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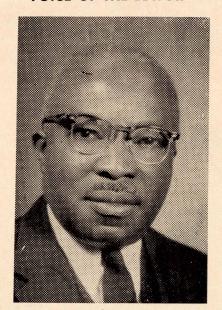
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VOICE OF THE EDITOR



W. H. Taylor

FIFTY YEARS IN BALTIMORE MARYLAND

Forty-two years at Emmanuel Church of Christ. Eight years at Mount Olivet Church. Total fifty years. Two years at Bluefield, Va. Two years at Tazewell, Va. Two years at Durham, N.C., there we bought a lot and organized a mission. Two years at Winston Salem, N.C., my first pastorate. Total eight years. Fifty-eight years.

Between

Between the fifty years in Baltimore and at the same time I preached in Hagerstown, Md., eleven years and at Fairmont Hight, Md. about two years. Total thirteen years.

Ten

Nine members of Emmanuel Church of Christ have been with me near fifty years. They were with me before we started the Emmanuel Congregation. They are Brother Jasper Ford, Sister Arnita Ford, Sister Edmonia Foard, Sister Pearl Wilson, Brother Henderson Dunn, Sister Roberta Maynard, Sister Dora Williams, Brother Alvin Smith, Brother M. B. Chambers, and Samuel Brown.

My First Fifty Years

Near the beginning of my first fifty years in Baltimore. I was told that I committed Spiritual Suicide. I shot a cannon in the form of a sermon into the open-membership camp. My subject was. "Open-Membership is the main highway to hell, and those who practice open-membership are hell bound travelers."

Having come out of a denominational church, into the Church of Christ or Christian Church which we read about in the New Testament. I did not want any body to tell me that an openmembership or denominational or man made church, is as good as the Church Christ established.

Since That Day and Year

I've seen the lighting flashing, and heard the thunder roll — I've felt sin's breakers dashing — Trying to conquer my soul — I've heard the voice of my Jesus, telling me still to fight on. He promised never to leave me alone.

Alexander The Coppersmith

As the Apostle Paul spoke of this man in Second Timothy four fourteen. I can also say of the open membership Brethren in Baltimore, and at so-called head-quarters in Indiana. "They did me much evil."

I pray God that it may not be laid to their charge."

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgement, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil. Ecclesiastes 12:13-14.

How Can These Things Be? John. 3:9

How can men who love Christ and His Church retire, when the field is white unto harvest and the labourers are so few?

In many cities and states among us, the Spiritual Crops have gone to waste. Because we have no labourers in that field, city or state. How shall they hear without a preacher. Romans 10:14.

"A Death March"

To me preaching is like marrying. "Until death do us part."

Christ told John in Revelation to write these things to the angel of the church. "Be thou faithful unto death." 2:10.

Did Peter, Paul, Matthew, John and the other apostles obey Christ and preached unto death? Or when and at what place did they retire? Deacon Stephen died while preaching. Acts Seven.

Get Back In The Pulpit

I believe old preachers are like Grand Mother's fruit cake. They preach better when they are old and mellow. You do not have to have strong teeth to eat a mellow apple or peach. You do not have to worry when an old preacher is preaching, he is mellow and ripe, I know more to preach about now than I did fifty or sixty years ago, when I was green.

I would rather have a ripe mellow cantalope or watermellon that is ripe, to eat, than to have a handsome green one.

Antique

Antique things are very precious these days. I like to read antique sermons like Peter preached at Pentecost. Like Paul Preached at Mars Hill. Like Campbell, Stone and Scott preached at Cain Ridge, Ky. And many others.

I Do Not Know

But, I have heard that there is something made in Kentucky, that is better when it is old, than when it is young and green.

In My Travel

It is hard for me to know a young green preacher, from a jitterbug or hippie.

I saw a young green preacher in the pulpit with his toes out and they were painted. Another preacher was wearing a big wooden cross, large enough on which to crucify a little baby.

Some other young preachers come into the pulpit and to the Lord's Table in their shirt sleeves, collars open, as if they are going to climb a sycamore tree.

Something New To Me

When I was a boy, before electric fans and air conditions were in churches. I never saw a preacher in the church in his shirt sleves, regardless of how hot it was. In the Church of Christ the old preachers, knew that text in Matthew 22:12. And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having on a wedding garment? and he was speechless. I am going to render to God my heart and my garment also.

Do You Know This Song?

Old sheep know the road, Young lambs must learn the way.

What is the Bible age for a Christian or Church of Christ Preacher to retire? If you find no age limit in the Bible, and your health will allow you. Remember, the field is white unto harvest, and the labourers are few. You can preach the text in third John verse four, even if you are feeble. Quote. I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.

Loyalty To Christ

Some of the old Preachers would arise early in the morning and walk 15 or 20 miles to preach Christ and His Church, serve the Lord's Supper and baptize. They loved what they were doing. I know what I am talking about because I have done that myself.

Question

How old was Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, Joshua, Job, Enoch, Methula, Peter, Paul, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Silas, Timothy when he retired. Like Stephen I believe they preached unto

death. How old were the Campbells, Stone and Scott, Preston Taylor, Back to the Book Peters when they retired?

Who Is Who

Where do we go from here? When I was a little boy, nobody wore long pants but papa, and big brother. No body wore long hair but mama and sister. In these days, the only way I can tell papa from mama, brother from sister, is by looking at the "Bus Stop."

In order for me to know who is who. I have got to learn "Bus Stop" religion.

Night Service

I do not understand why some churches of Christ or Christian Churches, follow the lead of some denominational churches, by not having Night or Evening Service. The Bible tells us that great things happened at night. The death Angel passed at night. God went before them at Night in a pillow of fire. Jacob saw the ladder at Night. Christ in the garden at night. In the Upper Room at night. On trial at night. Thomas saw him at night. Christ walked on the water at night. At midnight the Bridegroom came. Paul preached at night. Paul and Silas baptized at night. Peter was in prison at night. They had night service at the home of Sister Mary, the mother of John. Acts. 12:12.

In My City and State

Bar rooms and other hell bound places are wide open, at Night. But many of the Churches of Christ or Christian Churches are closed, after a little Day Light Worship. This bring to light what Christ said in Matthew. 26:41. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Did I Say That?

Some congregations I know will help send missionarys to Africa and around the world. To start New Testament Churches, that same congregation, will not start a New Testament Church for people of my complection, in their city or state. Please count the number of New Testament churches for people of my complection in your city, state or nation.

We have a great mission field at home. The field is white unto harvest, but laborers are few.

Was That You?

In Detroit, Michigan at the North American Christian convention some one gave me a ten dollar bill for the Christian Informer. I lost the name and address. Please write me so I can give you credit.

To The Churches, Church Organations And Brethern Every Where.

Greetings:

I am not begging, because God and His Christ will not allow me to beg. I have been young and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor His seed begging bread. Psalm 37:25.

As Christ said of the steward in Luke 16:3. I cannot dig; to beg I am ashamed.

I am to old to dig; I am ashamed to beg. The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. Psalm 23.

Let's Be Christian Friends

If I have ever sent you a copy of the Christian Informer. If I have ever said anything you did not like. If I have ever made you angry. If I have ever made you glad, through the pages of the Christian Informer, let's be friends. Put a dollar or more in an envelope. With your name and address and mail it to me. Remember, we have only raised the price of the Christian Informer once, since we started in 1944. From seventy-five cents to one dollar.

Your donation will keep us from raising the price. And God and His Christ will help you is my prayer.

The North American Christian Convention

Remind me of taking a special course in college. There I hear the best of everything. The best of preaching, the best of singing, the best of praying, the best of fellowship, and the best of entertainment in a Christian way. The best in race relationship. The only race I saw at The North American Christian Convention in Detroit, Michigan, was the human race. The only color I saw was the pure in heart.

Special Attention

I paid special attention to the great sermons preached at the North American Christian Convention, by Dr. R. F. Blowers, President. Dr. Olin W. Hay, Dr. Knofel L. Staton, Dr. Bob J. Moorhead, Dr. Andrew J. Hairston, Dr. Robert O. Fife, Dr. E. Leroy Lawson. "Thy Kingdom Come" was the Theme. All of those sermons had the New Testament flavor, and they were seasoned with the Restoration Doctrine, and cooked in the old Jerusalem pot, that came from Heaven on the Day of Pentecost. I believe with all my heart, that Peter, Paul and the other Apostles, with the Campbells, Stones and Scotts, with Preston Taylor, R. L. Peters, G. C. Campbell would have rejoiced to have heard those sermons.

These All Died In The Faith Hebrews 11:13.

From my youth up I knew these preachers. We were personal friends. I was the youngest of the preachers at that time. We would meet every year in the National Christian Missionary Convention. They loved me and they named me "Baltimore Taylor", because there were other Taylors in the Convention, and the name did spread like wild fire.

They being dead as in Hebrews 11:4 yet speaketh to me.

In 1944 open-membership raised its evil head and divided us. Before that happened, we were going places and doing things.

Help me to call the roll of those preachers and church leaders who have gone on before.

Alphin Mo. Taylor, Tenn. Craggett, Ohio. Louderback, Va. Walker, N. C. Thomas, Va. Evans, Md. Robinson, Md. Ephrim, S. C. Dickersons, Va., W. Va. Ky. Ohio, Tenn. Griffin, D. C. Keys, N. Y. Tillman, N. J. Mitchell, Calif. Bryant, Calif. Duke, Calif. Bostic, Ark. Kennedy, Pa. Gooden, D. C. Kennedy, Tenn. Johnson, Mich. Bradley, Tenn. Davis, Ill. Davis, Kansas, Latouche, Ill. Hancock, N. Y. Hancock, Mo. Hays, Ark. Scott, Ga. Jefferson, Ala. Chichon, Ala. Moss, Kansas. Jacobs, Miss. Jacobs, Calif. Brown, Ky. Campbell, Ky. Campbell, Ohio. Coleman, Mo. Everett, Ky. Singleton, Ky. Johnson, Ky. Franklin, Miss. Taylor, Texas. Brown, Miss. Oldham, Ky. Owens, Ky. Braboy, Ala. Nelson,

Mo. Sercy, Okla, Ohio, Ill, Texas. Letton, Ky. Divine, Ohio. Watson, Mo. Calvert, Miss. Crawford, Texas. Turner, Mich. Ash, Ky. Person, Ohio. Jackson, Ohio, Martain, Ohio. Martain, Ill. Martain, Mo. Irvin, Texas. Gray, Mo. Strickland, Fla. Wilson, Ky. Quarles, Texas. Hurdle, Texas. Spencer, Va. Spencer, N. C. Hairston, Va. Zollar, Texas. Green, Mo. Torrance, Calif. Frost, Texas. Daniels, Tenn. Bolds, Ill. Douglas, N. C. Smith, Va. Smith, Md. Bassett, N. C. Coal, Va. Kinard, N. Y. Boyd, N. Y. S. C. Herod, Ind. Brown, Ind. Floyd, Ky.

Space will not allow to tell of all the Convention Men and Women who were active in those days, but have now gone on.

Pratt, Texas. Walker, Tenn. Eppse, Tenn. Rouse, Mich. Taylor, Ill. Bonor, Ky. Hankel. Ind. Wallack, Okla. Jones. Okla. Henry, Okla. Locker, Ohio. Ragesdale, N. C. Bowie, D. C. Mc Gown, D. C. Tyree, D. C.

Among the Women were Mrs. Rosa B. Bracy, Mo. Mrs. Preston Taylor, Tenn. Mrs. W. M. Alphin, Mo. Mrs. H. L. Herod, Ind. Mrs. C. Martain, Ill. Mrs. J. Kirkpatric, Ky. Mrs. C H. Dickerson, Ky. Mrs. W. H. Dickerson, Ohio. Mrs. M. M. Bostic, Ark. Mrs. O. Singleton, Ky. Mrs. P. H. Moss, Kansas and a host of others.

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Conqueror
American
North
Indestructible
Stopped slavery
Made manhood

"When I Was A Boy"

If a man of my race said that he belonged to the slave master's party. They would turn him out of church. And let him go as a heathen.

"Alright With Me"

As long as he is a Republican, he is alright with me. Because the Republicans got me out of slavery. Very Near and Dear

The National Christian Missionary Convention, was very near and dear to me. I gave them the best I had. I was at every Convention far or near for twenty-one years. Until open-membership raised its evil head and divided us. In the early years I was the Representative for Maryland and the East. I served as Chairman of that powerful Recommendation Committee for several years. Also Program Director, second vice president, first vice president and president.

"The Up and Down Committee"

For several years I was Chairman of the "Up and Down Committee". It was the duty of the Chairman, to lay his religion down. And tell the United Christian Missionary Society and the openmembership gang, where to go and how to get there. Then pick up his religion and go preach. I think the Committee did a good job.

A RELIGIOUS SHARE CROPPER Let's Have A Laugh

When I was called to Baltimore fifty years ago. I discovered that I was a religious sharecropper. The deed to the church property, was in the name of an out-standing open-membership congregation. The seven thousand dollar mortage on the building was held by an organization in Indiana, which was close kin to open-membership. So you can see, "That I was between the devil and the deep blue sea." As a religious sharecropper on an open-membership farm. I was to plant and grow a good open-membership crop. I was to get my seed and fertilizer from so-called head quarters in Indiana. If I had done that I could have been there until now, because the members loved me better than they loved the open-membership overseer. I did not preach nor plant open-membership. I planted and preached what Christ and the Apostles told me in the New Testament. And we had a good crop of doctrinal Christians. I preached, Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it: Except the Lord keep the city the watchman waketh but in vain. Psalm 127. As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about his people from henceforth even for ever. Psalm. 125.

A Power Not A Problem

In those days and years, the old preachers were a power not a problem. They built their own church houses and schools. They fought as it were with the beast at Ephesus. First Cor. 15:32. They fought jim-crowism, discrimination and segregation. They raised their own salary, such as it was. Sometime they would be paid in eggs, meat molassas, meal, flour and other food. And a black suit at Christmas or Convention time. My first salary was fifty dollars a year and a black suit at Christmas.

Remember, it was not the black suit I wear now. In those days and years we were going places and doing things, among ourselves. Until openmembership raised its evil head and divided my Brethren in 1944.

Never Been Discouraged

We believed what God said to Elijah in first Kings 19:18. Yet I left me seven thousand in Isreal, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him." We discovered in 1944 that there are many times seven thousand Christians in America, who have not bowed their knees to Baal (open-membership), nor kissed his lips.

Try To Count Them

The members of the Little National Christian Preaching Convention, The members of the Great North American Christian Convention. The members of the Christian Restoration Association. The members of the Kiamichi Mountain Christian Mission. The members of the National Christian Convention. The members of the Southern Christian Convention. The members of the Eastern Christian Convention. The members of the Eastern Christian Missionary Convention. The members of the Christian Missionary Fellowship. The members of the World Convention of Churches of Christ. The members of the Christian Youth Conventions. The members of our Colleges and student and a host of others. As in Revelation seven nine. "After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number.

Thousands

Of the thousands of Christians we meet at The North American Christian Convention. Space will only allow us to name a few ministers and their wives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Lewis, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Tibbs Maxey, Ky. Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ellis, Fla. Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Lawhon, Ky. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Johnson, N. C. Mr. and Mrs. A. Chapman, Md. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Moorhous, Ind. Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Tatum, N. C. Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ware, Va. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bryans, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Massey, Canada. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Stever, Ind. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brooks, Md. And many others.

His Church

For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous: (His Church) but the way of the ungodly (open-membership and denominationalism) shall perish. Every plant, which my heavenly hath not planted, shall be rooted up. Matthew 15:13. I will build my church. Matthew 16:18. For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. I Corinthians 3:11.

Watch Your Life

Remember the image of the Church of Christ, starts with the Christian.

Remember

If you cannot find the name of your denominational church, and the place where it started in the New Testament. Then take 'church' you can find in the New Testament. Romans 16:16. Acts 11:26.

The Christian Informer Will Fight Truth Decay We Need Your Help

In 1944 The Little National Christian Preaching Convention and the Christian Informer, Came into existence to do as Christ said in Revelation 3:2. Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, and are ready to die.

The Hired Servants

In 1944, the hired servants of a certain openmembership organization, threw an open-membership monkey wrench, into our convention, and divided us.

You Can't Stop Me From Thinking

When ever a denominational preacher, in a convention or any other place, preach to me about God, Christ, His Church and Christians. I think of that text in Luke 4:23. Physican, heal thyself.

Do The Work Of An Evangelist

Nearly sixty years ago, old Baltimore Taylor, took the Apostle Paul's advice in second Timothy 4:5. But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

Down through the years, he has preached and conducted revivals in the following places. Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Tennessee, Mississippi, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Michigan, Illinois, California, Missouri, Kansas and the District of Columbia.

If

If open-membership had not raised its evil head. I believe I would have put in fifty years or unto death as minister of Mt. Olivet Christian Church, in Baltimore. Because the members loved Christ and me, better than they loved open-membership. When I left ninety four members left with me and we started the Emmanuel Church of Christ forty-two years ago. Members who were with us then are with us now. Others have gone to their long' home beyound the river.

Take Your Choice

There is but one way. Get into the True Church, which Christ established, which is Heaven bound. Or keep on the way you are going. Christ said, I am the way.

THE BIRTH OF TRIPLETS Greetings:

By W. H. Baltimore) Taylor, at the dedication ceremonies of the R. Tibbs Maxey Building. College of the Scriptures, Louisville, Ky. September 1, 1975.

In the year 1944 and 1945, triplets were born. They were the National Christian Preaching Convention of Churches of Christ. The Christian Informer, which is Devoted to Restoration of Primitive Christianity, its Doctrine, its Ordinances and its fruits.

The third twin was the School of the Scriptures. Whose name was changed to the College of the Scriptures. Soon after it was born. Down through the years, these triplets have done their best, to make God, Christ, his Church and Doctrine known to the world.

The College of the Scriptures, have open closed church doors. Sent men into the Ministry, to contend for the Faith, and built new congregations.

These triplets have never fought nor scratched each other or fussed at each other I have never heard of a mean word one Triplet said about the other. Have you?

The Old Man

I feel like the old man who saw a Caderal completed. Everyday he would hobble down to the Page 6

building gaze at the people as they went into worship.

Some one said to the Old Man, Why do you come here everyday and gaze at that Building? The old said, they had a brick rally, and I bought one hundred of those bricks out of my little income. He said do you see that little window way up there. I bought and paid for that. I ask God to let me see that building complete, and to see people going in and out to worship.

I Feel Like Simeon

The Lord promised Simeon, that he would not see death until he had seen the Christ Child.

When Simeon saw the Christ Child, he blessed God and said, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people.

The reason why I love to come to the College of the Scriptures, the Winston Salem Bible College and to the Eastern Christian College. Is to see young men and women preparing themselves for Christian service.

WHAT A FELLOWSHIP WHAT A JOY DIVINE

When I attended the Eastern Christian Convention, held in the beautiful George Washington Motel in Allentown, Pa. My heart rejoiced and my tongue was glad. Acts 2:26.

The Eastern Christian Convention under its Christian Leadership. Remind me of the Great North American Christian Convention, which is neither white nor black, red nor yellow. "Just Christian Only."

I saw Christian there from twenty-five different States. They had great preaching from men like my old friend Dr. Olin W. Hay, Dr. Dennis Felton, Dr. Jim Rackham, Dr. Leland Tyrrel, Dr. E. S. Lawhon, Dr. Earl King and many others. President Robert W. Hale gave us a great Convention.

TOO MUCH GOD AND CHRIST

I have too much God and Christ in me, to be a member of a church or a denomination or a political party. That allowed its members to own human beings as slaves and sell them on the auction block. Like you would sell a mule or a hog, to the highest bidder.

I thank my God and His Christ. For the Church of Christ, whose members are Christians. The Church that came from Heaven, by the way of Jerusalem. On the day of Pentecost. Acts 2:47. The Church that had no slaves, nor masters. For one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren. Neither be ye called masters: for one is your Master, even Christ. Matthew 23:8-10.

Remember

God and Moses broke up Egyptian slavery at the Red sea. Exodus Chapter 14-15.

God, Christ, Abraham Lincoln, U. S. Grant, the Republican Party and the Union Soldiers. Saved the Union and broke up slavery at Appomattox Court House, Virginia.

COLLEGE OF THE SCRIPTURES



September 12, 1975

Dr. W. H. Taylor
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1702 Madison Ave.
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Dear Dr. Taylor,

It is always a pleasure to have you with us at the College of the Scriptures. Our Dedication Day would not have been complete without you. I appreciated your remarks. You always have the right words.

I have enclosed a small check to help with your expenses. The amount is small too.

Thank you for coming and being my friend.

Training Preachers for Him, /s/ Steve Lawhon

Steve Lawhon President

He is the happiest, be he king or peasant, who finds peace in his home. + + +

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THINK ON THESE THINGS



By Dr. Rolland A. Steever, Minister, River Park Church of Christ, South Bend, Indiana Fallacies

A great number of things that we commonly think about and accept in our Christian experience we find to be erroneous when we seriously examine the content of the matter. I would like to cite a number of them in the column this week.

ONE — That the church is a building. We have often thought that we have refuted this idea only to find that it returns with disturbing regularity. People who are brought into Christ through their salvation are the Church. A corollary to that one is when people say "your church" when addressing a church member . . . and especially the preacher.

TWO — Personal interest in winning people to Christ can only be expressed on "calling night." Too many limit their interest to such a brief period of time. They are the ones too, who say, "will you give me the name of a person?" . . . "Who will drive me?" . . . "I want to go along with someone who will do the talking."

THREE — That only preachers can really pray. Preachers get caught up into a number of surprising situations because a prayer is desired and a "professional pray (er)" has to be obtained. This also applies, it seems, to times of personal and family need. Many still turn pale at the prospect of prayer. (What would you think of an adult that still could not converse?) Prayer is basic.

FOUR — People only become Christians at 11:15 on Sunday morning. Some have been known to frown at the whole idea that Christ can be accepted at anytime, anywhere. Too much of God's work has fallen into the area of administration and too little of "as you go . . . preach," is being practiced.

FIVE — Only preachers are good teachers in the church. This makes for a dilemma. If the Church School is set up in one large class to hear the preacher, then it is found that class division is advised. But, when 2 or more classes are formed to expedite the division, with each one wanting the preacher, it places him in a difficult place. (Some of the best teachers I have known in the church were not preachers at all.)

SIX — You have to go to Bible College in

You do have to read the Bible to be a good student of the Bible however. Bible skills are not achieved without diligent study.

SEVEN — You can be saved without being in the church. Acts 2:47 notes that saved people are the church. A current fallacy is one I am hearing more often when people say, "I was baptized at (some age) but I did not become a Christian until I was (some much later age.) This is not only fallacious, but is erroneous.

EIGHT — That the whole program of God should be done as cheaply as possible (free, if possible) and any money raised should be solicited from unbelievers, including gratuities and discounts. Nothing has cheapened the image of the church more than this. Preachers are more guilty than anyone in committing it.

We always welcome an article from our guest writer of this week's column. As you can tell from the title of the article, it wasn't composed by the preacher, but by Mrs. Steever.

WHY I BECAME A GRANDMOTHER

Occasionally we should give our testimony to the goodness of God. This statement by Jesus is found in Luke 12:13 — "Your heavenly Father knows your needs."

In our mid-forties or very early fifties, a very terrible thing termed "empty-nest syndrome" strikes nearly every home. It has never been known to be terminal, but to say the least, it is very devastating and throws the emotional system into imbalance. Arms that once cradled little children are now empty; voices that once read stories are now still; and days that were never long enough to meet the demands of a normal household are now lengthened.

God is His wisdom knows that physically a woman is no longer capable of handling the busy schedule she once did. No longer can she endure the constant demands of lively children or their constant activity. The old nervous system is not what is used to be!

But God also understands her emotional needs—she still wants to be needed; she still desires to love and hold little children without having their constant care. Our wise God knows the cure for the "syndrome" and at just the right time in our lives He sends the grandchildren.

A popular gift item is a wall plaque bearing this verse: "Grandchildren are God's way of compensating us for growing old." A truer statement outside of inspired scripture has never been made. In fact it's such a precious compensation that one really never feels old when enjoying their company. Tired maybe, but not old.

No longer do we have to look at dozens of pictures of other people's grandchildren without whipping out our own "Brag Book" and entering right into the fun.

You know there's Joe, Jeff, Leann, Bethany — oh yes, my grandchildren in the gospel — there's Tammy, Ronnie, Jennifer, Denise, Christine, Michelle, Julie, Angie, David, Leslie, Melonie, Andy, Tommy, Stevie, Brent, Timmie, Benjamin, Faron, Kimberly, Blake, Anna Brett, and Brian. There are others, but I wouldn't want to bore you.

So, I became a grandmother by the wisdom of God.

Thanks, God. I needed them!

-Ethel Steever

JOHN METHOT'S CONVERSION AND MINISTRY IN FRENCH CANADA



"Go in peace, your faith has saved you" (Luke 7:50)

"But rise and stand upon your feet, for I have appeared to you for this purpose: to appoint you to serve and bear witness to the things in which you have seen ME and to those in which I will appear to you, delivering you from the people and from the Gentiles to whom I now send you to open their eyes, that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in ME."

(Jesus' words to Paul — Acts 26:16—19)

"Not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father who...when it pleased HIM, separated me from my mother's womb and call me by HIS grace to reveal HIS SON in me that I might preach HIM among the Gentiles..."

I FORMERLY

A follower of man-made Christianity

"I thank Christ Jesus, our Lord, who has enabled me and counted me faithful by appointing me to His service, though I formerly blasphemed, persecuted and insulted HIM, but I received mercy, because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief . . ."

Tim. 1:12-13)

John Methot was in the regular and secular clergy of the R. C. Church for some 11 years, as a White Father, as a Monk of the Trappist Order and as a Missionary.

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N O W

A promoter of New Testament Christianity in French Canada (since 1952)

A — His testimony

"Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God."

(John 3:5)

By the year 1952, when it pleased God to call John and to reveal HIS SON in him that he might preach HIM among his own people, he obeyed the requirments of the Gospel for salvation, as they are clearly expressed in Peter's sermon, on the day of Pentecost:

"REPENT and BE BAPTIZED every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit . . ."

(Acts 2:38)

Even though he had been educated according to the strict manner of the Fathers of his Holy Mother Church and in spite of the fact that he was a member of the R. C. Church, John took a clear-cut stand for the Lord and His Word, without conferring with flesh nor blood.

Through the moving of the Holy Spirit, he recognized himself as a sinner before God, and, upon his public profession of faith in Christ as the SON of God, he was immersed in Montreal, Que.

"Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, and I am the foremost of sinners, but I received mercy for this reason that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience for an example to those who were to believe in HIM for eternal life."

(I Tim. 1:15—17)

B — His charts and reasons for leaving the R. C. Church

"Come out of her, my people . . ."

(Rev. 18:4)

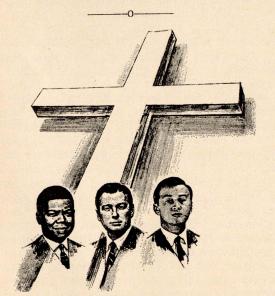
"Come out from among them and be ye separate . . . and I will receive you . . ."

(2 Cor., 6:17)

After his conversion, John published some charts, which required much study and research in the Bible, Patrology and Church History. These charts give both sides of Christianity: the TRUE one and the Counterfeit, beginning with the first centuries up to Christ's Second Coming.

Four of them explain the various reasons why he read his way out of Romanism:

- 1—it has a man-made foundation,
- 2—it worships, in practice, a man-made Trinity,
- 3—it is entangled with Communism,
- 4—it is a politico-religious system set up by men throughout the centuries.



ONE GOD AND FATHER OF ALL. Ephesians 4:6

DR. WILLIAM E. JOHNSON



Academic Dean
Kentucky State College, 1939-40
A.B., B.Th. College of the Scriptures
1948-52

Winston-Salem Teachers College, 1959

Emmanuel School of Religion, 1969-73 Old Testament — New Testament —

Doctrine

Ministries in Kentucky, Ohio, North Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia. President Tri-State Evangelistic Association, 1959-1963. To faculty Winston-Salem Bible College, 1956.

MEAT AND MUSIC

If meat offend my brother, let him eat all of the corn flakes he can hold. But do not try to stop me from eating a slice of country cured ham, with red eyed gravy.

LET'S BE FAIR

When I go to worship with my non-instrument brethren, I do not take my organ and piano with me. I eat what they put before me and ask no question, as brother Paul said do.

Do not make me throw my organ and piano out, just because you do not like instrumental music.

EASTERN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE Bel Air, Maryland



Dr. J. T. Segroves, President Answers to quiz on bottom of contributor's page. How Well Do You Know the Bible Colleges?

(answers)

- 1. There are 45 Bible Colleges plus three graduate schools.
- 2. The largest, in this order, are Lincoln Christian College, Ozark Bible College, and Cincinnati Bible Seminary.
- 3. Of those listing enrollment, over half (22) of the Bible Colleges have less than 100 students. Thirty-one colleges have less than 200. Eight have over 200 students. When you compare Eastern to other colleges, compare her to one of comparable size.
- 4. Eastern has 25 Trustees who completely oversee the college. Only half of these can be ministers. The rest must be men from the business world who have an interest in training young men and women to serve Him.
- 5. The churches in the East are few so the majority of our support comes from the Mid-west. Prayerfully, as churches in the East grow, so will the support that comes from the East, but for now Eastern is very dependent upon the Mid-west.
- 6. Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia.
- 7. We are celebrating our Thirtieth Anniversary this year. Eastern Christian Institute was establish in East Orange, New Jersey in 1946. Because of persecution by two religious groups who worked through the zoning laws, the college moved in 1958 and was completely re-organized in 1960 near Bel Air, Md. That first year she had only 3 foreign students and was deeply in debt.
- 8. To keep up on her operating expenses Eastern needs \$700 every day of a 30 day month. This is only to keep up. It will not get us out of debt and it will not meet the bond payment which comes due in May and November and is \$17,-182.02 each time. Inflation is terrific and ECC is doing without many things that would help in the everyday work.

9. Fourteen families and individuals **depend** upon Eastern for their salaires. When giving is down for the college, it hurts these people. Everyone of them could be earning more elsewhere but they love the Lord and want to serve him in this way so they are willing to work for less. Please don't make them sacrifice more by causing the salaries to be late.

(Answers based on Directory of Ministry & ECC records)

"We aren't in the Promised Land yet."



By

Mike Robbins, Minister, Severna Park Christian Church and Assistant Pastor of the 60th Ave. Church of Christ Fairmount Heights, Md.

LESSONS FROM NUMBERS

In the book of Numbers we find that God had freed the Children of Israel from slavery and had made them His people, they had been baptized in the Red Sea and had received the Law, but they hadn't made it to the promised land. The problems that beset them in their journey face Christians today as we journey toward our Promised Land.

I. The first problem was lost **opportunities**. The spies searched throughout the land and everyone agreed that it was a good land. But they forgot about the power of God. After they perceived God's displeasure, they went up against Moses's advice and were defeated. They had failed to take advantage of God's opportune moment and spent 40 years wandering in the desert.

II. The second problem was seditions. Miriam and Aaron asked, "Is Moses the only one to whom God speaks?" Korah asked, "Everyone is holy, why do you exault yourself?" Over 15,000 of the Children of Israel perished in these revolts. How many Children of God today are perishing because of sedition against God? How many a preacher has lost what influence he has had for good in a community because of members who have undermined him?

III. The third problem was careless pride. At the waters of Merihab (Contention) Moses, goaded by the people, forgot to give God the honor for the bringing forth of the water. How many a preacher has lost sight of his own responsibilities toward God because he was too busy with what he thought was more important? There is nothing more important than placing God first.

All of these constant complainings against Moses and God made the forty years in the wilderness a trial instead of the spiritual feast it should have been. Let us learn from the mistakes of the Children of Israel and make our own pilgrimage to the Promised Land a joy and time for praising God for His power and love toward us.

DON'T STOP THE INSTRUMENTIAL MUSIC IN HEAVEN

If the Non-Instrument Brethren are going to stop instrumental music in worship on earth. I hope they do not have the power to stop instrumental music in Heaven.

Because we are told in Revelation 5:7-8-9 And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne. And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having everyone of them a harps. And they sung a new song. Revelation. 14:2-3. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: And they sung as it were a new song before the throne. I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet. Rev. 1:10. For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle? 1. Cor. 14:8. And the Lord shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightling: and the Lord shall blow the trumpet. Zechariah. 9:14.

PSALM 150

A Hallelujah Chorus of all the Instruments.

PRAISE ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.

- 2 Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.
- 3 Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp.
- 4 Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs.
- 5 Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.
- 6 Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD.

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

Since the last issue of the Christian Informer some of our subscribers have gone to be with God and his Christ.

Sister Hattie Rogers, N. C. Sister Mylia Harris, Md.

Sister Dorothy Simms, Md.

Brother Grady Bell Brawner, Ga.

CANADIAN CHRISTIAN MISSION

Director—Rodney Warren,

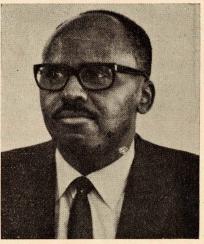
215 Plymouth Street,

Apt. #1,

Ottawa, Ontario. KIS 3E4 Canada.

The Canadian Christian Mission came into existence for the purpose of establishing Christian Churches throughout Ontario. Ontario has 71/2 million people and we have a little over a thousand members. So you can see that one province is a mission field and we still have eleven other provinces. Ottawa has a population of about 500,000. We do not have even a building. We need financial help to buy a building. It might be hard for you to believe but going out to Western Canada you would travel 1,500 miles to find one of our churches and in between these are towns and cities with thousands of people and no Christian Churches in them. We have been seeking help for years and we hope something will come through for the work in Ottawa. I am the Director of the Mission and I have three men working with me and they are well worth any support that you can give them. I have a book entitled "Disciples of Christ in Canada since 1830" We haven't even yet scratched the surface. We covet your prayers and support so we can get on with the work in Canada. One of these men speak the French language. We have 6 million french speaking people in Canada. So you con see Bro. Falardeau has a real mission in French.

NEWS



During the commencement services held at the Winston Salem Bible College. Prof. C. Daniels, Dean of the College of the Scriptures and Minister of the Old Shepherdville Road Christian Church Louisville, Ky., was the speaker. The Winston Salem Bible College bestowed up on Prof Daniels, the honary degree of Doctor of Humanitarian. Prof Daniels is a graduate of the College of the Scriptures, also received his B.A. and B degree Simmin University Bible College.

A PLACE WHERE CHRISTIANS MEET

East 16 at Colorado Indianapolis, Indiana Weldon H. Robertson, Minister DEAR PROSPECTIVE PROSPECTOR:

During the nineteenth century, many men searched the country for gold. They were a hardy breed called PROSPECTORS. Any whisper of a STRIKE and they were off to the NEW FIELDS. HOPE was their greatest asset. HOPE OF STRIKING IT RICH.

The Epistle to the ROMANS can be to the CHRISTIAN what the BLACK HILLS, CENTRAL CALIFORNIA VALLEYS, COMSTOKE LODGE, and the KLONDIKE were to the early PROSPECTORS.

There is this difference, however, the RICHES found in ROMANS are great enough for everybody. Like that of the early PROSPECTORS though, the GREATER RICHES are found by intense personal searching.

ROMANS was written by the Apostle Paul as a GUIDELINE FOR SUCCESSFUL CHRISTIAN LIVING. It points man to GOD'S WAY OUT OF A FUTILE LIFE.

This epistle is more modern than tomorrow. In fact it actually carries the basic conditions from which tomorrow's headlines are written.

A group of CHRISTIANS, with no EARTHLY TEACHER, has decided to PROSPECT ROMANS for the answers to successful CHRISTIAN LIVING. It will be an ordinate class. Everyone will be equal.

In this class, the PROSPECTORS will ask the questions. No legitimate question, however simple or complex will be refused consideration. However, tricky and/or hypocritical questions will be summarily rejected.

Each of us have private and sometimes overwhemling problems for which we seek solutions. Some questions are too embarrassing to be made public. It is suggested that such questions be written down in assigned numerical order and be retained by the questioner. On the front of an identified sealed envelope, list the numbers and bring it to class. As we study and answer other questions perhaps you will find the answer to one or more of your questions. Sometime, publicly, or privately, encircle the number of your answered question. THESE ARE THE KIND OF RICHES TO BE FOUND IN ROMANS.

Anyone who is interested may become a PROS-PECTOR. Ask your class to grant you leave. We only ask that you faithfully participate fully thruout the study.

This study begins Sunday, November 2.

Yours in His Name, THE PROSPECTING KEEN AGERS

LIKE MOSES

In Hebrews Chapter Eleven

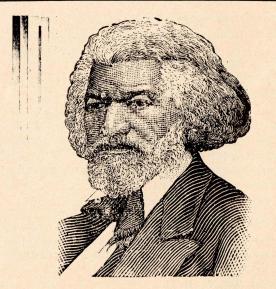
- 23 By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw he was a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment.
- 24 By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;
- 25 Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;
- 26 Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.
- 27 By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.
- I, W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor would rather suffer affliction, with the True Church of Christ, whose members are Christians. And with the Republican Party, that saved the Union, and broke up slavery.

Than to enjoy the pleasures of the denominational churches and of the slave master's party, that fought to keep me in slavery.

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 grestest 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.



INNER CITY MISSION INC.



622-624 East Wayne St.

Fort Wayne, Indiana 46802

Sam J. Winger, Executive

Director & Evangelist

Sam Says

Thanks to you, our readers for being such concerned people. I'm happy to be serving God as a part of a concerned ministry. One of our directors (Everett Somers), who was a concerned person unexpectedly left us in July. He went to his reward with Jesus. We would like to help more people prepare for their reward. You can help by joining us in a search for a farm to expand our helping hand of helping others help themselves.

Everett Somer's dream was to see us help more people by providing more of an opportunity to help themselves. We believe that with your help, Everett's dream will not die.

These are the things that our farm program would endeavour to do: We would have an indepth spiritual, vocational, and educational program. Included with the regular instructional devotional classes, and training marketable skills in these areas:

- (1) Small motor repair
- (2) Carpentry and cabinet-making etc.
- (3) Seamstressry work
- (4) Printshop work
- (5) Farm maintenance and truck farming

There would be a minimum committment clause, no one leaving before a 3-6 month period (court commitment or otherwise). We would endeavor to have an improved and accredited college internship program (6 weeks).

Maybe you can help us locate a farm and keep Everett's dream alive. If so, why not give us a call or write to us and let us know. We're depending on the Lord to touch your heart in our behalf... with God all things are possible. Mark 10:27

'FALSE TESTIMONY OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES'



By Dr. William M. Ellis, Minister of Washington Shores Church of Christ. Orlando, Florida.

... So many people today are falling into the trap of false teaching by the . . . Jehovah's Witnesses. It is important that you know something about their false teaching so that you can give them a Bible answer.

How, and when did this organization get started? Their organization was unknown to Christ and the apostles, is not found in the New Testament, and never was heard of in the first century.

Their name was not adopted until 1931. "Then on July 26, 1931, at the international assembly in Columbus, Ohio, came the public adoption of the name "Jehovah's witnesses.

Therefore this organization is not apostolic in name, according to their own admission; and, may we add, neither is it apostolic in organization, doctrine and practice.

As all denominational bodies, Jehovah's witnesses assume their own definition of terms, create a set of expressions not in the Bible; and then argue from their assumed premises as if they were true.

They assume that "life" means existence, and that death means non-existence or a ceasing to be. It can easily be seen that they are in error by substituting these definitions for the words themselves. Note:

"We know that we have passed from death (non-existence) unto life (existence), because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death (non-existence)." (I John 3:14)

Death means seperation, not annihiliation. (Thayers Greek Lexicon) To be alive to something means to be actively joined to it. Christians are dead to sin, (Rom. 6:2); and dead to the old law, seperated from it. (Rom. 7:4) "Jehovah's Witnesses" Teach:

That Jesus was not divine until after his resurrection: "In truth, when Jesus was on the earth he was a perfect man, nothing more and nothing less." (Reconciliation, p. 111) "Christ Jesus the divine was born three days after his crucifixion." (Deliverance, p. 245)

THE BIBLE TEACHES:

"And lo a voice from heaven saying. This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." (Matt. 3:17). This was at His baptism, about three and one half years before His crucifixion. Which will you believe? God or Rutherford? You cannot believe both.

Jehovah's Witnesses Teach:

Than no man has a soul, (Reconciliation, p. 298)

THE BIBLE TEACHES:

"And the God of peace himself sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit and soul and body preserved, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." (I Thess. 5:23)

"And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul; but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell." (Matt. 10:28)

Jehovah's Witnesses Teach:

That there will be no Everlasting Punishment. THE BIBLE TEACHES:

"And these shall go away into ever-lasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal." (Matt. 25:46)

If a man dies in rebellion to the gospel of Christ, he will face the judgment and eternity that way. Punishment and suffering for sin in the next life will be for the sins personally committed . . . that have not been covered by the blood of Christ.

In Christ we have redemption through His blood (Rom. 6:3-4) . . . therefore we must walk in the light and the blood of Christ "cleanseth from all sin." (I Jno. 1:7) . . . COME TO BIBLE STUDY CLASS ON TUESDAY, 7:30 p.m.

We would like to share some more information with you so that you can give them a Bible answer and win them to Christ.

Jehovah's Witnesses Teach:

That the body of Jesus was not raised. "Somewhere Jehovah miraculously preserved that body." (Deliverance, p. 170)

"We can only surmise that the Lord may have preserved it somewhere to exhibit to the people in the millennial age." (Harp of God, p. 173)

THE BIBLE TEACHES:
That after the resurrection Jesus said: "Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have." (Luke 24:39)

If the body of Jesus was not raised, there was no resurrection, because the spirit of Jesus was never buried. As He died He said, "Father into thy hands I commend my spirit."

To deny the resurrection is to deny the fundamental fact of the gospel. (I Cor. 15:1-6)

"And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain."

"And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain, ye are yet in your sins."

"Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished."

Dear Prospective Student:

Here is your copy of the 1975-76 Winston-Salem College catalog.

We have prepared this catalog in such a way that most of your questions concerning Winston-Salem Bible College will be answered as you read through its pages. If after reading through the catalog you still have questions, please feel free to write us for additional information.

Perhaps you are one of those who would like to serve the Lord in a special way but are looking for a "call" to the ministry. Remember, while Christ walked among men, He "called" twelve men to study with Him night and day for three and a half years, and then when they were thoroughly prepared He sent them out to do His will. He commissioned them at the end of the teaching period. God needs men of dedication. We here at the Winston-Salem Bible College believe that a Christian Education without dedication to Christ is futile; therefore, we call upon you who have already put Christ in your life to come follow Him into a life of preparation that He indeed may make you become "fishers of men."

Costs at Winston-Salem Bible College are very modest, and student employment is normally available. An application blank for enrollment at Winston-Salem Bible College is enclosed with your catalog." If the Lord is leading you in our direction, then why not follow this leading? All true happiness and peace of mind is found in letting the Lord have His way with our lives. He can certainly plan our lives for us better than we can plan our own if we will but give Him opportunity.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Leland Tyrrell



"If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.' (I Cor. 15:14, 17, 18)

Furthermore, Jesus showed His hands and His feet to His disciples, and ate broiled fish before them. (Lk. 24:40-43) And He told Thomas to reach forth his finger and put it in His hands and side. (John 20:27)

Jehovah's Witnesses Teach:

That 1914 "marks the birth of the kingdom." (Preservation, p. 253)

THE BIBLE TEACHES:

That while Jesus was here upon earth, He said, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye and believe the gospel." (Mark 1:15)

Again He said: "Verily I say unto you, that there be some that stand here which shall not taste death, till they have seen the Kingdom of God come with power." (Mark 9:1)

Do you believe that some who were standing there then lived until 1914? Absurd! It was to "come with power." Jesus said the apostles would receive power when the Holy Spirit came upon them. (Acts 1:8)

In A. D. 30 the apostles received the baptism of the Holy Spirit and all were to come together. Hence, the kingdom came then . . . not in 1914. Read Acts ch. 2.)

Furthermore, in A. D. 64, Paul said: "Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son." (Col. 1:13)

Paul and the Christian at Colosse could not have been translated into the kingdom if it did not already exist.

Every person who is obedient to the Word and who has been baptized into the body of Christ is translated into His Kingdom . . . the church . . . His body. We are not transferred into His body but "translated."

Jehovah's Witnesses Teach:

That the wicked will never be resurrected." (Children, p. 361)

"There appears to be no Scriptural authority for saying the wicked will ever be resurrected." THE BIBLE TEACHES:

"For the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice, And shall come forth; they that have done good unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. (John 5:28-29) Which will you believe?

CANADA

Undenominational Christian Church meeting at 35 Corkstown Road. Mailing Address 215 Plymouth St. Ottawa, Ontario, KIS 3E4 Canada. Elders: J. H. Douglas, H. A. Massey and R. Falardeau.

R.M. Warren — Minister and Director of the Canadian Christian Mission. This Mission was started March 1975 for the purpose of starting mission churches throughout Ontario. Ontario has a population of $7\frac{1}{2}$ million people. With only 19 small congregations. With a total membership of one thousand and ninety-eight.

Bro. & Sister Warren are born in Canada and educated there. They have been in the church of Christ since 1964. They are worthy and they

need the financial support of the churches and brethren everywhere. The congregation is very much in need of a building to worship in of their own. There is a great opportunity here for the church in the City of Ottawa. There is a population of about 500,000 and do not have a Church building.

A piece of property can be bought and converted into a church with adequate space for the sum of \$50,000.00.

"IF SLAVERY IS NOT WRONG NOTHING IS WRONG TELL THE TRUTH"

If the Republican President Abraham Lincoln, who saved Union and freed the slaves. If he owned slaves as some would try to make believe. Why would he split rails?

It seem to me he would have let his slaves split the rails. That was the custom in those days. If he had to sleep on a dirt floor. Where did his slaves sleep? If he was so poor, he had to read by the light from the fireplace. What kind of light did his slaves have? In a letter of Mr. Lincoln to Mr. Hodges, of Kentucky April 4, 1864.

"I am naturally antislavery. If slavery is not wrong, nothing is wrong. I cannot remember when I did not so think and feel."

Life and times of Frederick Douglass Page 489.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR Boulevard Christian Church

920 Essex Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21221

Mr. W. H. Taylor, Minister 1702 Madison Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21217 Dear Brother Taylor:

Greetings in the name of our wonderful Lord! I just wanted to remind you to mark your calendar as to your speaking here at Boulevard on December 6 for the Chesapeake Area Men's Meeting. It will be our privilege to have you to speak for us on that evening on a topic of your choosing.

For the cause of Christ,
/s/ C. Wayne Murphy, ab
C. Wayne Murphy
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Pacific Christian College 2500 East Nutwood Avenue Fullerton, California 92631 Telephone (714) 879-3901

July 21, 1975 Dr. W. H. "Baltimore" Taylor The Christian Informer 1702 Madison Ave. Baltimore, MD 21217

Just a note, "Baltimore", to congratulate you on your diligence to preach the Word and to testify to His grace in building the Church of Jesus Christ.

We met at the North American convention, and there you shared with me a copy of the CHRISTIAN INFORMER.

Your determination, faith, and commitment are reflected on every page. I trust God will bless your efforts to strengthen His church in Balti-

more at Emmanuel and win more people to our Lord.

Please pay us a visit if you are in Southern California, visiting your and our good friends, the Arnolds, who, according to your paper, have just retired from a most successful ministry with the 92nd Street Church in Los Angeles.

May God guide and bless you in every way to His glory.

In Christ,

/s/ G. B. Gordon

G. B. Gordon

Vice-President/Development

Written from Clinton, Illinois, en route to California from Detroit.

Christian Churches—Churches of Christ

October 13, 1975

Dr. W. H. Taylor, Minister Emmanuel Christian Church 1702 Madison Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21217 Dear Brother Taylor,

In discussing the Bicentennial celebration, it occurred to me that it would be a good idea if we had some of the history of the restoration movement in Maryland written down and shared with others.

Immediately you came to mind as one who would have much to offer in this regard!

I realize that it is a big request to make, but would you be willing to write down as much as you could and let me have it that we might print it along with other information I can secure?

Your suggestions as to how this might be done or anything that would make it more effective would certainly be appreciated!

Your friend in Christ, /s/ Kenneth A. Meade

Kenneth A. Meade, State Chairman

EASTERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION

August 8, 1975

Dr. W. H. Taylor, Editor and Publisher THE CHRISTIAN INFORMER Emmanuel Building

Emmanuel Building

1702 Madison Avenue

Baltimore, Maryland 21217

Dear Brother Taylor:

I always look forward to each issue of THE CHRISTIAN INFORMER and appreciate so much the work you do in publishing it.

It's always a spiritual joy to see you whenever you are attending any of the conventions or other meetings. Your hearty laugh and uplifting outlook on life is truly a gift from God and I'm certain it has reached out to many people at just the right time.

Lord willing, please include the Eastern Christian Convention in your schedule and plan to come and share in the rich fellowship here in Allentown!

May God continue to bless and guide you and use you mightily in His kingdom.

Your friend in Christ,

/s/ Ken

Kenneth A. Meade, Coordinator

Minnesota Bible College

920 Mayowood Road S.W.

Rochester, Minnesota 55901

August 4, 1975

Dr. W. H. Taylor Emmanuel Building 1702 Madison Avenue Baltimore, MD 21217 Dear Brother Taylor:

It was a delight to see you again at the North American Convention in Detroit. I enjoyed the brief visit with you. And as for your request I am putting you on the Minnesota Bible College News mailing list and enclosing a copy of the current issue for your interest.

If you are ever in our area, please let us know and please come to visit us here at the school. I should like to show you around our beautiful campus. We would be delighted to have you as a speaker in our chapel if we know in advance that you are coming so we do not have a conflict with someone else.

May the good Lord continue to bless and strengthen you and your great work in Baltimore.

Sincerely yours
/s/ Bruce E. Miller
Bruce E. Miller
President

September 1975

Steve Lawhon, President College of the Scriptures Box 18027

Louisville, Kentucky 40218

Dear College Friend,

It has been a grand and glorious Labor Day Week-end! History has been made. It was only 2 years and 3 months ago that the College broke ground, and now through many people like you and the Lord's smiling down upon us with His blessing, we now have a building "debt free."

We had friends from several states that made special effort to be with us, as far north as Michigan and as far south as Florida. The Chapel was filled, and so were we.

The dedicatorial message delivered by Fred Mitchell, President of the College of the Scriptures Alumni Association, was most appropriate, pointing out the need for our school, and the progress that has been made.

Representatives spoke and several letters were read from Churches and Bible Colleges, lauding the accomplishment of a Debt Free Building.

The R. Tibbs Maxey Building should be completely finished by the end of September. The final touches of landscaping, trim, and other important items will be finished as funds are available.

We thank those who came and regret that you could not share with us in the Dedication of YOUR building.

God bless you as you continue to help us in our endeavor here at the College.

Training Preachers for Him,
/s/ Steven Lawhon
Steve Lawhon, President