

The Baptist Examiner

Baptist Is Our Middle Name

Paid Circulation In All States And In Many Foreign Countries

*"To the law and to the Testimony: if they speak not according to this word,
it is because there is no light in them."—Isaiah 8:20*

Vol. 47, No. 35

ASHLAND, KENTUCKY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1978

WHOLE NUMBER 2188

MISSION BOARDS & TRUE CHURCHES

MARTIN E. HOLMES
Sunbury, Ohio

"Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them. And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted. And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen" (Matt. 28:16-20).

I suppose that every person who endeavors to be true to the Scriptures and writes an article concerning some truth contained in the Scriptures, does so because of some experience or experiences of life that have brought that particular truth home to his own heart. This endeavor of mine is no different in its motive. In the thirty-one years I have been

preaching, twenty-four of which have been spent in trying to pastor Baptist churches — in these



MARTIN E. HOLMES

years I have been "privileged" to be connected with and under the influence of the Old Northern (now

American) Baptist Convention, the Southern Baptist Convention, the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches, and now, praise God, a totally and completely independent missionary Baptist preacher.

But in these movements I have studied their missionary work through their missionary boards, in the light of the Scriptures, and I have come to the conclusion they are usurping the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ that has been invested by Him in His kind of local New Testament Baptist churches.

My last experience with a mission board was with a Baptist board that is supposed to operate on strictly a faith approach. Now I doubt not that many godly born-again children of God are involved in and with this mission board. It is not my desire of heart, or purpose of mind, to attack individuals, or get involved in character assassination of any men who are connected in any way with (Continued on page 6, column 1)



FRED T. HALLIMAN

visit around with the various churches and eat all those goodies the ladies delight in preparing. The Lord also permitted me to make a pig of myself and gain about 25 pounds of extra weight. But the Lord is still gracious for now He has permitted me to be able to lose all that excess weight in just about six weeks time, so

once again I can get up and down these hills and mountains. I must admit though that adding all that on was much more enjoyable than taking it off.

Well, I am now in a position to give a fairly comprehensive report on the mission work as it stands today and how it fared while I was away. I still have not made a personal visit to each church and area, but have talked personally to every preacher except one and have talked to some of the members of the church this preacher pastors. Before I get into the details, I will just say that over-all things were in fair to good shape. Now some details.

1. **Doctrinally.** From a doctrinal point of view, I could not detect a single deviation in my area. It would appear from my observation that these people are doctrinally sound in every respect and that they mean to stay that way. If we were to attempt to measure the success of this work on a doctrinal basis only, I believe we could say that we have been successful in the work here. I realize though that there is more to being a Scriptural mission work or a well-rounded believing Christian than just mere cold orthodoxy. On the other hand, if a mission work, such or individual Christian is not doctrinally sound, they could not even begin to qualify as being a Scriptural work, church or individual, therefore I place sound doctrine at the head of the list of priorities in being a Scriptural work, church or individual. From this point of view, I believe we can say that the work here is (Continued on page 4, column 3)

THE SEVEN ANNUAL JEWISH FEASTS

By JOE WILSON, SR.
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

"For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope" (Rom. 15:4).

"Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples; and they are written for our admonition" (I Cor. 10:1).

From these Scriptures we learn that the Old Testament was, in part, written for the spiritual good of God's people today. I thank God that in recent years I have been led more and more into studying the Old Testament. It has become a living blessing to my soul. I see so much of my blessed Lord in its pages. I have preached much in recent years from this portion of the Bible, and feel that it has been a blessing to others. One who says he cannot get much out of the Old Testament has not read it with Spirit-anointed eyes. Truly, Jesus Christ is there, and where He is, there are

many blessings for God's people.

"These are the feasts of the Lord, even holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons" (Lev. 23:4). One should read and study the entire 23rd chapter of Leviticus for this study. The book of Leviticus is a wonderful portion of the Old Testament. It is neces-



JOE WILSON, SR.

sary to study this book in order to be acquainted with the religious life of the people of Israel and also that of the Jews in the New Testament. It is a book which speaks much of the precious blood of Jesus Christ by way of type and ceremony. One must learn

the five offerings and the seven annual feasts of Leviticus, if he would understand the rest of the Old Testament and understand the religious life and activities of Israel. In this article we will look at the seven annual feasts of Israel. Remember that the religious life of Israel revolved around these annual religious festivals.

THE PASSOVER Verses 4-5

The passover occurred on the 14th day of the first month of the religious year. This would correspond to our March-April. This festival was observed in remembrance of that night of all nights when God passed through the land of Egypt where Israel was in bondage and killed the firstborn of man and beast through all the land except where the Israelites had marked the doors with the blood of the Passover lamb. God provided a substitutionary sacrifice for His chosen people. There was a great cry throughout Egypt where God's wrath had struck. But there was great joy among the Israelites for God had seen the blood and passed over them. Now the Jews were at this time every year to kill the Passover lamb and partake of the Passover meal in grateful remembrance of God's saving mercy to them.

I Cor. 5:7 speaks of "Christ, our (Continued on page 3, column 1)

PARADISE ABOUNDS IN COMMUNIST CUBA

By G. RUSSELL EVANS
Norfolk, Virginia

For months we've been reading and hearing glowing reports about the wonders of Communist Cuba — as related to us by leading churchmen. A number of church groups and representatives have visited Cuba since the lifting of the travel ban last year — including Presbyterians, Methodists, Catholics, and United Church of Christ — and without exception, all have marveled at the wonders which communism has brought to Cuba. These conclusions were reached after short visits of a few days to two weeks.

Even blasphemy. The head of the only Protestant seminary in Cuba is Presbyterian Sergio Arce and he gained fame of sorts by saying, "It is more important today to be a Marxist than a Christian." Mr. Arce, a well-known advocate of liberation theology, also told a group of touring American churchmen that he has "no interest in converting Marxists to Christianity," saying that the two "philosophies are interchangeable." He heads the Evangelical Theological Seminary, jointly supported by the Presbyterian, Meth-

odist and Episcopal churches of Cuba. (United Methodist Reporter, September 9, 1977).

Touring church leaders and representatives have reported some wonderful things about communist Cuba: Tremendous gains in housing; the ability to live a Christian faith under the Marxist-socialist government; no more hunger, unemployment, poverty, racial discrimination or illiteracy; dignity for every human being; much that resembles true Christianity in Cuban-style communism; and quality health care and education for everyone.

One of the touring church leaders who received the red-carpet treatment was Bishop James Armstrong of the United Methodist Church. He marveled at all he saw without exception, but at the same time he deplored the lack of American support for Cuba with its "widespread benefits of social justice" and its dedication to the "elemental rights for all of its people."

In several official Presbyterian and Methodist publications, a good deal of prominence has been given to these reports of the splendid conditions in Cuba, including glowing editorial praise. But there have been many dissenting views, mostly handled as letters to editor and some receiving much headline treatment.

Characteristic of the opposing viewpoints was the piece by Ernesto Vasseur, pastor of the United Methodist Church (UMC) of Woodbury, Conn. Mr. Vasseur lived under the Castro regime. He calls the glowing stories "extremely appalling" and a misrepresentation of the real situation in Cuba. Not only does Vasseur know from personal experience; but he has kept close contact, since leaving Cuba, with many refugees who escaped the Cuban "paradise" by every means possible: small boats, rafts, aircraft and even by swimming to the U. S. Naval Base at Guantanamo.

He finds no human dignity and no freedom — only slavery and people doing what they are told (Continued on page 5, column 3)

HALLIMAN TELLS OF FIRST BIBLE CONFERENCE

By FRED T. HALLIMAN
Missionary To New Guinea

Dear friends,

Greetings to each of you from Papua, New Guinea. We pray for you daily and trust that you likewise remember us as you pray.

In my recent articles I have tried to bring you up to date on the trip back and the work as I found it upon my return. In this issue, I would like to tell you about our recent conference and then share a few pictures with you, most of which were made at the conference (see pages 4 & 5).

Our conference this time was held over in the Duna area, and as the crow flies, it would be about seven or eight miles, but the way we get there by road it is about 50. I had to drive over into the Huli area and collect Yoti, so this was another 60 miles of extra driving. Our conference started on a Tuesday and in order to be there in time to start early Tuesday (Continued on page 7, column 4)

The Baptist Examiner Pulpit

A Sermon By Milburn Cockrell

MORE ON PASSOVER TYPES

"Now all these things happened unto them for types" (I Cor. 10:11 improved translation).

The typical teaching of the Passover found in Exodus 12 is a vast gold mine of precious gems. Not only does it teach the way of salvation by the atonement of Jesus Christ, but it also teaches many other doctrinal truths. There is information about the Lord's Day, the limited sacrifice, the believer's conversion experience, and much about the two ordinances, especially the Lord's Supper.

A LIMITED SACRIFICE

The Passover lays the axe to Arminian heresies about the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. It cuts down the idea of a universal sacrifice which some teach. The blood of the paschal lamb was shed only for the Israelites and applied to them. None of the lamb's blood was shed for the Egyptians or applied to them. Here is seen in typology the limited design of the sacrifice of Christ. The Lord from Heaven died only for those who constituted spiritual Israel. He did not die for those He knew

would burn in Hell.

This also destroys the Fullerite theory of a universal sacrifice and a limited atonement. The sacrifice of the paschal lamb was a limited sacrifice. The Scriptures teach the sacrifice, as well as the atonement, was limited to a particular people. Those who look for a universal sacrifice will find no help in Exodus 12. Rather they will find that God put a difference between Israel and Egypt, and that difference was the blood of the lamb shed for Israel and not for (Continued on page 2, column 1)

The Baptist Examiner

THE BAPTIST PAPER FOR THE
BAPTIST PEOPLE

MILBURN COCKRELL — Editor
Editorial Department, located in
ASHLAND, KENTUCKY, where
all subscriptions and communica-
tions should be sent. Address:
P. O. Box 71, Zip Code 41101.

PUBLICATION POLICIES: All matter for publication should be sent to the editor. All manuscripts sent should be typed and double spaced. All such material becomes the property of TBE and will not be returned unless requested by the writer. We reserve the right to edit and condense all materials sent to us for publication. Church news items must reach us one month prior to publication.

The publication of an article does not necessarily mean the editor is in complete agreement with the writer, nor does it mean he endorses all this person may have written on other subjects.

COPYING PRIVILEGES: Unless otherwise stated any article published in this paper may be copied by other publications, provided they give a proper credit line stating that such was copied from this publication, and the date of publication; provided that such materials are not published for profit. If we are not on an exchange list with the publication copying, it is requested that a copy of the issue containing the articles be sent to our address. All copyrighted materials may not be copied without written consent.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY, except last week of December, with paid circulation in every state and many foreign countries.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES
One year — \$4.00; Two years — \$7.00
Five years — \$14.00
CLUB RATE: 15 or more — each \$3.00
When you subscribe for others or
secure subscriptions — each \$3.00
BUNDLES: 10 to 50 copies to one address
\$20.00 for each 10 yearly; 60 to 100
copies to one address \$15.00 for each
10 yearly.

FOREIGN: Same as in the United States.
PLANNING TO MOVE? — Notify us three
weeks in advance. The post office does
not forward second class mail unless the
addressee guarantees the forwarding
postage. They charge us 25c for each
"change of address." Please save us this
expense and the post office time.

Entered as second class matter March
4, 1978, in the post office at Ashland,
Kentucky, under the Act of March 3,
1879.

Passover Types

(Continued from page one)
the Egyptians.

A CHANGE IN THE CALENDAR

At the institution of the Pass-
over Feast the calendar was
changed. The seventh month be-
came the first month (Ex. 12:2).
In like manner, when Christ, our
Passover, was sacrificed for us
the day of worship changed from
the seventh day to the first day
of the week. The acceptance of
Christ's work of redemption was
declared on the first day by His
resurrection from the dead. Since
the beginning of the year was
changed upon the account of the
type, a day might well be changed
upon account of the Antitype. The
Psalmist tells us that such a
change would occur (Ps. 118:22-
24).

CONVERSION EXPERIENCE

In the Passover account we see
the spiritual history of the believ-
er in conversion. In verse 3 the
paschal lamb is called "a lamb."
Jesus Christ is "a" lamb to a
person who is in an unregenerate
state. The lost sinner sees no
beauty in Jesus that he should de-
sire Him. The preaching of the
gospel of Christ is foolishness to
him. To him Jesus Christ is no
more than a good man who lived
in the past.

Then in verse 4 it reads "the
lamb." Here is the Holy Spirit
opening the sinner's eyes to see
his sinful condition and causing
him to look to Calvary's Lamb.
The sinner sees Jesus Christ as
the only Saviour of guilty sinners.
He beholds the Lord in all His
unrivaled perfections and the
uniqueness of His person. He is
brought to realize "neither is there
salvation in any other: for there
is none other name under heaven
given among men, whereby we
must be saved" (Acts 4:12). At
this point all human works and
religious rites are cast aside for
the cleansing blood of the Lord's
Passover.

In Exodus 12:5 it is called
"your lamb." This is the final
stage of conversion. Here is God
giving the sinner faith to receive
Christ as his own personal Sav-
iour. He can then say with

Thomas: "My Lord and my God"
(John 20:28). He can repeat the
words of the Apostle Paul: "Who
loved me and gave himself for
me" (Gal. 2:20). The sinner be-
comes a saint because God sees
the blood of Christ applied by
faith to his sin-sick soul.

FAITH IN HIS BLOOD

The blood of the paschal lamb
had to be shed and applied in the
Divinely appointed manner. It
was to be sprinkled with a bunch
of hyssop on the door posts and
the lintel. This sprinkled blood
speaks of faith as the means by
which we obtain an interest in the
blood of Christ. Paul wrote to the
church at Rome: "Being justified
freely by his grace through the re-
demption that is in Christ Jesus:
Whom God hath set forth to be a
propitiation through faith in his
blood . . ." (Rom. 3:24-25).

Faith in Christ gives the knowl-
edge of remission of sins. The
sufferings of Christ become a pro-
pitiator to us when we believe
His death is a sacrifice which
makes atonement for us. The ex-
pression, "through faith in his
blood," limits to believers the ef-
fect of this propitiation.

The sprinkling of the blood on
the lintel and door posts denote the
application of the merits of Christ
to our souls. We must "receive
the atonement" (Rom. 5:11). God-
given faith is the bunch of hyssop
by which we apply the benefits of
the blood of Christ upon the door
posts of our hearts. As the sprink-
led blood of the paschal lamb was
absolutely necessary for the pres-
ervation and deliverance of the
Israelites, so is faith in Christ ab-
solutely necessary unto salvation
and eternal life. The sprinkled
blood protected the Israelite when
applied, just as the blood of Christ
sprinkled on our hearts is our pro-
tection from the wrath of God and
the damnation of Hell.

Suppose an Israelite had sprink-
led the blood on the sides of his
house, it would have afforded no
protection. It would not have been
the symbol of deliverance. It must
be where God commanded it to
be. The symbolic importance of
the blood was in its application.
So of the blood of God's Lamb.
Its saving efficacy is confined to
its application. Its worth is inde-
scribable, but its power to save
reaches only to those who believe.
The gospel is "the power of God
unto salvation to every one that
believeth" (Rom. 1:16). "The right-
eousness of God is by faith of
Jesus Christ unto all and upon
all them that believe" (Rom. 3:
22).

There is an application of
Christ's justifying blood at the
point of faith, and afterward there
are continuous applications of His
cleansing, sanctifying blood (I
John 1:7). His blood in its justifying
merit and sanctifying virtue
is applied. God sees it. You may
not. The important thing is for
God to see it. He sees it if it is
applied, otherwise He sees it not.

EATING THE FLESH OF CHRIST

The roasted Passover lamb was
to be eaten by the Israelite, an
emblem of our partaking of the
benefit of the redemptive work
of Christ. Our Passover Lamb
declared: "Verily, verily, I say
unto you, Except ye eat the flesh
of the Son of man, and drink his
blood, ye have no life in you.
Whoso eateth my flesh, and drink-
eth my blood, hath eternal life;
and I will raise him up at the last
day. For my flesh is meat indeed,
and my blood is drink indeed. He
that eateth my flesh, and drink-
eth my blood, dwelleth in me, and
I in him" (John 6:53-56).

We must not understand this
language literally. We are not to
suppose as some do the bread
and wine in communion is literal-
ly changed into the body and blood
of Jesus Christ. The Lord's Sup-
per had not even been instituted
when Christ spoke these words.
Christ is using figurative language
to show how the sinner must re-
ceive the benefits of Christ his
Passover. To believe on Christ
as your Passover is to receive
spiritual nourishment from Him.
The Saviour said: "He that eat-
eth me, even he shall live by me"
(John 6:57). The eating of the
paschal lamb preserved natural

life, the partaking of Christ pro-
cures eternal life.

BLOOD BEFORE WATER

Baptists have always taught
blood before water and Christ be-
fore the church. The typology of
Exodus 12 vindicates our position.
The firstborn son of Israel was
preserved from death by the
sprinkled blood on the door posts.
Three days later the firstborn son
saved by the blood of the lamb
was "baptized unto Moses in the
cloud and in the sea" (I Cor. 10:
2). Faith in the blood of Christ
delivers from the wages of sin
which are death. After we are
saved by faith in His blood, we are
to declare our salvation by water
baptism. To make the Israelites
contact the blood in the Red Sea
is to ignore the whole account and
to corrupt the typology of Exodus
12.

The proper mode of baptism is
seen in the Israelites crossing the
Red Sea. Having been already
delivered by the blood of the lamb,
they passed through the sea with
the cloud as a covering (Ps. 105:
39) and the sea on both sides. They
were as persons immersed and
covered in water. This is a fit

THE REDEEMER'S RETURN

By A. W. PINK

\$6.95

This is one of the greatest books
ever written on the subject of the
second coming of Jesus Christ. It is
pre-trib, pre-millennial. Those who
love His appearing will want to pur-
chase and read this great book. Mr.
Pink deals with such topics as the
signs, the necessity, the time, the
hope, etc. of the Redeemer's second
coming.

ORDER FROM
CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
BOOKSTORE

P. O. Box 71, Ashland, Ky. 41101

emblem of the ordinance of water
baptism as performed by immer-
sion.

The Israelites followed Moses
into the sea, showing they recog-
nized him as their leader and
lawgiver. Even so blood-washed
believers are to follow Christ by
submitting to baptism, declaring
He is their Leader and Lawgiver.
As the Red Sea experience short-
ly followed their deliverance by
blood, even so as soon as one
knows Christ as Saviour, he should
ask for baptism at the hands of
an ordained minister in a Baptist
church.

PASSOVER AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

A comparison between the Lord's
Supper and the Passover Supper
is remarkable indeed. In the main
what may be said of one may also
be said of the other. The Pass-
over Supper was instituted on the
night of the 14th of Nisan. The
Lord's Supper was instituted on the
night before the Passover Supper,
so that Christ might die on the
Passover at the time of the killing
of the paschal lambs. It was at
the Passover Supper that Jesus
Christ ate one day early that He
instituted His memorial supper
(Luke 22:1,7-8, 13,15).

OF DIVINE APPOINTMENT

When speaking of the Passover
Feast Moses says: "It is the
Lord's passover" (Ex. 12:11). This
ordinance was commanded by Je-
hovah, and it pointed to the death
of Jesus Christ. Since it was Je-
hovah's supper, He alone had the
right to prescribe the manner in
which it would be eaten. It was
not a meal intended to show good
social standing between the Egyp-
tians and the Israelites. It was a
religious feast to be engaged in
as Jehovah commanded. The
Israelites had no liberty to change
the Divinely appointed manner of
partaking of this feast.

With reference to the memorial
supper instituted by Christ, Paul
called it "the Lord's Supper" (I
Cor. 11:20). The Lord's Supper
is an ordinance appointed by Jesus
Christ to show His death (I Cor.
11:26). Being His supper, He
alone has the right to prescribe
the manner of its observance and
the persons who may eat it. It is
not a love feast among friends, but

rather communion between Christ
and the baptized believer. To
make it a mere social meal is to
miss communion with Christ and
to corrupt the ordinance of the
Saviour. To offer it to those He
forbade to eat it is to give the
children's bread to the dogs.

A MEMORIAL SUPPER

The Passover Supper was a me-
morial supper: "And this day shall
be unto you for a memorial; and
ye shall keep it a feast to the Lord
throughout your generations" (Ex.
12:14). The Israelites were to re-
member the destruction of the
firstborn of the Egyptians and
their deliverance from temporal
bondage.

The Lord's Supper is also a me-
morial supper. In instituting it
Christ said: "This do in remem-
brance of me" (Luke 22:19; I Cor.
11:24). At the Lord's table we
are to drink the wine and eat the
bread in remembrance of our de-
liverance from spiritual bondage
by the Lamb of God.

IN ONE HOUSE

The Israelites were not left to
decide the place where they would
eat the Passover Feast. In Ex-
odus 12:46 the Lord commanded:
"In one house shall it be eaten."
There was to be "a lamb for an
house" (Ex. 12:3). Each family
was to partake of it in their own
house. The words, "a lamb,"
"take it," "keep it," "eat it," are
used 20 times in Exodus 12, denot-
ing that it was to be eaten singly
and separately by each family.

The Lord's Supper is limited to
one place. It is to be eaten in
the house of the Lord, the New
Testament Baptist church. Ob-
serve the language of I Corinthians
11: "When ye come together in the
church" (v. 18). "When ye come
together therefore in one place"
(v. 20). This forbids the eating of
the Lord's Supper in an associa-
tional meeting, or taking it to a
sick church member.

ALL REQUIRED TO EAT

No Israelite was exempt from
keeping the Passover Feast: "All
the congregation of Israel shall
keep it" (Ex. 12:47). "Every man
must eat" (Ex. 12:16). No excep-
tions nor substitutes were allowed
for any cause. Every Jew was to
eat the Passover (Deut. 12:5-26).
It was an inexcusable offense for a
Jew not to eat it: "But the man
that . . . forbeareth to keep the
passover, even the same soul shall
be cut off from among his people
 . . ." (Num. 9:13).

All resident church members are
required to eat the Lord's Supper.
Christ told His disciples: "Drink
ye ALL of it" (Matt. 26:27). Mark
adds: "They ALL drank of it"
(Mark 14:23). All church mem-
bers, unless hindered by their
jobs or seriously ill, must eat the
Lord's Supper at the time agreed
upon by the church. Failure to
do so should bring exclusion (Heb.
10:26; Gal. 3:10). We would not
allow a person who refuses bap-
tism to be a member of our church,
then why should we permit a per-
son to remain a member who re-
fuses the Lord's Supper? To fail
to exclude disobedient members

who refuse to eat is to treat the
ordinance of the Lord's Supper as
less important than baptism.

HOUSE FREE OF LEAVEN

The Israelite's house was to be
free from leaven (Ex. 12:15).
From one o'clock in the afternoon
to the 14th day of Nisan leaven
was forbidden in the house. A
diligent search was made through-
out the house in every hole and
crevice by a candle to make sure
the leaven was gone. Any per-
son who ate leavened bread was
cut off from the commonwealth
of Israel.

Before eating the Lord's Supper
a search must be made in the
church to remove leavened sin-
ners from the house of the Lord.
As leaven was to be removed
from the house of an Israelite be-
fore the Passover, so wicked per-
sons must be removed from the
church before the memorial sup-
per is observed (I Cor. 5:7-10).
The supper cannot be eaten with
such persons (I Cor. 5:11). The
church must exclude them from
the assembly (I Cor. 5:13).

NO STRANGER TO EAT

The supper was closed to the
Egyptians in Moses' day: "And
the Lord said unto Moses and
Aaron, This is the ordinance of the
passover; There shall no stranger
eat thereof" (Ex. 12:43). A man
from another country, or a heath-
en unacquainted with the Jewish
religion, was barred from eating
by Jehovah Himself. Each indi-
vidual Israelite household was re-
sponsible to keep such persons
away from their table.

The same may be said of the
Lord's Supper, for a shadow can-
not be more dense than its sub-
stance. Christ's supper is closed
to those who are strangers to the
grace of God; it was given to "his
disciples" (Matt. 26:1,8,17,18,26).
Christ closed His supper to im-
moral persons whose lives are
leavened by sin and wickedness:
"But now I have written unto you
not to keep company, if any man
that is called a brother be a
fornicator, or covetous, or an idol-
ater, or a railer, or a drunkard,
or an extortioner; with such an one
NO NOT TO EAT" (I Cor. 5:11).
(Continued on page 8, column 4)

BRIEF NOTES

On May 20, 1978, Fellowship
Baptist Mission was organized into
Fellowship Baptist Church in Mt.
Sterling, Ky., with 16 members.
After organization the church
called Bro. Tom Dunn as pastor.
This young church welcomes any-
one in their area to their services.

The Mount Pleasant Missionary
Baptist Church and Pastor Wil-
lard Pyle will host a Bible Con-
ference Saturday, Sept. 2. The
speakers are Elds. Harry Balmer,
Robert Patton, Bobby Lakes,
Woodrow Walls, and the editor.
Lunch will be served by the host
church. The church and pastor
invite you to attend these serv-
ices.

NEW BOOKS IN OUR STORE

TEXTBOOKS ON TRIAL by J. C. Hefley. The informative
report of Mel Norma Gabler's ongoing battle to oust objec-
tionable textbooks from public schools and to urge pub-
lishers to produce better ones. Price \$6.95.

THE VISIONS AND PROPHECIES OF ZECHARIAH by David
Baron. A reprint of an old pre-millennial classic by a
Christian Jew. It contains 555 pages of excellent exposition
of this book. Price \$6.95.

IN THE FINAL DAYS by Walter K. Price. This is a detailed
exposition of the 11th chapter of the Book of Daniel. It
is 192 pages and very scholarly work. Price \$5.95.

ALIEN BAPTISM AND THE BAPTISTS by William Manlius
Nevins. Here is an old standby back in print. Price \$3.25.

STUDIES IN ISAIAH by F. C. Jennings. It contains 784 pages
of the best exposition of Isaiah in print today. Price \$7.75.

HYMN-WRITERS AND COMPILERS OF THE 18TH, and 19TH
CENTURIES by John Gadsby. Originally printed in 1882.
Our book is the fifth edition recently reprinted. Price \$6.00.

THE SEPTUAGINT WITH APOCRYPHA WITH AN ENGLISH
TRANSLATION by Charles Lee Brenton. A great reference
book. Price \$19.95.

Order from:

Calvary Baptist Book Store

P.O. Box 71

Ashland, Kentucky 41101

The Seven Annual...

(Continued from page one)

Passover. Truly this annual Jewish festival is a recurring type of the death of Jesus Christ for the sins of His people. It was not possible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sin. So, at the appointed time the Lamb of God, without spot or blemish, came into the world. He lived a perfect life upon the earth and at the appointed time He laid down that life that no man could take from Him. He died upon the accursed tree that He might redeem His elect from the curse of the law of a thrice Holy God. He shed His precious blood and that blood cleanseth us from all sin. I believe that our Lord died on Wednesday which was the 14th day of the first month of the year of His death. On the very day and at the very hour when the Jews were killing the type, the true Lamb of God died to take away our sins.

THE FEAST OF UNLEAVENED BREAD

Verses 6-8

This feast began immediately following the Passover and was intimately associated therewith. It began on the 15th day of the 1st month and ran through the 21st day. The Jews could allow no leaven in their homes during this week, and must eat unleavened bread. On the first and last days of this feast there was to be a holy convocation or gathering of the people before the Lord. Now, it is very clear that in the Bible leaven is a type of sin. And this feast proclaimed by the absence of leaven that there is no speck or taint of sin in the person of Jesus Christ. This, among many others, is one reason we are to use unleavened bread and real wine in the Lord's Supper. Thus we proclaim in symbol our belief in the absolute sinlessness of the Saviour. To use leavened bread or grape juice in which there is a leavening agent is to preach by symbol that Jesus had sin in Him.

This feast is a type of Jesus Christ as the food of His redeemed. We feed our souls by meditation upon and communion with Him. We feed upon the fact that the Sinless One was made sin for us. We rejoice in the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ.

THE FEAST OF FIRSTFRUITS

Verses 9-14

This feast occurred on the day after the Sabbath day of the week of unleavened bread. Thus it always occurred on the first day of the week. This is important. This feast related to the firstfruits of barley harvest. The Israelites were to take a sheaf from the firstfruits of the harvest and wave this sheaf back and forth before the Lord. Or rather the priest was to do this. A burnt offering was also to be offered on this day. The Israelites were not to partake of the fruits of the harvest until this was offered unto the Lord.

In I Cor. 15:20 we learn that Jesus Christ in His resurrection is the firstfruits of the saved dead. Therefore, this feast of firstfruits in Israel was a picture of the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. And as the sheaf was waved on the first day of the week, so Jesus Christ was raised from the

dead at the first moment of the first day of the week. And as the Jewish priest was waving a sheaf before the Lord on that day and at that time, our Lord was appearing to His own in resurrection life.

Please note that two, if not all three, of these feasts set forth the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ. We see His death and resurrection set forth in type. Oh, how often in the Old Testament do we see glorious pictures of the gospel of Jesus Christ. How much do we read about the gospel in the New Testament. And how very much we should make of the saving gospel of Jesus Christ in our personal lives, in our witnessing to the lost, and in the services within our churches. We are Missionary Baptists, not Hardshell heretics. We believe that God uses the glorious gospel in giving life to dead sinners. Praise God for the gospel!

We should note the dispensational aspects of these seven feasts. These first three feasts and the last three deal especially with Israel, though they are typical and prophetic of the gospel of Christ. Between the first three and the last three there is a long period of time. This period of time is typical of this age in which we live. God dealt with Israel especially for an age. God has set them aside and is dealing especially with the Gentiles in this age. God will again deal with Israel especially in the tribulation and Millennium. But there is an age between these special dealings with Israel. It is the present age. It is the Church Age, and we see this in type in the next annual feast.

THE FEAST OF PENTECOST

Verses 15-22

This feast would usually fall in May. It was always fifty days after the feast of firstfruits. This is where the name came from for pentecost refers to fifty. This feast looked forward to that great Pentecost which took place fifty days after Jesus arose from the dead. It was on that day that Jesus Christ baptized His church in the Holy Spirit. He authenticated His church as the only proper way of giving service to God in this age. He empowered His church to do the work He had shortly before commissioned her to do. And this Pentecostal baptism of the Lord's Church is the only baptism of the Holy Spirit known to the Word of God. There is no baptism of the Spirit for one to experience in this day. One who is saved can unite with a church which has come by succession from the church that received the baptism of the Spirit and thus enter into the benefits of said baptism. But only by being a member of a true church can one be in any sense the partaker of the benefits of Holy Spirit baptism.

And it should go without saying that the church which Jesus baptized in the Holy Spirit on that first Pentecost after His resurrection was a Missionary Baptist Church. It had to be. That is the only church that was in existence at that time. Now, the only true churches in the world today are those who have a Pentecostal baptism of the Holy Spirit in their history. And only true Missionary Baptist Churches have such. It is beyond argument that all churches except Missionary Baptist began since the day of Pentecost and



The Baptist Examiner

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

By WILLARD PYLE

Pastor — Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church

For September 17, 1978

Philippians 1:12-17.

As we proceed from Paul's salutation, commendation, and thanksgiving for his association with the church at Philippi, we will study in this lesson the divine providence of God in the life of the Apostle Paul. This is one major and glorious theme of the Bible.

Verse 12

"But." Paul had been writing in the first eleven verses primarily concerning the saints at Philippi and their situation, but he realizes their concern for him so he now mentions what has happened to himself since they had seen or heard from him. No doubt they had heard of all of his sufferings and conflicts, his imprisonment, and even of the probability of his execution. They were most likely a little saddened and perplexed concerning this news, and Paul knew they would read this letter hoping to receive good news. However, outwardly there is no good news as far as his sufferings.

"I would ye should understand." How many times we misunderstand the divine providence of God in our life or of others. In order to understand any situation we should walk circumspectly around it and view it in light of God's Word. We need to be patient until we can see the hand of God in it. Notice also, it takes more than human understanding or human reasoning. Who can understand with the human mind the working of the Divine Mind? (Isa. 55:8,9; Rom. 11:33-36).

"That the things which happened unto me." Paul lived a varied life as he knew what it meant to go from the palace to the prison, from people falling on his neck to kiss him, to rocks falling on his head to kill him, and, as we shall see later, from prosperity to poverty, and yet he includes all of this in what he is saying. How do we view the situations of our lives? Are the happenings accidental or providential?

"Have fallen out rather to the furtherance of the gospel." There is no more glorious statement in the Bible. No greater statement

thereby cannot be true churches of Jesus Christ. Note that the resurrection of Christ and the baptism of His church in the Holy Spirit took place on the first day of the week. This day is a special day. It is the Lord's Day. It should be observed in a special way. Pentecost teaches us that the Lord is working in and through His true churches in this age between two Israelite ages. And that saved people in this age are responsible to be members of and serve the Lord through His true Missionary Baptist Churches.

THE FEAST OF TRUMPETS

Verses 23-25

This feast took place on the first day of the seventh month. Note the long interval since the first three feasts. This feast was typical and prophetic of the regathering of Israel. In Num. 10:3 we learn that the trumpet was to be blown for the gathering of Israel. Israel sinned greatly against the Lord. The Lord, in judgment has scattered them to the four winds. Oh, they are a scattered people. But God is not through with Israel as a chosen nation and people. He is going to gather them again to their land. He is going to regenerate them. They are going to be His special people again. They will be the head of the nations in the glorious millennial reign of Christ. Men of earth will one day honor the Jew because of God's blessings upon the Jewish nations.

Brothers, you have not sufficiently studied the prophetic Scripture (Continued on page 6, column 3)

of faith. No greater statement for comfort and consolation. To realize that the bitter and sweet, the good and bad, the mountain tops and the valleys are in God's providence. Also, to know that all of these things are working for the good of God's people should promote joy, thanksgiving, and obedience.

When the atomic bomb fell on Japan, the fall-out lasted for a long time and the effects are still being realized. This is what Paul is saying spiritually in this verse but it is a fall-out for good. Therefore we should be like the Psalmist in Psalm 57:2: "I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth all things for me," and again like Paul in II Cor. 12:10.

Verse 13

"So that my bonds in Christ." It was because of his testimony concerning Christ and his refusal to obey men that he was a prisoner, but thank God, he was a prisoner for Christ's sake. If we could realize wherever we are placed in God's providence, we are to represent Him and bear patiently any adversity, waiting on Him to open the prison door, or to save the jailor; praying His will be done.

"Are manifest in all the places." In the sixteenth chapter of Acts it says, "And all the prisoners heard them." Here Paul reminds us of the effect his bonds had on the guards and the other officials of the prison at Rome. Who will ever know, this side of eternity, how many guards were converted, and others at this time? Who knows, possibly one of those converts had been called to be a missionary! A person's testimony is magnified in conditions like this. A believer's faith is tested, and if genuine is enlarged, as God sustains under these conditions. God's grace shines brighter as the day is darker. This also reveals God is not limited by outward conditions. His grace is still sufficient.

"And in all other places" Paul's testimony reached beyond his place of confinement and leaped over the prison walls and went out into the highways and byways. Satan felt he had stopped the spread of the gospel by having Paul placed in chains, but it in-

The Gospel Of John

BY A. W. PINK



Now Printed In One Volume

\$14.95

This is perhaps the best of Bro. Pink's writings. You will find these books almost inexhaustible in setting forth the meaning of the Gospel of John. As was Pink's custom, he has put much time and study into the preparation of this set.

We highly recommend this commentary. It is written in such a way that it is easy to read and understand. If you have been looking for the best on John's Gospel, we suggest that you get this set.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
P. O. Box 71 Ashland, Ky. 41101

stead furthered the gospel.

Verse 14

"And many of the brethren." God not only used this situation to spread the gospel, but for the advancement of the Christian. What a great God we have! Paul was an example and an inspiration to others. Would God all of those who are preachers were such! What do young preachers learn from those of us who are older in the ministry?

"Waxing confident by my bonds." Somewhat like the worker on a scaffold who goes out before others and they can see it will hold you up. Then they place one foot on it and then both feet, and finally place their total dependence on it. These brethren as they watched Paul day by day saw the power of God exhibited. Confidence is a key thought in this book.

"Are much more bold." There was an amazing change in their determination and manifestation of the grace of Christian courage. Beholding the boldness of Paul was catching!

"To speak the word without fear." Faith like love casteth out fear. To be able to speak the Word of God without fear, that is knowing it is ordained of God and is sent on purpose, should be our aim as Christians, and surely as preachers. "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ." I will not fear what men can do unto me.

Verse 15

"Some indeed preach Christ even of envy and strife." It takes more than preaching Christ to be a God-called preacher. How many times have you heard someone say we should forget other things and get together with those who preach Christ? "Man looketh on the outward appearance, but God looks on the heart." Undoubtedly, Judas Iscariot must have preached Christ to some extent because he had everyone deceived, and yet was he a true preacher? However, it is possible for even a true preacher to let envy and jealousy cause him to stir up trouble for another preacher. It seems that envy and strife are riding freely among the churches today.

"And some also of good will." There are still some who stood with Paul. How this must have caused Paul to thank God and take courage. There were times when Paul had to say "all men forsook me." But how blessed to have brethren of like faith to have fellowship with in preaching and praying. To be able to council together is a great comfort.

Verse 16

"The one preach Christ of contention, not sincerity, supposing to add affliction to my bonds." The devil provides the salt to rub into Paul's affliction, and these envious preachers gladly did it. However, God uses it for healing and blessing. Out of suffering comes growth, maturity, and strength.

Verse 17

"But the other of love." Without love all of our words, works, and offerings are valueless to us (I Cor. 13). Therefore, not only should our words "be always with grace seasoned with salt," but also with love.

"Knowing I am set for the defense of the gospel." Neither friend nor foe could keep Paul from doing what he believed to be right. He appreciated his friends and companions and loved his enemies and returned good for evil, but neither separated him from his goal to please God (Acts 20:22-24). We both should contend for the faith (Jude 3) and defend the faith. We are to be good soldiers (II Tim. 2:14).

THE BAPTIST EXAMINER

SEPTEMBER 9, 1978

PAGE THREE

ALL ABOUT THE BIBLE

By

SIDNEY COLLETT

324 Pages

\$5.95

This little book is one of the most popular volumes of its kind of all time, having gone through several editions. The author traces the Bible from its origin, through its many translations down to our present day.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

P. O. BOX 71 — ASHLAND, KENTUCKY 41101

The Baptist Examiner Forum

SUBMIT QUESTIONS ON ANY BIBLE SUBJECT

THE BAPTIST EXAMINER — P. O. BOX 71 — ASHLAND, KY. 41101

"What is the cause of Reprobation"

E. G. COOK
701 Cambridge
Birmingham, Ala.

PASTOR
Philadelphia
Baptist Church
Birmingham, Ala.



The word "reprobate" in the New Testament comes from ADO-KIMOS which simply means rejected. And it is always used in the New Testament in a passive sense. That means that the reprobate has not done anything to make him a reprobate. Just as God hated Esau even before he was born, so He rejects or reprobates whom He will without any thought of what the reprobate has done, or what he has not done. It is all according to His sovereign choice when He chooses one person to enjoy the bliss of Heaven and another to suffer in the lake of fire. They were both sinners, and they were both His property to do with as He chooses. And He makes the choice without any help or hindrance from anyone.

In Isaiah 43:25 He says, "I, even I, am He that blot out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins." Another reason for His doing all this is found in verse 21 of this same chapter where we read, "This people have I formed for Myself; they shall shew forth My praise." Since all were sinners and unable to even want to shew forth His praise it was absolutely essential that He blot out the transgression of some for His own sake. So let us remember that the reprobate is reprobated according to the sovereign choice of Him who is sovereign.

JAMES HOBBS
Rt. 2, Box 182
McDermott, Ohio

PASTOR
Kings Addition
Baptist Church
South Shore, Ky.



Romans Chapter 3 shows clearly the fact that all men are sinners. Verse 23 pretty well sums it up. "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." This chapter shows that there is not a righteous person, none good, none that seeks God, no fear of God, etc. Because of sin God gave mankind over to reprobate minds. "And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient" (Rom. 1:28).

There is not a person in this world who does not rightfully de-

MARTYRS MIRROR

By

THIELEMAN J. VAN BRAGHT

\$19.95

This book was first printed in the Dutch language in 1660. It was translated into English in 1745. The book contains over 1,000 pages and tells of over 4,011 people who died a martyr's death for their faith.

The book is what it claims to be. "The story of fifteen centuries of Christian martyrdom from the time of Christ to A.D. 1660." It ought to be called "The Book of Baptist Martyrs."

All of those who are interested in Baptist church history will want to purchase this great book. It is well-bound and neat in appearance.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
BOOK STORE

P. O. Box 71

ASHLAND, KENTUCKY 41101

serve to spend eternity in Hell, lost or saved regardless, he deserves it. God in His providence and through no merit of ours chose to extend grace to some for His honor and glory. "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast" (Eph. 2:8,9). God chose those who would receive this grace before the foundation of the world. "But brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth" (II Thes. 2:13).

Those who go to Hell will have no complaint because they are getting what they deserve. Those who are saved will know they deserve Hell but were given grace. Thus a truly saved person falls humbly before God in thanksgiving.

OSCAR MINK
219 North Street
Crestline, Ohio
44827

Pastor
Mansfield
Missionary
Baptist Church
Mansfield, Ohio
44906



What is the cause of reprobation? God "worketh all things after the counsel of His own will" (Eph. 1:11). And the "all things" of this text includes reprobation. The decree of election is eternal, and so is the decree of reprobation. The purpose of God is sovereign and eternal, and while God has kept hid in His unsearchable counsel the greater part concerning the decree of reprobation, we do know that the decree of reprobation is according to the good pleasure of His sovereign and eternal will. The final end of all God's decrees is His own glory, and reprobation infallibly serves that wise, just, and holy end.

The decree of reprobation is as eternal as God Himself, to say otherwise would be for God to have a new thought, but we know that God's counsel is eternal, omniscient, and immutable. "He hath mercy on whom He will have mercy, and whom He will He hardeneth" (Rom. 9:18). And what God does in time He intended to do in eternity. God is infinitely holy, and all of His decrees just and righteous. Men may rail against God, and His decrees but all their recriminations fit perfectly into the divine scheme.

"If men are reprobated because of sin, why did God not reprobate all men since all men are sinners?"

In answering this question I cannot do better than quote John Gill, "The moving, or impulsive cause of God's making such a decree, by which He has rejected some of the race of Adam from His favor, is not sin, but the good pleasure of His will: sin is the meritorious cause of eternal death, wrath, and damnation; wrath is revealed from Heaven against all unrighteousness and ungodliness of men, and comes upon the children of disobedience, whom God leaves in it; the wages or demerit of sin, is death, even eternal death; but then it is not the impulsive cause of the decree itself; not of preterition, because that, as election, was before good or evil were done, and irrespective of either; nor of pre-damnation, God indeed, damns no man but for sin; nor did He decree to damn any but for sin; but yet, though sin is the cause of damnation and

death, the thing decreed, it is not the cause of the decree itself; it is the cause of the thing willed, but not the moving cause of God's will; for nothing out of God can move His will; if it could, the will of God would be dependent on the will and actions of men; whereas the purpose, whether with respect to election or rejection, stands not on the works and will of men, but on His own will and pleasure: besides, if sin was the cause of the decree itself, or God's will to reject men, then all would be rejected, since all fell in Adam; all are under sin, all have sinned and come short of the glory of God; all are, by nature, children of wrath, and deserving of it: what then could move God to choose one and reject another, but His sovereign good-will and pleasure? That then is the sole moving and impulsive cause of such a decree; when we have searched the scriptures most thoroughly, and employed our reasoning powers to the highest pitch, and racked our invention to the uttermost; no other cause of God's procedure in this affair can be assigned, but what Christ has expressed: Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Thy sight; as to hide the things of His grace and gospel from some, and reveal them to others; so to decree and determine within Himself, to act in this manner, Matt. 11:25-26." (BODY OF DIVINITY, page 197).

Stability, N. G. Work

Continued from page one)

Scriptural in all points. I do not mean by this that the people here have reached the ultimate in knowledge of every Bible doctrine. I don't even make this claim myself — do you? Perhaps, if I ever reach that stage, I could proceed on from there to teach others, but until such time I will be content to "Grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ" (II Pet. 3:18).

2. **Revival Meetings.** There were several revival meetings held while I was gone in various areas and there were several people that professed to be saved. There is always a good offering for the evangelist when these meetings are held.

3. **Baptisms.** I do not have the exact number of baptismal services that were held, nor the number of people that were baptized, at this point, but do know that there were several of these services held and quite a few people baptized into the various churches.

4. **New Churches Organized.** There were three new churches organized while I was gone and these ranged from one extreme end of the Duna area to the other extreme end of the Huli area. One church was quite a large group and had been a mission for several years. The other two were smaller groups, one having been a mission for about five years and the other for about three.

5. **New Mission Points.** There were at least four new preaching points opened up while I was away. One of these was over in the far remote Poguaia area, one in the central Duna area and two in the Huli area, where Yoti is doing mission work. There has been another one opened up in the Duna area since I have been back. This was reported to me just this week.

6. Such services as the Lord's Supper, prayer services and other and all services which are a normal part of the life of any church were carried out by the churches here. Also, there had been quite a bit given in offerings for the new church building we are planning to build here on the Mission Station. With the ever rising cost of materials and the meager income of the native folk, this has been a real burden and we have been

New Guinea Photo Story



This picture shows the native men struggling with the large logs, trying to get them in place over the river, where we had to wait due to the bridge being out. This river runs right at the foot of a large mountain. We had traveled through a gorge for about eight miles and about seven miles from this place where the bridge was being built, this same river was coming out of the side of the mountain a very small stream. Along the seven miles many other streams had emptied into it until at this point it was about 80 feet wide. All bridges in this entire Sub-Province except one are built in this same way. One bridge that spans the Tumbuda River has steel girders and is covered with bridge planks.



This picture shows the Guhabia Baptist Church, where the conference was held. There are about 200 members here at this church. We were just getting ready for a preaching service when this picture was made.



This picture shows a class of young girls, those in the very front of this picture, who have been attending a literacy class for quite some time. They are able to do simple reading and writing now. Several of the other natives are standing in the background. The building that you see is the school building.

about seven years to date, but little by little we are getting there. We hope to be able to start on the building by August of 1979.

7. **Morals of the People.** This part of the report is not as pleasant as the above has been. It is sad to have to report that the morals of the people here are not what they were 17 years ago when I first came to this area. And while we are not trying to make any excuses for the people here, for there is no excuse for sin, only a just recompense of reward, I am sure that if you would only look about you as you read this, you could also say that there has been a vast decline in the morals of the American people in the past 17 years.

The one thing that seems to

(Continued on page 5, column 2)



The editor urges our readers to contribute articles to this column. Articles "FOR CHRISTIAN BOYS" should be written by Christian men and boys, and "FOR CHRISTIAN GIRLS" by Christian women and girls. Such articles must be at least one page, typed and doubled spaced, yet it must not exceed two such pages. Each article should be accompanied by your name and address as well as the name of the Baptist church where you are a member.

"WHAT WOULD JESUS DO?"

NELLIE MASON
Aripeka, Florida

When I was a young girl, I read a book by a man named Sheldon (I can't recall his first name, though I rather believe it was Charles) entitled "In His Steps." I think it is still in print and could be obtained from The Baptist Examiner Book Store, P.O. Box 71, Ashland, Ky. 41101. This book had an influence for good upon my life, for if I were tempted to do wrong, or didn't know what I should do in a certain situation, I would stop and wonder what Jesus would do if He were faced with that problem.

Some people think that once one has received Christ as their personal Saviour, and has the Holy Spirit dwelling within her, it will all be smooth sailing from then on, and that one would always do right and never be tempted to sin, but this is a mistaken idea. A new Christian should expect the Devil to put more severe temptations in her way than she had before, for he is angry that you have escaped from his clutches and are now God's child. Even though you no longer belong to him, he'll see to it that you'll be a disobedient daughter of your Heavenly Father, and bring chastisement upon yourself by failing to resist his temptations. He knows your weakest spots and the area where resistance to his wiles will be most difficult, so you may be sure he'll tempt you along those lines.

For years, I've tried to live such a life that those around me would see Jesus in me just from my attitudes and general deportment, but not too long ago, I failed miserably in showing Christ in me, by getting furious and acting like the Devil himself, when a Christian friend doubted my word and accused me of lying, even when I denied it. She insisted over and over that I hadn't done something when I insisted that I had. It didn't amount to much, but the old Devil kept seething inside me until I broke loose in a very unladylike tirade. It's hard to have one's word doubted, especially by a Christian friend, but in a few minutes I had calmed down enough

to go to her and apologize for my anger. I was apologizing for getting angry and saying things I shouldn't, but she took it that she was right and I wrong in our original argument, and she said "Don't you ever do such a thing as that to me again." I said nothing further, and have continued to be friends with her, but it surely did hurt to be disbelieved — for that's one of the weakest spots in my armor. You girls might have an entirely different "weak spot" for the Devil to work on, but resist him to the best of your ability, and call on the Lord to help when such times come to you. Just remember that Christ Himself was not believed when He claimed to be the Son of God, and instead of being worshipped for Whom He was, they crucified Him!

In this modern day, young people have more temptations thrust at them than we had when I was young, with the filth that is everywhere — on billboards, television, radio, magazines, newspapers and the like. With your worldly schoolmates using dope, cursing, drinking, smoking, and loose sexuality, it is hard to be "different" and not join in with the crowd, but it will pay you to be a little different from such worldliness, in order to have a good conscience and peace of mind in this life, and eternal life hereafter.

Don't forget that God is watching all we do, say or think, and you want to be pleasing to Him, rather than to those who would drag you down to their level of morality. Talk to God often in prayer, read your Bible to learn what is required of God's people, and be faithful in church attendance each time the church door is opened. A red, glowing ember in a fireplace or stove has no difficulty in keeping the heat when snuggled up against other embers, but remove one and place it off to itself, and it soon turns black and cools off. That's a good example for us — as long as we stay with our Christian friends, we have their help in keeping pure and good, and will not so easily slip into sin and evil.

Stability, N. G. Work

(Continued from page four)

Many of the Christian families live together now as a family unit, but not all and those that do that are not Christians, are practically nil.

Up until less than a year ago, polygamy was held mainly to those that did not profess to be saved and while it is not being practiced now among professing Christians to any degree, there have been some inroads made towards this in the past few months. It started mainly with one of the men who had been a preacher for many years falling into sin with a young girl and finally taking her as his second wife. He is a very influential man among his people and this has been a real blow to the work insofar as this particular thing is concerned. We would ask you to pray much for us concerning this evil.

Then the other one thing that is a great plague to us at present is the one thing that the Lord lists as being "... the root of all evil," which is of course "the LOVE of money," I Tim. 6:10. This has and still is contributing to the plague of polygamy. Well over half of the young men leave the village life by the time they are 20 years old, to find work around

the coast, and this leaves a vacuum for eligible men to marry the young girls. When these preachers see other men go out to the coast and make many times as much as they do per month, it is only by the grace of God, that they keep staying on here and preaching. We have lost some over the years as a result of this — more will probably go.

Stealing is quite common among the native people now — something almost completely unheard of when I first came here. They knew nothing of gambling or the use of alcohol until introduced by the white man only a few short years ago, these things have now begun to make inroads into this society.

Beloved, as you can see now, we have begun to face many of the problems here that has plagued our beloved America for centuries, and while we know that no one thing or a combination of all these things will cause the purposes and plans of God to fail, they will cause us many heartaches as we struggle with them. Please pray for us and the work here. May God bless each of you.

Paradise Abounds

(Continued from page one)

to do: work in the fields, attend government ordered parades and speeches, study as ordered. No freedom of speech, of travel, of commerce, of industry, or of worship. Churches are open but preaching subjects are very limited. Support of the revolution is mandatory. All power is concentrated in the hands of a few — the government — which also has absolute control of the media of communications.

Vasseur points out the total fallacy of being a Christian Marxist — that is, a Marxist and a Christian at the same time. He calls it an absurd term, saying "You cannot affirm God and deny God at the same time."

Eldridge Cleaver came around to an opposing viewpoint too — after he found out for himself! Cleaver went to Cuba at the invitation of Castro in order to escape his crimes in America where, as a Marxist Black Panther, he had denounced America as "a cruel fascist country" and "a huge prison ... under the boots of its troops and puppets," but he changed his mind. In November, 1975, he returned to America to face a possible imprisonment, saying "I'd rather be in jail in America than free anywhere else."

Cleaver gave us his own picture of the Cuban "paradise." He called Cuba "a model of oppression" and stated further "The real mood there is one of hopelessness and anguish; one also of constant complaint ... There are special brigades of people who run around catching the dissenters ... the people have no machinery by which to bring their will to bear upon the decision making process ... The leaders are out for themselves, not for the people. The party will destroy you at the drop of a hat." (Reader's Digest, September, 1976).

Another typical answer was the one given by Glen G. Fletcher of the Bonsack UMC of Roanoke, Va. Mr. Fletcher has been a member of a Cuban family of ministers, missionaries and educators for twenty years. He and his wife have helped many escape from the Communist bondage. He says that the refugees' stories of tragedy and oppression are unbelievable — and exactly opposite from the glowing reports of Marxist Cuba as given by the church leaders. Mr. Fletcher calls these reports "dangerous to the uninformed free people of America who, unfortunately, are unable to comprehend the oppressive realities of a Marxist society." He says that the people of Cuba just could not talk openly to these church visitors if they want to get along in Cuba.

Fletcher's experience helps to clarify some of the "wonderful things" in Cuba, as praised by the visiting church people:

— The neighbor committees for "looking after the health and wel-

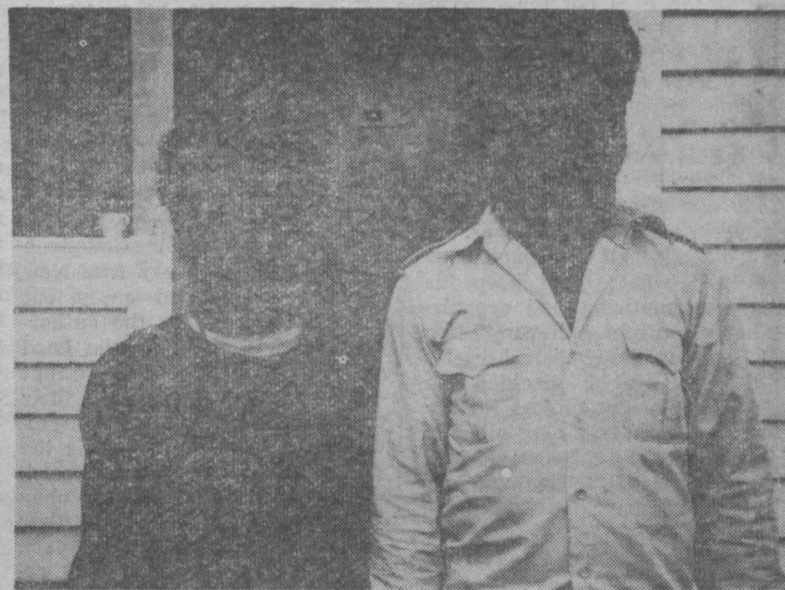
NEW GUINEA PHOTOS — (Continued)



This picture shows the preachers that attended the conference, there were 33 in all, not including myself. Two were absent due to sickness. The first man on the right in the first row is the pastor of the church where the conference was being held. Yoti is the one with the hat on. The man on the right in the back row is the missionary who was in charge of the work during my absence. The man standing next to him was the first man called to preach among the native men here.



The three men that you see in this picture are all school teachers, teaching literacy classes in widely separated areas, the one on the left is also a preacher. The two on the right have completed grade 6 in the Primary School operated just off the Mission Station. They speak English well and also two other languages. They earn \$7.50 a month in wages and the people in the area where they work take care of their food and house.



These two men are from deep into the Huli tribe. They came to see me about building a Mission Station in their area. I have had several people to come from this area to see me about starting a work there. As yet, I have never had the assurance of the Lord to go ahead with this undertaking. This is the area where Yoti is doing mission work and we now have three preaching points here. This picture was made on the front steps to my house.

fare of the residents" are the Big Brother police patrol groups to check on the citizen's loyalty to the government. The people live in fear of these "humanitarian committees."

— Yes, there is no unemployment. Also, no free enterprise or initiative. Everyone works for the state — when, where, how and as ordered. Wages, if any, are the state wages. There is no welfare. Work is always available in the cane fields.

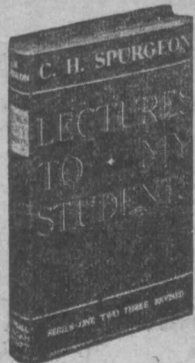
— True, everyone is "educated." Students have little or no choice in education, but are trained to meet the state's requirements. State schools teach anti-Americanism and atheistic Marxist doctrine.

— As for no poverty and no hunger, this is largely a myth. The best foods go to Russia; and the average Cuban gets ten ounces of meat every two weeks. Oranges and chickens are available by doctor's prescription, and all food is extremely limited and is rationed. The government owns what the farmer produces.

Fletcher concludes his report in amazement that these church leaders were able to discover in a few days what several million Cubans have not been able to find in 18 years — that they never had

(Continued on page 7, column 3)

LECTURES TO MY STUDENTS



By
C. H. Spurgeon

Price

\$7.95

These lectures are printed as they were given to the students of the Pastor's College, of which Mr. Spurgeon was founder and president. This is the unabridged edition of this great book. Every preacher should own and read the instruction given by the "prince of preachers," C. H. Spurgeon.

— Order From —
CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH BOOK SHOP

Mission Boards And...

(Continued from Page One)

such mission boards. Many of the men connected with the board I have in mind are men who are dear friends and deeply loved by me in the Lord.

But I do want to present what I believe to be an operation that has many serious flaws in it and cannot be based on the Word of God. The church I was pastor of, these past fourteen years, the Grace Baptist Church of Sunbury, Ohio, and a people that I love dearly in the Lord, never could be taught by me to see this issue clearly. This church contributed \$25.00 per month to the support of a very fine brother in the Lord, who worked under this mission board in question. This brother was called home suddenly by the Lord. The mission board never notified this church of the death of this brother, but kept on receiving this support and receipting it to the support of a brother who was dead. The money sent to them by this church was not going to the support of the designated missionary but into a missionary board's "Missionary Pool Fund."

Using the above circumstance as an introduction let us begin our study of the passage of Scripture the Lord has led us to consider. This passage is often spoken of as "The Great Commission." Most preachers and teachers who teach this passage from the Word begin with Matthew 28:18. The truth of this passage cannot be clearly seen unless the preacher or teacher begins with verse 16 if they are going to teach the whole counsel of God contained here in.

Before we can properly study this passage of Scripture I feel we must ask ourselves, at least, three questions: (1) Is this an apostolic commission or for the apostles only? (2) Is this an individual commission; that is, for every believer? (3) Is this a local church commission and can it only be properly carried out by a local church?

Let's try and answer our three questions in the order we asked them of ourselves. (1) If this is an apostolic commission it ended when the apostles died, and we can forget it for it is not for us. (2) If this is an individual commission, that is, for every believer, then we have some very "knotty" problems we need to solve. I asked a "wise" young preacher once if this was an individual or local church commission. He quickly and strongly stated it was for every individual believer. I asked him then, if his conclusions were true, what would keep his wife from baptizing and organizing her "baptized believers" into a class and teaching them herself? Needless to say he decided he needed to give the subject further study. No, it isn't an apostolic nor an individual commission; it is a local church commission and can only be fully carried out by a local church like the one our Lord started while He was here on earth.

In Matthew 23:16,17 we find the beginning of this commission. In verse 16 these disciples of our Lord had an appointment to keep set up for them by the Lord, and they obediently kept it. Full obedience to God's Word is demanded of us by our Lord (John 14:15). In verse 17 we find that when they saw Him they all worshipped Him. But among the all that worshipped Him there were some folk that still had some doubts that He was who He claimed to be. Ever been afflicted with these doubts? I am sorry to say there have been times in my life when fear and doubts haunted me for days at a time.

In verse 18 I want you to notice that our Lord dealt immediately with their doubts. Notice with me, our Lord didn't scold these doubting disciples but He did deal with their doubts immediately. How did He deal with these doubts? By assuring these disciples that He was Sovereign God. Notice Him saying, "All power is given unto

Me throughout all of the Universe." The word "power" is the Greek word, EXOUSIA, which means governmental authority. It is the same word used as "power" in I Corinthians 11:10. Our Lord is actually telling these doubting disciples that He is the sovereign God of the universe and it is all under His governmental control or authority.

This is where it all begins. Any true local church, which must be made up of regenerated and scripturally baptized believers, is to be taught until they understand that their Lord is the sovereign Controller, the Authority, the sovereign Head of everything. Any local church that is filled with doubters on this truth will never get the job done according to the teachings of the Word of God.

Now, if our doubts have been dispelled we can go on to verse 19. In verse 19 our Lord begins His commission to the nucleus of His first local church, which He Himself started, taught and trained. He instructs them to "go." Now "go" is a verb form, but here it is modified into an adverb, as it is dependent on something else to give it power or authority to go. The commission is to go, depending on the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, not a mission board. As the local church goes, in one or more of its members, it is to teach folk from the Word of God how to become disciples of the Lord. But here again, the teaching is dependent on the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, which He invested in His church. This authority of the Lord Jesus Christ can only be worked out in this progressive present by the working of the Holy Spirit, not the workings of men.

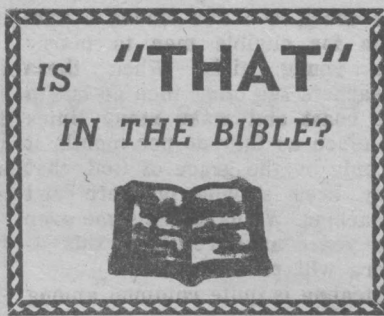
After one is properly discipled they are to receive scriptural baptism. Scriptural baptism is dependent on the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, which we have shown you from the Word, is invested in the true local church.

In verse 20 these baptized disciples are to be taught what and by whom? Now remember we have found that going, discipling, baptizing and teaching are all verbs that are dependent on the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ. We have also found this authority has been invested by our Lord Jesus Christ, in His kind of local churches. What are these baptized disciples to be taught? To observe all things whatsoever the Lord has commanded His kind of church. The word "observe" is the Greek word TAYREHO which means to guard, to protect, to maintain and to obey.

It then becomes the God-given duty of each and every true New Testament church to carry out the commission under the authority invested in them by the Lord Jesus Christ. I do not believe that a local church can delegate their God-given authority to any organization or group of men. It is the local churches who are to guard, to protect, to maintain and to obey His commission to them, and they are to teach these truths to each and every new member they receive into their membership. So a local church can only support one of their own or a church commissioned missionary that is on the field under the authority and supervision of another local church that is just like their own.

I do not have an "axe" to grind with anyone or any organization. I am just trying to state in the simplest terms that I can use, out of my very limited ability, that which I believe to be true of the scriptural approach to missions. The more I study the Scriptures and also the manner in which mission boards operate, the more I become convinced they are usurping the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ. I am not necessarily faulting mission boards for this problem. They couldn't successfully operate were it not for the support of many local churches.

Let me close this article by saying I believe that local churches that are involved in the work of missions through mission boards are so involved because it is the easiest way to give to missions and not have to worry about all of the responsibilities the mission



Question:

IN WHAT THREE LANGUAGES WAS THE BIBLE WRITTEN?

Answer:

The Old Testament was written mostly in Hebrew, but ten chapters or parts were in Aramaic (Ezra 4:8 to 6:18, and 7:12-26; Daniel, chapters 2 to 7 inclusive). The Old Testament and the Apocrypha were translated into Greek in the third century B.C. (parts perhaps as late as the first century B.C.) and that translation is the Septuagint or Alexandrian version. In the first century B.C., the Old Testament, most of it, at least, was translated into Aramaic, known as the Targums. The New Testament was written in Greek, although scholars believe that there was probably an Aramaic original source for some of the gospel material.

boards take care of for them. Their members can give a small part of their income in the mission offering and go home with "heady" feelings that they have served the cause of New Testament mission work. But it just isn't so. No man is crowned unless he strives lawfully or according to the teachings of the Word of God (II Tim. 2:1-14). Mission work is getting personally involved through the local church in the work of missions.

I do not ask that you agree with me on this subject. But I do ask that you take your Bible, forgetting that one-eyed monster that you have in your living room for a while, and all of the other things that keep you away from the Word of God and prayer, and study this subject for yourself. Then taking what God's Word says, not man's word, begin to get involved in the work of New Testament missions.

God bless you all very much.



The Seven Annual...

(Continued from page three)

unless you see this truth. One must deliberately, obstinately, and repeatedly close his eyes to the clear teaching of the Bible to fail to see God's regathering of Israel. He who scattered them will gather them and pour out His blessings upon them. This church age will end. And God will again take up His special counsels concerning Israel and begin to bring to pass His eternal purposes relating to them. And early in these dealings will be the sounding of the trumpet for the regathering of Israel.

THE DAY OF ATONEMENT

Verses 26-32

This feast took place on the 10th day of the 7th month. Lev. 16 gives a detailed picture of the ceremonies of this day. It was the greatest one day of the year for Israel. Every fifty years, the year of Jubilee began on this day and with this feast, showing that liberty and jubilee must begin with and be based upon atonement. Oh, what a day was this, when the two goats set forth the glorious saving gospel of Jesus Christ. One dying to show Christ's death for our sins. One bearing upon him into the wilderness the sins of Israel showing the glorious effect of Christ's death and resurrection in removing from us as far as the east is from the west our awful sins.

This day does picture the death of Christ on Calvary. But there is a special and particular reference of this feast. This Day of Atonement pictures the effectual application of Christ's atonement to the nation of Israel. They will be regathered. Then by the pouring out of the Spirit of supplication and grace upon them (Zech. 12:10)

RECORDS AND TAPES

BLESSED BE THE NAME
THE OLD FASHIONED REVIVAL HOUR QUARTET

Blessed Be the Name	In Heaven All is Gladness
He Leadeth Me	Honey in the Rock
Sun of My Soul	He Tenderly Looked At Me
My Faith Has Found a Resting Place	Do You Love My Lord
O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go	I With Thee Would Begin

Record \$6.98 Tape \$7.98

JOY UNSPEAKABLE
THE OLD FASHIONED REVIVAL HOUR QUARTET

Bring Them In	Blessed Hour of Prayer
Sunshine In The Soul	Shining More and More
Tell It To Jesus	I Cannot Get Beyond His Love
My Saviour's Love	Joy Unspeakable
Close To His Side	As a Volunteer

Record \$6.98 Tape \$7.98

GOD IS SO WONDERFUL
THE OLD FASHIONED REVIVAL HOUR QUARTET

In The Garden	Keep On Praying
No Hiding Place	Just When I Need Him Most
Jesus Is Always There	Beyond The Sunset
A New Name In Glory	Jesus Is Always There
Keep On Believing	You Must Open The Door
Blessed Assurance	Keep On Believing

Record \$6.98 Tape \$7.98

THE OLD FASHIONED SINGING
THE YOUNG CHURCH SINGERS

I'll Fly Away	Keep On Praying
Hallelujah! We Shall Rise	Just When I Need Him Most
An Old Account Settled and At the Cross	Beyond The Sunset
I Need Thee Every Hour and Leaning on the Everlasting Arms	Jesus Is Always There
The World Is Not My Home and Sweet By and By	You Must Open The Door
Everybody Will Be Happy Over There and When the Roll is Called Up Yonder	Keep On Believing
He Will Remember Me and Kneel At the Cross	
The Old Fashioned Singing: I'll Fly Away; Just a Little While and Victory In Jesus	
Jesus, Hold My Hand and 'Tis So Sweet to Trust In Jesus	
I'll Meet You in the Morning	

Record \$6.98 Tape \$7.98

SING OF FAITH AND JOY
BURL IVES AND THE KOREAN ORPHAN CHOIR

Revive Us Again	At the Cross
O Happy Day	Abide With Me
There Is a Fountain	He Hideth My Soul
When the Roll is Called Up Yonder	Jesus Loves Me
Dwelling in Beulah Land	I Need Thee Every Hour
I Love To Tell The Story	The Way of the Cross Leads Home
Precious Jewels	Tell It to Jesus
Burl Speaks	

Record \$6.98 Tape \$7.98

JUST A LITTLE TALK WITH JESUS
THE OLD FASHIONED REVIVAL HOUR QUARTET

Stepping In the Light	Bringing in the Sheaves
Just a Little Talk With Jesus	Medley: On Jordan's Stormy Banks and
There Is a Fountain	I'm Bound for the Promised Land
The Banner of the Cross	Seeking For Me
Under His Wings	Break Thou the Bread of Life
This World Is Not My Home	Like a River Glorious

Record \$3.98

LET THE LOWER LIGHTS BE BURNING
THE OLD FASHIONED REVIVAL HOUR QUARTET

A Shelter in the Time of Storm	Hark, Ten Thousand Harps and Voices
My Latest Sun is Sinking Fast	More About Jesus
Farther Along	Let the Lower Lights Be Burning
A Glorious Church	Thy Word Have I Hid in My Heart
Does Jesus Care?	Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart
Beneath the Cross of Jesus	Sunlight, Sunlight

Record \$6.98

SWEETER AS THE DAYS GO BY
THE OLD FASHIONED REVIVAL HOUR QUARTET

I Will Not Forget Thee	I Would Be Like Jesus
Lily of the Valley	Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
My Heavenly Home	In Heavenly Love Abiding
He Is So Precious to Me	How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds
Moment by Moment	Sweeter As the Days Go By
Jesus Is Mine	Softly Now the Light of Day

Record \$6.98

THE LONGER I SERVE HIM
GEORGE BEVERLY SHEA

I Will Sing of My Redeemer	Victory in Jesus
Bring Back the Springtime	My Song For You
Until That Time	The Shadow of the Cross
'Tis the Blessed Hour of Prayer	Would You
The Longer I Serve Him	Oh, How He Loves You and Me

Record \$5.98

THE KING IS COMING
GEORGE BEVERLY SHEA

The King Is Coming	Happiness Is the Lord
He Looked Beyond My Fault (And Saw My Need)	Hope in God
Something A-Burnin' In My Soul	A Child of the King
Gentle Shepherd	Jacob's Ladder
Pass It On	Will Jesus Find Us Watching

Record \$5.98

RELIGIOUS RECORDS

We now have available a selection of religious records, which we can recommend. The prices shown are for records and 8-track tapes. These records can be ordered from:

Calvary Baptist Church Book Store

P. O. Box 71 — Ashland, Kentucky 41101

*Kentucky residents, please add 5% State Sales Tax.

"WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE RELIGIOUS WORLD TODAY?"

The proportion of childless married women in the United States has increased since 1960. The Population Reference Bureau Inc. of Washington, D. C., reports that 19.2 per cent of married women were childless last year. And of women aged 20 to 24, the bureau said 42.8 per cent were childless in 1977.

The negative effects of stress, such as alcoholism, drug addiction and depression cost Americans more than \$100 billion a year, according to the SRI's Center for the Study of Social Policy.

The study placed the total social cost of alcoholism at about \$25 billion a year. This covered health and welfare services provided to alcoholics and their families, reduced productivity of alcoholic employees and property damage caused by drunken drivers.

Drug addiction, with addicts numbering up to half a million, is another major cost.

In Los Angeles a homosexual group called the Gay Community Services has received more than \$640,000 of your tax dollars from the Labor Department to do such things as provide "education about gay lifestyles and gay people's problems." The money comes from the Comprehensive Employment and Training Acts (CETA), originally set up to assist the unemployed.

The Gay Alliance of Rochester got \$34,000 this year to provide speakers at local campuses to inform young people about homosexuality. In San Francisco, two sociologists have gotten a grant of \$78,400 from the National Science Foundation to study the relationships of 300 couples — 200 of them homosexual (THE SPOTLIGHT 8-14-78, p. 2).

The indistinct remains of 32-century old farmhouses lie freshly exposed in an excavation on the Gilo ridge in southern Jerusalem. Alongside are the somewhat clearer remains of a fortified tower built five centuries later.

The stone columns of the houses were typical of the period when the tribe of Judah was settling in the hills of Judah south of Jerusalem. The pottery found, mostly cooking and storage vessels, was also typical of the period.

The remains are the earliest Israelite structures yet found in the area of the tribe of Judah, the most prominent of the 12 tribes. A Hebrew University archaeological team headed by Dr. Amihai Mazar carried out the dig this spring.

CHARLOTTE, N. C. (EP) — Evangelist Billy Graham announced plans to build a layman's Bible training center near Asheville, N. C., and later denied there was anything irregular in the purchase of the site for the center. He dismissed as "unsupported and untrue innuendos and insinuations" a published report that federal tax laws might have been broken in the purchase of option rights for the site from two speculators, who allegedly turned a \$25,000 investment into a \$650,000 profit in a three-month span.

The Charlotte Observer, in a copyrighted article published by many newspapers in the Knight-Ridder chain, reported that \$650,000 of the \$2.75 million paid for the tract, was used to buy the option rights of Pharr Yarns Inc., of McAdenville, N. C., and McLain Hall of Greenville, S. C. The newspaper said both were connected in real estate investments with four Graham relatives.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS) rules prohibit money from tax-exempt organizations, such as Mr. Graham's World Evangelism and Christian Education Fund, which purchased the site, from benefiting any private individual, the

Charlotte Observer pointed out.

"To my knowledge, no member of my family or organization has made a cent on the purchase," Billy Graham said in a statement.

The Charlotte Observer article, written by Robert Hoderne, said the newspaper's investigation had produced evidence that the Billy Graham fund "paid more for the land than local appraisers thought it was worth." It quoted an IRS expert, on tax-exempt groups, Herold Schonfeld, that "if those are the facts, they have a problem with us..." The penalty for such an offense could be loss of tax-exempt status, the newspaper pointed out.

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (EP) — A federal judge has ruled that religious services held in the Pentagon concourse area, a public place, violate the First Amendment's guarantee of separation of church and state. Judge Quin Elson of Magistrate's Court here said religious services could be held in a room or auditorium "as opposed to an area near commercial shops and the Metro subway."

Judge Elson's ruling came in a case involving an anti-war activist John T. Shiel, 59, of Washington, D. C., who was arrested and sentenced to 30 days in prison for disrupting a 1977 Thanksgiving Day religious service at the Pentagon concourse. Mr. Shiel's lawyer expressed pleasure at the ruling, saying it "removes the stamp of religious approval on American defense activities."

FRANKFORT (EP) — A Kentucky law that requires daily Bible readings in public school classrooms probably is unconstitutional, a legislative committee has been told. A staff study prepared by the Kentucky Legislative Research Commission said the law in question "seems to be in clear violation of the establishment of religion clause of the First Amendment (to the U. S. Constitution)."

NEW DELHI (EP) — Mrs. Rono Shaiza, a member of the Indian Parliament from Nagaland state, has told Prime Minister Morarji Desai that the bill on religious conversions passed by the Arunachal Pradesh Assembly in May is "unconstitutional and anti-Christian."

Mrs. Shaiza, at a meeting with Mr. Desai, told him that if the President of India signs the bill, it will deprive the people of Arunachal Pradesh of the right to freedom of religion as guaranteed by the Indian constitution. The bill will legalize the "persecution of Christians" now being carried on in that state, she said.

Arunachal Pradesh is a hilly state of northeast India, difficult of access and populated mainly by illiterate tribes. Christian missionaries have been active here, and in other states of northeast India, for nearly a century — setting up schools, hospitals, and humanitarian works. Nearly half of Arunachal's 500,000 population are Christians, mostly converts from tribal religions. In recent years there has been severe pressure on India's government to stop mass conversions to Christianity in northeast India.

TYLER, Texas (EP) — Saying he's free from "the shackles of monstrous debt, corporate inertia, politics... hatred... and greed," ousted religious leader Garner Ted Armstrong is starting all over again in this East Texas city. Armstrong, 48, was excommunicated by his father, Herbert Armstrong, last May from the California-based Worldwide Church of God.

Now the silver-haired Texan is launching his own evangelical crusade — The Church of God International. Armstrong said he hopes his efforts will reach more than the 20 million Americans and Cana-

dians who heard his nightly broadcasts from California.

PITTSBURGH, Pa. (EP) — A Warren County public school teacher has been dismissed for conducting prayer and Bible reading in his classroom, and intends to appeal. Lloyd Fink, 43, a former fourth grade teacher at Irvine Elementary School, said he established the classroom routine of beginning each day with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag, 5-10 minutes of Bible reading and spontaneous prayer.

He said students who didn't want to participate were excused and allowed to go to the library to study or read. He said only two of the 18 students left. Action to stop Mr. Fink's routine came when several parents complained. The father of one student testified at a school board hearing that the teacher was frightening his daughter with his religious actions.

NEWARK, N. J. (EP) — Rising costs and poor service of the U. S. Postal Service have forced religious mailers to start considering "alternate delivery methods," according to Allen C. Bradley, a Catholic postal expert.

He said rates charged by independent deliverers are yet too high for most religious mailers, but the rates are dropping. He said he saw the definite possibility that alternate methods may become feasible and necessary for religious organizations, if the U. S. postal rates continue to spiral.

LAS VEGAS (EP) — A Roman Catholic priest reported he was robbed here while playing the slot machines.

The power of the 48,465,438 Roman Catholics in America has been well demonstrated by the respectful attention paid by the press and television to the death of Pope Paul VI. The great attention the pope received is further evidence that anti-papist feeling is disappearing in this country. Measures to provide aid to students in Catholic schools enjoy more congressional support than ever. The President, who professes to be a "born again" Baptist, has a personal envoy at the Vatican.

Americans by means of the press and television are being brainwashed with Roman Catholicism, and many professed Baptists are praising Catholicism when they should be protesting against it.

Southern Baptist Evangelist Billy Graham said about Pope Paul, "Many of his public statements showed a genuine concern for evangelism. His statements were also frequently marked by strong Christ-centered emphasis." Graham's statements would be more correct if they were quoted backwards.

Someone should tell this pro-Catholic evangelist that Roman Catholics have a strange form of evangelism. Speaking to a general audience Feb. 6, 1974, Pope Paul said, "The real birthday of a Christian is the day of his baptism" (CATHOLIC ALMANAC, 1975, p. 62). Again on April 1, (Continued on page 8, column 1)

Paradise Abounds

(Continued from page five)

it so good! He was able to get his own mother-in-law out only a short time ago. As she left, her friends whispered to her, "Tell them the truth in America about how it is here. Tell the people there to pray for us and for our many political prisoners." (Article "Armstrong — Gullible Tourist" by Glen C. Fletcher.)

A group of Minnesota businessmen visited Cuba last year and reported many signs of economic problems: many buildings in a state of semi-disintegration; consumer goods, scarce and high-priced; rationing of practically everything, including coffee at one ounce per person per week; black marketing; poverty; and a low level of natural and energy sources. (Jerry Flint in the New York Times, April 25, 1977).

Many reports say that it costs

the USSR between three and five million dollars a day to prop up Cuba's economy and military forces. What a wonderful thing for the USSR and for Cuba if the United States resumes trade with Cuba! Our national and church leaders are pushing hard for this right now. This would do little or nothing for the U. S. economy, but would pour billions into the Cuban economy, would relieve the communists of this drain, and would allow Castro to concentrate more on exporting revolutions to Latin America and Africa. Africa: where he is reported to have well over 37,000 men involved in at least sixteen countries, acting as proxies for the Soviets whose objectives are raw materials and political control.

Religious leaders and the liberal news media are going out of their way, it appears, to deceive us on the real situation in Cuba and in other communist-dominated countries. Another example: On Sunday evening, February 5, 1978, right there on our TV screen (WTAR-TV Norfolk, Va.) was Professor Richard Lapschick and two of his students from Virginia Wesleyan College extolling the glories of Cuba (as observed during their recent short tour). Nothing wrong at all. Everything lovely and they could prove it with slides and a running commentary. Impression was that the young students had been well coached.

Why do our religious leaders do it? Are common sense and reality being replaced with piety and doing good? Why do the news media largely ignore the repression and human rights violations in Cuba and other communist countries — while sensationalizing any possible faults in Chile, South Korea and any other friend of America. Perhaps sensationalism is the word: Play up any possible defects in America's friends and accept as normal the repressions in the communist-bloc countries. Unfortunately, the liberal church leaders are on this band wagon.

First Bible Conference

(Continued from page one)

morning, we had to leave on Monday.

The roads, like most everything else since the country has become independent, have not been looked after properly and consequently traveling now is very slow. Every Monday used to be road working day for all able-bodied men all over the island and when the roads would get run down, they would have to work every day on the road until they were in good shape again, this was part of their contribution to the development of the country. Now, almost all the road work is done only on contract. As a result, the roads get in bad shape almost always before there is money available to let a contract. Sometimes, the bridges are impassable except you go prepared with a hammer and some nails, as well as an axe, to cut some timbers for repairs.

The road that I had to travel over to collect Yoti was exceptionally bad insofar as bridges were concerned, and finally, I had to stop and wait for him to walk on to where the vehicle was parked. By the time he arrived and we could get started on our way again, it was getting well on in the afternoon.

After about two hours driving, we came to a river that had the bridge torn out. The bridge would be about 100 feet long and while the native men had all the bearers pulled across, they had to be leveled. Large trees are cut and used for this purpose and of course some are larger than others and that means holes have to be dug at the buttments so the larger trees will level up with the smaller ones.

We arrived at this river about 4 p.m., and to go around another way would mean another 100 miles of driving, so we decided to sit it out and wait. I had several preachers with me and they joined in to help the native men that were already there and by 6 p.m. the logs were level and

Missionary To New Guinea Eld. Fred T. Halliman



FRED T. HALLIMAN

Send your offerings for the support of Brother Fred T. Halliman to:

New Guinea Missions
c/o Calvary Baptist Church
P. O. Box 71
Ashland, Kentucky 41101

Be sure to state that the offering is for the mission work of New Guinea. Do not say that it is for missions as this will only be confusing since we have other mission works.

Write Brother Halliman frequently. His address is:

ELDER FRED T. HALLIMAN
Sovereign Grace Baptist Mission
P.O. Box 19, Koroba, via Mendi
Papua, New Guinea

steady enough that I decided to try and cross, as it would soon be dark. A lot more work would have to be done before the planks could be put down. We had measured the width of the front wheels of the vehicle and placed two of the logs so that the front wheels would fit about the middle of each log. Two of the men crossed on the other side of the bridge and helped me to line up the wheels on the logs and very slowly I drove across as directed by these two men. We had another hour to drive after getting across the bridge.

We finally arrived at the Guhaba Baptist Church about 7 p. m. where the conference was to be held. Everyone else had already arrived long before we got there and the folk had cooked food and had our supper already prepared for us. This was a blessing as all of us were real tired from the all-day drive over these rough roads.

Our conference got under way about 8 a.m. on Tuesday morning. Since I had been away for seven months, we had a lot of general business to attend to and this took up over half of our time. Each preacher gave a report of the work in the area where he is serving. Several new places were reported to have opened up for preaching, one or two preachers had fallen by the wayside and some new ones had joined the ranks. We had some excellent preaching. I preached one message, especially for the benefit of the preachers. Due to the unfaithfulness of some of the members of some churches, some of the preachers were getting discouraged. Up until recently there has never been any reason for preachers in our work to be discouraged, insofar as their membership is concerned, but Satan has begun to creep in among some of the people and the preachers were having a new experience.

Due to a shortage of food in the area where we were holding the conference, we only had two full days of conference, so by late Wednesday afternoon we left to come back home. We accomplished much though in these two days. Our next conference is scheduled for November and in this one we plan to have all the preachers bring a message. This will be our first conference as such.

TUNE IN TO THE INDEPENDENT BAPTIST HOUR

Stations:	Time:	Dial:	Watts:
WCAK, Catlsbrg., Ky. Sun.	8:30- 9:00 a.m.	92.7	3000 FM
WFTO, Fulton, Miss. Sun.	1:00- 1:30 p.m.	1360	2500 AM
WFTA, Fulton, Miss. Sun.	1:00- 1:30 p.m.	101.7	3000 FM
*KHYM, Gilmer, Tex. Sun.	1:00- 1:30 p.m.	1060	5000 AM
*WYRD, Syracuse, N.Y. Sun.	12:30- 1:00 p.m.	1540	1000 AM
*WKNG, Tallap'sa, Ga. Sun.	8:00- 8:30 a.m.	1060	2500 AM
*Clear Channel			

"What's Happening"

(Continued from page seven)

1974, the pope declared that "divine life" was "transmitted by baptism" (Ibid., p. 72). The Glossary of the CATHOLIC ALMANAC 1975 says on page 375: "... membership in the church ... is necessary for salvation ... the Catholic Church is the church founded by Christ." Pope Paul stressed the church of which he was the head as the savior of men's soul. His statements were void of the so-called "Christ-centered emphasis" Graham mentioned.

Jimmy Allen, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, said that "the world has lost a leader in the cause for peace, and a man who has cared for the poor and hungry of the world. His implementation of the Vatican II decisions made him an instrument for opening communication and understanding among Christian bodies."

Mr. Allen, seemingly ignorant of the 50 million Anabaptists murdered by the Roman Catholic Church in the Dark Ages, commends a man who claimed to be the vicar of Christ on earth! Mr. Allen, the Roman Catholic Church of which the pope is the dictator has sent more men to war and reduced more nations to poverty than any religious society on earth! Look at any country where Catholicism predominates, and you will find ignorance and poverty as well as an over-growing Communism. Mr. Allen is so ecumenical that he even believes

Pedobaptists and Roman Catholics are "among the Christian bodies."

Joseph H. Jackson, president of the 6.3-million National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., the nation's largest black church, said of Pope Paul: "The religious world has lost a great statesman, the Roman Catholic Church has lost a noble Pope." Mr. Jackson, how can a man be a noble pope who claims he has the right to change the Bible to suit his taste?

The editor wishes to add his comments on the death of the pope. In my opinion the biggest false prophet in the world is dead, and the Great Whore of Rome is presently a headless body. The man who arrogated to himself the title of the vicar of Christ on earth has gone to be judged by Christ. The man who claimed to be the head of the church of Christ on earth has been sent by the real Head of the church to his own place. I am confident the soul of the pope is neither in Heaven nor purgatory. Soon an ecumenical-minded pope will be chosen to take Pope Paul's place as the earthly head of Satan's chief religious system in the world.

I am reasonably sure if the Rapture of the saints had happened during the funeral of the pope the services would have suffered no greater interruption than the halls of Congress in the U. S.

The test tube baby born to John and Lesley Brown in England on July 25 has raised some theological and philosophical questions. Some

wonder if the doctor who united the father's sperm and the mother's egg in a test tube has replaced God. But the same God who gives life in the womb of a woman can give it in a test tube. The doctor did not create anything. He merely used what God had created. God is still the Creator of life even when the normal manner of conception is bypassed and the male and female components of new life are united by a doctor in a laboratory.

A disturbing question comes to mind. If a person becomes a living soul at conception, can a soul come into being in a laboratory when a doctor introduces male sperm to a female egg? Since normal human reproduction is bypassed, is a test tube baby soulless?

Since God intended procreation to be connected with sex (Gen. 1:28), has not the test tube baby idea eliminated the need of sexual experience? What place does sex have when conception can take place in a laboratory with the potential parents miles from the laboratory?

The genetic manipulation connected with the test tube baby idea they say could give us children free from congenital diseases and without any physical or mental defects. But what if a madman like Hitler wanted to produce a race of monsters by genetic manipulation? Are we to live to see baby factories, bootlegging of sperms and eggs and a thousand other immoral things? Time will tell.

Test tube fertilization makes a virgin birth possible. Those who reject the virgin birth of Christ should wake up. If a doctor can bring about a virgin birth in a laboratory, is it not reasonable to believe God could bring His own Son into the world by way of a virgin birth?

The Seven Annual ...

(Continued from page six)

they will be effectually caused to look upon Him whom they pierced (Zech. 12:10), and then there will be a fountain opened to the house of David for the cleansing of their sin and uncleanness (Zech. 13:1). And what will the receiving of them and the regenerating of them be but the prelude of the salvation of untold multitudes during the millennial reign of Jesus Christ (Rom. 11:15).

THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES Verses 33-34

This feast began on the 15th day of the 7th month and went through the 21st day and also the 22nd day as an added day of religious festival. This feast was at the end of the harvest. It was a harvest home day. A glorious Thanksgiving Day for all the good God had given in the harvest. Israel was to dwell in booths during the days of this glad festival. This was to bring to mind the days in the wilderness between Egypt and the promised land. This was a most joyful of the religious feasts of Israel.

Now this feast is a type and a prophecy of the glorious millennial reign of Jesus Christ. Note the order of the last three feasts. Israel will be regathered. The atonement of Christ will be effectually applied in saving power to Israel. They will then enter the glorious kingdom promised to them in a multitude of Old Testament Scriptures. Of course all the earth will share in the glory and joy of that glad and gladsome day of Israel's kingdom.

Oh, yes there is to be a millennial reign of Christ. It will be a time of peace, prosperity and holiness over all the earth. The knowledge and glory of the Lord will cover the earth as the waters cover the sea. What a time to be alive! And the saved of all previous ages will share in the blessedness of that glad time. The brethren of Matthew 25 will be saved Israelites in the flesh who

THE BAPTIST EXAMINER
SEPTEMBER 9, 1978
PAGE EIGHT

USED BOOKS FOR SALE

LECTURES ON BAPTIST HISTORY by William R. Williams. It has 360 pages and is in fair condition. It contains the name of T. T. Eaton written inside. The book was printed in 1877. Price \$10.00

BAPTIST QUARTERLY REVIEW, Vol. III, 1881. Edited by J. R. Baumes and contains articles by Strong, Broadus, Pendleton, etc. It has 542 pgs and is in good condition. \$20.00.

BAPTIST QUARTERLY REVIEW, Vol. II, 1880. Edited by J. R. Baumes. It contains 622 pages of articles by old Baptists. The book is in good condition. Price \$20.00

BAPTIST QUARTERLY REVIEW, Vol. IV, 1882. Edited by J. R. Baumes. It contains 518 pages of articles by the old Baptists. The condition of the book is good. Price \$20.00.

AN EXPOSITION OF THE PARABLES by Benjamin Keach. This is an 1856 edition. Cover loose and torn a bit. Price \$15.00.

TROPOLOGIA or SCRIPTURE METAPHORS by Benjamin Keach. It is an 1856 edition in excellent used condition. Price \$25.00

Ordering Instructions

Send no money. We will send you the book and the bill plus postage. Please pay upon arrival of book and bill. Order from **Calvary Baptist Church Book Store, P.O. Box 71, Ashland, Kentucky 41101.**

enter that kingdom. The nations who showed the reality of salvation by their kindness to the Lord's brethren will enter that kingdom in their natural bodies. Multitudes will be born during that thousand years. And praise God, the vast majority of them will be saved by God's grace and will add immeasurably to the grand and final total of the saved of all ages. Some will not be saved but will gather in rebellion at the end of that thousand years. But this will be put down forthwith and the thousand year reign will merge into the eternal reign of God.

See what glorious truths are taught in the Old Testament in these seven annual feasts. Let us rejoice in these glorious truths. Be sure we are trusting in Jesus Christ and His death and resurrection for our salvation. Serve Him faithfully in His church. Look for the glorious fulfillment of the prophecies of the last three feasts. May God bless this brief study to your spiritual good.

Passover Types

(Continued from Page Two)

He closed it to those not of the true faith: "We have an altar, whereof they have NO RIGHT TO EAT which serve the tabernacle" (Heb. 13:10). Each local church is responsible to see that the rules of Christ are obeyed.

NO UNCIRCUMCISED EAT

Before a stranger could eat the Passover Supper he must become an Israelite in his religion and obey the Jewish rite of circumcision (Ex. 12:48). This rule applied to all strangers without exception: "And if a stranger shall sojourn among you, and will keep the passover unto the Lord; according to the ordinance of the

passover, and according to the manner thereof, so shall he do; ye shall have one ordinance, both for the stranger, and for him that was born in the land" (Num. 9:14).

The same is true of the meal which Christ appointed. No unbaptized person can eat of it. Nowhere in the New Testament did an unbaptized person partake of it. Not until after baptism (Acts 2:41) could the Pentecostal converts engage in "breaking of bread" in the supper (Acts 2:46). Baptists permit non-Baptists to approach the communion table just like the Israelites did the Passover Supper. To eat the memorial supper in a Baptist church, you must become a Baptist and submit to Baptist baptism.

OBSERVED ANNUALLY

The Passover was observed annually (Num. 9:2-3; Ex. 12:1). There is no definite time established for the Lord's Supper in the New Testament. We are merely told as often as we celebrate it we must remember Christ (I Cor. 11:26). But since there is such a parallel between the Passover Supper and the Lord's Supper, it stands to reason the Lord's Supper should also be observed annually.

At Calvary Baptist Church we believe the typology of the Passover Supper demands the annual observance of Christ's supper. To do it every Lord's Day would cause it to become too common and ritualistic. To do it every three months is to abide by the time set by Baptists in conventions and associations because of the four quarters in their Sunday school literature. To observe it annually is to obey the typology of the Passover meal. Hence each year we observe the Lord's Supper as near the time of the Jewish Passover as possible.

At Least Five People To Whom You Can Send TBE YOU KNOW WHO NEEDS IT!

GIVE 5 GIFT SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE BAPTIST EXAMINER

P. O. BOX 71 — ASHLAND, KENTUCKY 41101

SEND US 5 SUBSCRIPTIONS, WE'LL RENEW YOURS FREE!

5 SUBS \$10.00

Have This Paper Delivered Every Week — For a Whole Year!

1. _____
(A SINNER)

Address _____
_____ Zip Code _____

2. _____
(A PREACHER)

Address _____
_____ Zip Code _____

3. _____
(A SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER)

Address _____
_____ Zip Code _____

4. _____
(A CHURCH MEMBER)

Address _____
_____ Zip Code _____

5. _____
(A YOUNG PERSON)

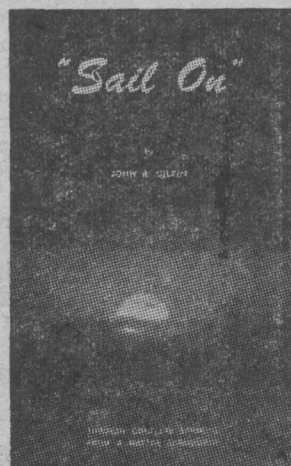
Address _____
_____ Zip Code _____

Enclosed \$ _____ for _____ Subs

Your Name _____

Address _____

GIVE US READERS
We Will Give Them The Truth



"SAIL ON"

BY

JOHN R. GILPIN

140 Pages

Hard Back

\$6.95

A veritable gold mine of sermons for all Bible lovers. Ideal for gifts to your friends, pastor, Sunday School teacher and others. Offers fine suggestions for homiletical purposes.

Rare combination of Bible truth and simplicity.

LIMITED EDITION — ORDER TODAY!

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH BOOKSTORE

P. O. BOX 71 — ASHLAND, KENTUCKY 41101