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Thanksgiving

As we express our happiness and heartfelt appreciation for all life's abundant treasures, and each of our many joys...let's remember the meaning and spirit that our forefathers gave to Thanksgiving, and their message of love and respect, warmth and sharing. Happy holiday.

"Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ"
(Ephesians 5:20).

"And whatsoever ye do in the word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him" (Colossians 3:17).

New Bethel Missionary Baptist School

By H. C. Vanderpool

For us here at New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, this is a happy time. A few months ago (May 27, 1984) our church established the New Bethel Missionary Baptist School. In order to make the courses available to anyone in the United States or world-wide, it was organized and set in operation as a Correspondence School with home-study courses. Twenty courses are being offered in five departments: Bible; Church Administration; History; Language and Theology.

All our Officers and Advisory Committee members have been faithfully working hard, long hours and sincerely to be ready for operation on October 1. This goal was realized on that very date! We have had correspondence from brothers and sisters in ten states to this date; Colorado, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, Oregon, Tennessee, Virginia.

Anyone wishing to have information on the school, write to the address below, or call the number listed.

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SALVATION

By Bro. Leon Sherron
Oak Grove, Tennessee



Salvation has one meaning of natural deliverance, "And Moses said unto the people, Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord, which he will show to you today: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen today, ye shall see them again no more for ever." Ex. 14:13 Other times, deliverance from enemies, "Ye shall not need to fight in this battle: set yourselves, stand ye still, and see the salvation of the Lord with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: Fear not, nor

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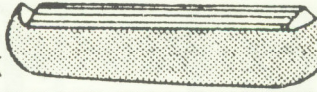
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Search For Noah's Ark



— AP Graphic

Noah's Ark Site Found? Clay Shown

By ISMET G. IMSET

ANKARA, Turkey (UPI) — A U.S. explorer posed for photographers yesterday with bags of clay he said were samples from what he believed to be the site of Noah's Ark.

Marvin Steffins, president of International Expeditions, told reporters that American explorers — including former astronaut James Irwin — have found a boat-shaped formation on Mount Ararat. Steffins said the explorers believe the formation is the site of

the legendary wreck of the ark.

He said his group located the site Thursday 5,200 feet up the southern slopes of Mount Ararat in eastern Turkey.

"We cannot say that this is Noah's Ark, but we believe we have found the site of it," Steffins said.

The explorer said the clay samples "will be analyzed in the [United] States and preliminary results will be given to Turkey for permission to do archaeological work in the area next year."

His expedition found a boat-shaped impression with measurements fitting the biblical description of the ark in the sixth chapter of the Book of Genesis, he said.

"But I must stress that we don't claim to have found the ark of Noah itself, although the measurements are similar to those in the Bible," he said.

Steffins said the boat-shaped formation was about 450 feet long and 80 feet wide — similar to the measurements mentioned in the Bible.

Steffins' expedition was one of three U.S. groups of explorers scaling the 16,946-foot mountain this year in search of the ark — which, according to the Bible, came to rest on the mountains of Ararat after the Great Flood.

Irwin and his "High Flight Society" expedition, and a group of explorers from the U.S. Institute for Creative Research, were continuing their work on the northern slopes of the mountain, Steffins said.

He said Irwin, who walked on the moon 17 years ago, was present at the discovery.

Last year Irwin's expedition scaled the peak of Mount Ararat but was forced to cut short its work after the astronaut fell off a cliff and injured his leg.

"We searched this time on the southern side of the mountain although the general belief was that it was in the north," Steffins said. He said his expedition went to work on the basis of evidence provided by Ron Wyatt, a U.S. explorer who scaled Ararat in 1977.

Steffins said his expedition had asked the local military authorities to seal off the area of Mount Ararat to farmers and tourists "to prevent any damage to the site."

EDITORIAL NOTES

MISSION WORK

If anyone has knowledge of a place in the Knoxville, Tenn. area where there would be someone interested in seeing a Missionary Baptist Mission begun, or someone there who would be interested in checking out these possibilities, please contact the editor at the address or phone number listed above.

There is a Baptist minister brother who is willing to go into mission work there if interest prevails. Remember this brother and his concern in prayer.

SCHOOL NEWS

Some have asked, "When can we enroll in the New Bethel Missionary Baptist School?" You can enroll any day, at any time you wish. This school will be operating 365 days each year as a Correspondence School with your home being the classroom. This way every student can study at his/her own pace, when you are able to work study hours into your own schedule with your work and other activities.

This is just some additional information that has been asked for since the preparation of the article on page 1, about our school.

Anyone who has not yet asked for information, may receive a brochure of the school by writing to the address given on page 1. Correspondence Schools have rapidly increased in recent years due to the extra privileges and flexibility they offer to students. We are able to enroll students anywhere in the world, whereby in classroom we could only enroll those living in our area, or those who would have such schedules as to be able to attend the assigned hours.

While we have received many letters throughout the United States congratulating New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church for this move in Christian and Ministerial education, we need your prayers and any assistance anyone may offer.

REPORT FROM DENVER

This past month we were able to get the siding on our church building. We have also been granted the use of a paved parking lot across the street from our church, and this is a blessing as it will save us over \$3,000.00, had we had to pave one ourselves.

Our offerings for the past month are as follows:

Union Hill M. Baptist Church, Gallatin, TN	\$ 50.00
Mt. Juliet M. Baptist Church, Mt. Juliet, TN.	\$ 50.00
Harmony M. Baptist Church, Nashville, TN.	\$ 32.85
Sister Christine Green, Nashville, TN.	\$100.00
Bro. and Sister Paul Lane, Springfield, MO.	\$ 75.00
Union Hill M. Baptist Church, Gallatin, TN	\$ 50.00
Total.....	\$357.85

We wish to thank all of you for your prayers and financial support. We have already had our first snow of the season, and are expecting a cold, snowy winter again. Continue to remember us in prayer, Some of our members will be attending the Wiseman Baptist Association in Gallatin, Tenn.

In Christian Love,
 Doreen Brown, Clerk
 Colorado Missionary Baptist Church
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SALVATION

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be dismayed; tomorrow go out against them: for the Lord will be with you." II Chron. 20:17. Restoration to health is a kind of salvation. "But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour." Matt. 9:22. Jesus Christ, the Messiah, is the perfect salvation, "And she (the virgin Mary) shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins." Matt. 1:21.

Jesus Christ is the Perfect Savior, "Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: . . ." I John 5:1. Salvation is of God's grace, "Even when we were dead in sins hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved); . . . For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:" Eph. 2:5,8. His love, "But while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Rom. 5:8. His mercy, "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of the regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;" Titus 3:5, Salvation comes of Jesus Christ, in Him alone, "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:12, The Cross, "For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God." I Cor. 1:18, Trust Jesus.

Salvation was promised to Adam, "and I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel." Gen. 3:15. Announced to Abraham, "Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will show thee: And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed." Gen. 12:1-3, Revealed to the

prophets, "Of which salvation the prophets have inquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you: Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow. Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into." I Peter 1:10-12. Longed for by the saints, "My soul fainteth for thy salvation: but I hope in thy word. . . I have longed for thy salvation, O Lord; and thy law is my delight." Psa. 119:81, 174. Promised to Gentiles, "Tell ye, and bring them near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? Who hath told it from that time? have not I the Lord? and there is no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me. Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else." Isa. 45:21, 22. To be realized by the Messiah, "And he (the Lord) saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor: therefore his arm brought salvation unto him; and his righteousness, it sustained him. For he put on righteousness as a breastplate, and a helmet of salvation upon his head; and he put on the garments of vengeance for clothing, and was clad with zeal as a cloak." Isa. 59:16, 17.

Seen in Christ's birth, "and (God) hath raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David; . . . to give knowledge of salvation unto his people by the remission of their sins," Luke 1:69, 77. Jesus Christ is the author of salvation, "And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;" Heb. 5:9. Appeared to all, "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men." Titus 2:11. Proclaimed to Israel, "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is

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BEGINNER'S GRAMMAR OF THE GREEK NEW TESTAMENT

The Alphabet

1. The Greek alphabet had in the Koiné or Hellenistic period twenty-four letters.

Form of capital letters	Name	Form of small letters	Sounded as ¹
A	alpha	α	a in father
B	beta	β	b in boy
Γ	gamma	γ	g in go
Δ	delta	δ	d in day
E	epsilon	ε	e (short) in met
Z	zeta	ζ	z in daze
H	eta	η	{ e in fête a in mate
Θ	theta	θ	th in thin
I	iota	ι	{ i in police i in fit
K	kappa	κ	k in keep
Λ	lambda	λ	l in led
M	mu	μ	m in man
N	nu	ν	n in net
E	xi	ξ	x in lax
O	omicron	ο	o (short) in omit
Π	pi	π	p in peg
P	rho	ρ	r in run
Σ	sigma	σ ς	s in sit
T	tau	τ	t in ten
Υ	upsilon	υ	u in Fr. tu, Ger. Tür
Φ	phi	φ	ph in graphic
X	chi	χ	ch in Ger. ich, Scotch loch chasm
Ψ	psi	ψ	ps in tops
Ω	omega	ω	ō (long) in note

a. At the end of a word sigma is written ς, elsewhere σ; as in σεισμός.

At first learn the form of the small letters only, Write each letter many, many times, pronouncing its name each time, until the whole alphabet can from memory be uttered and written without hesitation.

2. Every Greek word has as many syllables as it has separate vowels or diphthongs.

Learn the sound of each letter.

Pronounce aloud the following words:

θε-λω,	the-lō	γρ-α-φη,	gra-phē
νο-μος,	no-mos	λε-γω,	le-gō
βλε-πω,	ble-pō	σω-ζω,	sō-zō
φι-λος,	phi-los	κοσ-μος,	kos-mos
νυξ,	nux	ε-χω,	e-chō
α-δελ-φος,	a-del-phos	ψυ-χη,	psu-chē
αν-θρω-πος,	an-thrō-pos	θε-λη-μα	the-lē-ma

EVANGELISTIC REPORT

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

It is with much prayerful consideration that I write this letter. As you know I have been in the full time evangelistic work for the last two years and four months. The Lord has blessed this work so very much that I could never thank Him enough.

The last few months I have been feeling that the work has been accomplished. Therefore we will be closing out the evangelistic work during the month of October as I will have some meetings to conduct in October.

The Lord willing I will be reentering pastoral work as soon as possible as New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church (Henry Co. Tenn.) has called me to serve as their pastor and I have accepted the call.

I want to make a final report of the work as listed below. During the last 28 months I have attended 442 services, preached 237 times, conducted 28 revivals, witnessed 44 professions of faith, witnessed 38 baptisms, and we have traveled approx. 80,000 miles in eight states.

Our income has averaged \$1,171.45 per month during this time. The income has come from 54 of our old time Baptist Churches and several individuals. I would like to thank the churches listed below for their confidence in me and for their support during this time.

(Michigan) Faith; **(Indiana)** Salem; Friendship; Beech Grove; Unity; Kokomo; Harmony; Calvary; Bethel; Faith; Southside; Liberty; **(West Virginia)** Old Time; **(Kentucky)** New Harmony; Becker Drive; Lyons; Corinth; Sycamore, Liberty; Fairview Memorial; Faith. **(Tennessee)** Harvest; Old Hopewell; Rayon City; Longview; Old Bottom; Grace; White Hill; Faith; Old Paths; New Bethel, Goodlettsville; New Bethel, Henry Co.; West End; Goodwill; Mt. Calvary; Gateway; Mt. Tabor; Emmanuel; Meadorville; Maple Grove #2; Enon Chapel; Long Creek; New Harmony; Brattontown, Mt. Zion; East Side; Fairview; Hayesville; Rocky Grove; Plunketts Creek; Bethel-Carroll Co.; Pleasant Ridge; Elk Creek; and Ridge Grove.

We also wish to thank all the individuals who have helped in this work.

As we enter into a new field of labor our prayers will still be for all of our old time Baptist churches. I will continue to be a very close friend to all our missionaries on the field and those who have acknowledged a call to enter the mission field. As I look at the mission work being done today in several states, I am greatly encouraged that God has not forgotten us and we have not forgotten God and a world of lost souls.

To those who have supported us so faithfully, our prayers are that they will continue support of one or all of the brethren who are on the field at present. If any recommendation is needed I would be happy to send names and addresses of several brethren I know to be sound and worthy of support.

May God Bless You All is our prayer,
Your Brother In Christ,

Elder Landon C. Long
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NEWS FROM OREGON

Steve Perrigo
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Dear Bro. Vanderpool;

Even though we are relatively new to this area and to this mission effort, we felt it would be worthwhile to report on the events which have occurred to this date.

Lately, we have experienced spiritual loneliness. But I am thankful to report our spirits have been lifted through the fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ while attending the Western States Association's annual meeting hosted at Hauser Missionary Baptist Church. There are now only two churches in this Association, Hauser Missionary Baptist Church, located near Coos Bay, OR and Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, Santa Paula, California. However, this association is in its formative stage. Through their mutual love of the Lord's work it is hoped that new churches will be added in the future whether they be established churches or churches which will be established through missions.

As far as the work is here in Albany, all that I can report is we are trying to establish ourselves as permanent residents, meet new people and tell them about our purpose for being here. I am thankful to report, most people are very receptive to us as missionaries even though they may not understand the importance of it. Of course, we have encountered an adverse reaction towards us by local ministers we have met. At present, I am working towards starting a Bible study or religious discussions in my home with people we meet. I hope people who read this will understand that these things take time to accomplish. Through the Lord's help and with patience, I know we will be faithful. I have also been preaching some to the people who attend Bethel M.B. Church in Corvallis, OR. I ask everyone to pray for them.

Through this letter, I want to thank everyone who has contributed to our work here with their offerings and prayers. I am especially thankful for the efforts of my home church, Grace Missionary Baptist Church, which has taken the responsibility of this mission work and it is by their authority I am here. Individual members of that church continue to check on our progress and well being. I believe the Lord is pleased with their efforts to advance the cause and will reward them for it.

In closing, I want to mention the visitors we have had in our home. My mother and brother were here in June. It is always good to have family. Elder Del Compton was here in July and was given the opportunity to preach at Bethel Church while here. Also Brother Willie Phillips and family were here in July. Also, we are looking forward to having Bro. & Sister Shoulders visit us in October. Bro. & Sister Shoulders are members at Bethlehem Church in Goodlettsville, TN. They wrote us about their vacation plans on the West Coast and wanted to visit with us during that time. It is a great pleasure to have people visit us from the churches back East. We want to extend an open invitation to all who will come this way to stop in to visit. Please remember us in your prayers.

Your Brother and Humble servant in Christ,

Steve Perrigo

*Give me a heart so pure that I
Will see my God in everything...
Not only in the prosperous days,
But in reverses life may bring.*

by RICHARD M. PEK GUNN

GREAT MEN

I have been thinking, recently, of great men that I have known in my life. Not Presidents or some celebrity but men of God who have labored and toiled in the vineyard of the Lord.

The one I am thinking of was a great singer. He was "up in years" when I first knew him, but he went to one revival after another, night after night. He went to churches, schoolhouses, store buildings and tent meetings. Where ever there was a revival and he was needed he was there.

He had a strong voice and never seemed to grow tired or weary. If there was a need to remain all night with a penitent soul, he was always ready to sing. He sang at many funerals, at the bedside of departing ones and many other occasions.

I'm sure he had faults but I was blessed with the privilege of knowing about and remembering his good points. After he passed away I wrote the following poem in memory of him.

IN MEMORY OF BRO. WESLEY INGRAM

He stood in our church one morning
Where a few had met to pray;
Not many had braved the storm
On that snowy Christmas day.

He stood beside the wood stove
And sang with all his might;
"Beautiful Star of Bethlehem"
And you could almost see the Light.

He was a great singer
A God-given talent, He had;
He sang in many revivals
Some songs uplifting - some sad.

He stood beside departing ones
And sang by request;
"I'm so tired I want to go home"
Is the one I remember best.

My mother was so weary
And lay upon her death bed;
She called for Bro. Wesley.
Sing in the spirit she said.

And oh what singing
I never shall forget
Although he is singing in Heaven today
I can almost hear him yet.

Written Aug. 3, 1982
By Opha Redman
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Let us be thankful on Thanksgiving Day! Nature is beautiful; fellowmen are dear; duty is close beside us; and God is over all.

—Phillips Brooks

True thanksgiving is a cultivated habit rather than an occasional emphasis.

If you can think of nothing for which to give thanks, you have a poor memory.

If the Pilgrim Fathers, with so few temporal blessings to brighten their privations, could be so thankful, shall we not by prayer and supplication make known to God, and the world, our gratitude for our numberless blessings?

STUDY ASSERTS TELEVISION IS IN THE HANDS OF ANTI-CHRISTIANS

Nashville Banner, Tuesday, June 26, 1984

By Frances Meeker, Religion Editor

Procter & Gamble is the leading sponsor of anti-Christian programs on television, according to a report by the National Federation for Decency, headquartered in Tupelo, Miss.

The report, covered prime-time television from Jan. 6-May 14, also listed Esmark (Playtex, Hunt-Wesson foods, Swift meat products); General Motors Corp.; Sterling Drug (Bayer, Lysol); Lever Brothers; Chesebrough-Ponds (Aviance perfume, Vaseline); Cosmair (L'Oreal hair products); Ford Motor Co. and McDonald's as top sponsors of anti-Christian programs.

"The anti-Christian bigotry of the networks and Hollywood is so great that they allow no one depicted as a modern day Christian to be portrayed in a favorable manner," said the Rev. Donald E. Wildmon, a United Methodist minister who heads the NFD.

"Modern day Christians are always portrayed as liars, cheats, adulterers, hypocrites or incompetents," he said.

Wildmon cited a study made by the research team of Lichter and Rothman which showed that 93 percent of television's top producers, writers and network officials seldom or never attend worship, and that these same people want Christianity to have little or no influence on society. The report also stated that two-thirds of these people feel they should use television entertainment programs to reshape society.

Wildmon said he had discussed the anti-Christian sponsorship with officials of Procter & Gamble and found that "evidently Procter & Gamble finds sponsorship of anti-Christian programs quite acceptable."

The minister pointed out that the Lichter/Rothman report showed that 59 percent of televisions top executives were raised in Jewish homes, 25 percent in Protestant homes and 12 percent as Catholics. Currently, 44 percent claim no religion at all.

Wildmon said that programs which are anti-Semitic in nature are not allowed on television.

"That is as it should be," he said. "Anti-Semitic programming would be wrong. But so is anti-Christian programming."

Wildmon said no sponsor would want to be identified with programming which was anti-Jewish, but said "they obviously have a double standard for programs which are anti-Christian."

He said that Christianity is the only religion treated in such a biased manner. By contrast, he said, on television programs homosexuals can do no wrong while Christians can do no right."

The minister said the most effective method to change the situation was for Christians to cease buying the products of the companies which help sponsor the programs.

A copy of the Lichter/Rothman report can be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the National Federation for Decency, Drawer 2440, Tupelo, Miss. 38803.



There is danger of leaving God out of our Thanksgiving Day. We are making it a holiday rather than a holy day. It is a day for the public recognition of God as the giver of all good. To leave God out of Thanksgiving Day is as absurd as leaving Christ out of Christmas.

Many of us grumble because we are temporarily deprived of blessings our forefathers never even heard of.

SALVATION

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just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass;" Zech. 9:9. Accomplished on the cross, "And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:14, 15.

Preached through the Gospel, "In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise," Eph. 1:13. Rejected by Israel, please study Acts 13:26-46. Extended to Gentiles, "Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and that they will hear it." Acts 28:28.

This age, day of, "(For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succored thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)" II Cor. 6:2. God's long-suffering in, "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is long-suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." II Peter 3:9. Final, nearer each day, "And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed." Rom. 13:11. Salvation promises a spiritual body like the saved soul at resurrection," So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation." Heb. 9:28, Praise for, in heaven, "And (a numberless multitude) cried with a loud voice saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb." Rev. 7:10.

Good blessings of salvation, "But we are bound to give thanks always to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:" I Thess. 2:13. "For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus

BULLETIN

No one but we ourselves can make our lives beautiful; no one can be pure, honorable and loving for us.

Some people give the Lord the tenth, but it happens to be the tenth of what they ought to give.

We should endeavor to forget injuries, and bury them in love.—*Dr. Watts.*

A good conscience is a valuable possession and the only way you can get one is to give it to yourself.

It may take all kinds of people to make a world, but the world would be a better place if there were less of some kinds of people in it.

The way to feel like doing our duty is to do our duty whether we feel like it or not.

The consciousness of duty done gives us music at midnight.

—*George Herbert.*

A wise man will desire no more than he may get justly, use soberly, distribute cheerfully, and leave contentedly.

It is one of the beautiful compensations of life that no man can sincerely try to help another without helping himself.—*Bailey.*

All one's life is music, if one touches the notes rightly and in time.

—*Ruskin.*

We cannot believe in Christ for ourselves without believing in him for the world.—*Phillips Brooks.*

Praying frequently helps us to pray fervently.

Christ," I Thess. 5:9, Kept unto, eternal security. "Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." I Peter 1:5. To be worked out, "Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling." Phil. 2:12, Rejoiced in, "But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy." I Peter 4:13.

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Let us be ever thankful for the church of our forebears, remembering those who founded it. Let us remember also those who during the succeeding decades maintained it, enlarged it, beautified it, and enriched it with their labors. Let us dedicate ourselves to follow in their way.

Learn to appreciate good things that you have and you will not miss the good things you haven't.

—*Religious Telescope*

Thanksgiving is the vibration of the soul's heartstrings under the soft touch of God's benevolence.



Conserve energy.
Don't waste a good
seat in your church!

ATTENTION

Any Missionary Baptist Church, minister, laymember, who has an announcement, article or report, is invited to send the same to the BANNER for publication. Get it to me by the 10th of the month previous to publication. - Editor

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ARE YOU IN ONE OF THESE GROUPS?

- Of all the people who belong to our churches today:
- Ten percent cannot be found.
 - Twenty percent never pray.
 - Thirty percent never read the Bible.
 - Forty percent never give anything to the church.
 - Fifty percent seldom attend services.
 - Sixty percent never give to missions.
 - Seventy-five percent serve nowhere in the church.
 - Eighty-five percent never go to midweek prayer services.
 - Ninety percent never have family worship.
 - Ninety-five percent have never told another person about Christ.

HOMECOMING**TO CELEBRATE
40th
ANNIVERSARY****Bethel Missionary Baptist Church**

222 E. Epler Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46227

**Elder Eugene Brown**

On Sunday, November 11, 1984, Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, 222 Epler Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana, will have all-day Homecoming services, celebrating the 40th anniversary of the church.

Regular services will be conducted in the morning with lunch being served at the noon hour, according to the announcement, "Dinner on The Ground!" The pastor and church are expecting a "Delightful Day of Heaven on Earth for people of God's Kingdom."

The Temple Trio will be the featured singers. Overall purpose of the day: *Homecoming and 40th Anniversary Celebration. *Seeing and meeting new people. *Meeting old friends. *Sharing old times. *It could be the last time for some to meet on earth!

Elder Eugene Brown, the pastor, and the entire church wish to "WELCOME" each and everyone who can possibly attend! Pastor Brown will be returning from the Holy Land the week before this celebration and will have lots of news and information to share with you.

**REPORT FROM
BAPTIST MISSION
IN KENTUCKY**

We would like to report through the BAPTIST BANNER and to our Brothers and Sisters in Christ the results of the Old Way Baptist Mission in Morgantown, Ky. The Lord so richly blessed us in our first revival at this mission.

The ministers preaching in this meeting were Elder Randell Belcher, Elder Mitchell Smith, Elder Dennis Ellis, Bro. Billy Ellis and Elder Donna Hunton. We had four saved by the grace of God and joined the New Harmony Missionary Baptist Church through the mission. They were baptized on Sunday, September 2, 1984.

We ask the prayers of all of God's people. This town of Morgantown, Ky. is a wicked place. The people here need to hear the word of God preached. Pray for Elder Dennis Ellis, Bro. Billy Ellis and Elder Donna Hunton that God will bless them as they continue this mission work. We would be pleased if you would put this in your next Banner.

Your brothers and sisters in Christ,
Elder Dennis Ellis
Bro. Billy Ellis
Elder Donna Hunton
Bro. Bobby Roberts, Church Clerk
New Harmony Baptist Church

**EDITOR
ON TOUR
OF
HOLY LAND**

The editor with brothers and sisters from Tennessee, Indiana and Kentucky will be on a tour of the Holy Land October 30 - November 6. This is the editor's 8th tour of Bible Lands, with his travels taking him into 17 countries.

Next month the plans for the 1985 Bible Lands Tour will be announced as several brothers and sisters are wanting to co-host next year.

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A revival is to begin on Sunday night, November 18, at Zion Missionary Baptist Church, Puryear Road, Hartsville, Tenn. Elder Fred Clark is the pastor and he is to be assisted in the meeting by Elder Bobby E. Pitt and Elder Harold D. Linville. Services will be held nightly at 7:30 P.M. Everyone is invited to attend.

Men turn their faces toward hell and hope to get to heaven; why do they not walk into the river and expect to keep dry?—*Spurgeon.*

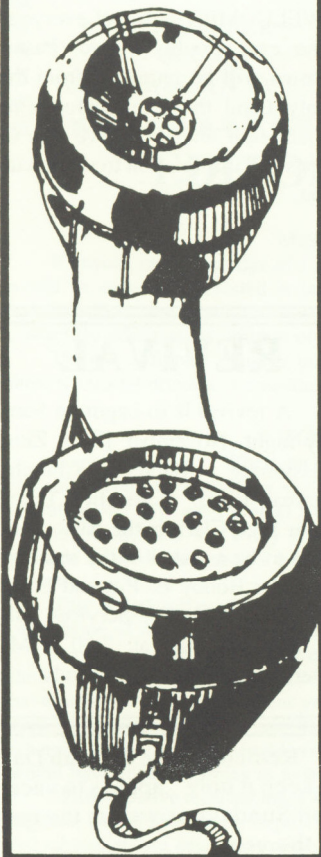
So many people think they are broad-minded just because they are too lazy to form an opinion.

"Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy" applies to vacation Sundays as well as the rest of the year.

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Proposal: Cut Liquor Production To Reduce DUI-Linked Accidents

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — A National Transportation Safety Board member has proposed cutting back or even eliminating liquor production in the United States to reduce the number of traffic accidents caused by drunken driving.

"If you have a fire that's out of control, why keep adding fuel to it?" said Vernon L. Grose, who also suggested banning promotion and advertising for alcoholic beverages.

Grose, who stressed that he was speaking only for himself and not for the transportation safety board, addressed a joint meeting Friday night of the Minnesota Alcohol Action Council and the International Organization of Good Templars.

He pointed out that the old arguments against Prohibition weren't raised when Congress recently drafted legislation proposing a national minimum drinking age of 21. The Tennessee legislature raised the state drinking age to 21, with several exceptions, in its last session.

"Whereas wholesale prohibition may be unthinkable, is it coming

about in piecemeal fashion?" Grose asked. "Those 21 years of age and younger will soon be living under prohibition."

About 50% of the automobile fatalities in the nation have been blamed on alcohol, making it the single largest cause of death on the road, Grose said.

He said it is ironic that some of the best television commercials promote beer.

"If a television commercial shows beautiful young people drinking beer on a wholesale basis at the beach, how did all those beer drinkers get there?" asked Grose. "And worse, how will they get home?"

Grose said all drinkers create problems, "even the well-controlled imbibor who only portrays the 'good' side of drinking as a role model for the uninitiated."

"There is not likely to be a major breakthrough in reducing the threat of vehicle operators who drink until attention is turned to why their drinking occurs," Grose said.

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