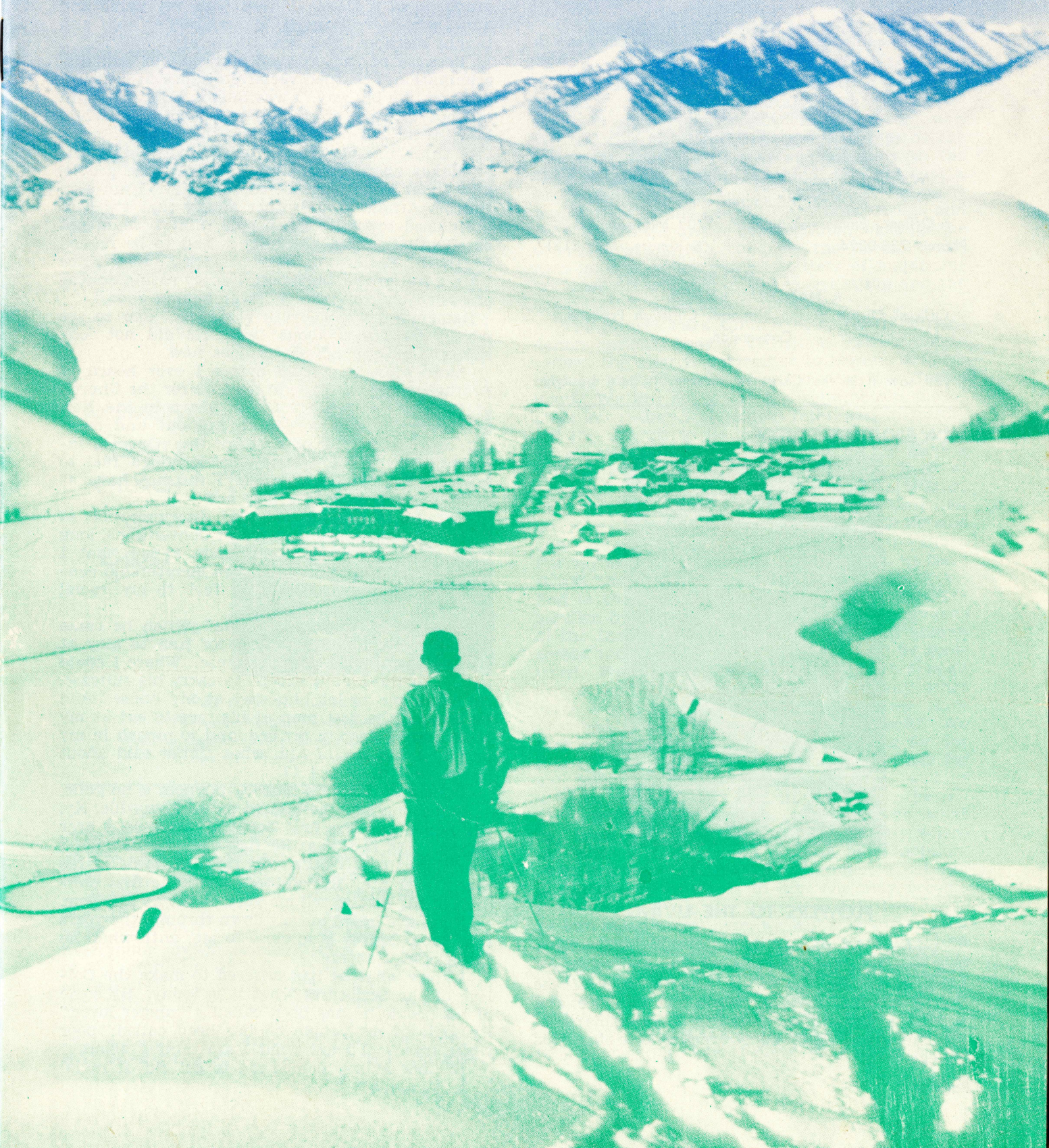


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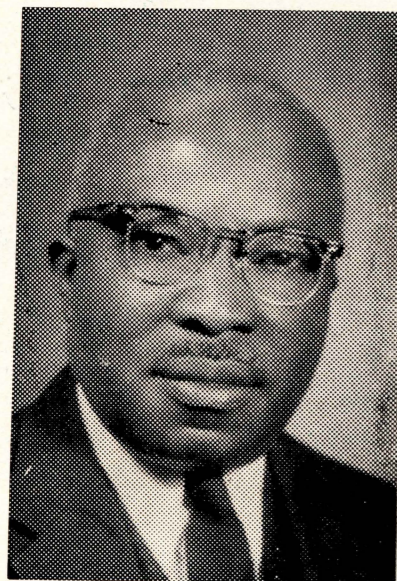
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FLOWERS TO THE LIVING

Flowers to Doctor R. Tibbs Maxey, Founder and President Emeritus of the College of the Scriptures, Louisville, Kentucky. And Founder of the WIDE WORLD RALLY. While he can see and smell the flowers. As stated in 2 Corinthians, 5:14. The love of Christ constrained him to start this college.

I know what I am talking about, because he came to Baltimore to talk with me about starting this college, when I was president of the National Christian Missionary Convention. He was recommended to me by Dr. C. W. Arnold, Minister of the Ninety-Second Street Church of Christ, Los Angeles, Calif., then of Ohio. Confess your faults one to another. James 5:16.

First. Let me tell you how Brother Maxey helped me. I did not need his money, nor his friendship. I was born in North Carolina, the grandson of a slave. I lived with my uncle and aunt, who were born in slavery. They told and taught me about the evils of slavery.

Because of jim-crowism, segregation and discrimination, I learned racial prejudice at an early age and in a big way. I was taught from my youth up, not to have any thing to do with a "White Man" if he was poor and from the South.

I think Brother Arnold must have told Brother Maxey about my attitude toward some people, and about some parts of the Country. I am sure Brother Arnold told Brother Maxey that I was so prejudiced toward some people, that I would not eat Southern fried chicken; it had to be named Northern, Eastern or Western fried. Now since I am a full grown Christian, I enjoy eating Southern fried chicken. "It is finger licking good."

Remember, when Brother Maxey came to see me in Baltimore about 1943. He did not look rich and prosperous as he does now.

More than ten years before I ever heard of Brother Maxey, because of my love for the Church of Christ and its doctrine as found in the New Testament. I was forced to fall out and cuss-out, an outstanding preacher of the "Open-Membership Movement." That episode added fuel to my racial prejudice, because I did not have as much religion then as I have now.

Because of segregation and discrimination at certain International and World Conventions, long time ago, I was hurt and made a vow that I would never attend another open membership convention. That episode added fuel to my racial prejudice.

How did Dr. Maxey help me? When he came to Baltimore, I had arranged for him to stay at a down town hotel at my expense. Where I could not go in those days except to carry his suitcase. He asked me to let him stay at my house. And he became the first man of his race to eat at my table and to sleep in my bed, and to preach in my pulpit. I can say of him what Christ said about Nathanael in John 1:47.

Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile. Sometime later he invited me to Louisville, Ky. His home was the first home of his race I ever stayed. His bed was the first bed of his race I ever slept in. His table was the first table of his race I ever ate. His children were the first children of his race to tell me good-night at bed time.

You have heard me say down through the years that Tibbs Maxey is so close to me, until when he catch cold, I sneeze.

I know what he has suffered to make the College of the Scriptures what it is today. By some of his people he has been called a "nigger lover." By some of my people he has been called "poor white trash." I know what I am talking about.

Brother Maxey helped me to get rid of racial

hatred. The first time I ever sleep in a room with a man of another race was in his home. The first time I ever sleep in a bed with a man of another race was in the home of Dr. E. Steve Lawhom, now President of the College.

57 But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

I Cor. 15:57-58

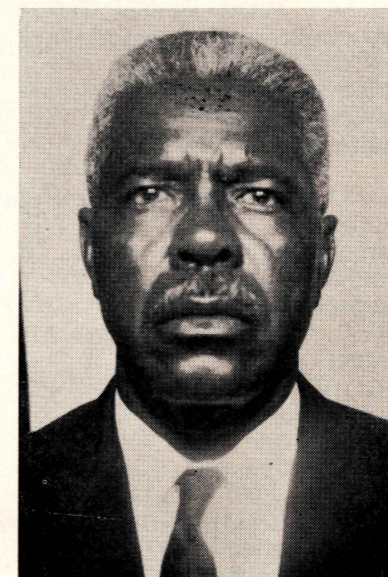
I am using some of the words Ruth said to Naomi. In Chapter 1:16. "Thy people shall be my people." And my people shall be thy people. And all people shall be our people.

We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. First John 3:14.

Racial prejudice can not stand because Christ said, "All Nations." "Every creature." "Beginning at Jerusalem." "And unto the uttermost part of the earth."

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"SAFE"

When the play is close at home base and the umpire who is standing there, will throw up his hands and shout SAFE, somebody is happy.

Having been a spiritual umpire in the Church of Christ for more than fifty years, I must shout SAFE FOR THE CHURCH OF CHRIST when I hear young preachers like Tillman, of Tenn., Ellis of Fla., Johnson of N.C., Jones of N.C. and Va., McCall of N.C. and Va., King of N.C., Johnson of Ky., Daniels of Ky., Jackson of Ind., Ingram of Ind., Simmons of N.C., Jenkins of Ky., Jenkins of Pa., McCain of Ill., Arnold of Calif., Williams of N.Y., Johnson of N. J., Spencer of N.J., Chambers

of Md., Mann of Md., Gillard of Md., Franklin of Md., Nealy of Okla., Waters of Md., Mitchell of Ga., Jones of D.C., Burk of Texas, Williams of D.C., Bradley of D.C., Johnson of W. Va., Fowler of Ky., Green of Fla., Hoghes of Ky. Wilson of Ky., Dotch of Ky., Williams of Tenn., Walkup of Ky., Neal of Ohio, Mullins of Ind., Gibbs of Md., Gee of Texas, Blanton of Ohio, Dabney of Ohio, Young of Ky. Green of N.C., Winger of Ind., Kinard of N.Y., Freely of N.J., and others whom I have not heard.

**SUNSET PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
Savannah, Georgia**

Charles E. Clay, Minister

The Sunset Park Church of Christ was started August 3, 1969 as a congregation where "whosoever will—may come" regardless of race or color. We feel this is in line with the teachings of the scriptures, that the Church was bought with the blood of Christ for all mankind and not just a select group. We are an independent, self-governing, self-sustaining body of Christians. Elders and deacons, elected by the congregation, make up the official board which conducts the normal business for the congregation. Matters of major importance are referred to the congregation and the congregational decision is final.

The Sunset Park Church of Christ is a non-denominational body of Christians striving not to reform the church but rather to restore it to its original pattern as set forth in the New Testament. We are not part of a reformation movement but rather a movement interested in restoring the Church to its original concept. As such, we are not a denomination, for we do not have a denominational or "manmade" creed or book of doctrine. Our name, for members is Christians; for congregations, Churches of Christ or Christian Churches. Not the only Christians, but Christians only. No creed but Christ, no book but the Bible. For our book of Doctrine or list of beliefs, we have simply the Word of God. As for ordinances we find in the Word of God only two and those are baptism by immersion and the weekly observance of the Lord's Supper. We believe that all human creeds and "Confessions of Faith" should be abolished. Paul says in Galatians 1:8, "But though we, or an angel from heaven preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed." We maintain that the Bible alone is sufficient for our rule of faith and practice. We go to the Bible for our authority in Church government, as well as to learn the plan of salvation. Whatever the Bible commands us to do, those things we do, what the Bible forbids, from those we refrain; where the Bible is silent, there is freedom of opinion. Thru the study of the New Testament a definite plan has been given as to how one may become a Christian. While the space will not allow us to go into much detail here, we will give you enough references for you to go to the scriptures and prove to your own satisfaction as to whether this plan is correct and complete. For study purposes use you hand and let each finger and thumb represent a definite step in the plan of salvation.

FAITH OR BELIEF is represented by your little finger. You must believe that Jesus is the

Christ, the son of the Living God. How does one get faith? "Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the Word of God," Romans 10:17 Read John 3:16, Hebrews 11:1, Hebrews 11:6, Hebrews 12:2.

REPENTANCE is represented by your ring finger. Repentance is turning from sin and involves both a sorrow for sin and a true desire to live nearer to Christ. Read Acts 17:30-31, Acts 2:38, II Peter 3:9.

CONFESSION is represented by your middle finger. Confession is simply a public witnessing to the fact that you do believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God. Read Matthew 10:32-33, Romans 10:9-10, Matthew 16:13-19, Acts 8:37.

BAPTISM is represented by your forefinger. Baptism is not just a religious ceremony, but is the act of saving faith whereby the believing, repentant, confessing sinner comes into contact with the blood of Christ. Read Acts 2:38, Romans 6:3-5, I Peter 3:20-21, Galatians 3:27, Mark 16:16.

CHRISTIAN LIVING is represented by your thumb. If your real hand had no thumb for all purposes it would be useless. The same applies to our "Christian hand." The first four fingers merely get you into Christ and without Christian living the first four steps are in vain. Read II Peter 2:20-22, II Peter 1:5-9, Acts 2:42, James 2:14-26.

WHY NOT GET BACK TO CHRIST'S CHURCH OF THE NEW TESTAMENT?

Its Founder is Christ. Matt. 16:18

Its Foundation is Christ. I Cor. 3:11.

The Head of the Church is Christ. Eph. 5:23.

Bible Names for the Church. Rom. 16:16; Acts 20:28; Acts 11:26.

BIBLE ORDINANCES TO BE OBSERVED

BAPTISM. Mark 16:16.

By Baptism We Get Into Christ. Gal. 3:27.

Baptism Necessary to Fulfill All Righteousness. Matt. 3:15.

THE COMMUNION or Lord's Supper.

Its purpose: Memorial to Christ, Luke 22:19; Communion of Body and Blood of Christ, I Cor. 10:16; In Memory of Our Lord's Death, I Cor. 11:26; Communion was the Purpose of Christians Meeting on the Lord's Day, Acts 20:7.

Thanks to

Bro. Don Fetic

Elizabeth, Ind.

TO BE SAVED

The Bible Says You Must

1. BELIEVE IN CHRIST

"He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." Mark 16:16; Acts 16:23-33.

2. MUST REPENT OF YOUR SINS

"And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men everywhere to repent." Acts 17:30.

to repent." Acts 17:30. Read also Acts 2:38.

3. YOU MUST CONFESS CHRIST

"For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Rom. 10:10.

Read Peter's Confession, Matt. 16:16.

Also the Ethiopian's Confession, Acts 8:37.

4. YOU MUST BE BAPTIZED

Jesus said, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved." Mark 16:16.

Read also Acts 2:38, Acts 8:38.

The Entrance into the Eternal Kingdom and How it is Gained. Read II Peter 1:5-11.

Read These Bible Conversions

The Way 3,000 People Were Converted on the Day of Pentecost. Acts 2:1-38.

The Way the People of Samaria Were Converted. Acts 8:12.

How Simon the Sorcerer Was Converted. Acts 8:13.

Read How the Queen's Treasurer Was Converted. Acts 8:26-38.

Read About the Conversion of Saul or Paul. Acts 9:1-18; Acts 22:6-16.

How Lydia, the Business Woman, was Converted. Acts 16:14, 15.

Read the Jailer's Conversion, Acts 16:23-33.

FACING THE GREAT JUDGE

Read John 12:48.

DIVIDE GOD'S WORD RIGHT

Read II Timothy 2:15.

THE BIBLE ON BAPTISM

What Comes Before Baptism

Preaching	Rom. 10:14
Hearing	Rom. 10:17
Faith	Acts 8:12
Repentance	Acts 2:38
Confession	Acts 8:37

How To Be Baptized

Water	Acts 10:47
Much Water	John 3:23
Going To Water	Matt. 3:13
Administered in Water	Mark 1:9
Coming Out of the Water	Matt 3:16
A Birth	John 3:5
A Burial	Rom. 6:4
A Resurrection	Col. 2:12
A Planting	Rom. 6:5
Bodies Washed	Heb. 10:22

Results Following Bible Baptism

Sins Remitted	Acts 2:38
Gift of The Holy Ghost	Acts 2:38
In Christ	Gal. 3:27
In the Church	I Cor. 12:13
A Good Conscience	I Pet. 3:21
A Christian Life	Rom. 6:4
Heaven	Rev. 22:14

Have You Met All the Requirements
Have you been Baptized?

WHAT GREAT MEN SAY ABOUT BAPTISM

1. John Calvin—Presbyterian. The word "baptize" signifies to immerse. It is certain that immersion was the practice of the primitive church.

2. Martin Luther—Lutheran. Baptism is a Greek word, and may be translated, immerse. I would have those who are to be baptized to be altogether dipped.

3. John Wesley—Methodist. Buried with him by baptism—alluding to the ancient manner of baptizing by immersion.

4. Wall—Episcopalian. Immersion was in all probability the way in which our blessed Savior, and for certain the way by which the ancient

Christians received their baptism.

5. Brenner—Catholic. For thirteen hundred years was baptism an immersion of the person under water.

6. Macknight—Presbyterian. In baptism the baptized person is buried under the water. Christ submitted to be baptized; that is, to be buried under water.

7. Whitfield—Methodist. It is certain that the word of our text, Romans 6:4, alludes to the manner of baptism by immersion.

THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH PLEADS FOR

1. **THE BIBLE** as the only rule of faith and practice. Read II Tim. 3:16, 17.

2. **"CHRISTIAN"** as the name of Christ's followers. Read Acts 11:26; 26:28; I Peter 4:16.

3. **CHURCH UNITY.** Read John 10:16; 17:20, 21; I Cor. 1:10.

4. **IMMERSION AS BAPTISM.** Read Mark 1:5-10; John 3:23; Acts 8:36-38; Rom. 6:4.

5. **THE BAPTISM OF BELIEVERS.** Read Heb. 11:6; Acts 2:41; 16:33, 34.

6. **HEARTFELT RELIGION.** Read Acts 2:37; 8:37; Rom. 10:10.

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ROLL CALL

Let me call the roll of men, congregations and organizations with Brotherly Love and Christian attitude. Drove all racial prejudice and racial hatred out of my life forever.

R. Tibbs Maxey, Ky., E. Steve Lawhon, Ky., Leland Tyrell, N.C., Weldon H. Robertson, Ind., O. A. Trinkle, Mich., W. R. Walker, Ohio, deceased. R. E. Elmore, Va., deceased. Rolland A. Stever, Ind., J. T. Segroves, Md., W. A. Cunningham, Ind., Burris Butler, Ohio, G. M. Elliott, Ohio. Bruce Miller, Ind., C. E. Shepherd, N.C., John U. Phelps, N.C., Warren E. Exline N.C., E. C. Lewis, Pa., Charles A. Lee, N.Y., Samuel J. Arnold, Md., Paul Bajko Md. Bonifacio Galvan, Md., deceased. Atty. L. D. Burrus, Ky., John P. Grover, Va., deceased. William P. Cook, Mich. L. G. Wymore, Ohio.

Charles Littell, Philippines, Asis, Loren D. Deckard, Md., David Downey, Ill., E. N. Heghinian, Md., G. W. Highinian, Md.

Faculty and Students, Eastern Christian College, Md.

Faculty and Students of Winston Salem, Bible College, N.C.

Faculty and Students College of the Scriptures, Ky.

Faculty and Students Johnson Bible College, Tenn. Piedmont Christian Missionary Rally, N.C.

Cresswell Church of Christ, Belair, Md., First Christian Church, Havre de Grace, Md., First Christian Church, Glen Burnie, Md., First Christian Church, Frederick, Md. Spanish Speaking Church of Christ, Baltimore, Md., North Takoma Christian Church, Indianapolis, Ind. East 16th St. Christian Church, Indianapolis, Ind.

Doctors and Nurses and Nurses Aids at Baltimore City Hospital.

Ardmore Church of Christ, Winston Salem, N.C. Jefferson Church of Christ, Rural Hall, N.C.

"OLD ANTIQUE PREACHER"

What a complement.

A little book learning and no common sense, makes a big late model fool. A certain man who fits this description referred to as an old antique preacher. Because I preach against the name of churches that are not found in the New Testament.

What a complement he paid me, and did not know it. Antique men and old preachers started such schools as Yale, Princeton, Harvard, Howard Morgan, Fisk, Bethany, Butler, Johnson Bible College etc. Antique preachers stated most of the Religious Movements. Such as Roman Catholicism, Lutheranism, Episcopalian, Presbyterianism, and many other isms. Do I have to mention the old antique preachers or the Restoration Movement?

An old antique preacher, by the name of Moses, wrote the Ten Commandments. An old antique preacher, by the name of Peter, preached the first gospel sermon on the Day of Pentecost. Acts, Chapter two.

An old antique preacher, by the name of Paul, wrote fourteen Epistles in the New Testament.

Old antique men wrote the Declaration of Independence.

Old antique men wrote the United States Constitution.

An old antique President, by the name of Abraham Lincoln, of whom I read about a long time ago. I do not remember what book or magazine in which I read it. But I remember what I read. It said, That Mr. Lincoln was baptized one night and became a member of the Church of Christ or Christian Church. This old antique President wrote the Emancipation Proclamation.

Old antique men started the railroad system, the telephone system, the postal system, etc.

Old antique men taught me that 2 plus 2 are 4. C.A.T. spells cat. 2 plus 2 are 4, have been going on a long time.

Some late model men started Watergate, took prayers out of schools and said that God is dead and that Jesus Christ is on vacation.

Old antique men earned their living by the sweat of their brow. Some late model men earn their living by stealing, killing and getting on the welfare, or working as a big shot in the welfare department, at the poor tax payers expense.

I know an old antique preacher, by the name of W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor, who is Editor and Publisher of an International Magazine, The Christian Informer. He also served as trustee and on the advisory board of three National known colleges in America.

Old antique men wrote such hymns, Amazing Grace. Am I a Solder of the Cross. "Jesus, Lover of My Soul." Late model men wrote, "Open the Door Richard, Rock and Roll, Boggie Woggie."

1985 HONOR ROLL

Some Christian Informer Readers have paid up until 1985, longer than I expect to live.

Below are the names on the Honor Roll.

Ninety-Second Street Church of Christ, Los Angeles, Calif., C. W. Arnold, Minister.
Emmanuel Church of Christ, Baltimore, Md., W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor, Minister Emeritus.
Paxton Avenue Church of Christ, Chicago, Ill., David Downey, Minister.
Forest Park Church of Christ, Joliet, Ill., R. C. McCain, Minister.
Wild Wood Church of Christ, Gary, Ind., C. Jackson, Minister.
East 16th Street Christian Church, Indianapolis, Ind., Weldon H. Robertson, Minister.
Shepherdvill Road Christian Church, Louisville, Ky., C. Daniels, Minister.
West Side Church of Christ, Louisville, Ky., H. Johnson, Minister.
Philippi Church of Christ, Minerals, Va., W. Jones, Minister.
Winston Salem Bible College, Winston Salem, N.C., Leland Tyrrell, President.
College of the Scriptures, Louisville, Ky., E. Steve Lawhon, President.
Elmer C. Lewis, Ph.D., Fayette City, Pa.
Mr. and Mrs. George Hart, Baltimore, Md.
E. N. Heghinian, Baltimore, Md.
Mrs. Grace Halstead, Baltimore, Md.
Henry T. Reynolds, Louisville, Ky.
R. Gillard, Minister, West Minister Church, Md.
C. L. Whitfield Minister, Baltimore, Md.
Brother Ingram, Minister, Mission Church, Gary, Ind.
National Christian Preaching Convention.

THE BEGINNING

For who hath despised the day of small things?

Subscriptions for the Christian Informer was first launched in the Second Christian Church Hagerstown, Maryland. In 1944. Brother Pete Jones (deceased) was the first subscriber.

The Christian Informer is now National and International. It is read in almost every state in America and in several Foreign Countries. Our subscription list is made up of many races, colors and creeds. They all like what the Bible says on any subject. Such as baptism, the Lord's Supper, the name of the Church, the name of its members and doctrine.

We WANT SATISFIED SUBSCRIBERS. YOUR MONEY BACK FOR ANY REASON.

HERE AND THERE

We left Baltimore, September seventh for Gary, Ind., to conduct a revival at the Wild Wood Church of Christ. Minister Clinton Johnson is the up and going Pastor of this moving fast Congregation. All of the members know and love the New Testament Doctrine of Christ and His Church. It was a joy to preach to them. The attendance excellent. Several car loads and choirs came from the Paxton Ave. Church of Christ, Chicago, Ill. Brother David Downey, Minister. Forest Park Church of Christ, Joliet, Ill. Brother Richard McClain, Minister. The choir from Hammond, Ind. They were

there from the Dyer Church of Christ, Dyer, Ind. With Evangelist Carl Moorhouse and others from Black Oak, Ind. Minister Ingram and some of his members from the New Mission Church in Gary, Ind.

JOLIET, ILL.

We left Gary, Ind. for Joliet, Ill., Lord's Day, September 16 to preach at the Forest Park Church of Christ. Minister Richard McClain is the fine Pastor. I was surprised to see such a large attendance at Bible School and Church Worship. They are doing a fine job under the leadership of Brother McClain. They seem to have learned "Boot Strap Religion."

LOUISVILLE, KY.

November 12th we left Baltimore for the Wide World Rally at the College of the Scriptures, Louisville, Ky. It was a great meeting. See program.

EASTERN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE DAY

Lord's Day, November 4th, was Eastern Christian College Day at Emmanuel Church of Christ, Baltimore, Md. Dr. J. T. Segroves, President, spoke at 11 A.M. Some of the Students and Faculty members were present.

BEL AIR, MD.

W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor, Editor of the Christian Informer, was guest speaker at Eastern Christian College, October 12th.

CALIFORNIA

Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Arnold of the 92nd Street Church of Christ, Los Angeles, celebrated their 40th wedding Anniversary, November 18, 1973.

NORLINA, N.C.

We left Baltimore, October 23, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Nellie Davis Russell, the mother of Sister Vinnie Henderson, who is a choir member of Emmanuel Church of Christ, Baltimore, and superintendent of the Bible School.

Thank God for the many friends we met there, and for Pastor H. C. Wright and Pastor John Bagby.

AS I WAS WITH MOSES, SO I WILL BE WITH THEE. Joshua 3:7. After Moses retired as leader of the Children of Israel, God called Joshua. God said to Joshua, As I was with Moses, so I will be with thee.

I say to President E. Steve Lawhon, of the College of the Scriptures. As I was with former President R. Tibbs Maxey, so I will be with thee.

W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor

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THE ONE TRUE CHURCH



Pro. H. Johnson, Minister, West Side Church of Christ, Louisville, Ky.

I. WE BELIEVE THERE IS ONLY ONE TRUE CHURCH.

1. This should not be regarded as a conceited attitude; for practically all denominational people say the same things. The difference between denominational people and us is: We believe in the unity of the church and that division among followers of Christ is wrong; they on the other hand, hold that denominationalism, which in its very nature is division, is acceptable to the Lord. One or the other must be wrong.

John 17:20-21

Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

I Cor. 1:10

Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

2. The Lord promised to build only one church and He is the head of but one.

Matt. 16:18

And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Eph. 1:22-23

And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

Eph. 4:4

There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

I Cor. 12:12-20

For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.

For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

For the body is not one member, but many.

If the foot shall say, Because I am not the hand, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?

And if the ear shall say, Because I am not the eye, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?

If the whole body were an eye, where were the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where were the smelling?

But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him.

And if they were all one member, where were the body?

But now are they many members, yet but one body.

3. The church is that body of people which has been called out of the world of sin in response to the gospel of Christ.

Mark 16:15-16

And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

The word church originally meant an assembly;

Acts 19:41

And when he had thus spoken, he dismissed the assembly.

It seems today to me as an unassembled body.

II. WE BELIEVE TO BE SAVED ONE MUST BE A MEMBER OF THIS NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH. Eph. 5:23

For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church; and he is the saviour of the body.

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.

I Cor. 12:20

But now are they many members, yet but one body.

III. WE BELIEVE THAT FAITH, REPENTANCE, AND BAPTISM ARE NECESSARY TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH.

Matt. 28:18-20

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

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

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

Mark 16:15-16

And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

Luke 24:46-47

And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behooved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:

And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

Acts 2:38

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall re-

ceive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

IV. WE BELIEVE THE CHURCH HAS A GREAT PURPOSE.

1. Self-edification, or building up the church itself. We are sad to hear of so much of that which does not edify in the family of God.

Eph. 4:16 e

From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

2. We are commanded to preach the gospel to the lost.

Mark 16:15

And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

I Thess. 1:8

For from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith to God-ward is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak any thing.

3. We are commanded to lay by in store.

I Cor. 16:1-2

Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have give order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye.

Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him that there be no gatherings when I come.

Each one, out of a heart of love, should esteem it his duty and privilege to give to the Lord's work. It is not to be confined to the rich only, but is the common duty of all.

4. God has provided a plan of worship for His people which consists of singing.

Eph. 5:19

Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

Praying, **I Cor. 14:15**

What is it then? I will pray with spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.

Teaching, **I Tim. 4:13**

Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.

Observing the Lord's Supper, **Acts 20:7**

And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight.

And contributing to the great purpose of God, **I Cor. 16:1-2**

Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye.

Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.

Conclusion—The Bible teaching of unity is offensive to those who are determined to condone divisions. Our plea is for unity only in the one body (The Church) under authority of Jesus Christ alone.

And He has put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head of all things to the church—**Eph. 1:22**.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor's Note:

When I read warm letters from my Brethren around the world, they bring tears of joy to my heart. "My cup runneth over. And I will dwell in the house of the Lord (church of Christ) forever."

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530—L Model Town
Ludhiana—2 Punjab, India
Nov. 8, 1973

Dear Brother Taylor,

Thank you for the fellowship of Jesus along the way. I take out cataracts through great teams of able loving people for all the brothers in Jesus Christ and we are very happy to do so.

It is nice to meet people everywhere and I just praise the Lord with all of you. The front page Christian Informer Issue with the Bible glowing in total space, finds with news of the brethren and faith for going ahead, a warmth of response. Keep on sending the Informer and bill me when my subscription is due. Or make it free gift for the front line.

Affectionately in Jesus
Victor C. Rambo, M.D.

HELP US GIVE SIGHT, EVERYBODY WHO IMITATES JESUS AND OBEY HIS COMMAND.

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Dear Brother Taylor,

Enjoyed my second issue of Christian Informer. I would like to note that it says in it that it is a monthly but I only get it about once every three months. Which is correct.

Can you tell me more about the following.

1. National Christian Preaching convention.
2. Why do you call the speakers Elders. Are they elders or preachers?
3. What is required to stay on your mailing list.
4. I have always thought a Dr. of S.L. should exist. What is required and where did you get yours. I realize that it must be several hours above the M.A. but I have never found a school which offers it today. Maybe since you are older it is a degree that is no longer given. It intrigues me.

I now must close but wanted you to know I like your paper and hope to keep receiving it.

George L. Faull

Editor's Note:

In answer to your question both are correct. The Christian Informer is a four in one or twelve in four, magazine. Because of the high price of printing and everything, we did not want to increase our subscription rate, so we put four Months in the Fall Issue, Four in the Winter, four in the Spring and four in the Summer. We hope to get back to Monthly publication if health and life last.

Number one. The National Christian Preaching Convention of Churches of Christ was born in Cincinnati, Ohio. September 12th, 1944. In a room on the second floor of the Ninth Street Y.M.C.A. At ten A.M. The meeting lasted six hours. W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor sent out notices to certain

Brethren, to meet him in Cincinnati, Ohio. They came and we organized the Convention.

Which was and is now, devoted to the Restoration of Primitive Christianity, Its Doctrine, Its Ordinances and Its Fruits.

Number two. We try to speak where the Bible speaks. The Apostle Peter, that great Preacher who preached on Pentecost said in First Peter, five, one. "The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed."

Number three. The Christian Informer is sold on a money back guarantee. If we send you the Christian Informer, and you do not like it, throw it into the nearest trash can and forget about the paper and the Editor. If you want your money back, just let us know. If you like the Christian Informer, put one dollar or more in an envelope and mail it to the Editor.

Number four. The College of the Scriptures, Louisville, Ky., bestowed upon me the degree of Doctor of Sacred Literature.

Please ask the College, why did they do this to me? I have answered all of your questions, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Martinsburg, W. Va.

Dear Bro. Taylor,

Just a few lines hoping they will find you better. I haven't been well is why I haven't written sooner. I have the arthritis in my hands and feet. I had a heart attack in May so I have to take it easy for a while. Come to see me if you are able to travel.

Will look to see you soon.

Sincerely,
Estelle Phillips

P.S. I was in Baltimore last winter at John Hopkins Hospital for a month.

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October 23, 1973

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

Dear Bro. Taylor,

Please renew our subscription to the "Christian Informer." Enclosed is a check for one dollar.

We moved from Louisville during the summer. Please change our address to:

1000 Louisiana Ave. Apt. 711
Lafayette, Louisiana 70501

God bless you as you serve Him!

Yours in Christ,
John Manning

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Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Brother Taylor:

I want to thank you first of all for the excellent references to the North American Christian Convention in the most recent issue of "The Christian Informer." We very much appreciate this boost to getting the word out to the brethren about the things that happen at the convention. We always look forward to seeing you there.

I am sending a check along to help with the publication as another way of expressing our appreciation. Please keep us on the mailing list.

May the Lord continue to bless you with good

health and lots of spiritual wisdom.

Sincerely,
Leonard G. Wymore
Convention Director

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Baltimore, Maryland 21217

Dear Elder Taylor:

Praise the Lord:

Do hope that you, Family and Saints are well and enjoying the many Blessings of Jesus.

Congratulations upon this Fortieth Year of your Church.

Please excuse and pardon my terrible delay in sending the Subscription money, for this most inspiring Christian Informer, which since I have been home sick, I went through all of the Books, which I really enjoyed. It was such a pleasant surprise to see the Photo of your beautiful sweet wife.

I was very glad to learn since your illness, you have been able to travel.

I endeavor to read The Christian Informer as long as I can get them.

May the Lord ever Bless your marvelous Informer.

Inclose \$2.00.

Humbly Submitted,
Cornelia F. Burns

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Owensville, Ind.
10-9-73

Dear Bro. Taylor:

I did not see you at the College of the Scriptures graduation exercises last spring. I would like to subscribe to "The Christian Informer" for our preacher.

Dale Conaway, Minister
First Christian Church
Owensville, Indiana 47665
Yours truly,
Darrell Bruce

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Lincoln, Illinois
October 26, 1973

Mr. W. H. Taylor
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for sending the Fall Issue of "The Christian Informer," and also for the Spring Issue received at the Convention. It is an informative little magazine.

Enclosed is money for subscription fee.

Yours very truly,
Harry L. Foster

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Pennsylvania

Dear Bro. Taylor:

Enclosed is a check for \$5.00 to renew my subscription for The Christian Informer.

I look forward to each issue with great expectation and I admire you tremendously for your work in Christ.

Yours in Christ,
Fred Urquhart
306 Bast Dr.
West Mifflin, Pa. 15122

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James M. Hughes, educator, Evansville, Ind.: "A plain bar of iron is worth \$5. This same bar of iron when made into horseshoes is worth \$10.50. If made into needles it is worth \$4,285. If turned into balance wheels for watches it becomes worth \$250,000. This is true of another kind of material—you. Your value is determined by what you make of yourself."

Charles F. Kettering, industrialist, Dayton, Ohio: "Twenty-five years ago you could have counted the number of companies that had industrial research laboratories on the fingers of your hands. Today we have over two thousand. It is an expression of their determination to find out more about their business, and, in so doing, they are going to do the one thing that is most essential to our industrial and social vitality."

Ralph Waldo Emerson, American philosopher (1804-82): "The less government we have, the better—the fewer laws and the less confided power. The antidote to this abuse of formal government is the influence of private character, the growth of the individual. The highest end of government is the culture of men. Social progress depends on individual progress. A man must be able to stand on his own feet before he is able to co-operate to any advantage."

Thomas Dreier, publicist, St. Petersburg, Fla.: "Many retired men are like Rolls-Royces, Packards, or Cadillacs that have been driven off the roads with their engines running smoothly and powerfully, and are then allowed to rust and disintegrate."

Don Herold, writer, New York, N. Y.: "I believe it was Emerson who said that dumb people believe in luck, but smart people believe in cause and effect. I'm dumb enough to believe in luck, but smart enough to believe that you can make luck happen."

Grenville Kleiser, philosopher, New York City: "Life is not a treadmill, a jail, or a place of punishment, but a beautiful and fascinating field of endeavor and enterprise, with inspiring horizons of newer and greater fields beckoning ever onward. Work, opportunity, effort, and service are blessings to enrich your life and make it truly worth living. Blessed is the man who does his work joyfully."

Herbert Hoover, 31st President of the U.S., New York: "My country owes me nothing. It gave me, as it gives every boy and girl, a chance. It gave me schooling, independence of action, opportunity for service and honor. In no other land could a boy from a country village, without inheritance or influential friends, look forward with unbounded hope."

Norlina, N.C.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Nellie Davis Russell

Early Sunday Morning the Supreme Architect of the Universe deemed it necessary to call another one of his children unto him, Mrs. Nellie Davis Russell. She was the daughter of the late Annie and Henry Lee Davis. Born in Warren County, June 1, 1895, she departed this life October 21, 1973 at 10:25 A.M. in the Maria Parham Hospital, Henderson, N.C.

Mrs. Russell joined the Cooks Chapel Church at an early age and after her marriage joined the Russell Union Church. From her early affiliation with the Church she was a witness for Christ through her service in the church and community.

She was married to the late Joseph Russell and to this union were born three children.

Her survivors are: two daughters; Blanche Russell of Detroit, Michigan and Vinnie Henderson of Baltimore, Maryland, one son, Joseph Henry Lee of Emporia, Va., one daughter-in-law, Juanita Howell Russell of Emporia, Va., four grandchildren; Serenna, Renné Marquitta and Tina Russell of Emporia. One sister, Mrs. Blanche Jones of Wise, N.C., one brother, Sylvester Davis of Russell Union. One sister-in-law, Mrs. Bella Russell, one brother-in-law, John W. Russell.

Twenty-two Nieces, seventeen Nephews, many relatives and friends.

She was always kind and good, so patient and gentle with an ever silent smile.

"THE GATES OF HELL"

Speaking of His Church in Matthew 16:18, Christ said, the "Gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

From my youth up, I have heard of, and seen and felt all kinds of gates. I have heard of "slave-gate." I have seen and felt "jim-crow gate," "segregation gate and discrimination gate."

When I was a little boy I saw a mob on its way to the jail house. They broke into the jail and took an innocent man through the "lynch-gate."

I believe the law says, a man is innocent until he is proven guilty.

NOW GET ANGRY WITH ME

And stop reading The Christian Informer if you feel like it. Someone else will read it.

I am not going to turn my back on Jesus Christ and His Church, just because Judas betrayed Him for thirty pieces of silver. I am not going to turn my back on the Church of Christ, just because Peter at one time denied Christ. I am not going to turn my back on the Republican Party because of Watergate. I never heard of Watergate until a few weeks ago.

All I know about "Watergate" is what I read and see on T.V., and radio. I do not know of anything they have done to make me hate them, and I do not believe everything I hear. But I can tell you something about "hell-gate and these other gates."

Memphis, Tenn.

Introducing Some of the Working Christians at Oakville Christian Church

Minister—The minister is Brother David Tillman, comes from Augusta, Georgia and was a Baptist minister for four years before working with Oakville Christian Church. In Brother Tillman's attempt to learn more of the Word of God he enrolled at Memphis Christian College and graduated from there in 1971. Brother Tillman is married and his wife Clara and son David III and one daughter Trenetra reside at 3718 Canary Cove in Memphis. Brother Tillman and Clara accepted Christ completely on November 12, 1972 by being buried with Him in baptism.

Minister of Music—William McKinney. William is from Memphis and before coming to Oakville Christian Church was the Minister of Music for Greater Adeline Baptist Church also in Memphis. Brother McKinney served four years in the Air Force and is now working with the Post Office. Brother McKinney said he could tell that Brother Tillman was really a Christian and he lived what he preached and through his life and teaching Brother McKinney also accepted Christ in November. William is the pianist for the church because he is striving to serve our Lord. He plays for the adult choir, youth choir and sunbeam choir, plus, gives piano lessons for the children in our church who could not afford to take them any place else.

Emmett Savage—Emmett Savage is also from Memphis, being from the Oakville area. Emmett sings in the adult choir and is also the treasurer for the church. Emmett was the first marriage that Brother Tillman performed when he married Emmett to Miss Joyce Sherman, now Mr. and Mrs. Savage.

Jasper Hirsch—Jasper Hirsch, better known as (Flip), is also from Memphis. Flip is the assistant director with the adult choir and is the director with the youth choir. This year Flip got a music scholarship to Rust College in Holly Spring, Mississippi, where he is now attending, but he returns as often as possible on Sunday to worship and serve Christ here.

Samuel Tate—Sammy Tate is one of our youngest young men in the church. Sammy is also one of the hardest working young men you would want to meet. He is a director of the boys club with the church, sings in the adult choir, a sponsor with the youth choir, and assistant Sunday School teacher to grades 5th and 6th. Sammy is a senior in high school and he is prayerfully considering enrolling in a Bible College next September.

Katheryn Williams—Katheryn is the director of the Adult Choir and also the Sunbeam Choir. Katheryn with her two children Tina who is in the youth choir and Constance in the Sunbeam choir strive to serve Him daily.

Theresa Kelly—Mrs. Kelly is from Memphis and is from the Walter Simons Community. She is a teacher for the 3 and 4 grades in our Sunday School department. She is the treasurer of the church. Mrs. Kelly has been serving and encouraging others from the very first

Sunday. Mrs. Kelly has a son Kenneth who is also going to make a great worker for the Lord, even in the 8th grade he preaches when Brother Tillman is out of town and he lives the life he talks about. She has a daughter Gail who is also active in the youth choir and Sunday School.

Glenda Jackson—Glenda is in high school and teaches the 1st and 2nd grades also, she is the director with the girls club from the church. Glenda is on our Bible Bowl team and she also is serving Christ by her life.

Lillian Garrison—Mrs. Garrison is the president of the ladies group. She is from the Oakville area. Mrs. Garrison also has been one who has encouraged the people from the very first Sunday. She has a son Paul who also is just in Jr.-High and he's making a real effort to serve His Maker. Paul is the writer of the poem **God's Word**.

Louise Allen—Louise teaches the 7th and 8th grades. She is from Memphis and is attending Memphis State; her major is mathematics. She also is active in the adult choir and serves as the assistant director with the sunbeam choir. Louise's major at Memphis State is mathematics, but over all her major is serving Christ.

Ruth C. Ferguson—Ruth is from Elizabethtown, Indiana, transferring here with Internal Revenue Service. She is a 1969 graduate from College of the Scriptures and is serving her Maker by teaching the 5th and 6th grades in Sunday School, sponsor of the youth choir, secretary for the church, and is working with our Bible Bowl team that we are in hopes will go to the finals in California next year at the North American Christian Convention.

This is just a sketch of some of our members and we have many more who are serving Him daily by their lives.

If you would like to be on our mailing list sign your name or mail it to Brother Tillman. We are hoping and praying we can start putting out a news letter starting in January of 1974.

STEP BY STEP

Step by step we'll make the journey
even though our way seems hard hard hard
Step by step we'll make the journey but
we must put our trust in God.

Step by step is our song because all of us is
"Pressing toward the mark for the prize of the
high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Philippians
3:14

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Are you a member of the Restoration Movement which goes back to the first Century?

Are you a member of the Open-Membership Movement which started a few years ago?

Are you a member of the Reformation Movement which started in the 16th Century?

There is a big difference in the Movements.

The Restoration Movement goes back before Protestantism started.

The Restoration Movement goes back before denominationalism started.

The Restoration Movement goes back before Roman Catholicism started.

The Restoration Movement goes back to Pentecost. "There came a sound from heaven." Acts 2:2.

"And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." Acts 2:42-47.

The Open-Membership Movement was started a few years ago by self-appointed preachers who were "disobedient unto the heavenly vision," and The New Testament doctrine.

The Open Membership Movement is like all denominational movements. Romans 10:2-3:

2. For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge.

3. For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.

4. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

Matthew 15:8-15:

8. This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.

9. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.

10. And he called the multitude, and said unto them, Hear, and understand:

11. Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man.

12. Then came his disciples, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the Pharisees were offended, after they heard this saying?

13. But he answered and said, Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up.

14. Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.

15. Then answered Peter and said unto him, Declare unto us this parable.

13th, 14th and 15th Amendments to the Constitution of the United States

THE RECONSTRUCTION AMENDMENTS

The 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments to the Constitution are commonly known as the Reconstruction Amendments, inasmuch as they followed the Civil War, and were drafted by Republicans. Mississippi, South Carolina, Georgia, for example—had set up laws which, it was charged, were contrived to perpetuate Negro slavery under other names.

ARTICLE XIII.

.....(Slavery abolished.)

1. Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction.

2. Congress shall have power by appropriate legislation, to enforce the provisions of this article.

ARTICLE XIV.

(Citizenship Rights Not to Be Abridged.)

1. All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States, nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within the jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

ARTICLE XV.

(Equal Rights for White and Colored Citizens.)

The right of the citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude.

2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

LINCOLN'S GETTYSBURG ADDRESS

Following is Lincoln's own version revised by him from his own notes, of the address at Gettysburg, Pa., on Nov. 19, 1863. The great battle had been fought on July 1-3, 1863.

Fourscore and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation or any nation so conceived and so dedicated can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final restingplace of those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But, in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate—we cannot consecrate—we cannot hallow—this

Thank You

Perhaps you sang a lovely song,

Or sat quietly in a chair;

Perhaps you sent beautiful flowers,

If so, we saw them there.

Perhaps you sent or spoke kind words

As any friend could say;

Perhaps you were not there at all

Just thought of us that day.

Perhaps you prepared some tasty food,

Or maybe furnished a car;

Perhaps you rendered a service unseen,

Near at hand or from afar,

Whatever you did to console the heart,

We thank you so much — whatever the part.

THE MUREL FAMILY

Of Emmanuel Church of Christ

Baltimore, Md.



Happiness is the only good. The place to be happy is here. The time to be happy is now. The way to be happy is to help make others so.

ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember, what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to the cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom—and that government of the people, by the people, for the people shall not perish from the earth.

I WANT TO BE HONEST

The Republican Party got me out of slavery in 1863. The Republican Party made me a citizen of the United States of America in 1865. "Long may our land be bright, with freedom's holy light; Protect us by Thy light, Great God, our King."

Paxton Avenue Christian Church
8312 S. Paxton Ave.
Chicago Ill. 60617

'THE SINNER'

I hear the preacher, "Brother come"; I hear the Christians, "Sister come";
I feel I should but get cold feet and continue sitting in my seat.

When I hear the word it makes me wonder, Since Jesus paid it all am I worthy for this call?
For in the span of time since birth I've done a lot of wrong on earth,

I've cheated, lied, even stole, And was unfriendly to the old man down the road,

On earth I've never helped a single soul, so why should I be permitted to enter the fold?

I heard a story once about a strange man preaching:

"Salvation is free, pick up your cross and follow me,

Repent your sins, believe in me, my way is better can't you see?

I'll give you life eternally, Pick up your cross and follow me."

Can he really be talking to me?

I'm not worthy for I have sinned, There is no way to enter in.

How can this be? That dear sweet Jesus should want me.

What did he say?

"Repent your sins, believe in me,
On Calvary I paid the price, Salvation free to all for life."

I hear the preacher, "Brother come," I hear the Christian, "Sister come"

Within me I hear the master's voice,
With outstretched arms I welcome thee,

Repent your sins, believe in me, pick up your cross and follow me."

Lillie Mae Smith

BE WISE, BE FAIR, BE HONEST, BE SAFE

Read the history of the Open-Membership Movement. And of all Denominational Churches.

Read the year and place they started, and for what purpose they started.

Then read the New Testament. And you will find when, and where, the true Church of Christ or Christian Church was started.

And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many. Matthew 24:4-5.

YOUR PART

READ not to contradict and confute, nor to believe and take for granted, nor to find talk and discourse, but to weigh and consider.

Louisville, Kentucky

WIDE WORLD RALLY — NOVEMBER 14-17

NOVEMBER 14

SOUTHEAST CHRISTIAN CHURCH 6:50 p.m.
Song service

Song Leader—Herman Jenkins
Minister Prentice Street Christian Church

Presiding—Mr. H. Johnson
Professor College of the Scriptures

Music—
Congregational
Special (Mr. B. Dabney) (Westside Choir)

Remarks—Mr. E. Steve Lawhon, President
Devotions

Offering
Special—Area Choir

Speaker—Mr. W. H. "Baltimore" Taylor
Minister Emmanuel Church of Christ,

Baltimore, Md.
Invitation Hymn

Benediction

NOVEMBER 15

Thursday morning—We invite our visitors to visit classes at the College of the Scriptures.

Noon meal—

Buckner Chapel—12 noon

AFTERNOON SESSION: 1 p.m.—C.O.S.

Presiding

Song Leader—Tom Reynolds, C.O.S. Student

Song Service

Special Music—

College of the Scriptures Choir

Devotions

Announcements

Special Music—Jenkins Quartet

Speaker—Even Bolejack, Brownstown, Ind.

Alcoholism

Closing Song

Benediction

Evening meal—

Buckner Chapel 5 p.m.

Thursday Night

SOUTHEAST CHRISTIAN CHURCH—6:50 p.m.

Song Service

Song Leader—Cornelius Daniels, Academic Dean,

College of the Scriptures

Presiding—"Baltimore" Taylor

Special Music

College of the Scriptures Choir

Remarks

Devotions & Prayer—V. Oakley, Minister

Christian Church, Hayworth, Ill.

Offering

Special Music—

Janet Wilson, College of the Scriptures

Speaker: Mr. David Tillman,

Minister Oakville Christian, Memphis,

Tenn.

Invitation Hymn

Benediction

NOVEMBER 16

Friday morning—we invite our visitors to visit classes at the College of the Scriptures

Noon meal—

Buckner Chapel—12 noon

AFTERNOON SESSION: 1:00 p.m., C.O.S.

Presiding

Song Leader—Mrs. Thelma Johnson, Instructor

Song Service

Special Music

Jenkins Quartet

College of the Scripture Choir

Mrs. Richard McCain, Joliet, Ill.

Speaker—

Mr. Wendell Cox, and guest

Jefferson County Police Chaplain

Closing Song

Benediction

College of the Scriptures Alumni Meeting 4 p.m.

Evening meal—Buckner Chapel 5 p.m.

Friday Night

SOUTHEAST CHRISTIAN CHURCH 6:50 p.m.

Song Service Congregation and Jenkins Quartet

Song Leader—Mr. Andy Dale, Professor at Ken-

tucky Christian College, Grayson, Ky.

Presiding—Mr. Richard McCain, Minister, Forest

Park Church, Joliet, Illinois

Music—Kelso Twins—

Lawrence Christian Church, Indianapolis, Ind.

Remarks

Devotions & Prayer—Dean W.E. Johnson, Win-

ston Salem Bible College.

Offering

Special Music—

Old Shepherdsville Christian Church Choir

MYSTERY SPEAKER—Mr. Wm. Ellis, Orlando,

Florida

Invitation Hymn

Benediction

NOVEMBER 17

Trustee Meeting of the College of the Scriptures—
Southeast Christian Church Bldg., at 8 a.m.

SATURDAY MORNING YOUTH BREAKFAST

Southeast Christian Church basement

at 8:30 a.m.

Breakfast

Program—Mr. Jerry King

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Rejoice in Jesus birth

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Good will and Peace on earth

Rolland and Ethel Steener

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Elder W. H. Taylor

May God who loved the world so much

That He gave His only Son,

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