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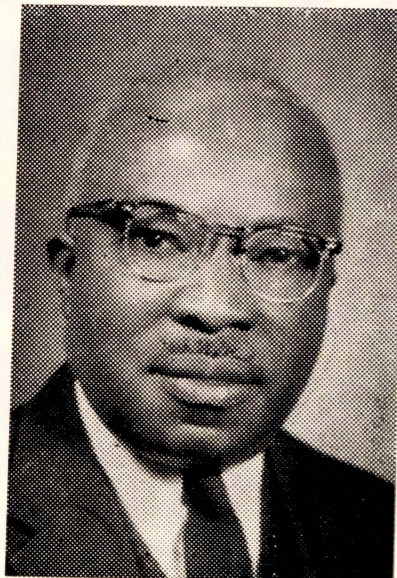
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W. H. Taylor

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

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August 22, 1979

Christian Informer  
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1702 Madison Ave.  
Baltimore, MD. 21217

Dear Christian Informer:

We would like to bring our subscription up to date. Please renew our subscription for 1 year — beginning September 1979 or the year 1979. Bill as needed.

If your records show that we are receiving 2 copies of your publication, please cancel the subscription with the most current expiration date.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
(Miss) JoAnn Smith  
Librarian

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P. O. Box 997  
Lewistown, Montana 59457  
June 10, 1979

Greetings to all our Fellow Travelers:

Several months ago we heard that because of the eclipse we had had two years of unpleasant weather and this year and the next two would also be below par. This year has exceeded them all in being perverse. Gordon was very anxious to come home to start his field work, but he could not get to the fields for over a month. A garage foundation had been poured here beside the house last fall, and finally about a month ago Gordon and two others had to dig over two feet of snow off the foundation so the walls and floor could be put in. It was all finished in two weeks. The spring seeding which is usually finished by the middle of April was finished the 18th of May. This week it has sprinkled every little while, just enough to stop work.

My busyness has let up considerably this year, but I have helped in the church kitchen for the graduation banquet, the Father & Son banquet, and this next week is an annual Ladies Salad Luncheon. It was started in our home with 35 ladies in attendance when we did not have a church building. Of course DVBS begins Sunday night and continues until the program on Friday night. Working people can help if it is in the evening.

Ed Pangburn took all of our slides and picked out the best to show for evening church services for three weeks — Egypt, Jordan and Jerusalem, and the rest of Israel. They have shown parts of them at various other places, also.

"Thank you, God, for everything — the big things and the small,

For every good gift comes from God — the giver of them all —

And all too often we accept without any thanks or praise  
The gifts God sends as blessings each day in many ways —  
First, thank you for the little things that often come our way  
The things we take for granted but don't mention when we pray,  
Then, thank you for the Miracles we are much too blind to see,  
And give us new awareness of our many gifts from Thee,  
And help us to remember that the Key to Life and Living  
Is to make each prayer a Prayer of Thanks and every day Thanksgiving."

This includes all the fine people we met and enjoyed on our trip in March.

Sincerely,  
Gordon and Florence  
Borcharding

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Sheridan, Mich.

Dear Brother Taylor,

I enjoyed my trip to the Holy Land so very much and it was enriched by knowing a person like you. I'll always remember you climbing up inside the Pyramid (and that was hard work!) and especially walking on the walls of Old Jericho. I said if it'd been daylight I'd probably have been too scared to walk it! But it was an experience I'll always remember and cherish.

I'm sending you some snapshots and have written on the back where they were taken.

I want to thank you for the paper you sent. I enjoyed it very much and have put it with all my Holy Land mementoes.

I'm enclosing a check to help you with the continued publication of it.

Hope you are well and happy.

A friend,  
Dorothy Greenhoe

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Vestaburg, Mich.

Dear Brother Taylor,

We just have to tell you how much we enjoyed being with you on our trip to the Holy Land and Egypt. We feel we were really blessed to be able to make the trip and to travel with such a nice group of people. On our way back from Texas we stopped in Calhoun, Kentucky and saw the girls from there. We had a real nice visit. We also had a nice letter from Harry and Teresa Randolph and Alvin Ruse. Dorothy Greenhoe and I spent a day looking at her pictures and talking up a storm. We have just about run out of people to talk to about our trip.

Ed is not feeling too well these past days. Seems to be getting weaker.

I am now a great-grandmother. Ed says we are not really that old, but I guess we are. I do hope you got all rested up from your trip. It was a wonderful trip, wasn't it? I loved it all, but the

food, I have to be honest about the food. Some of it was not too bad. Hope we meet again.

By for now and God's blessing for being you.  
Ed and Dot Lamreaux

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Mankato, MN  
Aug. 10, 1979

Dear Brother Taylor,

We heard some of our friends received the "Christian Informer" with pictures and names from our Bible Land Tour.

You promised us a copy and also the James Andersons.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester High  
Route 2, Box 100  
Mankato, Minnesota 56001

and

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Anderson  
Route 1,  
Madison Lake, Minnesota 56063

Thank you. Enclosed is a check of \$5.00.  
In Christian Love,  
Chester and Helen High

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Rochester, New York

Dear Brother Taylor,

I hope that all is well with you in this glorious season. I just wish you the happiest holidays ever. I hope that you are feeling well. I am well and keeping busy as ever.

May the Lord bless you in your service to Him.

Sincerely,  
Alvin Rees

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10-23-79

Dear Bro. Taylor,

The highlight of any gathering of God's people is the time I get to chat with you again. All who know you love you as a person, respect you for your Christian witness and plan long hours of fellowship with you when we have all eternity in which to do it, instead of a few brief moments at a convention. Send me the Informer.

Your brother,  
Rolland A. Steever  
214 E. Jennings Avenue  
South Bend, Indiana 46614

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24 October 1979

Brother Baltimore Taylor  
Emmanuel Christian Church  
1702 Madison Avenue  
Baltimore, Md. 21227

Dear Brother Taylor,

Committed To God's Purpose — A great theme and a great Convention..

I just want you to know how much I appreciate your participation in the Eastern Christian Convention. What a thrill it is to me personally to see the dedication of folks like yourself, and to know that the fellowship of the saints is the greatest on earth.

I hope you received the same spiritual uplift as

I. Even our "hike" will be remembered for years to come.

Thank you for allowing us the pleasure of your company and for helping to make this year's Eastern Christian Convention the best ever.

God bless you richly.

Because of Calvary,  
Clifford L. Smith, Minister  
First Christian Church

CLS:rb

Bro. Taylor, your presence is always an inspiration to others. Hope you enjoyed the trip to Pittsburgh as much as I. God Bless,

C.L.S.

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College of the Scriptures  
October 11, 1979

Dear Friends:

A spiritual lift increases our assurance that God is yet very much alive and is ready to supply our needs when we look to Him.

The annual Wide World Rally sponsored by the College of the Scriptures is to renew our zeal in fulfilling His command to share His message, and to have spiritual fellowship with the family of God.

The program for 1979 includes Brothers Don Frye, Lexington, Kentucky, Mathieu Alexandre, Haiti, and Mark Maxey, Japan. These and other speakers plus singing groups will challenge you to fuller joys in the Lord's work.

We look for your registration soon and for your presence at the Rally.

Yours in anticipation for  
rejoicing in the Christ,  
Rufus G. D. Gerkin  
President

RGDG:jh  
Enclosures

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Clifford P. Gittings  
8010 Wynbrook Road  
Baltimore, Maryland 21224  
September 17, 1979

William H. Taylor  
1702 Madison Avenue  
Baltimore, Maryland 21217

Dear Brother Taylor,

Just a few lines to tell you how much I appreciated the good fellowship we had while in St. Louis for the North American Christian Convention. There is nothing in the world to compare with the joy of being with fellow Christians and worshiping and serving the Lord.

Also, don't forget that we're counting on you to stay with us during the Eastern Christian Convention in Pittsburgh. I'll be going on the bus from Havre De Grace so if I don't see you before then, just look me up at the Wm. Penn Hotel.

Yours in Christ,  
Clifford P. Gittings

Bible Broadcast, Inc.  
5005 Monticello  
Louisville, Kentucky 40218  
September 6, 1979

Mr. W. H. Taylor  
The Christian Informer  
1702 Madison Avenue  
Baltimore, Maryland 21217  
Dear Bro. Taylor:

#### NEWS ITEM

A new church has been established in Jacksonville, Florida, the Moncrief Christian Church, ministered to by Marvin Dortch. Brother Dortch is the grandson and the son of a minister. They served the Baptist church. He was led unto the "way of the Lord more perfectly" by Fred Mitchell in 1971. At that time he was attending Carver Bible College in Atlanta. He enrolled in the College of the Scriptures in Louisville in 1972 for 2½ years during which he twice got the award for outstanding student of the year. After graduating as valedictorian of his class at Louisville, he went on to study at Virginia Union University in the School of Theology toward a degree in Sociology.

While in Louisville he spent one Sunday as an intern in Evangelism on the streets of Boston under Glen Barton and preached for awhile in Lexington, Kentucky.

Brother Dortch enrolled then at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, Indiana, studying for a Master of Divinity degree. He has to write his thesis yet.

During this time he often spent a weekend with Tibbs Maxey in Louisville, Kentucky. They talked of the future in preaching. Their talk finally centered on Jacksonville.

Marvin Dortch was born and raised in South Carolina at Beaufort. He believed his ministry lay in that direction. In 1976 they learned of the interest Fred Smith had in starting a church in Jacksonville. However, a phone call revealed that Fred was in the hospital with a heart attack.

In May 1977 Dortch and Maxey went to Jacksonville to look around. Again they visited in August. Their object was to start a church in June of 1978. The Jacksonville preachers all were enthusiastic about the project. One man in Florida urged them to start earlier and if they did, he would back it up to the tune of paying the salary of Brother Dortch for one year.

Thus it was that Marvin went there in February. He began teaching in the homes of people. There were no "prospects," no former members of the church to call on. It was all "cold turkey" calling. In mid-July the regular Sunday services were begun in the neighborhood Y.M.C.A.

Meanwhile in May four acres of land were purchased at Moncrief and Cleveland in an area of no churches and many people. The Jacksonville churches are giving \$1,000 a month toward land and a building. Many friends are paying the salary of Brother Dortch. Construction is planned to start as this goes to press.

There are 26 members and attendance aver-

ages 62 after only one year. There were 12 young people that attended church camp from the Moncrief Christian Church.

If you would care to make a contribution toward the work of this new church, please send all donations to Moncrief Christian Church, c/o Westside Christian Church, 7629 Herlong Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32210.

In Him,  
Tibbs Maxey

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1956 A. East Warne  
St. Louis, Mo. 63107  
Aug. 3, 1979

Mr. Taylor  
Emmanuel Christian Church  
1702 Madison Ave.  
Baltimore, MD 21217  
Dear Sir:

Please add my name to your mailing list. We wish to thank you for the introductory issue we received from you at the convention. May each who reads your magazine be inspired to serve Jesus always.

In His Service,  
Roger Wiseman

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Eastern Christian College  
December 4, 1979

Baltimore Taylor  
1702 Madison Ave.  
Baltimore, MD 21217  
Dear Brother Taylor:

In these days of dollar a gallon gasoline it really means something when a preacher agrees to speak in our chapel services! We really appreciate your dedication and the message of inspiration and application.

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

Sincerely in Christ,  
Jeffrey E. Bullock  
President

JEB/ckl

(The students really appreciated your message. Sorry I had to miss the day you were here! —J.E.B.)

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Winston-Salem Bible College  
November 2, 1979

Dear Board Member:

If you have written the date down on your calendar, you will notice that time for the semi-annual Board meeting is approaching.

Because of extenuating circumstances, the meeting for this month has been changed from Friday evening, November 16, to **Saturday afternoon, November 17**. Lunch will be served at 12:00 noon, followed by the business meeting at 1:00 p.m.

We trust that all of you will be able to attend our meeting as the things important to the future of Winston-Salem Bible College are discussed.

Sincerely,  
Aloa Harris

College of the Scriptures  
August 20, 1979

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

Dear Brother Taylor:

It was wonderful to see and share with you at the NACC last month. Thanks for assisting Chris and me in hosting our College booth. We really appreciate and love you.

Please accept my regrets in not being able to locate and send to you a copy of your benediction at the 1977 Convention in Cincinnati. It appeared in a 1978 issue of the Christian Standard, but I have not been able to locate it as yet. Should it turn up, I'll see to it that you get a copy.

The Lord has sustained the College 33 years. We are thankful. Our 34th year begins August 22nd.

Thank you for your prayerful concern and support through the years. Come and see us real soon. You are always welcome.

Serving Christ and His,  
Magnolia Ernest Clark  
Admissions Counselor

MEC:jh

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Belleville, Kansas  
Nov. 12, 1979

Dear Brother Taylor:

This has been a busy, wonderful year out here in Kansas. Harvest is over and now we are into the more relaxing time of the year. A time to count our many Blessings.

**Thank you** Dr. Taylor for your "Christian Informer." It is a wonderful magazine and contained a lot of food for thought.

I trust you are well and I know you are busy witnessing for Christ wherever you are.

Am thankful my daughter and I could have made this trip at the time we did and will always cherish the many memories of the nice Christian friends we met.

Haven't been out on the tractor much this past summer but did paint our house a couple coats in Sept. so you see I'm keeping my hand in the farm operation. ha!

We finished a wonderful revival at our Christian church a few weeks ago.

Thank you again and may God Bless you.

Sincerely,  
Twillia Stephenson

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408 St. John's Pl.  
5f  
Brooklyn, N. Y. 11238  
1979

Dear Uncle,

I received the Christian Informer. I read it thoroughly. It is beautifully illustrated. I enjoyed reading it.

I pray your keeping well and active as possible.

This letter leaves all well thus far.

Your nephew,  
Lorraine

P.S. — Many thanks for such 'a' wonderful messages found in your great publications of, "The Christian Informer." Enclosed ten dollars for continued subscription.

Wilton Taylor

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"The churches of Christ salute you" Romans 16:16  
CHURCH OF CHRIST,  
99 Graham Ave.,  
Berlin, Maryland 21811

Dear Brother Taylor;

This letter is to confirm the conversation the other night on the telephone. We wish you to speak at our Memorial Day Rally. The Rally will be on May 25. Preaching is to start by 3:00 p.m. We would like to have you deliver two messages if you would. It is open season on sinners. I am not going to assign any topics for the 25th. Please preach just as hard as you can on any topic that will strengthen, exhort, comfort, or convict (Christian or non-Christian).

We will be mailing you bus tickets plus some travel expenses. If this is compatible with your thinking would you please let me know sometime before May 1.

I am looking forward to seeing you and to being fed with the word of God.

There will be two other messages along with your two. They will be brought by Jim Lane from Hartford, Connecticut and Daryl Lane (no relation) of the Bethlehem Church of Christ outside of Salisbury, Maryland.

Until I hear from you, I remain

Yours in Christ Jesus,  
Gerald R. Pratt,  
Evangelist  
Tel. 301-641-4234

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Eastern Christian College  
October 1, 1979

To Our Fellow Christians:

This is just a reminder that Eastern Christian College will be having Installation Ceremonies on Friday evening, October 12, 1979. The special service will be held at Mountain Christian Church (1824 Mountain Road, Joppa, Maryland 21085) at 7:30 p.m.

Please inform your congregation of this information. We would welcome you and members of your congregation to attend. It is a momentous occasion for Eastern.

At this special service Jeffrey E. Bullock will be installed as the next President of Eastern Christian College. On the same evening Dr. J. Thomas Segroves will be installed as the first Chancellor of Eastern. Following the service there will be a reception and an opportunity to greet Mr. Bullock and Dr. Segroves personally.

If you cannot be in attendance, please be in prayer for Mr. Bullock and for the work of Eastern Christian College.

For the cause of Christ,  
C. Wayne Murphy, Chairman  
Board of Trustees

CWM/rlb

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Maryland

May the message of Christmas be an inspiration to you throughout the coming year.

Bessie and George Hart

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Texas

Dear Brother Taylor,

Ed and I pray you are in good health this holiday season. We are back in Texas again. The weather has been beautiful, until the last 3 days, they have been rainy and cool. The flowers, fruit and vegetables are beautiful. Ed is in the hospital again. He has pneumonia this time. We are all praying for him.

We enjoyed the Christian Herald you sent to us and would like to have you send us more. I am sorry to be this late sending you this, but this is the 4th time Ed has been in the hospital this summer and fall.

Brother Tyrell was right when he said we would run out of people to talk about our trip to. But down here, there is lots new people to tell it all to. It was something very, very special. You are in our prayers always. We really appreciate knowing you, if only for a few days. But maybe we will meet again somewhere. Merry Xmas brother Taylor and lots of health in the New Year. Your chicken and rice eating friends.

Bye for now and God Bless,  
Ed and Dot

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Sanford, Florida

Was a God blessing to greet all of you on Lord day, Dec. 9, 1979. Wishing all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Pearl McIntyre

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Pennsylvania

The Lewises send the best to you in this season of love and joy.

Elmer and Mary

Bro. Taylor —

Have a happy, healthful holiday season.

E. C. L.

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Maryland

Wishing you everything bright and beautiful at Christmas and always.

God loves you and so do I!

M. Harris

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Maryland

May the wonderful blessings of Christmas be yours throughout the New Year.

Remember the night — Dec. 10, 1977 we rode in Brother John's van to Berlin, Md. The coldest night of the year?

Happy Holidays,  
The Rogers,  
Jim, Ida and Mickey

Dear Bro. Taylor:

Greetings from Collierville, Tenn. I do hope that you have a Merry Christmas and that 1980 will be a good year for you! I would like to receive The Christian Informer! I haven't heard anything from you for a long time, but I think of you often.

I got married May 4, 1977 to the minister at Miller Church of Christ in Miss., and he had two sons, ages 10 and 8 — I am enclosing a picture of the church just so you can see it.

Season's greetings and best wishes for a Happy New Year.

Love and Prayers,  
Hubert, Ruth, Travis,  
Hubert, Jr.

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Maryland

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Enjoyed you being at the First Christian Church in Harve de Grace. Come back and see us.

The Jerry Schoffers

Take yourself out to eat!

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Calhoun, Ky.

Dear Bro. Taylor,

Wishing you health and happiness for 1980.

Enjoyed the trip so much plan to go back in March — the Lord willing. Wynell and Zeldia plan to go also. See you in March.

Yours In Christian Love,  
Lorraine Morehead

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New York, N.Y.

To a Dear Uncle,

We are wishing you a bright and a happy and a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

With love,  
Wilton and Lorraine

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New York, N.Y.

Dear Bro. Taylor,

Thank you for the Informer. Enclosed is \$2.00 to help you publish. Please pray for us as we move to New York.

God bless you,  
Mike and Linda Robbins

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Memphis, Mo.

Dear Bro. Taylor,

We are in the middle of our Revival at the church so Larry and I are both busy. It was so nice to see you in St. Louis. We talk so much about our Holy Land trip and have shown our pictures to lots of people at the local clubs and all Sunday School classes. The pictures are nice but not like walking as we did to see the different places.

May you be blessed with good health and happiness.

In Christian Love,  
Larry and Betty Winkelman

Sterling, Colo.

Aug. 31, 1979

Be On Time

Dear Bro. in Christ:

The Christian Informer is a Great Blessing. To GOD be the GLORY for using you in such a wonderful way. We have a dear friend, Black in color, a charter member of this Church of Christ. I want to send her name to you for the INFORMER. Venie Loftus, So. 3rd Ave., Rose Arbor Home, Sterling, Colo. 80751. My boy friend, G. L. Strickland, 7333 Cornwall Dr., Knoxville, Tenn. 37921. I am sure they will enjoy your handy work as much as we do.

I love poetry, my Grandfather was a good Poet maker, also a preacher who organized the Church of Christ in Rushsylvania, Ohio in 1840. Preached for them 25 yrs., lived on farm 4 mi. out in lovely 3-story home, had 12 children. Barclay Roberts was his soloist, also my Father. I was baptized in that church in 1900 so you see I am older than you? But being 92 don't make you old, for the soul never grows old.

Our Love and Prayers,  
Mrs. Clyde Winn

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College of the Scriptures  
December 1979

Dear Christian Friends,

Just one month and 1979 will be placed aside in history. The year has been filled with decisions and much effort in the Lord's work through the College of the Scriptures. There has been rejoicing because of His presence and strength. You have richly blessed us with your prayer and support and thus share in our successes.

We are truly grateful for your concern about souls, and helping the College prepare ministers and other Christian workers to spread the "good news of great joy for all the people."

With the reminder of God's love and His greatest gift to the world — Jesus Christ — the College of the Scriptures wishes you endless joy in the "Family of God." May 1980 be a "Happy New Year" for you in His service.

... "And He shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end." . . .

Isaiah 9:6, 7

We covet your concern for the College through prayer and contribution. Enclosed is an envelope for your convenience. May the Lord bless you for helping us.

Yours in Christ,  
Rufus G. D. Gerkin  
President

RGDG:eh  
Enc.

The South End Church  
of Christ  
Box 1195  
Sumter, South Carolina 29150  
June 17, 1979

Greetings Brethren:

In the Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

South End Church of Christ is eternally grateful for your gifts to the work here in Sumter, South Carolina. I am sure that without your prayer and financial support, this mission work would be almost impossible.

We are at your mercy since we do not have a permanent place to worship.

When we came to Sumter in 1976 there were only seven Christian Churches widely scattered over the state of South Carolina, all of them white. The Black population of South Carolina, has little or no witness covering the true Gospel of Christ.

I had been trained for the ministry in the College of the Scriptures, having been won to Christ by Brother Bill Ellis. We came here to locate near my wife's relatives feeling the Lord had sent us into a new field of service. We got encouragement from Brother Ellis, Brother Tibbs Maxey and Brother Marvin Dortch. Brother Maxey has come by each summer to assist in the securing of property, etc. My wife and I both work. We receive no church salary.

Last fall we began meeting in Stone Hill School. We had been teaching people in their homes. When we began meeting in Stone Hill School in September 1978 we had no members. There is no such thing as transfer members. We had no nucleus. Sometimes only my wife and I met alone. Now we have 12 adult members, 10 of them baptized by me.

The Stone Hill School is one brick unit and on one level. (50'x100') It sits in the center of five acres of flat lawn on a 4-lane paved street. It is surrounded by a woven wire fence.

Our plans to acquire this property depend on our having \$15,000 on hand by September 20th.

We thank you for your time and consideration. We thank Bro. Tibbs Maxey and wife for their help in these trying times. We also thank Bro. Bill Owens for his assistance and advice concerning this real estate transaction.

In Him,  
James B. Hodge

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The Christian Woman's  
Benevolent Association  
of the Christian Church  
July 31, 1979

Mr. W. H. Taylor  
Emmanuel Bldg.  
1702 Madison Ave.  
Baltimore, Maryland 21217  
Dear Brother Taylor:

We do have an amazing Father! With thousands of people in attendance at the N.A.C.C. in

St. Louis last week, **you** were guided to the C.W.B.A. Youth Home for lodging.

I'm convinced that **He** sent you to show us an example of how Christian patience endures and overcomes all obstacles in this life.

Since 1899, many obstacles have proven to be opportunities to better serve homeless mothers, babies and neglected and abused boys and girls.

Recently, we have received several testimonials from men and women who have lived in our Youth Home where they received not only the material necessities of life but spiritual instruction and a sense of direction for a meaningful life. We plan to publish some of these letters, soon.

You saw the artist's conception of the way our three new cottages will look when completed. We hope you'll come back when the project is finished and speak to our family of young people.

The people who are responsible for our zoning and licensing seem to be suffering from a difference of opinion which has delayed our building program. However, we are confident that these difficulties will be resolved soon.

Since 1911, our Christian Old People's Home has served hundreds of worthy folk who need a home, companionship and a sense of "belonging". Several have lived to celebrate their one hundredth birthday. In our new modern Home we have one hundred eighty beds, with a rather long waiting list at present.

The Church of Christ which meets in Christian Old People's Home is a great blessing to many people. All residents are welcome to attend services but not all are members of the Church.

Communion is served in the rooms of church members who have become physically unable to go to the Chapel.

The gift shop, beauty shop and the Arts and Crafts department serve to make life more comfortable and pleasant for those who care to take advantage of them.

Many ask, "What is C.W.B.A. and why do we need it?"

It is like a concerned parent, helping its children in time of need. It is our task to fill the needs of C.W.B.A. Youth Home and Christian Old People's Home.

Due to a final settlement from the sale of Christian Hospital of St. Louis and a recent bequest, C.W.B.A. has been able to pledge \$100,000 to Christian Old People's Home for an expansion of a service area and \$450,000 toward the cost of new cottages at the Youth Home.

I was deeply impressed with your quiet understanding and your benevolent spirit. Many of "our people" consider benevolence a **side-dish** which we can take or leave with no effect on our Christianity. When Jesus was moved with compassion, **He did** something to fill the need or to relieve the suffering and He taught us to do the same. We are beginning to feel the responsibility of helping those who are helpless to help

themselves! Homes for homeless children and aged are springing up in several states.

Now, if only our Bible Colleges could feel the need to offer courses on Christian Benevolence, we could really comply with the instructions recorded in Matthew 25:31-36 — James 1:27 and 1 John 3:17.

I want to thank you personally for quietly preaching a sermon to me — just by your faithfulness!

Sincerely,  
Mildred Volkman  
Mildred Volkman, President  
Christian Woman's Benevolent Association

### I PLEAD GUILTY TO THE CHARGE, YOUR HONOR

A certain young, late model, denominational loving, open membership preacher; with just about enough book learning to make him act like a fool. This young thing, said to me and I quote: Reverend Taylor, you are out of date, you are antique.

I plead guilty to charges. I am out of date. If I could I would be ashamed to wear my hair on my face and head, so long or so busy that people could not tell my face from my head. Is the New Testament out of date? We read in I Corinthians 11:14, Doth not even nature itself teach you that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him?

I plead guilty to the charge of being antique. I worship an antique God. In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. Genesis 1:1. I walk on antique ground. I look at the antique sun, moon and stars. I worship an antique Christ. John 1:1 to 14th verse. In the beginning was the word. And the word was made flesh.

I see antique mountains, rivers and oceans. There is no new thing under the sun. Ecclesiastes 1:9.

I belong to an antique church. The Church of Christ. Upon this rock I will build my church, said Christ. Matthew 16:18.

Built on an antique foundation. Built upon the foundation of apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone. Eph. 2:20. It is the only foundation. Other foundations can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. I Cor. 3:11. We wear an antique name. Acts 4:12. Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved. And the disciples were called Christians. Acts 11:26.

We preach an antique faith. The one delivered to the saints. Jude verse three. We preach an antique doctrine. And they continued steadfastly in the apostles doctrine. Acts 2:42. We preach an antique supper, the Lord's Supper. This do in remembrance of me. I Cor. 11:24.

I thank my God that I am out of date and

that I am an antique preacher, in a time like this. Remember Young Preacher, antique furniture, books, silver, guns or what have you, will cost you more than up to date things.

## THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION

January 1, 1863



(U.S. Statutes at Large, Vol. XII, pp. 1268-9)

As early as July 22, 1862, Lincoln had read to his Cabinet a preliminary draft of an emancipation proclamation. At this time Secretary Seward suggested that the proclamation should not be issued until a military victory had been won. The battle of Antietam gave Lincoln his desired opportunity; on the 22nd of September he read to his Cabinet a second draft of the proclamation. After some modifications this was issued as a preliminary proclamation; the formal and definite proclamation came January 1, 1863. The **DIARIES** of Welles, Chase, and Bates give interesting records of the Cabinet meetings. This proclamation was particularly important in its effect upon Europeans, especially English, public opinion. See E. D. Adams, **GREAT BRITAIN AND THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR**, 2 Vols.: D. Jordan and E. J. Pratt; **EUROPE AND THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR**; W. R. West, **CONTEMPORARY FRENCH OPINION ON THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR**. On the constitutionality of emancipation see J. G. Randall, **CONSTITUTIONAL PROBLEMS UNDER LINCOLN**, chs. XV-XVI.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED  
STATES OF AMERICA:

A Proclamation

Whereas on the 22nd day of September, A.D. 1862, a proclamation was issued by the President of the United States, containing, among other things, the following to wit:

"That on the 1st day of January, A.D. 1863, all persons held as slaves within any State or designated part of a State the people whereof shall then be in rebellion against the United States shall be then, thenceforward, and forever free; and the executive government of the United States, including the military and naval authority thereof, will recognize and maintain the free-

dom of such persons and will do no act or acts to repress such persons, or any of them, in any efforts they may make for their actual freedom.

"That the executive will on the 1st day of January aforesaid, by proclamation, designate the States and parts of States, if any, in which the people thereof, respectively, shall then be in rebellion against the United States; and the fact that any State or the people thereof shall on that day be in good faith represented in the Congress of the United States by members chosen thereto at elections wherein a majority of the qualified voters of such States shall have participated shall, in the absence of strong countervailing testimony, be deemed conclusive evidence that such State and the people thereof are not then in rebellion against the United States."

Now, therefore, I, Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States, by virtue of the power in me vested as Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy of the United States in time of actual armed rebellion against the authority and government of the United States and as a fit and necessary war measure for suppressing said rebellion, do on this 1st day of January, A.D. 1863, and in accordance with my purpose so to do, publicly proclaimed for the full period of one hundred days from the first day above mentioned, order and designate as the States and parts of States wherein the people thereof, respectively, are this day in rebellion against the United States following, to wit:

Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana (except the parishes of St. Bernard, Plaquemines, Jefferson, St. John, St. Charles, St. James, Ascension, Assumption, Terrebonne, Lafourche, St. Mary St. Martin and Orleans including the city of New Orleans), Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Virginia (except the forty-eight counties designated as West Virginia and also the counties of Berkeley, Accomac, Northampton, Elizabeth City, York, Princess Anne, and Norfolk, including the cities of Norfolk and Portsmouth), and which excepted parts are for the present left precisely as if this proclamation were not issued.

And by virtue of the power and for the purpose aforesaid, I do order and declare that all persons held as slaves within said designated States and parts of States are, and henceforward shall be free; and that the Executive Government of the United States, including the military and naval authorities thereof, will recognize and maintain the freedom of said persons.

And I hereby enjoin upon the people so declared to be free to abstain from all violence, unless in necessary self-defense; and I recommend to them that, in all cases when allowed, they labor faithfully for reasonable wages.

And I further declare and make known that such persons of suitable condition will be received into the armed service of the United States to garrison forts, positions, stations, and other

places, and to man vessels of all sorts in said service.

And upon this act, sincerely believed to be an act of justice, warranted by the Constitution upon military necessity, I invoke the considerate judgment of mankind and the gracious favor of Almighty God.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my name and cause the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this first day of January in the year of our Lord, 1863 and of the independence of the United States, the eighty-seventh.

By the President: ABRAHAM LINCOLN.  
William H. Seward, Secretary of State.

### "THINK ON THESE THINGS"

The first colored school south of the Mason-Dixon line was organized May 20, 1865 in Lexington, Ky. It was established in the same building over which Capt. John Morgan hoisted the first Confederate flag in Kentucky.

On the twenty-third day of May, 1881, President Garfield appointed ex-Senator B. K. Bruce, of Mississippi, Registrar of the United States Treasury. This was the first colored man whose signature made money of worthless paper.

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"1847-1857"

A great change since I have been born. While in St. Louis, Mo., last summer attending the North American Christian Convention, I thought of Brother Dred Scott, a slave who wanted to be a free American. The case began in 1847. The court declared that "Negroes" could never be citizens. I thought of my great-grandfather and others who died slaves, and I read Hebrews 11:13-16:

13 These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

14 For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country.

15 And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned.

16 But now they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.

### THANK YOU

I wish to thank the Churches of Christ or Christian Churches of Maryland for the best birthday gift of my life. The trip to the Holy Land and money to spend. It was indeed a surprise to me. As David said in the 23rd Psalm, I say to you: My cup runneth over, surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever; or church of Christ for ever.

### "YOUR CREDIT IS GOOD"

Your credit is good to sin in any form, with Hell and the devil.

You can sin now, and pay later, or you can sin a little every day. Or you can pay on the installment plan. Such as bad health, loss of appetite, no desire for church worship, no taste for the Lord's Supper, a good appetite for liquor, dope and gambling.

Remember, Rom. 6:23, For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### GOOD NEWS

After much correspondence, numerous phone calls and interviews, the Search Committee of the Christian Woman's Benevolent Association is happy to make the following announcement:

Mr. James L. Wuertenberg of Oxford, Michigan has accepted the position of executive director of the Youth Home. He will arrive early in September to supervise renovation of the facility and assemble a qualified staff.

Mr. Wuertenberg has served effectively in child care homes and meets all of the qualifications established by the State of Missouri. He has worked with unfortunate children for years and has demonstrated exceptional ability in understanding the inner feelings and thoughts of neglected and abused children.

He, his wife, Jacque, and their daughter, Bindy, are well educated and multi-talented people with delightful personalities.

After they have "settled in", we would like for you to meet them and to share their contagious spirit of optimism as, together, we move forward in our ministry to homeless children.

Mildred Volkmann, President  
Christian Woman's Benevolent  
Association

(Editor's Note: From what my eyes saw, my ears heard, my heart felt, the Search Committee did a fine job when they located Mr. James I. Wuertenberg and family.)

### CHURCH BULLETIN

#### MORNING WORSHIP

Aug. 19, 1979

Organist: Mrs. Anne Tharp  
Pianist: Mrs. Ramona Bunn

#### OPENING WORSHIP

Prelude

(Time of quietness and meditation upon God and the Scripture reading.)

\* Hymn "Blessed Assurance" 289

\* Invocation Mr. Ralph Mentzer

Welcome

Hymn "Love Lifted Me" 221

Special Revival Prayer Mr. Fred Bunn

#### WORSHIP IN THE OBSERVANCE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Meditation Mr. Ralph Mentzer  
Hymn "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" 426  
(Vs 1, 2)

Prayers and partaking of the Emblems  
(The emblems are passed and each individual partakes as he chooses in his meditation.) 426  
(Vs 3)

#### WORSHIP IN PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Prayer Mr. Ralph Mentzer  
Doxology  
Announcements/Silent Roll Call

#### WORSHIP THROUGH MEDITATIONS OF GOD'S WORD

Morning Prayer  
Scripture Text  
Morning Message "Baltimore" Taylor  
\* Hymn of Invitation "Trust and Obey" 365  
(Those who wish to accept Christ, or transfer their membership if immersed into Christ, are invited to come forward at this time.)

#### CLOSING MOMENTS

\* Benediction  
\* Closing Chorus "He Is Lord" Congregation

\* Congregation Please Stand

#### EVENING WORSHIP

Aug. 19, 1979—7:00 p.m.

Pianist: Mrs. Ramona Bunn

Opening Chorus "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"  
\* Invocation Mr. Fred Coleman

Welcome

Hymn "In My Heart There Rings a Melody" 26

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Sharing Time

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Evening Prayer

Communion Hymn "My Jesus I Love Thee" 297  
(Vs 1)

(Those who have not had an opportunity to partake of the Lord's Supper this day, please come to the front pew as we sing)

Communion Observance (Vs 4) 297  
(Please return to your seats)

Offering

Special Revival Prayer Billy Lee

Evening Message "Baltimore" Taylor

Invitation Hymn "Only Trust Him" 144

(Those who desire to accept Christ, or transfer their membership if immersed into Christ are invited to step forward at this time.)

Closing Thoughts

\* Benediction

\* Closing Chorus "Whisper A Prayer" Congregation

\* Congregation Please Stand

Clifford Smith, Minister

## "WHAT WE STAND FOR"

President James A. Garfield, who was a member of the Church of Christ, whose members are Christians or Disciples of Christ. He was a Christian Preacher and loyal to the Restoration Movement, and was a Republican.

President Garfield said:

1. We call ourselves Christians, or Disciples of Christ.
2. We believe in God the Father.
3. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, and our Saviour. We regard the divinity of Christ as the fundamental truth of the Christian system.
4. We believe in the Holy Spirit, both as to his agency in conversion and as indwelling in the heart of the Christian.
5. We accept both the Old and the New Testament Scriptures as the inspired Word of God.
6. We believe in the future punishment of the wicked and the future reward of the righteous.
7. We believe that the Deity is a prayer hearing and a prayer answering God.
8. We observe the institution of the Lord's Supper on the Lord's Day. To this table we neither invite nor debar; we say it is the Lord's Supper for all of the Lord's children.
9. We plead for the union of God's people on the Bible and the Bible alone.
10. The Christ is our only creed.
11. We maintain that all the ordinances should be observed as they were in the days of the Apostles.

## EASTERN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

Bel Air, Maryland

INSTALLATION COMPLETES  
ADMINISTRATIVE TRANSITION

In an impressive service, held on October 12 at the historic Mountain Christian Church near Bel Air, Dr. J. Thomas Segroves and Jeffrey E. Bullock were installed as chancellor and president of Eastern Christian College. Dr. Segroves had been president of the college since 1960. Mr. Bullock, coming to the college in 1976, served first as Academic Dean and then as Executive Vice-President/President-Elect.

Several honored guests were present from other academic institutions: Dr. J. Lowell Lusby, Chancellor of Kentucky Christian College, George W. BonDurant, President of Roanoke Bible College, Earl W. Sims, Vice President and Academic Dean of Cincinnati Bible College, and Gant Koontz, minister of the Woodbridge, Virginia congregation representing Johnson Bible College.

## "YOU BE THE JUDGE AND THE JURY"

I do not ask you to agree with me on anything you read in the Christian Informer. I only ask, that you try to understand me. Where would the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Slaves be today if it had not been for God,

Jesus Christ, Abolition Movement, the Anti-Slavery Society, the Republican Party, the Union Soldiers and men of the Restoration Movement of the Church of Christ?

## PSALM 103

A Psalm of David

BLESS the LORD, O my soul; and all that is within me, **ble**ss his holy name.

2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits;

3 Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

4 Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with loving-kindness and tender mercies;

5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good **things**; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

6 The LORD executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed.

7 He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel.

## TO THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST, CHRISTIAN CHURCHES EVERYWHERE

Greetings:

Since 1944, the year we split away from the open membership people, I have been in the homes, churches, fellowship meetings, banquets, colleges, state and national, the North American Convention I have been all over America and Canada, and almost around the world with Christians who are loyal to Christ and to the Restoration Movement. In all of my fellowship with them, I have never seen, heard, nor felt, any racial hatred, nor racial prejudice, nor racial discrimination anywhere.

"If it were not so, I would have told you." John 14:2.

## I THANK YOU

I thank the readers of the Christian Informer everywhere, for not allowing me to beg for money. Your donations come so often and so large, I cannot help from crying while I am writing this article. I pray to God and to His Christ for you everyday. I had the best Christmas of my life and the year 1980 looks good to me. I believe my last years on this earth will be my best years. If it be the Lord's will, I will see you in Seattle, Washington at the North American Christian Convention.

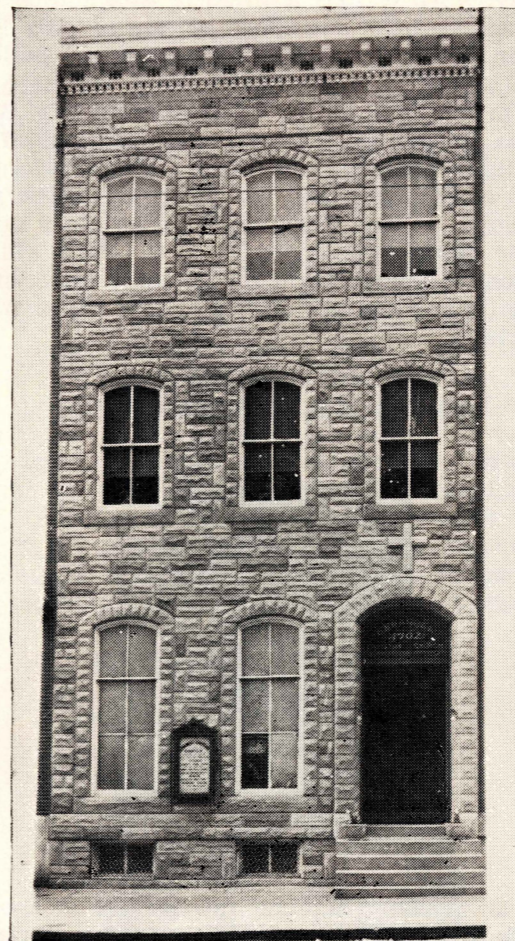
Pray for me and I will pray for you.

Your friend,  
W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor

## "NONE OTHER NAME"

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.

## EMMANUEL BUILDING



Home of Emmanuel Church of Christ or Christian Church, Madison Ave. near Wilson St., Baltimore, Maryland.

Home Office of the National Christian Preaching Convention of Churches of Christ.

Home Office of the Christian Informer. The Christian Informer is edited in Baltimore, Md., and read almost everywhere.

## "CHURCH OF CHRIST OR CHRISTIAN CHURCH"

Matthew 16:18; Acts 2:47; Romans 16:16; Acts 11:26; I Peter 4:16; Acts 26:28; Philippians 2:9-10-11:

9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:

10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of **things** in heaven, and **things** in earth, and **things** under the earth;

11 And **that** every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Christ said in Matthew 7:21-28:

21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?

23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

26 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:

27 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

28 And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine:

Christ also said in Matthew 18:19-20:

19 Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.

20 For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

## MY PERSONAL OPINION

Having been to the place where Christ was born and the places he lived and visited while on earth, I believe Christ would say to the big church cathedral, big church building, big membership, and big bank accounts of churches, what He said to the rich young ruler in Luke 18:18-27:

18 And a certain ruler asked him, saying, Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?

19 And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? none is good, save one, **that is**, God.

20 Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor thy father and thy mother.

21 And he said, All these have I kept from my youth up.

22 Now when Jesus heard these things, he said unto him, Yet lackest thou one thing: sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me.

23 And when he heard this, he was very sorrowful: for he was very rich.

24 And when Jesus saw that he was very sorrowful, he said, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!

25 For it is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

26 And they that heard it said, Who then can be saved?

27 And he said, The things which are impossible with men are possible God.

### "SELL AND FOLLOW CHRIST"

Come follow me said Christ in Verse 23. Let's follow Christ to the other side of the railroad track, where people who are not of your race, nor my race, live. Let's follow Christ to the mission field where people have never heard of Him. Let's follow Him to our schools and colleges, where young men and women are preparing themselves for the ministry and Christian work. "SOLD OUT."

I thank God for the Campbells, Stone, Scott and others of the Restoration Movement, who sold out everything denominational and declared that they would speak "Where the Bible speaks and be silent where the Bible is silent."

### "BIG THINGS"

Big things do not charm God. Noah was several years building the ark, and he only had eight members. Old W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor, an old antique preacher, has been in the pulpit sixty-two years and is still going strong. He will be eighty-two, Jan. 22, 1980. He only has a make-shift church building and two or three members. His first salary was fifty dollars a year. He has not had a salary in forty-seven years. You have never heard of Old Baltimore Taylor working, begging, borrowing nor stealing. Preaching has been his job for sixty-two years. Can you find a Christian preacher who is happier than old Baltimore Taylor, with Jesus Christ and the New Testament, as his rule of faith and practice?

God told Gideon in Judges 7:2 that he had too many members. His membership was too big. Reduce your membership from thirty-two thousand to three hundred. When I was young and foolish, I thought quantity was quality, I wanted a big membership. Read Matthew 18:20.

### CENTRAL FLORIDA NEW CHURCH EVANGELISM

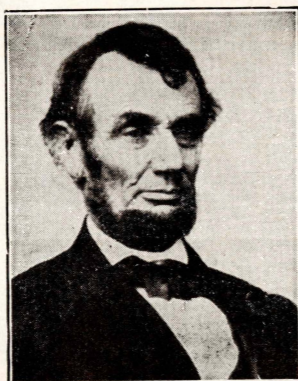
#### THE FALL 1978 MINUTEMAN CALL IS DUE

The Minuteman Call goes to the Ivey Lane Church of Christ in Orlando. The money will be used to help complete their house of worship and for a detailed evangelistic thrust in the community.

The Ivey Lane Church of Christ became a mission project of the Washington Shores Church of Christ in 1968 in a rapidly developing area of west Orlando known as Washington Park. Through the help of Mrs. Grace Phillips Johnson two acres of land were purchased and a house on the property was converted into 7 class rooms. A building 34 by 50 was erected by labor donated largely by members of the Washington Shores congregation and others from the local congregations, with an invaluable amount of donated time and advice from Don Wheeler. This first unit was erected to serve as a meeting place until the remainder of the building could be completed at a later date. The complete construction

would bring together 10 classrooms and restroom facilities. The first meeting was held on Easter Sunday, April 6, 1969 with 18 in attendance during a tremendous downpour of rain as only Florida can have. On May 4, 1969 with the building completed, it was dedicated, with the late Dr. William Mayfield as the guest speaker. Dr. Mayfield at that time was serving as minister of the Eau Gallie congregation. Also a plaque was presented to Mrs. Johnson for her outstanding mission work. It was designed to tell a story and it read in part: "Presented to Mrs. Grace Phillips Johnson, in appreciation for her deep concern for humanity and for her efforts to lead all mankind to Christ."

### 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.

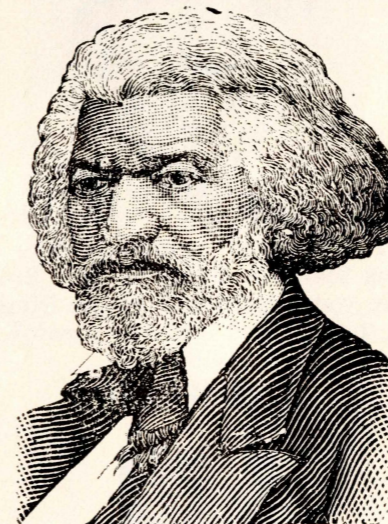
I am a Republican because the Republican party put an end to my foreparents being sold

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 Douglass, 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.

### 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.

### HERE AND THERE

W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor, Editor and Publisher of The Christian Informer since 1944, thirty-six years. He has been in the pulpit as a pastor sixty-two years, and is still going strong. Baltimore Taylor attended the ADMINISTRATIVE TRANSITION of Eastern Christian College. He attended as Editor of the Christian Informer, and as a representative of the College of the Scriptures, Louisville, Ky., and of the Winston-Salem Bible College, Winston Salem, N. C.

### THANKS

Thanks to the Church at Cresswell, Md., Brother Sam Arnold, Minister. The Church at Havre De Grace, Md., Brother Clifford L. Smith, Minister, for having me to preach.

### DO YOU SEE IT THIS WAY?

The Church of Christ is the Bride of Christ, and the Bride of Christ should wear the name of the Bridegroom. When a woman will not wear her husband's name, something is out of line. John 3:29, Rev. 21:2-9.

### MY THOUGHTS

I thought of what I had read about the Campbells, Stone and Scott. When I heard Tibbs Maxey, Leland Tyrrell, C. E. Shepard, J. T. Segroves, C. L. Hays, H. C. Bream, Jr., David E. Eubanks and others. Their preaching brought the Restoration Movement closer to me.

### QUESTIONS

It is no harm for an old antique preacher, the son of a slave, who has been in the pulpit sixty-two years, and is ready to die. Is it any harm for him to ask "Late Model" professors, deans, teachers, preachers and politicians questions?

Which party was it that fought, and lost, trying to keep me and others, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, in slavery?

Do you believe that slavery was worse than the depression in 1933?

All I know about Watergate is what I read in the newspapers, and saw on television. What do you know about Watergate? My father and grandfather told me about "slave gate". I do know about the "back gate, back door, back seats, back tables, back steps, back elevator, back line, back streets."

What do you think of Esau who sold his birthright to Jacob, just to get a belly full of something to eat? When he could have cooked for himself?

What do you think of slaves who were beaten



and sold on the auction block would say, if they knew that their grandchildren had joined the political party to which the slave masters belonged?

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## BALTIMORE

"Back to Baltimore, where the street cars used to run by my door."

Since the North American Christian Convention met in St. Louis, Mo., in July, and since the Eastern Christian Convention met in Pittsburgh, Pa., in October, "The old antique preacher," in the interest of the Christian Informer, left Baltimore again in November, for Pittsburgh, Pa., Columbus, Ohio, Indianapolis, Ind., Louisville, Ky., Nashville, Tenn., Knoxville, Tenn., Ashville, N. C., Winston-Salem, N. C., Richmond, Va., Washington, D. C., and back to Baltimore.

On my trip we attended the "Wide World Missionary Rally" held at the College of the Scriptures, Louisville, Ky. I looked forward to seeing my old friends of years ago, R. Tibbs Maxey, founder and first president of the College, and of the Wide World Rally, and E. Steve Lawhom, second president of the College, and many other "Old Timers" whom I met years ago, and learned to love and respect. In Nashville, Tenn., I thought of that great Christian preacher and businessman, Preston Taylor. He built in his day beautiful church buildings in Kentucky and Tennessee. Brother Preston Taylor was a wealthy preacher and he loved the Church of Christ and the Restoration Movement. Preston Taylor was founder and first president of the National Christian Missionary Convention of Churches of Christ. Preston Taylor left his entire estate to the National Christian Missionary Convention. Brother Preston Taylor was born a slave in Shreveport, La., November 7, 1849. From Taylor to Taylor, Old W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor was the seventh president of the N.C.M. Convention. In Knoxville, Tenn., I thought of an invitation I received several years ago, from the College Fraternity of Johnson Bible College. I spoke four times that day and night. In two classrooms and in the beautiful College Chapel, and in a beautiful full dress affair located somewhere in Knoxville. I enjoyed every minute with the College and they said they enjoyed me. In Ashville, N. C., we thought of old friends we have not seen since College days. In Winston-Salem, N. C., we thought of the greatest preacher and evangelist I have ever heard in my life, R. L. (Back to Book) Peters. Brother Peters taught me the way of the Lord. He baptized me into Christ more than 62 years ago, and God called me through Brother Peters to "earnestly contend for the faith" Jude, verse 3. Brother Peters was founder, and first President of the Winston-Salem Bible College. The College of the Scriptures, Louisville, Ky., and the Winston-Salem Bible College are very near and dear to me. I served as a Midwife when Peters and Maxey were giving birth to the two Colleges. I also serve as a trustee of one of them now. In Virginia I thought of the time I preached in North Tazewell, and Bluefield before coming to Baltimore.

In Washington, D. C., I thought about my first

visit to Howard University. Brother Preston Taylor of Nashville, Tenn., asked me to represent him and the entire Convention, at a call meeting of all church leaders in America. That was about 55 years ago. That was a great assignment for me, being the youngest preacher among those preachers, doctors and lawyers, from all over America. They knew or had heard how great a preacher and businessman of wealth Preston Taylor was. When they heard that I represented Preston Taylor and the Church of Christ, they gave me their attention.

A certain denominational preacher said to me, if you will join my denomination I will see to it that you get a big building, a big membership and a big salary. I did not have as much religion then as I have now. I am not going to tell you what my answer was.

Back in Baltimore

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## YOU HAVE MY SYMPATHY



When I arrived in Louisville, Ky., the other week, I was told the sad news that Brother Jenkins, a fine young preacher of the College of the Scriptures, had passed into the great Kingdom.

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## I REMEMBER



How well do I remember the first sermon preached by a Church of Christ or Christian Preacher. The preacher was the late R. L. (Back to the Book) Peters, founder and first president of the Winston-Salem Bible College, and minister of the High Maple Street Church of Christ, now Spencer Memorial Church of Christ, Winston-Salem, N. C.

His text was Matt. 16:18, Upon this rock I will build my church. Subject: When and where was the Church of Christ established, or the Kingdom of our Lord erected?

Brother Peters used Jeremiah's battle axe and weapon of war. As in Jeremiah 51:20. With that battle axe, he cut down every denominational tree in the denominational forest and dug up the roots.