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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 the ministers attending the Old Union Baptist Ministers School at Old Union Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky. in the first session March 27, 28, 29, 1973.

Front row, left to right: H. C. Vanderpool, Louisville, Ky., teacher, Church History; F. W. Lambert, Westmoreland, Tenn., teacher, Ministerial Duties, Habits, and Ethics; F. L. Ray, Goodlettsville, Tenn., teacher, Methods of Study; W. T. Russell, Bowling Green, Ky., teacher, Harmony of Old and New Testaments.

Second row: William Shoulders, Indianapolis, Ind.; Dexter Bacon, Jr., Glasgow, Ky.; Thurman Tillman, Wads-

INDIANA LETTERS ON MINISTERS SCHOOL

433 North 12th Ave. Beech Grove, Indiana March 7, 1973

Baptist Banner H. C. Vanderpool, Editor 1527 Glenrock Rd. Louisville, Kentucky 40216

Dear Bro. Vanderpool:

First I want to say we enjoy the Banner very much. It is a medium by which we can keep in touch with our Sister Churches, and . . . hear from our (Continued on page 3)

worth, Ohio; Kenneth Davis, Barberton, Ohio; James Sorrell, Goodlettsville, Tenn.; James Gardner, Goodlettsville, Tenn.

Third row: Nathaniel York, Indianapolis, Ind.; Calvin Perrigo, Indianapolis, Ind.; Wesley Briley, Portland, Tenn.; Eustolio Abella, Jr., Indianapolis, Ind.; Kenneth Massey, Bowling Green, Ky.; Bernard Skaggs, Louisville, Ky.; Cletus Williams, Bowling Green, Ky. Fourth row: D. W. Story, Nashville,

Fourth row: D. W. Story, Nashville, Tenn.; Fielden Nicholas, Nashville, Tenn.; Donnell Curtis, Westmoreland, Tenn.; John Keen, Jr., Sullivan, Ind.; Billy Moran, Indianapolis, Ind.

REPORT ON SCHOOL

By H. C. Vanderpool

The first session of the Old Union Baptist Ministers School was held during the last week in March. Attending were four Deacons of Old Union Baptist Church who composed the Advisory Committee of the school and a total of twenty-two ministers. Four were teachers and including these there were fourteen pastors and one preparing for the mission field in Israel.

The schedule was arranged so classes could be conducted in the main auditorium. Class time was one hour for each lesson with fifteen minutes between classes. The arrangements also allowed each teacher each day to sit in on the classes taught by the other teachers.

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Missionary Report From Japan

March 22, 1973 Hiroshima, Japan

Dear Elder Vanderpool and readers,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ from Japan. First of all, we appreciate receiving your paper, the "Baptist Banner", every month, which we enjoy so much. And we have been encouraged by receiving letters and donations from individuals and churches from time to time.

Following is the offering received for January and February with so much thanks.

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SINGING

There is to be a singing at Old Hopewell Baptist Church, Sumner County, Tenn., on Sunday, May 6, beginning at 2:00 P. M. The Tomes Four will be the featured singing group. Old Hopewell Church is located on the road between Bethpage and Castalian Springs, Tenn. Everyone is invited to attend this service.

REVIVAL

Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, 1501 Pleasant St., Indianapolis, Ind. Four professions of faith with three additions to the church. Pastor Billy Moran was assisted by Elder F. L. Ray.

Old Union Missionary Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky. No professions or additions reported. Preaching by the pastor Elder Kenneth W. Massey.

Lyons Missionary Baptist Church, 904 Gagel Avenue, Louisville, Ky. One profession of faith and one addition to the church. Pastor H. C. Vanderpool was assisted by Elder Dexter Bacon, Jr.

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MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES DISCUSSED IN ISRAEL

Representatives of six Knesset factions met informally with four Cabinet ministers recently to discuss the problem of mounting missionary activity in the country by fringe movements such as "Jews for Jesus.

The informal meeting was arranged after chief coalition whip Moshe Baram persuaded the other factions that the problem was best probed quietly, avoiding the negative repercussions abroad which might result from a plenum debate, which the factions had demanded.

Religious Affairs Minister Zerah Warhaftig said aggressive Christian missionary activity seemed to be connected with a high rate of immigration today, as it was in the early 1950s. He said the missionary groups were aiming mostly at immigrant absorption centres and campuses, to pick up lonely, unattached young people with social problems or adjustment difficulties.

Dr. Warhaftig believed the Law of Return (which guarantees every Jew the right to come here and settle) could be so amended as to cut down the problem.

Even if Jewish immigrants arrived who turned out to be "Jews for Jesus" or something similar only after their immigrant status was recognized and immutable, he said, some way could be found of denying them the right to live at immigrant centres, or study with the aid of the Student Authority.

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P. O. Box 7305 Jerusalem, Israei March 27, 1973

Dear Brother Vanderpool,

We are sending a little help on the paper, Baptist Banner, and trust it will be of some encouragement in its publication, mailing,

I see that some of you and Old Union Baptist Church are beginning a school. It is something much needed, and has been needed for a long time. Some people will be against it, but if we wait for everybody to approve what we want to do for the Lord and His work we would never do anything. May the Lord bless you and all of those who are helping to make it possible.

We are doing fairly well healthwise, and the Lord blesses us with many spiritual blessings. I feel as Paul said, "I delight in the Law of God after the inward man.' Romans 7:22.

God bless you and yours, and the work of the Lord that you are doing.

> In His name, J. H. Smith

What you don't know can hurt your church.

"HOLY BIBLE

ATTEND SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Right Time

The right time to teach obedience to authority is in the play pen, instead of the state pen.

The time to counsel a young person about marriage is before he falls in love.

The time to teach a fellow Bible truth about divorce is before he marries.

The time to provide against the electric chair is while the baby is in the high chair.

Husband follows wife of 83 years in death

BEAR BRANCH, Ky. (AP) - Edd Hollen, who died Friday, six weeks after the death of his wife of 83 years, was buried near here Sunday in the family plot where Mrs. Hollen also lies buried, the family reported.

Hollen, who was 106, and his wife, the former Margaret Gray, who was 100 at her death Sept. 8, left 146 descendants.

The family said the couple never was separated for even a week of their marriage.

The Hollens both were natives of Clay County, Ky., where they were married May 7, 1889.

REPORT FROM JAPAN

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Jan. - Elder J. Frank Carr, New Middleton, Tenn., 10.00; Plunketts Creek Baptist Church, Carthage, Tenn., 95.40; Lyons Missionary Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., 150.00; Old Union Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky., 87.13; Old Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, Adolphus, Ky., 54.00. Total \$396.53.

Feb. — Plunketts Creek Baptist Church. Carthage, Tenn., 103.32; Faith Baptist church, Nashville, Tenn., 23.01; North Carthage Baptist Church, Carthage, Tenn. 111.34 & 92.23; Calvary Baptist Church, Carthage, Tenn., 100.00. Total \$429.90.

From McFerrin Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn., to Koi Baptist Church, \$100.00 and to Yamaguchi First Baptist Church \$80.00. (Jan.)

Intermediate Class of Summer Shade Baptist Sunday School, Summer Shade, Ky., sent us a box filled with American foods which made us happy. We thank each of you remembered us that way. We praise the Lord.

My family and I are fine and doing fine, actually day and night, giving glory to Him. I had a cold some time ago, yet I didn't suffer from it so much. I could keep busy in the Lord's work. None of my family but me had a flu. Now I am all right. We are thankful unto the Keeper of our soul.

The weather has been pretty good. But when I was in Yamaguchi last week for three days to help Baptists there, we had some bad weather. Hard wind, rain, and then snow storm. It could be like that just before Spring comes. Spring is near at our hands, anyway.

March is the last term of the year in Japan. Many of our brethren whom we won to Christ, baptized by Baptist baptism into Baptist churches, taught what the Lord commanded us do, have moved away, or about to move, after their graduation from their schools, or seeking for new jobs. We really missed them. But we understand it this way; we sent them out to places. We hope they help spread out the Gospel of Christ and establish Baptist churches in their places some day. You know we are in the process of growing, though we have hardness and difficulties at each different circumstances. We have so much to do and so much to learn the very New Testament way in this land. We keep on and keep on our missionary work, as we have hope in the future.

I am leaving for Okinawa next Monday morning to conduct a revival there, as my missonary friend, an old fashion Baptist, Bro. Ted Estridge and his native Baptists asked me to come cross the sea and bring them messages from the Words of God. I believe this is Lord's will for me to go down to that natives in the southern island, as He opened me the way this time. I have been to them three years ago. I would like for you to pray for me and for them.

We will keep praying for you. You are even closer to us as time goes on by.

May God richly bless you.

Yours sincerely in His name Koji Tajima

JUST AS I AM

HARLOTTE ELLIOT, a beautiful young girl, was preparing herself for a great ball. Full of gay anticipation, she started out one day to her dressmaker to have a fine dress fitted for the occasion.

On the way, Charlotte met her pastor, an earnest, faithful man. He reasoned and expostulated with her, pleading with her to stay away from the ball and its degrading influences. Greatly vexed, she finally answered,

"I wish you would mind your own business!"

In due time the ball came off, and Charlotte Elliot was there, the gayest of the gay. But the gaiety was forced, for thoughts of the pastor and his earnest entreaties kept passing through her mind.

When she returned to her room her conscience made her wretched. After three days of misery she went to the minister with her trouble.

"For three days I have been the most wretched girl in the world," she cried. "Now I want to be a Christian. What must I do?"

"Just give yourself, my child, to the Lamb of God," the pastor replied. 'Come to Him just as you are.'

"What! Just as I am?" Miss Elliot asked. "Do you know that I am one of the worst sinners in the world? How can God accept me just as I am?"

"That is exactly what you must believe." was the answer. "And you must come to Him just as you are.'

Charlotte Elliot went to her room, knelt down and offered God her heart, guilty and vile as it was, to be cleansed and made fit for His dwelling. As she prayed, peace-full, overflowing-filled her soul. Then, as she meditated upon the miracle which had transpired within her by the grace of the Lord Jesus, she had a keen desire to write down the feelings of her heart. She penned these lines:

"Just as I am, without one plea, But that Thy blood was shed for me, And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come."

Other stanzas followed until the immortal hymn was finished. For over one hundred years it has helped repentant sinners to find Christ.

"My great concern is not whether God is on our side; my great concern is to be on God's side."

-Abraham Lincoln.

Letter On School

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missionaries who are preaching the gospel in other lands. Keep up the good work.

I would like to use the Banner to express my feelings about the first session of the Old Union Baptist Ministers School.

It was a real joy to attend, and to fellowship with other pastors.

The School was not only informative, from the stand-point of Baptist doctrine, Baptist practice, and Baptist perpetuity, it was also spiritual.

Our thanks to Old Union Missionary Baptist Church, Old Union Baptist Ministers School Committee, and to the four great men of God, who served as our instructors

I am looking forward to the next session. and praying that the school will be so successful that it will be permanently established and in operation when Jesus comes again.

Yours in Christ's service. Elder Billy Moran

Editor Appreciates An Opportunity At Catholic School

Recently I received a phone call inviting me to come to Angela Merici High School, a Catholic school here in Louisville, Ky., to speak on our church belief and practice. I accepted the invitation. The time was set for April 17, at 12:00 noon. On that date I arrived at the school and was welcomed by members of the student body.

In a few minutes I was conducted to a class room and was told I could have an hour to speak and answer questions by the students. I enjoyed and appreciated the opportunity. I read Luke 1:1-4. I also presented the eighteen articles of faith. I used Carroll's "Trail of Blood", and read from "Twentieth Century Baptists", pp. 18-20 where Alexander Campbell, Methodists, Presbyterians, Pedo-baptists and a Catholic Cardinal had all written in the centuries past that Baptists were the only church body that had existed since the days of Christ.

I had the opportunity to let them know that Baptists were not protestants. The question session from the students gave me a great opportunity to go into what we really believed and practiced. I left with them the eleven page outline of Baptist History I had taught in the school at Bowling Green, Carroll's "Trail of Blood", and some issues of the Baptist Banner carrying articles showing that Peter's Tomb was found in Jerusalem and not in Rome. Help me to pray that God will use this effort to His glory and honor.

REVIVAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY - APRIL 29

Salem Missionary Baptist Route 1, Greenwood, Indiana Church, Indianapolis). Pastor Mitchell Smith is to be assisted by Elder Billy Moran.

SUNDAY - MAY 6

Longview Missionary Baptist Church, Gallatin, Tenn. Pastor Paul Patterson is to be assisted by Bro. Don Curtis.

FRIDAY — MAY 11

Grace Missionary Baptist Church, 9835 Hayes St., Detroit, Mich. Elder Don McDonald is the interim pastor. Elder Eugene Brown will be the assistant for the revival.

SUNDAY - MAY 13

Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church, 1032 S. Holmes Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. Pastor Calvin Perrigo is to be assisted by Elder William Johnson.

SUNDAY - MAY 20

Southside Missionary Baptist Church, 1850 East Sumner Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. Pastor William Shoulders is to be assisted by Elder William House.

SUNDAY - MAY 27

Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, Cookeville Hwy., Carthage, Tenn. Pastor Thomas Carter is to be assisted by Elder H. C. Vanderpool.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE AT OLD UNION CHURCH

On Sunday, May 20, Old Union Missionary Baptist Church located on Highway 240, between Allen Springs and Woodburn, Ky., which is south of Bowling Green, will have an all-day Memorial service. Sunday school, 10:00 A. M. and preaching at 11:00 A. M. by the pastor, Elder Kenneth Massey.

Lunch will be served at the noon hour. Afternoon services will be congregational singing and the Sherman Tomes Family as the featured group from Louisville, Ky. Everyone is invited to attend.

> I WAS GLAD WHEN THEY SAID...,LET US GO INTO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD."

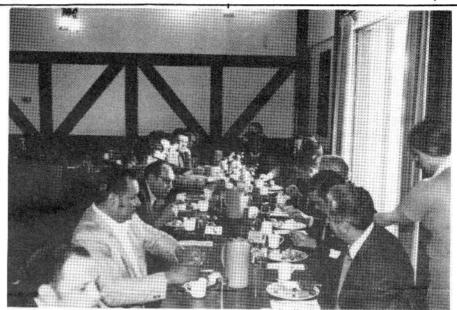
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Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Doss



Lunch period for School at King's Table.

Missionaries In Israel

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Justice Minister Y. S. Shapiro said that where, formerly, the missionaries enticed adherents by promising material benefits, they were now playing on idealistic themes which appealed to young people seeking a cause. But assuming Christian missionaries were to lure converts by material inducements, he said, the possibility of legislation to counter this might be studied.

Mr. Shapiro did not favour amending the Law of Return to deny immigrant status to Jews who profess Christian ideas. The fact that a Jew says he believes in Jesus does not necessarily mean he is no longer Jewish, the minister said.

Mr. Shapiro said he knew of no case where immigrants entered under the Law of Return and then proceeded to act as Christian missionaries.

Mr. Shapiro stressed that evangelical preaching was a fundamental element in the Christian religion, and that fact must be accepted in a tolerant country like Israel, where no State religion exists.

The Aguda's Rabbi Shlomo Lorincz was particularly incensed at the Justice Minister's remark that profession of a Christian axiom need not make a Jew into a Christian. This contradicts halacha, he insisted forcefully.

---- SALVATION

HOMECOMING SERVICES AT OHIO CHURCH

There will be an all day Homecoming and Memorial services held at Liberty Missionary Baptist Church, Maco Drive, Barberton, Ohio, on Sunday, May 27, 1973. Sunday School begins at 10:00 and preaching at 11:00 by the pastor, Elder Kenneth Davis. Lunch will be served at the noon hour. The afternoon service will be devoted to special singing by the Patterson Family from Southside Missionary Baptist Church, Indianapolis, Indiana. Everyone is invited to attend. The pastor's address and phone number is, 1227 Stratford, Barberton, Ohio. Phone 825-8736.



Advisory Committee

Pictured above is the Advisory Committee of the Old Union Baptist Ministers School. From left to right they are Deacon J. O. Raines; Deacon Clifford R. Hayes, Jr.; Elder Kenneth W. Massey, pastor of Old Union Baptist Church; Deacon Dumont Stringer, and Deacon J. P. Doss.

OLD UNION BAPTIST MINISTERS CHURCH SCHOOL

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There was a one and one-half hour lunch period which gave time to drive into Bowling Green and back and time to eat. The entire group ate each day at the King's Table which is operated by Bro. J. P. Doss and wife, Sister Mary Doss. Bro. Doss is one of the Advisory Committee and a deacon of Old Union Baptist Church. The other Deacons of the church on the Advisory Committee were brethren J. O. Raines, Dumont Stringer and Clifford Hayes, Jr. One of the ministers, Bro. Kenneth Massey, pastor of Old Union, was also a Committee Member appointed by the church.

The days spent in the school were enjoyed by all attending. It was a wonderful time of fellowship, study and worship. Devotional services were held each morning before classes with various ones in charge. Bro. Calvin Perrigo, of Indianapolis, was chosen to preach during a worship service held on Wednesday night.

Much concern was expressed for a continuation of these sessions in the future with additional days and more subjects taught. According to the interest manifested there will be more sessions of the school. Certificates were presented to each minister attending at the close of the session. Many thanks to the Lord for this privilege. Let's all continue to pray for the school in the future.

