to be done in the house of God.

Something else Solomon sets out to do is worthy of note. After surveying his reason and justification for building the Temple, he calls for the best craftsman for each area of the work. If we do this, let us do it in the best way possible.

**JOPPATOWNE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
GROUND BREAKING SERVICE
April 22, 1979**

Welcome	Loren Deckard Minister, Joppatowne
Hymn "To God Be The Glory"	#127
Hymn "The Church's One Foundation"	#336
Prayer	Marvin Kastama Elder, Joppatowne
Scripture Reading	Tom McGhee Elder, Joppatowne
Message in Song	Mixed Ensemble
Message Preached	Loren Deckard
Responsive Reading	Fred Robbins Chairman, General Board

* * *

TURNING THE EARTH

Richard Boehm — Chairman, Building Committee
Donald Shaffer — Chairman, Building Finance
Marvin Kastama and Tom McGhee — Elders
Building & Grounds Committee — Harold Mowrey,
Chairman

Education Committee — Pat Kastama, Chairman
 Outreach Committee — Peggy Way, Chairman
 Worship Committee — Ernie Flynn, Chairman
 General Board — Fred Robbins, Chairman
 Sunday School Classes:

Adult — Don Shaffer, Teacher
 Teacher Training — Mary Jane Deckard, Teacher
 High School — Loren Deckard, Teacher
 Junior — Cheryl Robbins, Teacher
 Middler — Ruthe McGhee, Teacher
 Primary — Peggy Way, Teacher
 Pre-School — Pat Shaffer, Teacher

W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor, Pastoring in Baltimore, more than fifty-five years, turned the last shovel of earth, in that beautiful service.

a message from the president

Accepting the position of President of THE COLLEGE OF THE SCRIPTURES induces "mixed emotions" in numerous areas and no small concern about the ability to fulfill the demand of the immensity of the task. The Lord's work has no insignificant areas. THE COLLEGE OF THE SCRIPTURES occupies a special place in the Lord's work in that its purpose is to prepare ministers and other Christian workers for His Church among definite peoples,—especially for our Black congregations.

Ever mindful of the original purpose we accept the challenge to continue to prove worthy of the attention of our supporting congregations and friends whose prayer and financial support enable THE COLLEGE OF THE SCRIPTURES to operate for the Lord.

The need for COS is evident as Black communities and others remain without a New Testament Church through which the truth is proclaimed. Such a need can be met as our friends and Alumni recommend, send and support students who are committed to spiritual concern. Such a need is an integral part of the challenge.

Encouragement to accept this office has been presented by those who recognize the contribution of THE COLLEGE OF THE SCRIPTURES to the congregations. Those who have offered encouragement support it through prayer and finances.

With the support of the Trustees, faculty, students, alumni, and our many friends THE COLLEGE OF THE SCRIPTURES will continue to produce for the Lord. Together we advance with Him to meet His expectation through THE COLLEGE OF THE SCRIPTURES.

Rufus G. D. Gerkin

WINSTON-SALEM BIBLE COLLEGE

To Our Board of Directors, Alumni, Supporters, and Friends:

At a time of international upheaval and national uncertainty, and in the midst of conflicting views about the future of private and church-related higher education, we face the future with optimism born of faith in our purpose as being in the will of God. Economic conditions nationally are not encouraging for the immediate future, but our God is not affected by the fluctuations of human economics. Thus, we commit our needs to Him with a dedication to the role of trustworthy steward of His resources.

This report catalogues the major developments of the past year, and contains a preview of some of the plans for the future. It is hoped that all who read it will appreciate our struggle for accomplishment in the past, and will share the heavy responsibility that this great enterprise holds for the future as we press on in the fulfillment of our purpose.

Each day I spend in my position as President of this college, I become more and more convinced of the great dependence of this school on individual friends and churches for the resources necessary to carry on. God has blessed us thus far with those needed friends, and we look to Him for the increased number of dedicated supporters that are required to continue this ministry of specialized higher education.

In Christian love,
 Donald D. Forrester
 President

WINSTON SALEM BIBLE COLLEGE

Bachelor of Arts, Christian Education:

Nancy Jo Wick
 Violet Louisa Faithful

Ministerial Diploma:

David Delano Johnson

Secretarial Science Diploma:

Jacqueline Angelin Hawker
 Vernita Valerina Heastie

C. E. Shepard, Master of Ceremonies

Mrs. JoAnn Cash, Pianist
 Mrs. Patti Abbott, Organist

PROGRAM

- *Academic Processional
 Call to Worship
 Winston-Salem Bible College International Choir
- *InvocationHarold Sumner
 Minister, Philippi Church, Louisa, Virginia
- *Congregational Hymn“Lead On, O King”
 Recognition of GuestsLeland Tyrrell
 Chancellor, Winston-Salem Bible College
- Greetings from the churches of Maryland
 W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor
 Representing the College of the Scriptures,
 President and Mrs. Gerkin
 Roanoke Bible College,
 President and Mrs. BonDurant
- Message of Installation in SongMrs. Ruth Vaughn
 Professor, Winston-Salem Bible College
- Installation MessageDr. David Eubanks
 President, Johnson Bible College
- Presentation of the PresidentLeland Tyrrell
- Act of InstallationAubrey Roberts
 Chairman, Board of Directors
- Response and Commencement Exhortation
 Donald Forrester
 President, Winston-Salem Bible College
- Presentation for Degrees and Diplomas
 William E. Johnson
 Academic Dean, Winston-Salem Bible College
- Conferring of DegreesDonald Forrester
- *BenedictionRalph Sproles
 Minister, Poplar Springs Church of Christ
- *Recessional
 * * *
- *Audience rise and remain standing for these portions

Boulevard Christian Messenger

Boulevard Christian Church

“HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE”

Many of you are friends with Brother W. H. “Baltimore” Taylor. In a recent meeting several people from the Baltimore area determined to raise sufficient funds to send Brother Taylor to the Holy Land. He was ministering in the Baltimore area before most of us were born. He will be 82 on his next birthday, January 22nd. Our goal is to raise \$2,000 to pay for his Holy Land trip and also provide his spending money. A considerable amount has already been raised but we still are in need of some more. If you would like to make a contribution toward this purpose, give it to our Minister before January 10th. This trip is a very fitting birthday present to Brother Taylor but more than a gift, it is a fitting reward to a man who has labored diligently and faithfully in our Lord's Kingdom for over 60 years!

* * *

CHURCH OF CHRIST

99 Geaham Avenue
 Berlin, MD. 21811
 301-632-1442

Jim Nealiss, Minister

* * *

BOULEVARD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

920 Essex Avenue
 Baltimore, Maryland 21221
 C. Wayne Murphy, Minister

* * *

IVEY LANE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Clarence Green, Minister
 3558 Fekang Place
 Orlando, Florida 32805

* * *

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Wilson Blvd. and Poplar St.
 Central Islip, N.Y.
 E. P. Murphy, Minister
 Phone: 581-7665

Sunday School: 10:00
 Worship: 11:00

* * *

EMMANUEL CHURCH OF CHRIST or CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Madison Avenue near Wilson Street,
 Baltimore, Maryland

It is the little friendly church around the corner. With two or three members and a big welcome. They have an old antique minister, who has been pastoring sixty-two years, as their minister.

W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor, Minister

—o—

ROGER'S MARVELS

Greetings,

A few short years ago a young man, ten months out of Bible college, with his wife and infant son came to Glen Burnie, The task that the Lord set before him was great. And many thought he would not last. Confidentially, neither did he. In the early months when someone asked him how long he thought he might stay, he would reply jokingly, “My agreement with the congregation says sixty days unless a shorter period is agreed upon by both parties.”

Well, days became weeks, and weeks became months, and months became years. And by the grace of God I started my sixth year with you fine people here in Glen Burnie on April 1st. It has not always been easy for me or for you. There have been times when you probably wanted me to quit. But we have weathered the storms and we have both grown.

My family and I want to thank you for allowing us to serve you these past five years. We love everyone of you very deeply. It is our prayer that the Lord will allow us to stay and to minister to you many, many more years.

Your servant in Christ,
 Roger K. Marvel

—o—

Copied

AMERICAN REHABILITATION MINISTRY
 P.O. Box 1490
 Joplin, Missouri 64801
 Joe R. Garman, President

CHARGED WITH MURDER

“Prisoner at the bar, have you anything to say why sentence of death should not be passed upon you?”

A solemn hush fell over the crowded courtroom, and every person waited in almost breathless expectation for the answer to the judge's question.

The judge waited with a dignified silence.

Not a whisper was heard anywhere, and the situation had become painfully oppressive, when the prisoner was seen to move, his head raised, his hand clinched, and the blood rushed into his dull, care-worn face.

Suddenly he rose to his feet, and in a low, but distinctive voice, said:

“I have! Your Honor, you asked me a question, and now I ask, as the last favor on earth that you will not interrupt my answer until I am through.

“I stand here, before this bar, convicted of the willful murder of my wife. Truthful witnesses have testified to the fact that I was a loafer, a drunkard, a wretch, that I returned from one of my prolonged debauches and fired the fatal shot that killed the wife that I had sworn to love, cherish and protect.

“While I have no remembrance of committing the fatal deed, I have no right to condemn the verdict of twelve good men who have acted as jury in this case, for the verdict is in accordance with the evidence.

“But, may it please the court, I wish to show that I am not alone responsible for the murder of my wife.”

The startling statement created a tremendous sensation. The judge leaned over the desk, the lawyers wheeled around and faced the prisoner, while the spectators could hardly suppress their intense excitement.

The prisoner paused a few seconds and then continued in the same firm, distinct voice:

“I repeat, your honor, that I am not the only one guilty of the murder of my wife.

“The judge on the bench, the jury in the box, the lawyers within the bar, and most of the witnesses, including the pastor of the old church, are also guilty before Almighty God, and will have to

stand with me before His Judgment Throne, where we shall be righteously judged.

"If it had not been for the saloons of my town, I would not have become a drunkard, my wife would not have been murdered. I would not be here now, ready to be hurled into eternity! Had it not been for the inhuman traps, I would have been a sober man and an industrious workman, a tender father and a loving husband. But today my home is destroyed, my wife murdered, my little children — God bless and care for them! — cast out upon the mercy of the world — whilst I am to be hung by the strong arm of the State!

"God knows I tried to reform, but as long as the open saloon was in my pathway, my weak, diseased will-power was no match against the fearful, consuming, agonizing appetite for liquor. For one year our town was without a saloon. For one year my wife and children were happy and our little home was a paradise.

"I was one of those who signed remonstrances against the reopening of the saloons of our town. One-half of this jury, the prosecuting attorney on this case, and the judge who sits on this bench, all voted for the saloons. By their votes and influence the saloons were reopened, making me what I am!"

The impassioned words of the prisoner fell like coals of fire upon the hearts of those present, and many of the spectators and some of the lawyers were moved to tears.

The judge made a motion to stop further speech, when the prisoner hastily said:

"No! No! Your Honor, do not close my lips. I am nearly through.

"I began my downward career at a saloon bar — legalized and protected by the voters of this town. After the saloons you allowed have made me a drunkard and a murderer, I am taken before another Bar — the Bar of Justice — and now the Law Power will conduct me to the place of execution, and hasten my soul to Eternity. I shall appear before another Bar — the Judgement Bar of God — and there you, who have legalized the traffic, will have to appear with me! Think you that the Great Judge will hold me, the poor, weak, helpless victim of your traffic, alone responsible for the murder of my wife? Nay!

"In my drunken, frenzied, irresponsible condition I have murdered one, but you have deliberately voted for the saloons which have murdered many thousands, and they are in full operation with your consent.

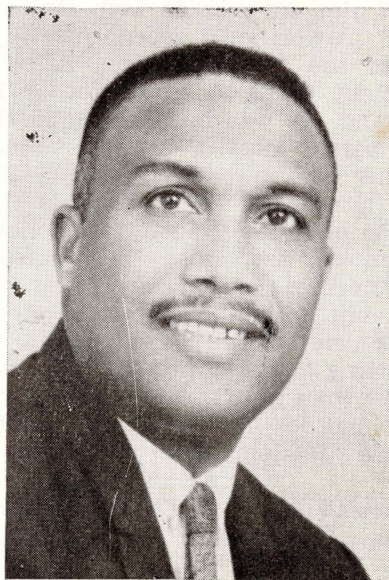
"All of you know in your hearts that these words of mine are not the ravings of an unsound mind, but God Almighty's truth.

"You legalized the saloon and made me a drunkard and a murderer, and you are guilty with me before God for the murder of my wife.

"Your Honor, I am done. I am now ready to receive my sentence and be led forth to the place of execution. You will close by asking the Lord to have mercy on my soul. I will close by solemnly asking God to open your blind eyes to your own individual responsibility, so that you will cease to give your support to this dreadful traffic."

BOGARD PRESS
Texarkana, Ark.-Tex.

ELLIS IS CLOSER WALK CRUSADE SPEAKER



The annual Closer Walk Crusade, held on our campus March 5-9 for the spiritual benefit of college family and friends, featured Dr. William M. Ellis, dynamic minister of the Washington Shores Church of Christ in Orlando, Florida.

Dr. Ellis, a native of Kansas City, KS, is a third generation preacher in the Restoration Movement. He holds the A.B. and the Th.B. degree from College of the Scriptures, Louisville, Kentucky. That institution conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Sacred Literature upon him in May of 1977.

Having held successful ministries in Kansas and Missouri, Dr. Ellis led in the establishing of a new church in Louisville, KY. before moving to Orlando, FL. There he began the Washington Shores congregation, and in addition to his ministry at Washington Shores, he founded the Ivey Lane Church of Christ in another section of Orlando, serving both congregations simultaneously for two years.

Dr. Ellis has become well known across America for his powerful preaching in our conventions, and in revivals. He has held various offices among Christian ministers, and with the North American and National Missionary Conventions.

We are grateful for his coming to our campus, and will be better servants of the Lord because he came to share with us.

Dr. Ellis is Associate Editor of The Christian Informer and a member of The National Christian Preaching Convention.

MID-EAST TOURS

Dr. Leland Tyrrell, Tour Consultant
Winston-Salem, N.C.

Dear Brother Taylor:

We are on the last lap of preparation for our wonderful trip to the Lands of the Bible.

We will go down with Moses to Egypt Land and walk in the footsteps of Jesus. We will travel

over country that the great saints of both the Old and New Testament traveled.

I am so very happy that you are going with me on this trip. It is going to be an honor for me to have you along.

At the beginning of each day we try to find time to gather for a devotional thought and a prayer. Generally we call on different ones for the morning devotional thought. Each morning we give the devotional speaker five to ten minutes. We can't take much longer because there isn't much more time than that between the time we finish breakfast and the time the bus and the guide is outside and waiting to take us on the tour for the day.

Brother Taylor, you have so much to say that I know it is hard for you to limit yourself time wise, but I would like it very much if you would have the devotional thought each morning before we begin our sight seeing. Could you give us a great Bible thought each day and perhaps a good illustration to go with that thought? I hope you can. I feel you can make a great contribution to our trip if you will accept this assignment.

May I have your acceptance of the assignment by return mail?

Thank you in advance for the good contribution I am certain you will make to our trip.

Sincerely,
Leland Tyrrell, Tour Director
Mid East Tours

CHRISTIAN SERVICE CENTER

P.O. BOX 24180
CHICAGO, IL. 60624

Beloved of God, the Christian Service Center desires to up-date you with its ministry and some of its immediate and pressing needs, and thus, leave you with a reason for supporting its programs.

We are an organ of the Churches of Christ and Christian Churches in Chicagoland. Our goal is to reach and convert Blacks in the inner city of Chicago with the gospel and to plant a community of New Testament Christians in the core of the city. We are accomplishing this task in the following ways:

1. Through The Golden Age Club.

Every Monday morning a class is held for the Senior Citizens in the area. After our song service, we study the scriptures with the intent of identifying and becoming a part of the church Jesus built.

Later everyone present is served a delicious meal that is prepared by one of the participating Christian Churches. As of now, there are 34 members in this program, and the average attendance is 26.

2. Through an After School Ministry.

This is planned to meet the special needs of youths, ages 7 through 13, who are living in the area. Our students come to the Center from 4:00 to 6:00 P.M. daily. The first 30 minutes are devoted to Bible studies. Then each child is given academic assistance in reading, mathematics and social studies. Whatever time remains is allotted to recreation.

The Center means very much to the people to whom it ministers. To many it is the only place where they are shown love and appreciation. As director of the Center, I make this personal appeal to you, dear reader, to support the Center and its ministry.

In His Service
Elroy M. Leach

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hi Fellow Traveler

Just a line to let you know how much we appreciated meeting you and the rest of the group.

Eleanor and I enjoyed being with such a nice group, and have very fond memories of you all.

If you ever get near Mankato, Minn., please look us up or call us.

The Andersons
Jim and Eleanor



Petra, Jordan

* * *

When we met at the Okla. City convention, you gave me a copy of your magazine and told me to send you a dollar. I said I would, so here it is. I'm a man of my word, although sometimes negligent and slow.

Neil Williams
P.O. Box 386
Cleveland, Oh. 74020

* * *

Dale H. Means
R.R. 1, Box 37
Paragon, IN 46166

Aug. 7, 1978

Mr. W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor
Emmanuel Bldg., 1702 Madison Ave.
Baltimore, MD. 21217

Dear Brother Taylor:

Enclosed is a check for \$5.00. I would like to have your paper sent to my home.

Your paper of the Summer-Fall issue, 1978 contained many good articles.

We met at the North American Convention in Oklahoma City. I was the person that used two canes when I walked.

Yours in Christ
Dale H. Means

* * *

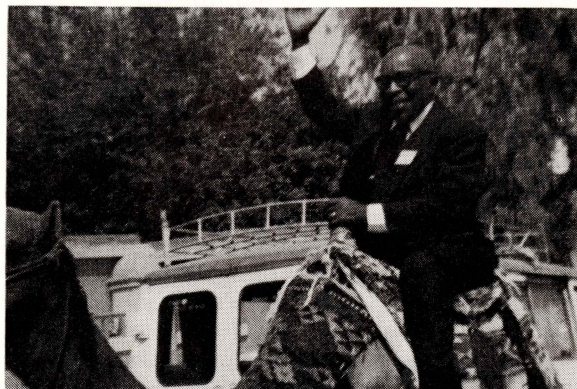
Rufus M. Callis
4326 18th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20011
April, 1979

My Dear Dr. Taylor,
As usual I enjoyed reading the Christian In-

former. It was nice to have time with you at 12th St. Christian Church last Sat., April 7th. But I am sure you know I am sorry as were you that our beloved John Whitfield had passed away.

Here is \$1.00. Please send me the next issue of the Informer in the name of Esther Callis.

Rufus M. Callis



Pyramids in Giza, Egypt

* * *

Calhoun, Ky.
4-16-79

Dear Bro. Taylor:

Here are some of the pictures we made. I have chosen some with you in them. I thought they might have more personal interest. Zelda made the one of you on the camel so I **bumped** it off of her. The postcards of most of the places we visited are so much better than I could capture with a camera. I'm keeping some of both.

We treasure the memories of the trip and hope to go again but will have to get this one paid for first. **ha**

I trust things have been well with you since you got back to Baltimore. Tell your people all about the trip, while it is fresh. I find I'm forgetting so much.

In Christian Love,
Waynell Townsend

* * *



Caves Where Wise Men Visited Jesus

* * *

January, 1979

Baltimore,

I want to wish you a happy birthday and may you have many more. I'm sending along something for you to use in whatever way you see fit. Thanks for sending The Christian Informer.

May all your days be Sundays
and all your months be June.

Bill Gorman
Cross Point Rd.
N. Edgecomb, Me. 04556

* * *

Louisville, Ky.
8-28-78

Dear Brother Taylor:

Thank you ever so much for sending me the Summer-Fall Issue 1978 of your publication, "The Christian Informer". It is great.

I am sending check no. 487 for \$3.00 to cover a 3 year subscription to "The Christian Informer." Thanks again for your kindness.

Sincerely,
Your Brother
in Christ,
V. M. Gillum

* * *

Mankato, Minnesota
May 4, 1979

Dear Brother Taylor,

Over a month has passed since we returned from our Bible Land Tour. We enjoyed our tour and one nice part was meeting nice folks like you, real Christian.

It took about a week for us to get straightened out after our return home.

We will meet Bruce Miller next Tuesday evening so we will greet him from "Baltimore Taylor."

We're sending you two snapshots which you may keep. We do enjoy looking at our snapshots and slides and each time we relive our trip.

We are having a very cold, wet spring. Our tulips are blossoming so that is a sign of spring.

Again, we did enjoy the Christians we met and may God continue to bless you in your service to Him.

Most sincerely
Chester and Helen High

* * *



In The Holy Land

—o—

February 7, 1979
CHRISTIAN INFORMER
W. H. Baltimore Taylor
Emanuel Bldg.
1702 Madison Ave.
Baltimore, MD 21217

Dear CHRISTIAN INFORMER:

What is our status concerning our subscription?

If our subscription has expired we would like to re-subscribe to your CHRISTIAN INFORMER for one year for the price of the magazine (starting with January 1979 issue). Please bill us as needed. Thank you.

Sincerely,
JoAnn Smith
Librarian
St. Louis Christian College

* * *

October 9, 1978

Mr. W. H. Taylor, Minister
Emmanuel Christian Church
1702 Madison Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21217

Dear Brother Taylor:

Thank you for your effective and helpful message in chapel on Tuesday, October 3, 1978. We appreciate so much your coming to be with us.

May God richly bless your ministry.

Yours in His service
New York Christian Institute
Charles A. Lee
Chapel Program Coordinator

CAL: smm

* * *

October 4, 1978
Emmanuel Library
Emmanuel School of Religion
Route 6
Johnson City, TN 37601

The Christian Informer
Emmanuel Building
1702 Madison Ave.
Baltimore, MD 21217

Dear Sir:

The Emmanuel Library is interested in receiving your publications. If possible, please place us on your mailing list. If there is a subscription fee, please let us know.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Gary Cheatham
Periodicals

* * *

October 25, 1978
Mr. W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor
Emmanuel Christian Church
1702 Madison Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21217

Dear Brother Taylor:

Thank you for your challenging and instructional message delivered in chapel on Wednesday, October 18th. Your contribution to the college family was well received and we really appreciate you coming to be with us.

May God's richest blessings be yours as you serve Him!

Sincerely in Christ,
Jeffrey E. Bullock
Eastern Christian College

P.S. Call on us if we may serve your congregation in any way.

JEB/rib

July 5, 1978

W. H. Baltimore Taylor
1702 Madison Ave.
Baltimore, MD 21217

Dear Dr. Taylor,

Just a short while ago, I received a copy of the Summer-Fall issue of the Christian Informer. Words cannot express how pleased I was to get it. I may be a little late, but Happy 80th Birthday anyway. I am thankful that I have had the pleasure of sharing some of the eighty years with such a fine, down-to-earth, up-standing gentleman as you, Dr. Taylor.

May God continue to shower you with His blessings through His people.

In His Love,
Sam J. Winger, Executive
Director and Evangelist
Inner City Mission, Inc.

SJW/cb

—o—

GIVE ME

THE RESTORATION MOVEMENT, IT IS GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME, Composed and sung by Old W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor, near his eighty-second birthday.

—o—

The Lord is my shepherd, the one who leads me. He is not my cowboy to drag me.

—o—

THE LITTLE GIRL WHO KNEW TOO MUCH BIBLE . . .

A little girl, being asked by a priest to attend religious instruction refused saying it was against her father's wishes.

The priest said she should obey him, not her father. "Oh! Sir! we are taught in the Bible to honor thy father and thy mother" she replied. "But you are to call me 'Father'," was his reply. To which she replied, "No, for the Bible says, 'Call no man father upon the earth for One is your Father, which is in Heaven.'" (Matt. 23:9) The priest was not anxious to lose a religious discussion to one so young and he said, "You have no business reading the Bible." "Then why did Jesus tell me to 'Search the scriptures'?" (John 5:39) He replied by saying, "But that is only for the clergy. You understand that a little child cannot know the scriptures." "Then why," she asked, "did Paul write to Timothy: 'From a child thou hast known the holy scriptures'?"

Surely there was some way to get the best of this young upstart. Said the priest: "Timothy was being trained for a bishop and he was taught by church authorities."

"No sir," said the girl, "He was taught by his mother and grandmother. At least that's what Paul wrote". (2 Tim. 1:15) The priest turned away mumbling, "She knew enough Bible to poison a whole parish."

Thanks to Mrs. Tura T. Theobald, Ohio.

Mrs. Theobald was among the first of our subscribers. She went home several years ago. —Editor

Question

Did the big giant Goliath, with his big army and big sword, do more than Little David did with his four or five rocks? What can the late model preacher do with a big church building, a big membership, and a big bank account?

IN GOD'S SIGHT

Could the big giant Goliath, his human name, human creed, human doctrine, human sword, and human army, do more than little David did, in the name of the Lord God of Israel, with four or five little rocks in his bag?

Do you believe an old model preacher, in the name of Christ, his church, his creed, his doctrine, with two or three members following the New Testament, can do as much for Christ, as the late model preacher, with his human creed, human plan of salvation, human doctrine, big church building, big membership, and big bank account?

To The Churches And Brethren Everywhere Greetings:

January 22, 1979, I will have reached the age of 82 years, and still going strong for the Restoration Movement. Near 62 years in the pulpit as a pastor. I love all of our schools and colleges. I have never been able to give to them, because my congregation has been small, but faithful. Since 1944 I have been publishing and editing the Christian Informer. I am happy to say that the Christian Informer is read in every state in America and in some foreign countries.

I must say, like Peter said, in Second Peter, 1: 14. Knowing that shortly I must put off this my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath shewed me.

Instead of sending flowers to my funeral, please send the price of the flowers to the College Of The Scriptures, Louisville, Ky.; Winston-Salem Bible College, Winston-Salem, N.C.; Eastern Christian College, Bel Air, Md.; New York Christian Institute, Clarence, N.Y.; Johnson Bible College, Knoxville, Tenn., and any other college of your choice, that is loyal to Christ, the New Testament, and to the Restoration Movement.

Your friend,

W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor

P.S. Tell the colleges it was my will that you do this for me.

GONE HOME

Some friends of the Christian Informer who have gone home in recent months:

J. F. Whitfield, Retired Minister, North Carolina, Virginia, Washington, D.C.

O. A. Trinkle, Retired Minister, Indiana, Michigan, Tennessee.

Mrs. C. L. Whitfield, Wife of C. L. Whitfield, Retired Minister, Baltimore, Md.

Willie Franklin, Elder of Fairmont Hights Church, Maryland and Savannah, Ga.

J. W. Franklin, Retired Minister, Fairmont Heights Church, Maryland and Savannah, Ga.

J. W. Taylor, Brother of the Editor, Maryland.

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

* * *

MY HOUSE AND ME

You tell me I am getting old.

I tell you that's not so!

The "house" I live in is worn out, and that, of course, I know.

It's been in use a long, long while; it's weathered many a gale;

I'm really not surprised you think it's getting somewhat frail.

The color changing on the roof, the windows getting dim, The walls a bit transparent and looking rather thin,

The foundation not so steady as once it used to be—

My "house" is getting shaky, but my "house" isn't ME!

My few short years can't make me old, I feel I'm in my youth.

Eternity lies just ahead, a life of joy and truth.

I'm going to live forever there; life will go on—it's grand!

You tell me I am getting old? You just don't understand.

The dweller in my little "house" is young and bright and gay;

Just starting on a life to last throughout eternal day.

You only see the outside, which is all that most folks see.

You tell me I am getting old? You've mixed my "house" with ME!—Dora Johnson.

* * *

Brother Taylor —

Christmas comes more quickly every year it seems. But that is the way it is when we are busy. Everything about the same here and I am still doing some supply preaching. Hope you are kept busy preaching also.

Here's a little gift for you for the holiday season with our good wishes for your continued health and may 1979 be a fruitful and exciting year for you.

Sincerely

The Lewises

Fayette City, Pennsylvania, Pa.

The Full Life

To live content with small means;

To seek elegance rather than luxury;

Refinement rather than fashion;

To be worthy, not simply respectable;

And wealthy, not simply rich;

To study hard, think quietly,

Talk gently, act frankly;

To listen with open heart to birds and stars,

To babes and sages;

To bear all cheerfully; do all bravely;

Await occasions, never hurry—

In a word, to let the spiritual life

Grow up through and above the common.

Wholesale Tours International, Inc

387 PARK AVENUE SOUTH, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10016

(212) 889-1888 ● TELEX: 234788

CABLE: MEDCRUISE, N.Y.

March 12, 1979 Departure

Tyrell

FLIGHT ITINERARY

KLM	642	12 Mar	JFK/Amsterdam	6:00 pm/7:05 am
KLM	557	13 Mar	Amsterdam/Cairo	11:10 am/6:35 pm
Miller Airline	323	15 Mar	Cairo/Luxor (wait list)	9:15 am/10:10
Miller Airline	346	16 Mar	Luxor/Aswan	3:20 pm/4:00 pm
Miller Airline	346	17 Mar	Abu Simbel/Cairo	2:55 pm/5:55 pm
Egypt Air	812	19 Mar	Cairo/Amman	4:30 pm/6:20 pm
(EL AL) Israel Airlines	145	27 Mar	Tel Aviv/Zurich	8:20 am/11:25 pm
KLM	312	29 Mar	Zurich/Amsterdam	10:20 am/11:45 am
KLM	641	29 Mar	Amsterdam/JFK	1:15 pm/3:25 pm

HOTEL ITINERARY

March 13-15, 1979

Lido Hotel
Cairo, Egypt

March 15-16, 1979

TO BE ADVISED
Luxor, Egypt

March 16-17, 1979

TO BE ADVISED
Aswan, Egypt

March 17-19, 1979

Lido Hotel
Cairo, Egypt

March 26-27, 1979

Beit Oren
Mt. Carmel

March 27-29, 1979

Hotel Glocken Hof
Zurich, Switzerland

March 19-21, 1979

TO BE ADVISED
Amman, Jordan

March 21-22, 1979

St. George Hotel
Jerusalem, Israel

March 22-23, 1979

Ginton Hotel
Tiberias, Israel

March 23-26, 1979

St. George Hotel
Jerusalem, Israel

ALL HOTELS AND FLIGHTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Rules of a Good Marriage

JUDGE JOSEPH SABATH, an outstanding figure in the Court of Domestic Relations, has had a long and varied experience with the affairs of broken homes and wrecked marriages. He has presided for twenty years over what he calls "the nightmare world of the divorce courts." He says:

"Ninety thousand people, who have come to the parting of the ways through bitter recriminations have stood before me to testify of broken homes, sordid betrayals, and the unbelievable rancor which cause separations.

"Out of my fifty years of married life and my twenty years as a divorce jurist, I have framed a decalogue for those who are married or are contemplating it, which I think would prevent at least ninety percent of the marital smashups.

"Here, to me are the rules of a successful marriage:

1. Bear and forbear.
2. Work together, play together, and grow up together.
3. Avoid the little quarrels, and the big ones will take care of themselves.
4. Compromise. (Give and take) It is the anti-toxin of divorce.
5. Practice sympathy, good humor and mutual understanding.
6. Don't grouch before breakfast—or after it.
7. Respect your "in-laws," but don't criticize them or take criticism from them.
8. Establish your own home, even in a one-room flat.
9. Fight for each other, but not with each other.
10. Build your home on religious faith, with love and forgiveness as the watchwords.


The Lord's word, through the Apostle Paul to saved wives and husbands, is: "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord."

Heart of the Matter

YEARLY 20% of all mechanical troubles with your modern automobile result from some form of ignition trouble, says the Society of Automotive Engineers. Here's one reason why:

When you drive your 8-cylinder car 5,000 miles the distributor points open and close 60 million times and each spark plug fires 7:5 million times.

One possible solution: A self-cleaning plug for high compression aircraft engines operates without maintenance or adjustment for 500 hours (usual period: 100 hours). Capital Airlines is already using it. Auto and industrial engines may get it soon.

 Snobbery is the pride of those who are not sure of their position.



This Day

This day brings to you its share of duties, opportunities, and responsibilities. The spirit in which you accept the work and activities of this day will vitally affect the results. Go forward with large confidence and high expectation. Be faithful to your obligations, and discharge every duty with promptitude and thoroughness.

Be alert to the fresh opportunities of this day, and advance your highest and best interests. Stimulate your mind with clear, strong, uplifting ideas of what you wish to accomplish, and realize the immense powers and resources at your personal command!

Make this day mark a distinct and important advance in your progress toward a great life ideal.

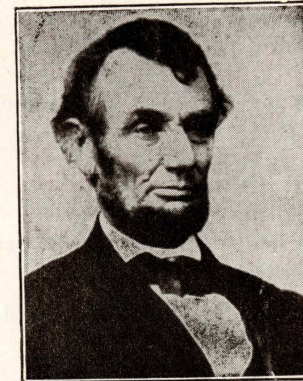
A Lesson in Success

THERE IS an anecdote about the late Paderewski, pianist - composer - statesman, which illustrates the unquestioning adherence to duty. He was stopping at a Chicago hotel during a concert appearance. Down the hall from his suite there lived a restive guest, who became annoyed at the sound of someone practicing simple piano exercises. After several days had elapsed, and still not knowing the identity of the famous guest, the annoyed person knocked upon Paderewski's door.

The famous pianist listened quietly to the complaint, and then introduced himself. Sensing that the complainant was embarrassed, he explained that the only way complete mastery of music could be obtained was through constant obedience to the most elementary rules governing music. "Harmony cannot be acquired in any other way," said Paderewski; "it is necessary that I practice my exercises every day. If I miss a day, I notice it. If I miss two days in succession, my wife notices it. If I miss three days, my audience notices it!"

Health is to be gained by one method—simple life, fresh air, plain food, exercise, work, a quiet mind, a soul at peace with itself and with the world, moderation in all things and the observance of the ordinary principles of hygiene.

WHY I AM A REPUBLICAN



It is written that the father and mother of President Lincoln were members of the Christian Church in the state of Kentucky. And Mr. Abraham Lincoln was baptized into the Christian Church by a Christian preacher in the state of Illinois, in the waters of the Sangamon river, by a Christian Evangelist whose name was John O'Kane.

IT IS WRITTEN

That President Abraham Lincoln said, "If slavery is not wrong, nothing is wrong." That sounds like a Christian talking.

I am a Republican because I hate human slavery. I am a Republican because President Abraham Lincoln said "This government cannot endure permanently, half slave and half free." I am a Republican because the Republican Party was born July 6th, 1854 in Jackson, Michigan; to oppose the extension of slavery, and finally the end of slavery. (See the Encyclopedia Britannica, 13th Edition, Volume 23, page 177).

I am a Republican because I cannot forget those Union Soldiers who fought and died on the battlefields of Gettysburg and elsewhere; to save the Union and set me free. If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, (Republican Party) let my right hand forget her cunning. If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth. Psalms 135:5-6.

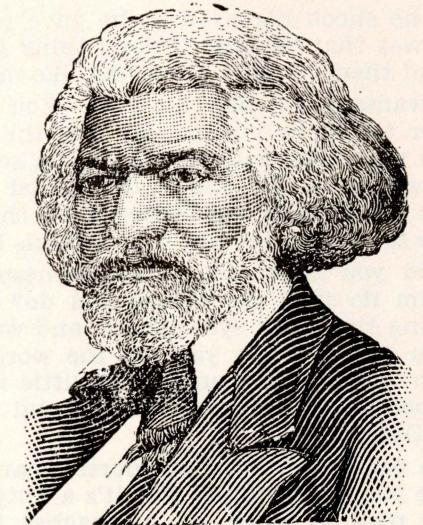
I am a Republican because the Republican party put an end to my foreparents being sold on the auction block; to the highest bidder; like you would sell hogs, horses, mules, cows, sheep and goats. When the Republican Party got me out of slavery, they did the most important thing in my life for me. And if I have any get up in me, I ought to be able to get along as good as anyone else, regardless of race, creed or color in America.

I think it was Patrick Henry who said something like this. "I care not the course others may take (but as for me, give me Liberty or give me death." I, W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor, say, I care not what others may preach, do, and say. But as for me give me the church of Christ (Christian Church) as found in the New Testament; and the Republican Party. Or give me death. I think it was Frederick Douglas, a former slave who said, "The Republican Party is the ship and everything else is the sea."

I would be afraid and ashamed to belong to

a church, if all of it could not be found in the New Testament. I also would be ashamed to belong to a party that endorsed human slavery, regardless of how nice they try to be to me. (See Encyclopedia Britannica, 13th Edition, Volume 8.

* * *



FREDERICK DOUGLASS

An American Orator and Journalist. Born a slave in Tuckahoe, Talbot County, Maryland, in February, 1817. Ran away from his master at an early age and became one of the greatest orators the world has ever known.

No voice or pen, save those of William Lloyd Garrison and Harriet Beecher Stowe, contributed more to the cause of freedom than the voice and pen of Frederick Douglass. He believed in the manhood rights of man—not as white man or black man—but as a man. He knew but one race, and that was the human race.

* * *

North American Christian Convention

St. Louis, Missouri - July 24-27, 1979
Cervantes Convention Center

We invite you to join in the Spirit of St. Louis, a city located within five hundred miles of 80 percent of the nation's population. This year's attendance really should be the largest ever. The registration goal is 60,079. Robert C. Shannon, Minister, First Christian Church, Largo, Florida, is serving as president. The NACC committee has arranged an outstanding program using the book of Ephesians as the basic theme text.

1979 THEME — "CHRIST ABOVE ALL"

* * *

THANK GOD

I thank God for the true Church of Christ, and the Restoration Movement. Do you know of any sin worse than human slavery, jim crowism, discrimination and segregation?

Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be? It Is A Puzzle To Me. I do not understand how children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren of slaves can forget Abraham Lincoln and the Republican Party. Under his wise leadership, the slaves were lifted from the depth of slavery to the heights of freedom and manhood.

Just Like His Dad

WELL, what are you going to be, my boy, when you have reached manhood's years—a doctor, a lawyer, or actor great, moving throngs to laughter and tears?"

But he shook his head as he gave reply, in a serious way that he had: "I don't think I'd care to be any of them—I want to be just like my Dad."

He wants to be like his Dad. You men, did you ever think, as you pause, that the boy who watches your every move is building a set of laws. He's moulding a life you're the model for; and whether it's good or bad depends on the kind of example set to the boy who'd be like his Dad.

Would you have him go everywhere you go? Have him do just the things you do? And see everything that your eyes behold, and woo all the gods you woo? When you see the worship that shines in the eyes of your lovable little lad, could you be content if he gets his wish, and grows up like his Dad?

It's a job that none but yourself can fill; it's a charge you must answer for; it's a duty to show him the road to tread ere he reaches his manhood door. It's a debt you owe for the greatest joy on this old earth to be had—the pleasure of having a boy to raise, who wants to be like his Dad!—Author Unknown.

The Unfailing Way

ON A BLEAK farm in northern Scotland a seventeen-year-old boy clung with faith to his dreams that he would some day find his destiny in the New World. Though he was penniless, and afflicted with crossed eyes, these, he determined, must not matter.

Two years later, he landed at Halifax. He was industrious, and worked his way to Boston, and there spent his last cent of money. For two days he went without food of any kind, and then he found work as a proofreader in an obscure print shop. Now his hope lifted him to envision of having a newspaper of his own.

Every start of his in this direction ran into failure. Each failure intensified the determination of the young man to become a publisher. His first desk, set up in a damp basement, was of rough boards resting upon barrels. From such a beginning James Gordon Bennett built out of faith one of the nation's great newspapers, the New York Herald.

Conscious that his inner power was limitless, he thought, worked and won in the unfailing way, and surmounted every material obstacle.

The man who thinks the world owes him a living will likely have a hard job making his collections.



The men who succeed best in public life are those who take the risk of standing by their own convictions.

Our Flag

The flag for which the heroes fought, for which they died, is the symbol of all we are, of all we hope to be.

It is the emblem of equal rights.

It means that this continent has been dedicated to freedom.

It means that the "little red school house" is the fortress of liberty.

It means universal education—light for every mind, knowledge for every child.

It means free hands, free lips, self-government and the sovereignty of the individual.

It means that it is the duty of every citizen to bear his share of the public burden—to take part in the affairs of his town, his county, his state and his country.

It means that "governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed." That each man is accountable to and for the government; that responsibility goes hand in hand with liberty.

It means that all distinctions have perished from our laws; that our government shall stand between labor and capital, between the weak and the strong, between the individual and the corporation, between want and wealth, and give the guarantee of simple justice to each and all.

The flag is the emblem of a supreme will—of a nation's power. Beneath its folds the weakest must be protected and the strongest must obey. It shields and canopies alike the loftiest mansion and the rudest hut. The flag was given to the air in the Revolution's darkest days. It represents the sufferings of the past; the glories yet to be; and like the bow of heaven, it is the child of storm and sun.

At the lots of the Fox Films all girls under contract are forbidden by executive order to appear in slacks or trousers. They maintain that slacks are not glamorous and directors casting for new productions are apt to overlook girls dressed in this manner.

"A little of citizenship ought to be taught at the mother's knee and in the nursery. Citizenship is what makes a republic; monarchies can get along without it. What keeps a republic on its legs is good citizenship."—Mark Twain.