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Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth. Psalms 60:4

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Pictured above are Baptist ministers from nine states who attended the Seventh Annual Session of the Old Union Baptist Ministers School at Old Union Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Kentucky, March 28, 29, 30, 1979. Three or four were not present for the photo, but the total attending were 68, the largest attendance in the history of the school.

Those in attendance were Thomas Armstrong, Dexter A. Bacon, Jr., D. C. Barton, James W. Briley, Bobby E. Brooks, P. H. Brooks, Eugene Brown, Jr., Paul Bry-

son, Harold D. Carver, Rufus Chandler, Charles Chapman, Del Compton, Maurice Cothron, Don Curtis, Douglas Curtis, Kenneth Davis, Dallas E. DeRossett.

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Doug Matthews, Floyd Mince, Billy Moran.

Gary Nicholas, W. R. Overton, Kent Parson, Calvin Perrigo, James (Pete) Porter, E. F. Prince, Vernon Roark, C. L. (Dee) Russell, W. T. Russell, Wayne D. Shoulders, William Shoulders, Terrell Simmons, Bernard Skaggs, H. Allen Smith, J. H. Smith, L. W. Smith, Jimmy Sorrell, Willie R. Stewart, D. W. Story, Ray Sutton, John W. Thompson, Danny R. Tomlinson, H. C. Vanderpool, Richard Vineyard, Jackie Wilburn, Kenneth Woodall and Nathan York.

Teachers during the session were Elders F. W. Lambert, W. T. Russell, J. H. Smith and H. C. Vanderpool. A good session was enjoyed by those in attendance. The blessings of the Lord were upon us. Elder Paul Bryson is the pastor of Old Union Church. Elders Eugene Brown and Darrell Hicks were in charge of tape-recording of all the lessons for distribution. Bro. Jackie Wilburn made the above photo for distribution also to those desiring a copy.

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Editorial

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RM2493

NOTE: The editorial concerns petitions which have been circulated in the midstate area about a Federal Communications Commission hearing to do away with religious broadcasts on radio and television. The attempt to do away with these broadcasts was overturned nearly four years ago.

Anyone who doesn't believe in resurrection obviously hasn't tried to bury RM2493 which was killed by the Federal Communications Commission on Aug. 1, 1975!

Petitions, urging letters to the FCC, are being circulated throughout Tennessee by churches, civic clubs, and businesses as this false issue is experiencing its biennial resurrection. A similar occurrence happened during the spring of 1977.

Please ignore this completely inaccurate petition.

This motion-laden petition-based upon falsehoods-has again surfaced in the Volunteer State, and apparently throughout the nation. Even the few parts of the petition which are accurate are four years out of date!

The mimeographed, one-page statement (with a coupon at the bottom) states that famed atheist Madelyn Murray O'Hair has a petition before the Federal Communications Commission which would eliminate the broadcasting of religious radio and television programs. The statement identifies this petition as RM2493.

We are glad that our church members and other citizens want to keep the gospel on these media. However, there is no threat whatsoever to prohibiting such programs before the FCC at this time.

Here are the facts.

In December 1974 two California men, Jeremy D. Lansman and Lorenzo W. Milam, filed petition RM2493 with the Federal Communications Commission. The petition would NOT have prohibited religious programs on radio and television, but rather asked the FCC to freeze the issuing of licenses for additional educational television and FM radio stations to individuals or groups planning to air only religious or quasi-religious programs.

Mrs. O'Hair had nothing at all to do with the petition-although she doubtless would have agreed with its request. However, the inclusion of her name on the false statement currently being circulated has enflamed a hatred which has caused many to circulate the statement and to respond by the millions.

On Aug. 1, 1975-almost four years ago-the FCC in a unanimous vote denied the petition, thereby killing RM2493. Mrs. O'Hair did not request, nor was she granted, a personal hearing before the FCC concerning RM2493.

Even if RM2493 had been approved (which it was not), it would have had no effect whatsoever on present radio and television stations or on present or future religious radio and television programs which proclaim the gospel.

The inaccurate statement being passed around these days mentions Mrs. O'Hair's efforts to take prayer out of the public schools and to prohibit astronauts from reading the Bible while on space missions.

Mrs. O'Hair was personally involved in the decision of the Supreme Court that prohibits school boards from writing prayers and requiring that students be forced to participate in such involuntary prayer exercises.

Mrs. O'Hair did present a petition with 27,000 signatures to the National Aeronautical and Space Administration in 1969 in an attempt to stop astronauts from reading the Bible during space flights-as was done Christmas 1968. She filed two suits against NASA. Federal courts dismissed both suits, and the United States Supreme Court TWICE in 1971 refused to hear an appeal on the issue-meaning that they did not desire to overturn the lower court decisions. Mrs. O'Hair has stated publicly that she does not intend to pursue this issue further.

The inaccurate statement now being circulated says that the FCC must have one-million signatures or they will outlaw religious programs. To date, the FCC has received 30-million letters-and they are still arriving at the rate of 8,500 per day.

We as taxpayers are having to pay for the delivery, processing, and the storing of these worthless letters. Postage stamps alone have cost Americans over \$4-million.

So, if this statement is being circulated in your church PLEASE disregard it, and try to influence others to disregard it. To respond to this grossly inaccurate statement is a waste of postage, time, and influence.

The tragedy is that your response to a long-dead issue will indicate to government officials and to others that you and your church are uninformed, to say the least. Our response to a long-dead issue will thereby weaken our stand on critical issues in the future.

But, PLEASE ignore the supposed threat being widely-circulated about RM2493. Tell your friends it is a hoax. Put a note about the false petition in your church newsletter.

We must not minimize our effectiveness by responding to a false issue.

Sunday School Lesson

FEATURED LESSON OF THE MONTH

FISHERS OF MEN

Senior High Sunday School Quarterly
 BY

DEAN CORNWELL

Lesson Text: Matthew 4:18-22; 13:47-50

Memory Selection: Matthew 4:19

18. And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.

19. And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.

20. And they straightway left their nets, and followed him.

21. And going on from thence, he saw two brethren, James the son of Zeb-e-dee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zed-e-dee their father mending their nets; and he called them.

22. And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him.

47. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind:

48. Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away.

49. So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just,

50. And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: where shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.



MEMORY SELECTION: And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.



INTRODUCTION:

Jesus came into this world to preach his own gospel to a lost and dying people. He also came to set up a perpetual means whereby his gospel would be preached until the end of time. Our lesson is an example of the way in which this work was to be done and the way it would continue to be carried out in this world.

MEN CALLED:

Those that were saved and baptized by John the Baptist continued on with this normal life. They continued to farm, care for their flocks, and some that were fishermen, returned to their boats and nets to make their living. Most of these people had never seen Christ in the flesh.

Simon Peter and his brother Andrew, and James and John the sons of Zebedee were of the number that had been baptized by John the Baptist. Andrew was in the wilderness with John the Baptist when Jesus

came to him. John 1:26-51. John explained to Andrew and the others present that this was the Christ of God. Andrew went and found his brother Peter and brought him to meet Christ.

Some time after this we find in our lesson text that these two brothers, Peter and Andrew were again out in their boat fishing to earn their living. As they are busy about this work, Christ comes to this place. He calls to these two men to "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Thus, two men are called by Christ to preach his gospel in and thru the church. They immediately left their nets and followed Christ. They traveled a short way and come upon James and John. Again, Christ calls men to do his bidding. These men also forsook the natural work and started out to do the work of God.

Christ has by these actions called the first men to preach that will, after his death, be the backbone of the young church. From that time until now, Christ has called those that he wanted to preach his truth, and to serve as the undershepherd of his flock.

Many men in the world today decide they want to be preachers, but if they are not first saved and then called of God, into this work, they are just servants of the devil.

TYPE OF MEN CALLED:

Let us look again at these four men Christ has chosen to bear his message to this world.

First, we find they had brought forth fruit, meet for repentance, as this was a requirement before John would baptize them. They were therefore men that had been saved. Second, they were working to make their living. They were busy men. They were not slackers. They were willing to use their knowledge and their strength to supply the things they needed to live. They did not depend on someone else to provide for them. Third, they were men that had some knowledge of the old scripture. John 1:41 and 1:49. They knew about the prophecy of the coming of the Son of God.

Fourth, they were willing to lay down the earthly things that they might be a part of this great work. Notice the 20th. verse of our text, and they straightway left their nets, and followed him, and again in the 22nd. verse, and they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him. They were humble men. They knew their help came from God.

TAUGHT BY CHRIST:

The church had just come into existence. It was new in this world. It would soon be despised by the people of this world. The new testament had not been written. The only instruction to the church was the things written in the old testament, and these were mostly prophecies of the coming of the church.

Christ, himself, served as teacher to these men that in days and years later were to become great missionaries and teachers of this truth. These four men, along with others, walked with Christ for about three and one half years, and saw the great work he had for them to do. He instructed them in the rules of his church work, and what its purposes and responsibilities were. They learned of the great love Christ had for all mankind. They saw his love for his truth and his church. They saw him give his life on the cross that this work might go forth. They saw him after his resurrection. They were taught about the end of this world, and

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History Republished

Several years ago I found an original copy of "The Annual Register of The Baptist Denomination in North America," by John Asplund, 1791. We have had it republished. While I paid \$35.00 for the copy, the valuable volume is now offered to you for \$10.00 per copy, including handling and mailing. It has been received from the press.

All copies that were ordered in recent weeks have been mailed. The response was excellent!! There is a LIMITED NUMBER! Order from: Elder H. C. Vanderpool, 104 Hasty Dr., Goodlettsville, TN 37072. For a called in order, call: (615) 859-5780.

Sister Gammon Celebrates 100th Birthday



Sister Mary Cox Gammon is pictured above as she celebrated her 100th birthday on April 15, 1979, in Indianapolis, Indiana. Some 500 people are said to have attended the reception given in her honor. An Indianapolis radio station selected her as the "Lady of the Day" on her birthday, which was Easter Sunday.

She was born April 15, 1879 on upper Dixon Creek, north of Dixon Springs, Tenn. She was saved when 20 years old, on Saturday night, Nov. 4, 1899, and was baptized on Sunday, Nov. 12, 1899, into the fellowship of Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church, Macon County, Tenn., by Elder J. F. Lambert who was the grandfather of Elder F. W. Lambert of Westmoreland, Tenn.

Sister Gammon is now a member of Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, Indianapolis, Ind., being the oldest member. She has made her home in Indianapolis for many years. As she has depended upon the Lord for strength and leadership, she has been a help to many. May the Lord continue to bless her and the influence she continues to have upon others. - Editor

Baptist Mission

A new Baptist Mission has begun in Smyrna, Tenn. It is located at the corner of Old Nashville, Rd. and Sam Davis Rd. and is across the street from Tellafaro's Mkt. Service is conducted each Sunday at present at 11:00 A.M. They are under the leadership of Bro. Gayle Snoddy a member of Greenfield Missionary Baptist Church, Green Brier, Tenn. and Bro. Tommy Oldham a member of Harmony Missionary Baptist Church in Nashville. Call Bro. Snoddy at (615) 643-4686; call Bro. Oldham at (615) 459-9276.

Gospel Albums

The Parables, a fine young Christian group, recently had their first Gospel Album released. The album, postage and handling is \$5.50. Be sure in ordering to give your complete address and Zip Code. If you wish to order an album or contact The Parables for appointments in your church, send all mail to: The Parables, c/o Jeff Moran, 433 N. 12th Ave., Beech Grove, IN 46107. Phone: (317) 783-4445.

Ordination

An ordination service was held at Parkwood Missionary Baptist Church, 244 Ewing Lane, Nashville, Tenn. on Saturday, May 5. Services began at 2:00 P.M.

Brethren Nordean Copas, Delson Ragland and Wesley Van Hoosier were ordained as Deacons. Ten churches from Michigan, Kentucky and Tennessee were represented by 25 ministers and deacons in the presbytery. Elder Eugene Brown, pastor of the church, served as moderator. Elder Tom Armstrong was clerk. Deacon Ferrell Gregory presented the candidates to the presbytery and the interrogation was led by Elder P. H. Brooks. Elder H. C. Vanderpool led the ordination prayer and the charge to the new deacons was given by Elder A. G. Gregory. Elder Henry Smith charged the church and Elder Ottis Jones presented the Bible. A good fellowship was enjoyed by those in attendance.

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The first of God's names in the order of their appearance in Scripture is *Elohim*, translated "God" in the Authorized Version. It reportedly occurs not less than 2500 times in the Old Testament and 32 times in the first chapter of Genesis.

Homecoming

On Sunday, June 10, there will be all-day Homecoming services at Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, 5208 Nolensville Rd., Nashville, Tenn. Sunday School will be at 10:00 A.M. and Elder Henry Smith the pastor, will preach at 11:00 A.M.

Lunch will be served at noon and the afternoon will be given to singing. Everyone is invited to attend. You are welcomed by the church and pastor.

Baptist Mission

There is a Baptist Mission now in Adams, Tenn. The services are conducted each Sunday with Sunday School at 10:00 A.M. and Worship at 11:00 A.M. Elder Charlie Watts is conducting the work, and the Mission is located on Main St. in Adams. Anyone having friends or relatives in that area who would be interested in them attending, may notify them of the work. It is called the Adams Missionary Baptist Mission.

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TV MISSIONS

By H.C. Vanderpool

In recent months I have given a number of reports concerning the mission work that is now being done by Missionary Baptist Churches by telecasts in the United States. I hereby place my endorsement upon this important work, and call upon every true Missionary Baptist, every true Baptist church, pastors, missionaries and all concerned Baptists to continue your prayers and financial support of this work.

Russell Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Red Boiling Springs, Tenn. has now operating under her authority, the Old Fashion Gospel Hour Telecast Committee. Bro. Bob Pitt, Hartsville, Tenn. a member of that church has been in charge of these telecasts for several months. Elder William House of Nashville is the Treasurer of the Committee.

Listed below are the cities and channels where the Old Fashion Gospel Telecasts will be seen. Those in these areas should contact TV schedules for the time of telecast in their local area. These telecasts all originate on Channel 55, WCPT, Crossville, Tenn. They go to all other stations by tapes.

Here are the stations:

- Crossville, Tenn. - WCPT.....Channel 55
- Livingston, Tenn.Channel 11
- Sparta, Tenn.Channel 3
- Oak Ridge, Tenn.Channel 10
- Rockwood, Tenn.Channel 4
- Dalton, Georgia.....Channel 7
- Knoxville, Tenn.Channel 61
- Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga.Channel 9
- Chickamauga, Ga.Channel 9
- Scottsboro, AlabamaChannel 10
- Athens, Tenn.Channel 6
- Chattanooga, Tenn.Channel 61
- Kingston, Tenn.Channel 5
- East Ridge, Tenn.Channel 11
- Red Bank, Tenn.Channel 11
- Cleveland, Tenn.Channel 6
- Harriman, Tenn.Channel 5
- Ringgold, Georgia.....Channel 9
- Catoosa, Georgia.....Channel 9
- Summerville, GeorgiaChannel 13
- Walker Co., GeorgiaChannel 9
- Oliver Springs, Tenn.Channel 10
- Clinton, Tenn.Channel 10
- Sweetwater, Tenn.Channel 4
- Dalton, Georgia.....Channel 7
- Rossville, GeorgiaChannel 9
- LaFayette, GeorgiaChannel 11
- Etowah, Tenn.Channel 5
- Oneida, Tenn.Channel 8
- Cookeville, Tenn.Channel 28
- Algood, Tenn.Channel 28
- Somerset, KentuckyChannel 8
- Johnstown, Penn.WJNL -TV
- Santa Monica, Calif.Channel 3

Various Missionary Baptist Churches and their pastors, with singing groups have been making, and are continuing to make these telecasts. I call upon all true Missionary Baptists to support this great work. Mail is being received from various states expressing their appreciation for the opportunity of seeing these telecasts, and asking for copies of "The Trail of Blood," "Baptist Banner," and "What True Baptists Believe," as these are being distributed across the country.

Those sending contributions for this mission work may send your money to: Old Fashion Gospel Hour Telecast Committee, c/o Elder William House, 934 W. Delmas, Ave., Nashville, TN. 37216. You may phone: (615) 262-1123.

Revivals

FRIDAY - JUNE 1

Fairview Memorial Baptist Church, Fairview Ave., Bowling Green, Ky. Pastor W. T. Russell is to be assisted by Elder Bernard Skaggs. Services each night at 7:15 P.M.

SUNDAY - JUNE 3

McFerrin Avenue Baptist Church, 1208 McFerrin Ave., Nashville, Tenn. Pastor H. G. Taylor is to be assisted by Elder H. D. Linville. Sunday night services at 6 P.M. and week-nights at 7 P.M.

North Carthage Baptist Church, Carthage, Tenn. Pastor Charles A. Gentry is to be assisted by Elder Kenneth Massey.

SUNDAY - JUNE 10

West End Baptist Church, Gallatin, Tenn. Pastor W. E. Massey is to be assisted by Elder W. R. Overton. Services each night at 7:30 P.M.

Old Paths Baptist Church, Watertown Rd., Lebanon, Tenn. Pastor Everett L. Fields is to be assisted by Elder William House.

SUNDAY - JUNE 17

Faith Baptist Church, Rose and Burbank Sts., Nashville, Tenn. Pastor A. G. Gregory is to be assisted by Elder William House. Services each night at 7:30 P.M.

Caney Fork Baptist Church, Smith County, Tenn. Pastor James G. Beal is to be assisted by Elder Ray Gentry and Bro. Buie Massey to be in charge of the singing.

East Side Baptist Church, North Trigg St., Gallatin, Tenn. Pastor Raymond Sutton is to be assisted by Elder Calvin Perrigo. Services each night at 7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY - JUNE 24

Enon Chapel Baptist Church, six miles west of Hartsville, Tenn. on Highway 231. Pastor Bobby Gann is to be assisted by Elder Doug Curtis. Services daily at 7:30 P.M.

Harmony Baptist Church, 1044 Trinity Lane, Nashville, Tenn. Pastor Edgar Copeland is to be assisted by Elder Haywood Tuttle. Services nightly at 7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY - JULY 1

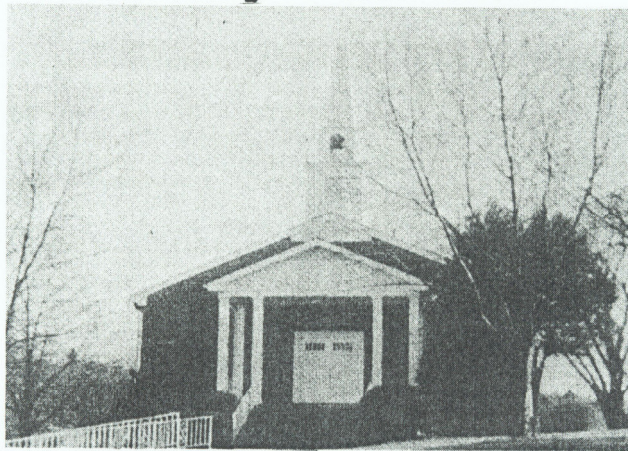
Pennsylvania Avenue Missionary Baptist Church, Pennsylvania Ave., Nashville, Tenn. Pastor Tommy Ashford is to be assisted by Elder Charlie Watts. Services each night at 7:30 P.M.

Cedar Bluff Baptist Church, Macon County, Tenn. Pastor James Lawson is to be assisted by Elder Bobby Gann. Services daily at 11:00 A.M. and 7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY - JULY 8

Maple Grove Baptist Church, Scottsville Rd., Lafayette, Tenn. Pastor Carthell Johnson is to be assisted by Elder H. C. Vanderpool. Services daily at 1:30 P.M. and 8:00 P.M.

Homecoming At New Bethel



There will be all-day Homecoming services at New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, 1088 Old Dickerson Pike, Goodlettsville, Tenn. on Sunday, June 17. Sunday School will be at 10 A.M. and worship at 11 A.M. Lunch will be served at the noon hour.

Pastor H. C. Vanderpool will be preaching at the 11 A.M. service. In the afternoon the Cockriel Family of Bowling Green, Ky. will be singing along with the New Bethel Youth Singers and congregational singing.

New Bethel church is 185 years old. Those in attendance at the Homecoming will be able to get a copy of the church history which is a large hard-bound volume. The pastor and congregation invite all who can attend on this date to come and enjoy the services and fellowship together.

Ordination

There is to be an ordination service at Harmony Missionary Baptist Church, 1044 East Trinity Lane, Nashville, Tenn. on Saturday, June 23, with services beginning at 2:00 P.M. Brethren Elmer Gregory and Albert Louis Lanier, Jr. are to be ordained as deacons.

Special invitations have been sent to churches in the Wiseman and Siloam Baptist Associations with other churches of like faith and order invited to assist in the ordination. Elder Edgar Copeland is the pastor of Harmony church, and Bro. W. F. Steele, Sr. is the clerk.

TAKE TIME TO PRAY

Trustees Of Baptist Home Seeking Superintendent and Matron

The Trustees of the Baptist Orphans Home, Lafayette, Tenn. are now taking applications for superintendent and matron of the Home. Bro. and Mrs. Glenn Thomas have served the Home in an excellent manner since March 1965, this being their 15th year. They have turned in their resignation which is effective Nov. 1, 1979.

There are nine Trustees, three from each Baptist Association of Enon, Wiseman and Southwestern District. Applications may be turned in to any of the Trustees. However, Elder A. G. Gregory is the Chairman of the Trustees at present. Those wishing to contact him concerning the matter of applying for the position of superintendent and matron, may write him at Route 4, Gallatin, TN 37066, or call him at: (615) 452-2779. As stated above, any applicant knowing, or living near any of the other Trustees, may turn your application in to them. The Trustees are asking the prayers of our Baptist people in this important matter.

To Those Who Would Like To Help Us

We, the missionary Baptist Church at Mt. Calvary, are in the process of trying to build a house of worship; but we are small in number, and we find it to be extremely expensive in these days of soaring prices. So we are thinking that perhaps some of our well established churches might be in a position to help us in this endeavor. We believe in the faith process, that is, faith in God; and in view of this we only ask that you pray for His leadership, and whatever He leads you to do in this matter would be right, of course. If He directs you to send something to help us build; it would be highly appreciated, whether little or much.

Mt. Calvary is trying to build up a church strictly on the Word of God, and we don't have anything to boast about. Progress is slow, and we are not telling anybody that we are setting the woods on fire, but the dear Lord has blessed us with steady progress, for which He deserves all honor. The church has a good building sight, free of debt, and some money in the treasury. We thank God for all that He has given us.

If the Lord leads you to send us any help on our building, you may send it to Colin Dyer, 658 Toblynn Drive, Nashville, Tennessee 37211.

Henry Smith, pastor
With Colin Dyer, COMMITTEE

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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about the great blessings that await the church and the faithful in the future country. They learned the things of this world are but for a short time, but the spiritual things are eternal. They were assembled with the church when it was baptized with the Holy

Spirit.

REWARDS OF THE FAITHFUL:

The lives of these men were not easy in the work of God. They had to turn their back on family, friends, home, and many of the things they loved and enjoyed. They were put in prison and whipped for their preaching. They were cold, hungry, and mistreated by their fellow-man.

But, their rewards were great. They were in the great service when the church was baptized of the Holy Spirit. They preached and was a part of the great revival that started after the day of pentecost. They saw the "above five thousand" that was saved and was baptized into the church. They were part of the establishing of many more churches in that part of the country. Some of these men were later used in the writing of the new testament. And can we even begin to understand the rewards that they will receive in heaven?

PREPARATION OF CHURCH:

Under the preaching and teaching of these men, many heard the gospel and were saved. Many men that were saved under their preaching was later called to preach also. By these, the gospel was carried farther and farther from Jerusalem, until today it has been preached all over the world. The work of these men did not die with them, but is continuing even today.

God is still calling saved men to preach his gospel. He will continue to call men as long as time lasts. Because of the willingness of these men, and those that followed in their footsteps, we have the gospel and the true church today.

YOUR TURN:

As the young people of the church today, it will soon rest upon your shoulders, to be the preachers, the teachers, the prayers, the singers, the testifiers, the supporters of the church. Will you do your part? Will you study? Will you love the church as these men did? Will you teach the lost about salvation? Will you give the financial aid required to keep this work going?

The scriptures tells us in II Thessalonians 2:3 "Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of Perdition."

As your time comes to take up these responsibilities, may you be strong in this Truth, and hold the blood stained banner of Christ high, and carry it with much pride yet humbly. May you realize and understand that God depends on you to uphold this truth.

The life you live and the work you do in God's cause will be the difference in many being saved or being cast off into hell.

This is a great responsibility, but God is your help and strength if you will depend on him.

I Thessalonians 5:6-11 "Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. For they that sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night. But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation. For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him. Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify (build up) one another, even as also ye do."