

MISSIONARIES
IN BRAZIL

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(Portuguese Language)

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Baptizing In Columbia



Don Thomas, native missionary of Bueneventure, Columbia, baptizing a candidate.



Don Thomas and the first five candidates baptized by him in Bueneventure, Columbia, since establishing of the mission there by Missionary R. P. Hallum.

Last year when the Hallums were on their way back to their field in Iquitos, Peru, they were delayed several days at Bueneventure, Columbia, and as a result a mission work is now established there. The work is carried on by a native Columbian, Don Thomas, who was baptized by Missionary Hallum and later ordained by the church at Iquitos, Peru. The pictures on this page show Don Thomas baptizing a candidate and also Don Thomas and the first five candidates baptized by him since the mission was started by Brother Hallum. This work is carried on under the direction of Brother Hallum. All reports from Don Thomas come from Brother Hallum and he keeps as close check on the work as possible to be so far away. The other picture is of a meeting house being built by Don Thomas so that the saints will have a place to worship. We trust that sometime there will be a Baptist Church organized there. Brother Hallum reports that Don Thomas need some financial help on this building to get it completed. We trust that the Lord will lead some who read this to designate an offering to help finish this building. The offering must be designated for the meeting house in Columbia that Don Thomas is building. The money will then be sent to Missionary Hallum who will forward it to Don Thomas and see that it is used for the purpose intended. Send this offering in the regular way to the Treasurer of the Mission Work: Elder Z. E. Clark, 5216 Concord Avenue, Detroit 11, Michigan.



This is the meeting house that Don Thomas is building in Bueneventure, Columbia, for a place of worship. This is between two other buildings and in a good location. Thus the work in Columbia goes forward.

Hallums Busy In Our Master's Work In Iquitos And Nearby Villages

Iquito, Peru, Nov. 27.

More Workers Needed In Peru

So we felt that most of the people heard the message after all. Some children were there and Marguerite taught them some choruses. In conversation with the man in whose house we stayed I learned that along the Nanay river, inland from the river are many small settlements of people. Many of the places will have to be reached by foot and no one is taking the gospel to them. This agrees with my position that many, many more workers are necessary in order to obey the Lord's command and preach the gospel (Next page, Column 5)

On Thursday, November 20th we (wife, daughter and I) with a helper made a short trip up the Nanay river, about four hours in the motor boat. We intended to visit a village called Mapa but not knowing just where it was (it is inland a short ways) we missed it and traveled about 45 minutes past it to another village, Casaria, and stopped there and had a service. We were warmly received by the man (and family) who is overseer of a bunch of men who get out rubber. The men are Cocama Indians. They all promised to attend the services. Three of the women and their children came, but two of them were attracted by something outside and went out. One stayed, but on the outside I think nearly all the people of the village were sitting and standing listening to the service. I could not see them but tried to preach loud enough so that all the people in the village could hear me. The houses were close together.

MISSIONARY EXPERIENCES BY R. P. HALLUM

Iquitos, Peru, September, 1947.

On a Monday morning I was somewhat cast down. On Sunday night a rain had come up about an hour and a half before time to begin services, but the rain stopped falling in plenty of time for the people to come to the worship but not one of the members came. The children came to their lesson, about 15 of them. At the hour of worship there were two or three who profess to be believers there and a few unbelievers but not one member to testify by their presence (only the missionaries). I preached the best that I could, nevertheless on Monday morning I felt discouraged at the indifference and lack of zeal and fervent love on the part of the members.

Three Saved

I went out to visit house to house, distributing tracts and teaching the gospel. On the way

to the part where I commenced calling I met an old gentleman who is a member of one of the evangelical congregations in another part of the city. I gave him the booklet, "The Trail of Blood," by J. M. Carroll. He said that he had read some pages in Neals History of the Baptists and had seen that the Baptists were the most ancient of all sects. He was pleased to get it and said he was intending to visit us sometime. At the second place that I called there were three women, an old lady and two young women. One had a Bible that some friend had given to her and she had been reading it some. On questioning them about believing the Gospel each said that she had never trusted the Lord as Saviour, but they were very attentive. I preached the Gospel to them and then asked each one if she would receive the Lord in her heart as a personal Saviour and each one said that she did trust the Lord and wanted to learn

more of His Word. The one that did not have a Bible asked me to bring her a Bible. So I left there being much lifted up in Spirit. I also had a good time witnessing and teaching in other homes.

Another Day

I went out and visited a number of homes this morning, giving tracts and preaching to them. First to one woman and then to three women and a man, in another house two women and a man and in another to a man and woman, then to two women and an Adventist, but the most of them had never heard the Gospel. So is the work of a missionary. The Lord commands us to go into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in.

Few Are Hostile to the Gospel

Once in a while I encounter (Next page, Column 4)

More News From Missionary Brandon Who, Being Ill, Needs Your Prayers

Missionary Brandon Is Ill

Cruzeiro do Sul, Oct. 11, 1947

Perhaps I should have written you sooner concerning this matter but I have never been so certain as now. Today I am convinced that the Lord Jesus has something for me to do down river, I believe in Belem, perhaps not, yet more likely there. The pastor (Miguel) is living in the mission home, half of which is one big room used for the preaching of the gospel two or three times a week, depending upon the invitation in other places. He may continue to live

there, he can carry on the work better from that point. The home I live in is more proper for a missionary, and if one should come out everything will be in order to receive them and the believers will generously contribute to their comfort. Of course things deteriorate in the absence of a housekeeper, thus the things are by no means as valuable as they once were. But with a little work and other expense most any housewife would be pleased to have them. The things are packed in the best possible shape and the work is in better condition by far than when I arrived.

Looking For New Missionaries

The Lord has blessed our feeble efforts and heard our wailings before Him.

The shape things are in the work will be alright to leave, perhaps better without me. In many respects I am encouraged with the work here and I believe it must and will stand. I feel that Divine orders are thus issued. My vision at present is to go to Belem rent a house and (Next page, column 3)

REVIVAL MEETINGS

The editor of the MISSION SHEETS (Hafford H. Overbey) has recently helped Pastor Y. E. Holland and the saints of Second Baptist Church, Marion, Ky., in a revival meeting. It was a joy to work with Brother Holland and the church he pastors. He believes the Book just as it is and preaches it too. Also it was our happy privilege for us to be with Pastor John R. Hilpin and the saints of the First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky. This, too, was a joy to us, it being our second meeting with (Next page, Column 2)

NEW MISSIONARIES

Recently two young men have told us that they were called to go to Brazil and work with Missionary Brandon. Pray that these men may be led of the Lord to be sure of their calling and to be definite about their decisions that there be no mistake in their going. They must go on faith and go to stay. They must count the cost as well as the blessings and settle the matter before they go. Pray for them. Also another missionary is needed for Peru to work with Missionary R. P. Hallum. Pray about this also.

NOTICE

Anyone desiring more information about this mission work write to the Secretary of the Mission. Address your letter to:

H. H. OVERBEY
1210 E. Grand Blvd.
Detroit 11, Mich.

ANOTHER YEAR AND WE GROW

In January 1942 the first issue of the MISSION SHEETS was sent out to about thirty people. The paper grew and the circulation grew until at the end of the sixth year the circulation was almost up to 15,000, which is an increase of almost 2000 in the year 1947. The last issue of January, 1948, was the beginning of the seventh year for this mission paper. For any and all blessing we humbly thank our blessed Lord and to Him be all the honor, glory and praise. The purpose of this paper is to tell about the work of Baptist Faith Missions in South America so that all who support the work may have first hand information direct from the field of what is being done by the missionaries that they support. The work in Brazil is in its twenty-fifth year under the leadership of Missionary J. F. Brandon. The work in Peru is in its twelfth year under the leadership of Missionary R. P. Hallum. The work in Columbia is in its first year under the leadership of Brother Hallum.

A REQUEST

This mission paper is sent out free to all. About 75 or more churches get the paper in quantities of 10, 15, 20 or more so that each family of the church can have a free copy. If you want the paper sent to your church free without obligation, please send us the name and address and the number of copies wanted and we will put you on the mailing list. Also MISSION SHEETS are sent out once each month as a part of the BAPTIST EXAMINER which enables every reader of the BAPTIST EXAMINER to have the MISSION SHEETS at no extra cost. Now we have a request to make. Several are on the mailing list and receive the MISSION SHEETS direct in an envelope. We feel sure that several of these people get the BAPTIST EXAMINER and the MISSION SHEETS in connection with it. If you do, will you please write and tell us so that we can take your name off the list to save the cost of sending the extra paper. Also we request that every reader subscribe for the BAPTIST EXAMINER and then so advise us that we may take your name off the lists also. It will take only a penny postal card to take care of this and it will help us a lot. Also please keep us advised of any change of address. The BAPTIST EXAMINER is the best weekly Baptist paper printed that we know of and it is only fifty cents a year. Now send a dollar bill to Elder John R. Gilpin, Russell, Ky., and have him send you the BAPTIST EXAMINER for two years and get the MISSION SHEETS FREE with it. When you write about the MISSION SHEETS address your letter to the editor, H. H. Overbey, 1210 E. Grand Blvd., Detroit 11, Mich.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JANUARY 1948

South Side Baptist Church, Winter Haven, Fla.	\$ 55.00
First Baptist Church, Coal Grove, Ohio	30.00
North Ballard Baptist Church, Wickliffe, Ky.	57.68
Scotts Grove Baptist Church, Murray, Ky.	13.00
First Baptist Church, Murray, Ky.	7.00
First Baptist Church, White Plains, Ky.	12.00
Harbor View Baptist Church, Harbor View, Ohio	5.00
Harbor View Baptist Church, Harbor View, Ohio	15.00
Suwanee Furnace Baptist Church, Kuttawa, Ky.	45.00
Bellview Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky.	11.52
Buffalo Ave. Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla.	48.50
Buffalo Ave. Baptist Church, Hopè Bible Class, Tampa, Fla.	35.00
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, Fla.	50.00
Emmaus Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky.	100.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Central City, Ky.	10.40
Bible Missionary Baptist Church, DeQuincy, La.	18.75
Little Obion Baptist Church, Wingo, Ky.	10.56
Cayce Baptist Church, Cayce, Ky.	5.00
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Ky.	114.00
South Union Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky.	38.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Monticello, Ky.	50.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio	48.22
Eaton Ave. Baptist Church, Muncie, Ind.	10.00
Green Bottom Baptist Church, Lesage, W. Va.	37.50
Raiford Baptist Church, Raiford, Fla.	5.00
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Hickory, Ky.	13.01
North Side Baptist Church, Mayfield, Ky.	38.56
Second Baptist Church, Marion, Ky.	11.90
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky.	51.75
Seven Springs Baptist Church, Dycusburg, Ky.	25.54
First Baptist Church (by C. Lewis), Stillwell, Okla.	100.00
Grace Baptist Church, Baseline, Mich.	66.60
Grace Baptist Church, BTU, Baseline, Mich.	6.54
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky.	77.53
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich.	12.48
New Hope Baptist Church, LBC, Dearborn, Mich.	10.00
Ryan Road Baptist Church, Van Dyke, Mich.	8.59
Harmony Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich.	50.00
Mrs. C. M. and Nina Barger, San Angelo, Tex.	10.00
Dr. D. J. Dunn, Worthington, Minn.	5.00
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John M. Holtzclaw, Corpus Christi, Tex.	5.00
Elder Don Grollimund, Denison, Texas	10.00
Carey E. Witt, Franklin, Ky.	20.00
John H. Kain, Cape May, N. J.	5.00
Chuck Holsinger, Wheaton, Ill.	5.00
Miss Georgia Brandon, Benton, Ky.	13.00
Elder E. H. Craft, Widen, W. Va.	10.00
Mrs. E. H. Purdom, Elmhurst, Ill.	10.00
Elder Roger Maslin, Wheaton, Ill.	39.00
Total	\$1439.63

Z. E. CLARK, Treasurer

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Elder Z. E. Clark
5216 Concord Avenue
Detroit 11, Mich.

REVIVAL MEETINGS

(Continued from preceding page) this church. The Lord willing we are to be with Pastor D. W. Billington and the saints of Scotts Grove in a meeting beginning March 15. This is my home church and will be the fourth meeting for us with this church and her pastor. Brother Billington has been a full time pastor at Scotts Grove for about 18 years, I believe, which is the oldest pastorate in the Blood River Association. It was our happy privilege to have Brother M. M. Hampton, pastor of Sinking Spring Baptist Church, near Murray, Ky., to help us in a meeting with the saints of Harmony Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich., in November, and we have just closed another good meeting with Brother C. D. Cole, pastor of First Baptist Church, Morton Gap, Ky., being our helper. While we were in Russell in the meeting we saw Brother J. L. Dennington who is doing mission work in the mountains of Kentucky and had a short time of fellowship with him. He advised that his new address is J. L. Dennington, Betsy Layne, Ky.

DON'T FORGET

Don't forget, if you read the MISSION SHEETS and do not get the BAPTIST EXAMINER, to send Editor John Gilpin, Russell, Ky., a dollar for two years subscription and then no-

LETTER FROM BRANDON

(Continued from preceding page) live there, remain in communion with the work and in case new missionaries should arrive I will receive them and help them to get started off. I can prepare the journey for them or come with them if need be. I love this work up here as none other. I forsook all to come here. My love for them is great and I hate to leave them, however I will remain at a safe distance overlooking the field. Or that is the way I see things now. It may be that I am mistaken; may the Lord guide and bless.

Trusting Jesus That Is All

The Lord is responsible for me being here and I am His servant and am trusting Him to guide, for to guide His own is His business and it is mine to seek Him. Through the years I have sought Him and He has guided and we have prevailed. Well do I recall my pitiful plight before I knew Him, and when He came into my life, He lifted me up and gave me rank among men, such a position I could never have attained without Him, for well do I know that I am nothing and have nothing and without Him I can do nothing. People have unthoughtedly spoken to me of a great sacrifice I had made. I

tify us so that we can take your name off the mailing list for the MISSION SHEETS as you will get this paper free in connection with the BAPTIST EXAMINER.

BRANDON ARRIVES IN MANAOS

As you know from former issues of this paper, Missionary J. F. Brandon has been in poor health with something wrong with his legs so that he could not stand or walk on them to any advantage. The doctor recommended that he leave Cruzeiro do Sul and go down river where he could get better medical attention, etc. So he has moved from Cruzeiro do Sul in the Acre Territory to Manaos in the State of Amazonas. The work at Cruzeiro do Sul will continue under Brother Brandon's direction and the native missionaries. He reports the work there in good shape. He is much improved in health and expects the Lord willing to soon be able to carry on the work in Manaos and surrounding territory in good fashion. This field is not new to him as he worked in its several years and organized five churches in the State of Amazonas. These churches were taken over by others and as a result they have gone down. He plans to get them revived and the work on a good footing again. Pray for him in your daily times before the throne of grace.

would hardly call it a sacrifice for one of my estate to be so highly exalted to the high consideration of being called into His ministry and sent to speak for Him in a foreign land and to represent Him, the King of Kings, among the ones who know Him not and to speak the message of life to His perishing elect and to continually feel His abiding presence and to appreciate an intimate relationship with Him in all the changing scenes of life, to be kept securely at His blessed feet, ever comforted by His Spirit and His Word, to be able to see the countless blessings that some perhaps might disregard, to see and feel His care and love for me, ever protected, animated and inspired by Him. Brother I have made no sacrifice. Rather I feel that I have been highly favored by the Everliving One. Now in blessing may He bless His work and in directing, may He direct His servant. May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be multiplied unto you all, Amen.

Sincerely,
J. F. Brandon.

MISSIONARY EXPERIENCES BY R. P. HALLUM

(Continued from preceding page) a person who is hostile to the Gospel and is frank to tell me they do not want to hear it, that they are not interested at all. I met two men on different occasions that told me so. Today I called at a house and the woman told me in a nice way that she was a Roman Catholic and never expected to be anything else and did not want to read any of my literature nor hear the Gospel explained. She had never read the Bible and had no desire to read it. I said then your mind is completely closed to the Bible and she answered that it was. She had heard me talking to the person next door. But as a general rule I believe these people are the softest people in the world. I have access to the homes in general and they listen very nicely and agree with most everything but a very few of them have received the Lord or done anything. It seems to be understood among them to agree with us on everything to get rid of us that way.

Totally Depraved

In considering the attitude which these people take toward the Gospel and the Missionary we should not forget that they are totally depraved, have never read the Bible and are forbidden by the Roman Catholic priest to read it. All this has left the impression that the Bible is not the highest importance, in fact what the priest says precedes everything with the true Catholic and the Evangelical is hell for the salary he draws from back home; he is a wealthy man in the eyes of many and some have been made to believe that he is sent out by his government. This is all quite different to the attitude of the Missionary who is called of God to a definite field to work. His attitude that he is a witness of the Lord and through his witnessing of who are the elect will believe whether many or few and after preaching or teaching the Gospel he or she is willing to leave it for the Lord to bless.

—R. P. HALLUM

HALLUM TELLS OF WORK

(continued from opposite page) to every creature. We plan to make another trip next week. Last night there was an exception to the rule in our service usually when we ask for a manifestation by any who will receive Christ and believe on Him as their personal Saviour and respond that are in the house but last night two people were in the service (a man and wife who did not hold up their hands these have been coming for the last few services and the woman especially seems to be interested.

Yours,
R. P. Hallum.

A DAY OF PRAYER

Several of the pastors in the Detroit River Association meet each third Monday morning for a time of prayer together. We meet to pray especially about the work of Baptist Faith Missions and then other things regarding each pastor's work. May we suggest that two or more pastors here and there get together (the same day if possible) and join with us in prayer for this work? Are you busy enough to do it? It will pay good dividends.

BAPTIST FAITH MISSIONS

Baptist Faith Missions do not have any paid secretaries or bosses. All of the officers give their time as a work of love. There is no office rent as the work is carried on in the homes of each of the officers. Pray for us and the missionaries.

MAILING LIST

We are very anxious to keep our mailing list up to date. Many have read and have read this paper for several years who have never sent an offering for the mission work. We wonder if you want the paper to come to you. If not, please advise us and we will take your name off the mailing list. May we hear from you?

TELL OTHERS

Please tell others about the work of Baptist Faith Missions. Give them a copy of the Mission Sheets and The Baptist Examiner and ask them to consider this work in their giving to missions.

I have always felt that wherever doctors could go to save men's bodies, I could go to save their souls.

1. CAN YOU SAY WITH GLAD ASSURANCE "I KNOW I AM SAVED?" These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life." I John 5:13.
2. ARE YOU EAGER TO WITNESS TO OTHERS? "And ye shall be witness unto me . . ." Acts 1:8.
3. DO YOU LIVE IN THE SPIRIT OF PRAYER? "Pray without ceasing." I Thes. 5:17.
4. ARE YOUR PRAYERS STEREOTYPED? "But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do." Matt. 6:7.
5. ARE YOUR PRAYERS ANSWERED? "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." James 5:16. . .
6. DO YOU CONFESS SPECIFIC SINS TO KEEP CLEAN? "If we confess our sins he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." I John 1:9.
7. DO YOU ABHOR SIN IN YOURSELF? "For the good that I would, I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do. Now if I do that I would not, it is . . . sin that dwelleth in me." Rom. 7:19, 20.
8. DO YOU DENY SELF COMPLETELY? "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily, and follow me." Luke 9:23.
9. DO YOU LOVE THE THINGS OF THE WORLD? "If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." I John 2:15.
10. DO YOU LOVE GOD'S WORD? "The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart: . . . More to be desired and they than gold." Psalms 19:7-11.
11. IS CHRIST FIRST IN YOUR LIFE? "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." Phil. 1:21.
12. DO YOU LOVE SPIRITUAL PEOPLE AND ENJOY THEIR COMPANY? "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another as I have loved you." John 13:34.
13. ARE YOU BEARING THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT? "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance." Gal. 5:22, 23.
14. ARE YOU OBEDIENT? "If a man love me, he will keep my words." John 14:23.
15. DO YOU LOVE HIS APPEARING? "Looking for that blessed hope and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ." Titus 2:13.
16. DO YOU LONG AFTER THE LOST? "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." Psalms 126:6.

JUDGE YOURSELF, NOT BY WHAT YOU THINK YOU ARE, BUT BY YOUR LIFE.

together with him, having FORGIVEN YOU ALL TRESPASSES." — Col. 2:13.

Now, beloved, if all your trespasses are forgiven, if the blood of Jesus Christ has blotted out all your sins, and if the Lord Jesus has redeemed you from all iniquity, then how could a man ever be lost after having once been saved?

How do you become a saint? Through the Lord Jesus Christ. We have seen, beloved, that the saints do sin, and yet, thank God, though we do sin, we are secure in the Lord Jesus Christ.

NOTE AGAIN — THE MORTALITY OF THE SAINTS. Several years ago we had a man from Tennessee to preach for us, who was a great preacher. I enjoyed his ministry as much as any individual who has ever preached here since I have been your pastor, and yet, that man was as far wrong on the question of mortality as any individual I have ever heard preach. He said one day from this pulpit, that the Bible never said one word about mortality. Will you listen:

"If a man die, shall he live again?" — Job 14:14.

Does that refer to mortality? Let's get the answer to it:

"Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began, But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and IMMORTALITY to light through the gospel." — II Timothy 1:9, 10.

Beloved, I thank God tonight for the immortality of the saints. Some of these days these old bodies are going down into the grave, unless Jesus comes, and then, beloved, one glad day every one of the cemeteries are going to be opened and the graves are going to be rifled, and God's own are coming out, — deathless and immortal. I'm looking forward to that glorious day. Talk about joy, beloved, I don't know anything tonight that ought to thrill a child of God more than to know that he is immortal, that he is going to live forever, and that some day every child of God who has died, is going to come out of the grave in a deathless and immortal state, to live forever.

It is a blessing to me to know that the saints of God are secure, and that when we are saved, we can never be lost again. That applies to the soul. I'm just as thankful for the fact that we are immortal and deathless, and that we are going to live on and on throughout a never-ending eternity.

BUT AGAIN: THERE IS THE RAPTURE OF THE SAINTS, which is sure to take place. I thrill me to know that we are saints by the grace of God, and that though saints sin, we are secure in Him. It thrills me to think about the immortality of the saints, and beloved, no less thrilling to me is the thought of the rapture of

the saints. Can you think of anything tonight that makes you happier or lifts you more spiritually, or causes you to rejoice more in your soul than the fact that some day the saints of God are going to be raptured right out of this world. Listen:

"But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not precede them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord." I Thess. 4:13-17.

You say, "When is that coming to pass?" I don't know, but I have a feeling that one of these days not far hence, the rapture of the saints is sure to take place. Won't it be wonderful to be at your work or wherever you are in one moment, and in another moment to have this body changed to look like the Lord Jesus — raptured in the sky to be with Him?

I talked to a man just a short time ago who had just bought a lot in a cemetery. He said to me, "I had a feeling that I ought to prepare for a day when my wife, my children and I might die — I am making preparation for the future."

Beloved, I'm not concerned about a hole in the ground, I'm looking for a hole in the sky. I'm not caring at all tonight to meet the undertaker, but I am looking forward to the day when I shall be with the "Uppertaker." I tell you it thrills me when I think about the rapture of the saints.

Wouldn't it be glorious if He would come tonight before this service might come to a close? Wouldn't it be glorious for our Lord to catch away the redeemed of God, raptured in the sky? That's going to be the experience of God's saints some day.

NOTICE FINALLY, THE HERITAGE OF THE SAINTS. It is interesting to think about the saints, and even the rapture of the saints doesn't end their experience, for after the rapture comes the heritage of the saints — and what a heritage it is, beloved. Listen:

"Let not your heart be troubled; if ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself, that where I am, there ye may be also." — John 14:1-3.

That's the saint's heritage (Continued on page four)

How

ALL

are you?

"SAINTS"

(Continued from page two)

do that which is wrong, so beloved, we see from this that saints have two natures and saints do sin. Notice:

"If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make ourselves a liar and his word is not in us." — I John 1:8-10.

No individual can read these verses, with the realization that they were written to only saved people — no individual can read these verses without realizing that the saints of God do sin.

It isn't anything for us to boast of or brag about, but God's saints do sin. And, as you well know beloved, whenever the saints of God sin, they are then store for the chastening hand of God. No child of God can be apart from the chastening of God falling upon that individual. Listen:

"His seed also will I make endure for ever, and his throne as the days of heaven. If I will, I will chasten the children, forsake my law, and will not walk in my judgments; they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments; when will I visit their transgression with the rod, and their

iniquity with stripes. Nevertheless my loving kindness will I not utterly take from them, nor suffer my faithfulness to fail." — Psa. 89:29-33.

These verses tell us that God's people do sin, for it says that we do forsake His law, we walk not in His judgments, we break His statutes, and we keep not His commandments. Beloved, God's people do sin, and when we sin, we have to suffer under the chastening hand of God.

III

NOTE AGAIN — THE SECURITY OF THE SAINTS. Though it is true, beloved, that God's children, God's saints sin, and that He chastens us when we sin, it is also just as true, beloved friends, that we, as His saints, are secure in Him.

I know there isn't a person here but what has heard some heretical preacher sometime in life, say that you've got to hold out faithful to the end or you will be lost. I'm sure there is not one of you here but what have attended a service sometime or other in life where you have heard some preacher say that you can be saved and then lost again.

I knew a man down at Wurtland several years ago, who claimed he had been saved 49 times. He held the record in that respect, I think. My personal doubt is whether he had been saved once. I know one thing, that if he had been saved once, he was still saved. I know that every man that was ever saved, is still saved, and everyone who once became a child of God, is still a child of God. How

do I know it? Listen:

"Blessed are they those iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are forgiven. BLESSED IS THE MAN TO WHOM THE LORD WILL NOT IMPUTE SIN." — Romans 4:7, 8.

Is there any man to whom God won't charge sin? Yes, there is, and that is the man who has been saved. Why? Because God has already charged his sins to Jesus Christ. When God charges a man's sins to Jesus Christ, He will not impute those sins again to the individual.

I tell you tonight, beloved, it thrills my soul to know that the saints of God are secure in the Lord Jesus Christ. I wonder what joy there can be in the experience of the individual who thinks that he can lose his salvation. Listen to me: If there is one within the sound of my voice who thinks in any wise at all that he might be lost after he is saved, let me say that God's Word tells us that the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from ALL sin. Listen:

"And the blood of Jesus Christ his Son, cleanseth us from ALL SIN." — I John 1:7.

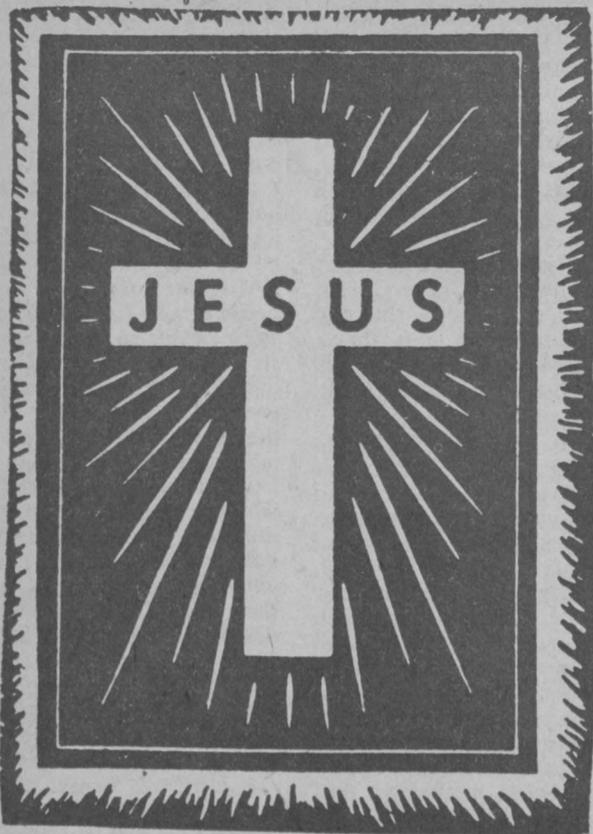
If the blood cleanses us from ALL SIN, what is there left whereby a man might lose his salvation? Notice again:

"Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from ALL INIQUITY, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." — Titus 2:14.

"And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened

WHERE THERE'S SMOKE

Methodist preachers in Virginia voted at their Annual Conference to allow Methodist preachers to smoke. The Virginia delegates plan to make a burning issue of the question at the Methodist General Conference in Boston next April. Wonder what God thinks about it?



spoke disparagingly of CHURCH DISCIPLINE:

"Perhaps we should not prune, most church discipline is moralistic and pharisaical." (P. 68).

Concerning both of the ORDINANCES, he said:

"They become curses when they are made the occasion of separation or superiority." (P. 64).

As for the LORD'S SUPPER, he said:

"Christianity is contradicted by the very term 'closed communion'." (P. 67).

"It (i. e. the local church) becomes a self-righteous, critically closed communion." (P. 69).

Along with these many heresies, he spoke also of the UNIVERSAL INVISIBLE CHURCH.

"The true Church of Christ is known by God alone. It is invisible to men. It consists of all those who live by faith. . . ." (P. 64).

"Wherever the Spirit of Christ is, there is the church." (P. 59).

In the light of these statements the editor thanks the Lord for a "closed mind" since he believes the Word of God to be final in every particular.

Mr. Ferre praised and extolled Biblical criticism above the Bible. Of course, he would have to do so, as he shows by his lectures his utter stupidity of the Bible. He says:

"One of the best things that has ever happened to Christian faith is Biblical criticism." (P. 91).

"Biblical criticism has come to stay; and no theological system that rejects it can hope to stand." (P. 94).

Naturally it would be expected that such an heretic would DENY THE HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC ACCURACY of the Bible. Concerning such accuracy he says:

"It long ago became clear that in claiming for the Bible accuracy in matters of science and history its apologists had chosen a hopeless position to defend." (P. 95).

In bringing to a close his lecture on the Bible, he disclosed that THE WORD OF GOD WAS NOT TRUTH ITSELF—rather only a part of the Truth:

"The Bible is needed as a book that opens up truth. Its conclusive truth is never for you and for me merely as such." (P. 103).

Although mixed with his heresies, he says many good things about God, Mr. Ferre proves by his statements that he is more than a modernist—that HE IS ACTUALLY AN INFIDEL. He says:

"God can never be proved by us, or else were there a higher God to prove Him by." (P. 108).

These are the heresies that the boys of the Louisville preacher-factory are being taught. It is no wonder that the majority are unionists, modernists, and near infidels when they graduate. It is no wonder that they do not know anything about the Bible. These lectures are a sample that they are taught anything and everything else except the Bible.

It might be well in this connection to remember that when Mr. Freeman was the compromising editor of the Western Recorder that he apologized for the ignorance of the boys there by saying in substance that the boys didn't have time to learn the great doctrines of the Bible when in the Seminary. It is self apparent that they haven't time for the Bible. All their time is taken up with modernistic deductions which take their mind away from the Bible.

A loved Baptist preacher in Chicago wrote the editor concerning these lectures recently and in part said:

"It is a revelation to us up here that a man can stand up in Louisville and crack down on close communion, rap anti-unionism and speak slightly of baptism, insist that the canon of the Scriptures is still open, while at the same time Baptists in Kentucky claim to be New Testament churches. New Testament churches, if true to the

pattern, reject heretics."

In this our brother is right. Real New Testament churches do reject heretics. Every N. T. Baptist who reads this review of these lectures will reect Mr. Ferre, the Seminary, the speckled birds it produces, and the Cooperative Program that feeds it.

Don't forget that Mr. Ferre is from Andover Newton Theological School. Mr. Tribble, who for years was a teacher of the Louisville Seminary, is now president there. What an unholy alliance! The Seminary gets her outside lecturer from Andover-Newton while Andover-Newton gets its president from the Louisville Seminary. There's a reason why these modernists have exchanged lecturers and teachers and that reason is expressed in the old adage, "Birds of a feather flock together."

And what birds they are! May God deliver us!

A STRANGE CHURCH

(Continued from page one) Mormon as the Word of God and believe in a god who is a polygamist being with many wives who continually conceive spirits who are waiting for babies to be born in order to be incarnate?—Bible Broadcaster.

"SAINTS"

(Continued from page three) with Him throughout eternity. Do you want to know more about the saint's heritage? Listen:

"There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God." — Heb. 4:9.

Good old Richard Baxter, one of the greatest commentators of the Word of God, penned that immortal book years ago entitled, "Saint's Rest," basing his book around that one verse. Thank God there is a rest awaiting us as our heritage.

Saints have lots of difficulties in this world. The saints of God have many problems, and we often have to suffer. Sometimes we suffer for our sins, and sometimes we suffer for the glory of God, that His will and purpose might be accomplished through us. We have many temptations, many difficulties and many problems, but some day all this is coming to an end, and then the saint's heritage shall be a glorious reality with an eternal rest for the children of God.

In closing, may I ask you a simple question: Are you one of His saints tonight? I'm not inquiring as to your church membership, but I'm asking if you are one of His saints. I'm not asking tonight if you have been baptized, I'm asking if you are one of His saints.

"There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God." That's in store for you if you are one of His saints. If not, would you like to be a saint tonight? You don't become a saint by praying through at an altar, you

don't become a saint by church membership, nor baptism, by good works; but, thank God we are called to be saints, the man that receives the factual call of the Holy Spirit and is washed in the blood of the Lamb, that man is now eternally shall be, a saint of God. Glorious is our experience as saints.

May God bless you.

AN APOLOGY TO C. OSCAR JOHNSON

(Continued from page one) the modernists which is worse. The Baptist News (official publication of Illinois Baptist State Convention) Nov. 17, on page 10, pictured him with other modernists they launch a campaign to raise a half million dollars for Baptist Missionary Training School of Chicago — a ram modernistic Baptist school. Dancing with these modernists is worse than dancing on ball room floor.

His compromises with modernists are manifold and well known to be repeated. If Mr. Johnson isn't a modernist, why does he associate with them, and raise money for them? There's a reason. Birds of a feather do flock together.

He went to Atlanta, Ga., recently and in the observance of the Baptist centennial the "spouted off" enough unionists to make every real Baptist in America hang his head in shame. This is worse than dancing he might have done.

When at the World's Alliance he declared that it was his purpose to unite all Baptists of other denominations into a religious hodge-podge. The denominations are the harlot daughters of the old world Rome. Bro. Johnson's spiritual adultery with them is worse than the dancing he denies. Those who have danced would not have been nearly so grievous as what he has done in lowering our historic and Scriptural Baptist heritage.

We are glad to apologize for what was said about his reported dancing and we wish could apologize for these acts.

When the day comes that Bro. Johnson repudiates his unionism, modernism, and unholy alliances, we'll be most happy to commend him for his courage in so doing. Until then, we condemn him as a modernistic unionistic Baptist — one of the most dangerous Baptists of today — a real menace to the cause of New Testament churches. May God give him space to repent.

SICK OF HIEARCHY

(Continued from page one) to bring their Bibles that might study the church and officers from a Biblical standpoint of view. His answer was "They do not want the Bible. Pressing this matter into church, I found out he was of the "they."

Yours,

RUM AND THE CHILDREN

Right after the fourth child in a year was stricken down in Greely, Colorado, by a drunken driver, this advertisement appeared in a local daily, "Get the children off the streets—the 'Man of Distinction' is driving."

SEMINARY PLAYS HARLOT

(Continued from page one) whore (Rev. 17) is called the "mother of harlots." This means that the Catholic Church is the old whore and all Protestant churches which have come out of her are her harlot daughters.

When Baptist Churches and Baptist Seminaries mix and mingle with these heretical organizations, they therefore play the harlot. This is nothing new with the Louisville Seminary as they are continually flirting with some of these harlot daughters.

It is rather conspicuous that this conference was held under the auspices of the Federal Council of Churches. That should have been enough in itself to have caused the Seminary and all true Baptists to remain aloof from such an unholy organization.

Clippings concerning the Seminary's perfidy and Scriptural heterodoxy come to us weekly. In view of these, I am convinced that there is no one single agency doing more against the Truth than the Seminary.

Remember: your gifts through the Cooperative Program make "sich doins" possible. Now would be a good time to cut off you support of both the Program and the Seminary.

RANK MODERNISM

(Continued from page one) "We can not limit inspiration of the Bible. . . . God never closed the canon of Scripture. . . . Even now there can be letters written to the churches which speak with authority." (P. 96).

He admitted that he believes the Bible to be CONTRADICTORY.

"Obviously the Bible is not of one cloth." (P. 83).

Mr. Ferre declared that the Bible is NOT TO BE ACCEPTED LITERALLY.

"In this living sense (i. e. modernistic approach) the Bible is a standard. It is never a dead standard of the letter. . . . Literalism is always death." (P. 88).

This modernistic lecturer said plainly that the BIBLE WAS NOT FINAL.

"The person with a closed mind can accept the Bible as a system of ideas for he does not know the Power and Reality which gives us the Bible." (P. 90).

"The Bible must most certainly be open in the sense that we use the best scholarship available to find out the truth about it and within it. Beyond that, we must relate that truth to all the truth which the Holy Spirit reveals, has revealed, and will reveal." (P. 92).

One could easily be deceived by the statements of Mr. Ferre. As an example, he says:

"I thank God for the gospel; I thank God that the Gospel is true." (P. 123).

However, he does not mean the Gospel as defined by Paul in I. Cor. 15:1-4—the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ. Mr. Ferre is speaking of the SOCIAL GOSPEL. Listen to his statements as recorded elsewhere in the book:

"The full gospel is a clear invitation to give up all methods of self-satisfaction and self-security, to surrender all false assurances that are intended to still our fears, to live calmly, devotedly, intelligently, practically, for the will of God, which always involves the real welfare of humanity." (P. 68).

"There is a day when personal evangelism . . . can be naturally and strongly combined with social salvation." (P. 73).

"Our task is to Christianize the whole social order." (P. 75).

"A Christian . . . knows that such a better condition comes only in a common community of faith, freedom, and responsibility in a community made socially sensitive through Christ's compassion. Thus he comes with a Gospel of deliverance." (P. 80).

Mr. Ferre does not say it in so many words, yet the only Gospel he knows is soup, soap and sunshine—the Social Gospel, which is no Gospel.

In this connection it might be well to remember what Paul said about other Gospels: "If any man preach any other Gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed."—Gal. 1:9. When preaching his Social Gospel, Mr. (Hell-bound) Ferre had better remember what God says as to other gospels.

As would be expected, Mr. Ferre is a POST-MILLENIALIST. Listen:

"The Christian leaven lives in a lump that must sometime disappear. The whole lump will in God's time be leavened." (P. 78).

Many UNIONISTIC UTTERANCES were given in these lectures. In speaking of the breaking down of barriers among the denominations, Mr. Ferre says of his ideal Christian:

"Surely, they will not stay within any group, however large." (P. 74). "Our present divisions are sins. . . . We let His body bleed by keeping ourselves apart." (P. 64).

In lecturing to these young preachers of the Seminary, he