



Matt. 28:19-20



Pastor F. R. Bingham

## Why I Am A Baptist

By F. R. Bingham

(This is the third article in a series of four.—Editor)

The last article closed with the point that I Am A Baptist Because I Want to be a member of a church THAT ADMINISTERS THE TWO CHURCH ORDINANCES. And I showed that Baptist Churches do Administer The Ordinance of BAPTISM IN A FULLY SCRIPTURAL MANNER. And, now, I want to show that Baptist Churches also Scripturally administer the Ordinance of...

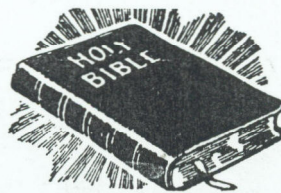
B. THE LORD'S SUPPER. The Lord's Supper IS A CHURCH ORDINANCE, strictly so. It was given to the Church, as Paul states in 1 Cor. 11:2. It is not a Christian Ordinance, or else it could be observed anywhere a group of Christians meet, and under any circumstance. No one believe that.

It is not a Denominational ordinance, or else it could be eaten anywhere a group of people, all of whom are of the same denominational beliefs, meet. Neither is this believed by anyone, to my knowledge. No Baptist church should give the elements of the Lord's Supper to members of other Baptist churches out of courtesy to them. If you are doing it out of courtesy, then you are observing it wrongly, in an unworthy manner. And, if you are going to be that courteous to other Baptists, why not be as courteous to all other christians?

A Church should never let anyone eat the Lord's Supper with them, over whom they have no disciplinary control. 1 Corinthians 5:11 tells us that if a brother be guilty of certain sins, we should not eat with that person. It specifically says, (Continued on page 4)

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(See Application on reverse side)

## Bible Study

There is to be a Bible Study each Tuesday and Thursday night, beginning on Tuesday night, February 7, and will continue until a closing date is decided upon. The study is to be held at West End Missionary Baptist Church, West Main St., Gallatin, Tenn. Elder W.T. Russell is to be the teacher. West End Church and Pastor W.E. Massey invites everyone to these studies. Services are to begin each time at 7:00 p.m.

## Notice!!

I wish to make an announcement to the churches in the Wiseman Baptist Association. I completed my work on the manuscript of the Minutes of the 1977 Session of the Association and had it ready for the printer in November. But due to the work schedule of the printer the Minutes will be late. I'm sorry for the delay, but they will be sent to the churches as soon as they are ready.

H.C. Vanderpool, Clerk  
Wiseman Baptist Association



Brother Bob Pitt

## Old Fashion Gospel Hour

A Mission Work known as The Old Fashion Gospel Hour was begun on February 1, 1977, by Bro. Bob Pitt, a Missionary Baptist minister of 309 Andrews Ave., Hartsville, Tenn. 37074. Bro. Pitt says no donations have ever been asked for, or any products sold to pay for time. This work was strictly founded on his faith in the Lord.

The telecast is each Saturday afternoon 5:00 to 5:30 p.m. It originates on WCPT Channel 55, Crossville, Tenn. The station management says there is a potential viewing audience of 300,000. The telecast reaches Livingston, Tenn., Channel 11; Oak Ridge, Tenn., Channel 3; Clinton, Tenn., Channel 3; Oliver Springs, Tenn., Channel 3; Sparta, Tenn., Channel 3; Rockwood, Tenn., Channel 5; Athens, Tenn., Channel 5; Etowah, Tenn., Channel 5; Sweetwater, Tenn., Channel 6; Oneida, Tenn., Channel 8; Cookeville, Tenn., Channel 28; Algood, Tenn., Channel 28; Harriman, Tenn., Channel 9; Kingston, Tenn., Channel 11 and Crossville, Tenn., Channel 55.

During the past year various ministers and church groups have had the privilege to work with Bro. Pitt on the telecasts. These being Old-Fashion Missionary Baptists. A number of free-will offerings have been received from churches and individuals. Bro. Pitt says he has been led of the Lord to renew his contract for another year.

Each telecast consists of live preaching and singing with announcements. Each telecast is taped for future use on other T.V. stations. Bro. Pitt has been negotiating to telecast from a Nashville T.V. station also. Continue to pray for him and this mission work. You may send donations to the above address if you feel you want to have a part in this great work. Bro. Pitt doesn't ask for offerings, but the editor of this paper is giving this information only for the purpose of those who wish to help. Bro. Pitt only asks for your prayers.

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# EDITORIAL

By H.C. Vanderpool

"I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favor to men of skill; but time and chance happen to them all." Ecc. 9:11.

### OPPORTUNITIES

So often we hear people say "If I had the opportunity and the money to do what I'd like to do for the Lord's work, I would be glad to do so and so." If you are one of those, take another look at the above scripture. I realize we have many problems, heartaches, hindrances and other disturbing circumstances today that past generations didn't have. However, I trust we are willing to look on the other side of the matter and see that today we as ministers, laymen and all who are concerned about the Lord's work are blessed with finances, opportunities and privileges to advance the work of the Lord that those of other times didn't have.

This publication has been supported by individuals and churches for the past twelve years to the extent it has paid its way. I appreciate our Baptist people taking the advantage of this opportunity.

As you note in this issue of the BANNER, a report on the mission work that is being done through TV programs plus the many churches and preachers sponsoring radio programs weekly, and some daily, throughout the country. Churches are giving to support Missionaries, home and foreign, Orphans Home, building new churches and much other related work.

A school has been established at Bowling Green, Ky. for ministers, and this year's session will be the sixth annual session, see page 1 and this page.

After 25 years of discussions, Sunday School workers, churches, preachers and other concerned people are now writing, publishing and distributing our own Sunday School literature! The orders are coming in from churches in several states which are representing in various Missionary Baptist Associations. This brings rejoicing to our hearts.

So, with the literature, school, TV, radio, publications, Orphans Home, Missionaries, ministers touring Bible Lands and using the Biblical background education to further the work at home, books published, tracts printed, Sunday School Conferences, etc. you can see, that as other denominations and large religious groups have done many things in the name of religion, we who consider ourselves true Missionary Baptists, have been blessed with time and chance. Thank God there are those who with the grace of God, will power, money, time and the love of God in their hearts, are taking the advantage of the God-given opportunities.

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This application form is for ministers who will be attending the school for the first time. If you have attended the school before, your application form and record are on file. You need only to notify the school of your plans to attend, mailing your \$25.00 tuition fee. If you plan to pay your tuition fee upon your arrival at the school, you should go ahead and notify them according to the above request, so they can have a better understanding of the needs for the school.

Those mailing application forms, tuition fees, notification of plans to attend, or those desiring to make reservations for lodging during the school session should write to: Old Union Baptist Minister School, c/o Dr. C.R. Hayes, Jr., Route 3, Bowling Green, Ky. 42101. You may call Bro. Hayes at (502) 842-3742.

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## Singing

There is to be a singing at Faith Missionary Baptist Church, 10th St., Bowling Green, Ky. on Sunday, February 12, 1978, at 2:00 p.m. The featured singers will be the Harvest Time Singers of Brownsville, Ky. Everyone is invited to attend.

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## Temperance

I hate the liquor traffic, its greed and avarice, its corrupting influence in public affairs, for the cowards it makes of public men; . . . for the load it straps to labor's back; for the human wrecks it causes; for the almshouses it peoples; for the insanity it begets; for its countless graves in potters' fields; . . . for its moral degradation; for the homes it has destroyed; for the hearts it has broken.

## Bible Lands Tour

By Calvin Perrigo

(Continued from last issue as written by Miss Rebecca McDonald-Editor)

Thursday, November 3, 1977

My fourth day as a tour host began rather early, about 5 a.m. local time. The entire east wall of our room in the Ginton hotel afforded a panoramic view of the Sea of Galilee and the mountains of Gadara on the southeastern shore in the dawn's early light. By the time I had made my rounds down the halls to either awake or check with the group, the sun was beginning to appear on the far eastern horizon across

the Sea of Galilee. The sky was clear and as the sun, a bright orange disc, lifted off the mountains of Gadara casting a path across the still blue waters of Galilee, I experienced one of the most inspiring natural sights my eyes have ever beheld. At that moment my thoughts were, "Oh!, to share this view with the church in Indianapolis!"

Some were outside walking around the streets of Tjberias before breakfast. I tried in vain to get a glimpse of the snow of Mt. Hermon to the north in the early sunlite outside the hotel. After a buffet breakfast in the hotel dining room our luggage was loaded on the bus and we traveled the short distance to the shore of Galilee and boarded a small ship that was to take us across the sea to the ruins of Capernaum. This trip was very inspiring, many biblical events crowded my mind as we plowed through the clear blue waters of this historic beautiful lake. I recalled some of



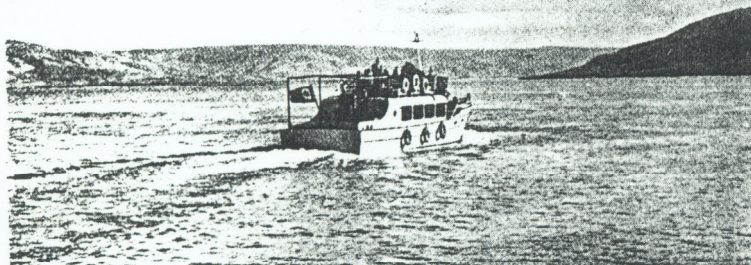
### SHEPHERDS' FIELD

the words to the son my dear friend, Elder Jerry Reynolds wrote; "Get out of the boat and walk on the water while your faith is high". We paused, for a few minutes, near the center. Elder H.C. Vanderpool read from the 21st chapter of John, Sister Helen Perrigo directed the group in singing, "Amazing Grace," then prayer was made. We disembarked near the site of biblical Capernaum and enjoyed the guides explanation of the history of this and surrounding locations.

While walking and viewing the ruins of Capernaum I was caused to remember the record of the mighty works of Christ in the place and his prediction of destruction and the final judgement to come, (Matt. 11:23 & 24). The bus had traveled around the shore and we boarded it to travel to nearby locations. We visited the Mt. of Beatitudes, Tabgha, along the valley of Genesareth to Magdala, the home of Mary Magdalene. The highway brought us along the western shore of the Sea of Galilee southward back through Tiberias. We traveled on east to where the Jordan River leaves the Sea of Galilee to continue on the descent toward the Dead Sea. Many photos were taken here and I am sure there were many (Continued on Page 3)



THE SEA OF GALILEE



## Bible Lands Tour

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feelings and thoughts of the Jordan River. We ate lunch by the sea side in Tiberias. Some experienced difficulty in consuming the specialty, St. Peters fish, due to the eye that remained. This obstacle was overcome by some with such objects as bread and napkins being placed over the eye while eating the delicious fish.

I enjoyed the entire meal as I thought of Jesus feeding the disciples on the shore of Galilee. We boarded the bus and soon the hills of Galilee obstructed our view of the Sea of Galilee and a desire came into our heart to share a view of the sea with others sometime in the future. We traveled southwest and entered the valley of Jezreel. We stopped for photos near the village of Nain. It was here where Jesus raised the widows son from the dead. (Luke 7:11 thru 15). We turned west and make a brief stop at Megiddo. We were unable to visit here on Wednesday due to a late departure from Tel Aviv. Megiddo was an ancient fort and is strategically located on the way from the south and west to the entire east. It has a long history of military importance. We traveled southeast from here across the hills and mountains of Samaria to Sychar. We viewed and drank from the well that Jacob dug. Elder Terry Foster read from the fourth chapter of John as we thought of how it was when Jesus ask the woman for a drink of water.

Our bus driver, Naaman Kibert, did a splendid job thru the hills and valleys of Samaria as rain began to fall between Sychar and Jerusalem. Although there was rain falling it did not dampen he spirits of the group. It was a blessing to hear the voices blend together and sing from the heart, the wonderful works of God. We passed thru Ramah and in a few

minutes were in sight of Jerusalem. I thought of the contrast in travel from the days of Jesus and today. When Jesus remained in the city of Jerusalem. (Luke 2:42 thru 52) it took his mother and the group all day to travel this distance. We should be thankful for these blessings we enjoy today.

We arrived at the Capitol Hotel about 7:00 p.m. local time. The hotel seemed about the same as it was in 1971, there were some employees still there that I met six years ago. Soon we were all checked in and gathered together in the dining room for our first meal in Jerusalem. After eating we again boarded the bus and traveled out to a gift shop near Bethlehem. Adel, our guide assisted many in purchasing gifts at a discount price. We returned to the hotel and soon retired for the evening with excitement in our heart as to what the group would see tomorrow. We thanked the Lord for the blessings of the day and went to sleep.

Friday, November 4, 1977

The clouds and rain were gone as I witnessed the sunrise from the eastern balcony of our room. Some where in the distance I heard the crowing of a rooster. After breakfast we boarded the bus and traveled east along the north wall of the old city. At the northeast corner we noticed the sheep market. Sales were in progress as they are every Friday morning. We soon reached a point on the mount of Olivet where we stopped for a view of Jerusalem from the east. We looked across the Kidrom valley and into the temple area. Soon we made our way to the top of Mt. Olivet. It was here Jesus blessed the church and ascended upward to return to His Father (Acts 1:9 thru 12 & Luke 24: 50 & 51). We visited the village of Bethany. Lazarus, Martha, and Mary were residents of Bethany during the time of Christ. We

experienced a very inspiring song service near their home site.

Some were made to rejoice as God's Spirit was present in the singing. We walked to the entrance of, the tomb of Lazarus but time did not permit the group

to descend the 30 or 40 steps to the bottom of this cave. We came back to the Mt. Zion area of Jerusalem and visited an upper room, Tomb of David, and the place where the house of Caiaphas stood in the time of Christ, after a brief stop in the Garden of Gethsemane. Jesus was betrayed in the garden and then took the house of Caiaphas before he was taken to Pilate. We returned to the hotel for lunch before leaving for Jerico. We traveled a good highway from Jerusalem down to the city of palms. We were not molested by any thieves, neither did we meet any good Samaritans. Jerico is a tropical city. It has a history of being one of the oldest cities on

earth. Before entering Jerico we crossed the brook Cherith, (1 Kings 17:3-7) where Elijah was fed by the ravens.

As we entered the city we stopped near a large sycamore tree. I thought of Zachaeus, climbing up into a tree like this to get a better view of Jesus as he passed by. How many today would go to that effort? We stopped near Elisha's spring and viewed the old foundations of many cities built on this site. To the west was the Mt. of Temptation where Jesus was tempted by the Devil. To the east was the Jordan valley, Moab, and the Dead Sea. It is just east of Jericho where the Jordan River gives itself to the non-life giving Dead Sea. We came back through Jerusalem to Bethlehem before arriving in Bethlehem we visited the shepherds fields near by.

A gentle rain made the cave more inviting as we entered and a brief service was conducted as we were reminded of the shepherds abiding with their flocks the night Jesus was born near by. The bus took us on into the city of Bethlehem where we visited the traditional site of the place where Jesus was born. Man has enclosed this location, as so many others, with their ideas, that much of the feeling is lacking when you are permitted to visit these places.

From Bethlehem we returned the few miles to Jerusalem and awaited the evening meal. After eating, many were out on the streets shopping or looking at the city. People can walk the streets in Jerusalem without the fear that we know exists in many cities of our nation. Although this is only the fourth night in Israel many have already learned to bargain with the local merchants and are enjoying their trading. It is rather amusing to hear the tour group compare prices with each other. We retired for the night with tomorrow's walking tour of the

## Missionary Baptist Literature Committee

By H. C. Vanderpool

The Missionary Baptist Literature Committee is happy to report that orders coming in for Sunday School literature from Missionary Baptist Churches is very encouraging. Churches from the various Missionary Baptist Associations in several states have already ordered the literature for the Spring Quarter (March, April, May 1978). Letters, Order Sheets and envelopes to use in ordering the literature, have been mailed to approximately 150 churches. Three churches have ordered only sample orders of the literature, while all other churches have ordered all the Sunday School supply that is to be used.

If for some reason your church has not yet ordered, we can still get your materials to you in time to begin using the first Sunday in March, if you order by Feb. 15. If for any reason your order sheet has been lost or destroyed, and you wish to place an order, please call (615) 859-5780, and your order can be taken and mailed to you.

The Committee appreciates very much all the early orders which we have received. This helps us get some of the work done in advance. We wish to thank all the churches, ministers, writers, artists and all concerned people who have worked hard and faithfully in getting this project on foot.

The Summer Quarter has already gone to press. The Fall Quarter is being written and Lesson outlines and preparation for the Winter Quarter are in the designing stage.

Spring Quarter (Study in Acts)? Summer Quarter (Study in Acts)? Fall Quarter (Study in Genesis)? Winter Quarter (Study in Genesis). If any church wishes to have information on the Sunday School literature and for some reason you did not receive a letter and order sheet, write to: Missionary Baptist Literature Committee, P.O. Box 1001, Goodlettsville, Tenn. 37072, or call: (615) 859-5780.

old city upon our mind. When things get quiet then I think of things back home and try to picture in my mind what are they doing just now? The time difference of seven hours tells me many are still on their jobs, etc.

(To be continued)



THE JORDAN VALLEY

Travelling south from the Sea of Galilee, one enters a rich maze of fertile fields. Irrigation and hard work have converted this once barren, malarial plain into one of Israel's most fertile areas. The cleft in the mountains to the east is the valley of the Yarmuk River, which runs into the Jordan some five miles south of the Sea of Galilee. This cleft separates the Golan Heights (left of the picture) from the hills of Gilead in Transjordan (right of the picture).

## Why I am A Baptist

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"With such a one not to eat". And the eating there HAS to mean the eating of the Lord's Supper. It cannot mean the eating of an ordinary meal at home, for if so, it would mean that many a wife could never eat breakfast or dinner with their husband, or a son, or other relative or friend. A person guilty of any of these named sins should be excluded from all church fellowship and privileges, which would mean he cannot vote, and he cannot eat the Lord's Supper, and other distinctly church privileges. And any person who is a member of another Baptist Church, is automatically excluded by his membership elsewhere, from church fellowship and privileges. He IS NOT EXCLUDED FROM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP AND PRIVILEGES, BUT CHURCH FELLOWSHIP.

(2) The Lord's Supper is Not a SACRAMENT, with any Saving power. Neither is it an Inter-communion between a number of Christians. It is distinctly and ONLY a MEMORIAL SUPPER, to be observed ONLY IN REMEMBRANCE OF CHRIST'S DEATH For our Sins. It is a Memorial Supper to "shew the Lord's death until He comes again". The broken bread symbolizes the Lord's Body, broken for us, and the poured out wine symbolizes His shed blood, shed for the remission of our sins. Thus the bread and wine are ONLY SYMBOLS, and are not transferred into actual flesh and blood the consecration of the priest as Catholics try to teach.

(3) The Lord's Supper CANNOT BE EATEN WHERE THERE ARE HERETICAL DIVISIONS. Where there are divisions in teaching on fundamental matters of doctrine, Paul said in 1 Corinthians 11:20 "ye cannot eat the Lord's supper" (as rendered by the Revised Version). All you need do is to put some Baptist, Methodists, Campbellites, Presbyterians, Holiness, Mormons, Seventh Day Adventists and such like together, and ask the simple question, "Is there any division among them as to what they believe and teach. The answer is obvious, and Paul says that under such conditions "you cannot eat the Lord's supper."

His statement is enough for me. I accept it as it is, and so I believe as Baptist believe, in so-called CLOSED COMMUNION.

VII. I am a Baptist because I want to be a member of a church that GIVES ALL THE GLORY TO CHRIST, AND TO HIM ONLY. Paul says, 1 Cor. 10:31, "Whether ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God". and in Eph. 3:21 "Unto Him be Glory IN the Church, by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages". The church of which I am to continue being a member MUST be one that Gives ALL GLORY TO CHRIST, both as Saviour and Lord of ones life. I do not want to be in a church that glorifies man in any way. In heaven we will be eternally giving ALL Glory and Praise unto Him, and it should be so, now.

In examining the doctrines and practices of various church bodies, I find ALL of the Doctrines and Practices of TRUE New Testament Baptist Churches do give ALL of the Glory to Christ, and take it away from men.

Since this is true—then a New Testament Baptist Church is the ONLY INSTITUTION ON EARTH in which and through which you can glorify the Lord.

Eph. 3:21 says "Unto Him be glory IN the church. . . Note, that you glorify the Lord Jesus IN the church, not OUT of it. The scriptures are plain that salvation from sin is IN Christ, not out of

Him. "All the promises of God are IN Him" . . . not out of Him. "He hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenlies IN Christ. . ." not out of Christ. "We are Chosen IN Christ. . ." not out of Him. "In Him we have redemption, the forgiveness of sin. . ." etc. These all are IN Christ, not out of Him. In the same way, we glorify Christ IN the Church, not out of it.

Here, in a New Testament Baptist Church, I can pay my tithe, and lay up treasure in heaven. For the Lord's church IS HIS STOREHOUSE, if it isn't then He has none in this day. There are some today who do not believe that a local, New Testament church is God's Storehouse for your tithe. But I observe that those who teach thusly, usually request you to send your tithe, or at least a part of it, to them to help them in their independent evangelistic work, independent of any church control. I believe wholeheartedly that a christian's tithe, and most of his offerings, ought to go into and through the Baptist Church of which he is a member. If he cannot conscientiously support that church with the tithe and his offerings, he should get into a church that he can support with his finances.

Here, in a Local, New Testament Baptist Church, of which I am a member, I can STRIVE LAWFULLY, so as to win a crown of reward. It is very doubtful that I, or any one else, will be rewarded for anything they have done that was not done IN and THROUGH, a true Baptist Church. To say the least, I do not want to take a chance on it. Here, in a Baptist Church I am serving in the Lord's Body, (a local body). Here I am serving in the Lord's Army, and not in a non-descript, self-appointed army. See 2 Timothy 2:3-5.

There is absolutely NOTHING that God wants me to do but what I can do that thing, and in God's way, through a Baptist Church. Then why go to another? (continued next month).

## Nashville Church To Have All Day Service

Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, 5208 Nolensville Rd., Nashville, Tenn. is to have an all-day special service on Sunday, February 19, 1978.

The note on the property is to be burned on this date.

Sunday School will be at 10:00 a.m. and the sermon for the worship service will be at 11:00 a.m. Lunch will be served at the noon hour.

Afternoon services will be given to singing. The public is invited to attend, but a special invitation is extended to all the charter members to be present on that day.

Elder James Henry Smith is the pastor of Mt. Calvary. It was reported in the BANNER last month he had resigned (This on basis of information received by the BANNER) but Bro. Smith will continue his pastorate with the church. This church is located in south Nashville, and is in an important field. May we pray for the continued growth of this church and their pastor as they labor together.

## Benefit Singing For Carr Family

Some brethren from Madison Missionary Baptist Church, Madison, Tenn. and Rayon City Missionary Baptist Church, Old Hickory, Tenn. plan to have a benefit singing on Saturday night, March 11, 1978, beginning at 7:30 p.m. for the family of Elder Frank Carr, at the Madison church, Maple St., Madison, Tenn.

The BANNER carried an article recently on the illness of Bro. Carr's son David, who spent several days in a Nashville hospital, and that expenses then, and treatments since, had run in to the thousands of dollars, placing a hardship on this family who spent many years in Japan as missionaries.

Singers expected to be present are The Cockriel Family, Crusaders Quart, Bud Stevens Quartet, Kentucky Aires, New Bethel Young People and other individuals. The public is invited.

# ISRAEL

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## Clue to Biblical City

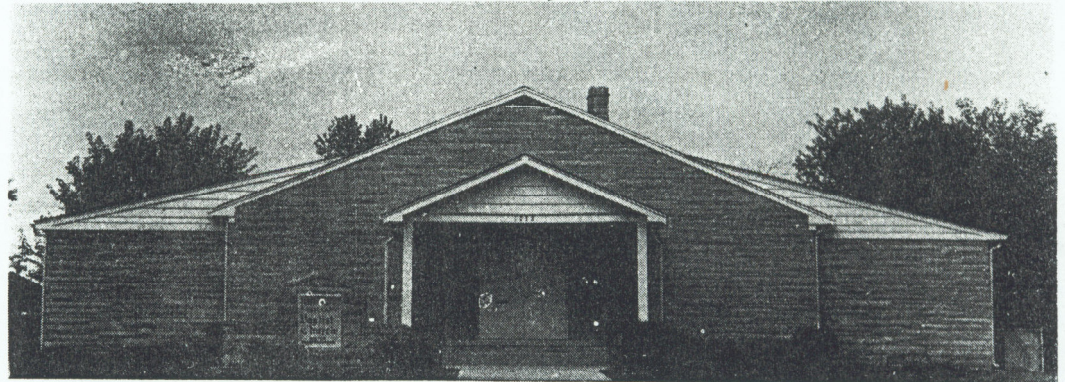
A unique ceramic vessel of the late Iron Age discovered in tomb excavations at Tel Halif near Beersheba, last month has strengthened the theory that the site is the biblical Rimmon. The vessel, a shallow bowl ornamented in the center by a single raised pomegranate (*Rimmon* in Hebrew), has no known parallel.

Rimmon is mentioned in Joshua 19:7 as part of the inheritance of the tribe of Simeon. Identification of the site as that town was first suggested on the basis of its proximity to the ruins of Khirbet Umm er-Ramamin (mother of pomegranates), a scant kilometer to the south.

Further information on the latest phases of Iron Age occupation is coming from two new fields on the summit of the tel. A major wall structure and courtyard complex (destroyed possibly ca. 700 BCE) have been exposed at the center of the mound surface. On the western extremity of the tel, elements of a casemate wall, part of the Iron Age fortification system, have been cleared. Both fields have produced substantial collections of late Iron Age pottery and domestic artifacts, including a typical Iron Age incense stand.

Work begun in 1976 on the slope of the tel continues to expose massive Early Bronze Age (ca. 2500 BCE) fortifications. A major city gate complex has been uncovered including a fortified defense tower more than 7½ meters wide, an outlying glacis or rampart and a screen-wall protecting the outer gate. Evidence of massive destruction is apparent. Above this appear phases of Early Bronze III through Late Bronze II in a well stratified sequence.

# Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church



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New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church  
Goodlettsville, Tennessee

USING THE LITERATURE TO AN ADVANTAGE

By

Elder Calvin Perrigo, Pastor  
Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church  
Indianapolis, Indiana

A Discussion Period Will Follow The Two Speeches