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Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee,
Psalms

that it may be displayed because of the truth. 60:4

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DEVELOPING BIBLE STUDY HABITS

Michael T. Adamson Plainfield, Indiana

I have often heard fellow church members remark that they have difficulty studying the Bible, whether it is preparing for Sunday school, Bible study, or researching a point made by the preacher in a sermon. Here is, hopefully, a few guidelines that will make this task a little easier for those who are casual students, as well as those who are dedicated to the study of the Bible.

First, it must be realized that no one, however dedicated or knowledgable, will ever understand every passage of scripture. There are some passages that defy the comprehension of the human mind. This realization should not deter us from our studies though, for this understanding, of our own abilities, enables us to better embrace the infinite wisdom of our (Continued on Page 2)

ORDINATION SERVICE

On Saturday, December 11, there is to be an ordination service at Eastside Missionary Baptist Church, 165 N. Trigg St., Gallatin, Tenn. The service is to begin at 1:00 P.M.

Bro. Raymond Allen Sutton is to be ordained to the full work of the ministry. He had been working with Elder Bill Green in the Baptist Mission in Murfreesboro, Tenn., but was recently called to the pastorate of Rock Bridge Missionary Baptist Church in Sumner County, Tenn.

Churches of Bethel, Siloam, Enon and Wiseman Baptist Associations and Mt. Calvary, Greenfield and Mace's Hill Baptist Churches have been invited to assist in the work. Elder Raymond B. Sutton, the candidate's father, is pastor of Eastside church.



THE SHEPHERDS' FIELD

AND it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Cæsar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

2 (*And* this taxing was first made when Çȳ-rē'-nĭ-ŭs was governor of Syria.)

3 And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judæa, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)

5 To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

6 And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

• 7 And she brought forth her

firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

12 And this *shall be* a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

MY EXPERIENCES IN JAPAN AND MISSIONS By

Raymond L. (Sonny) Callis Nashville, Tennessee

(Editor's Note: This article began in last month's issue. Each one should read and study that issue with this one for full understanding.)

We not only should wake up to the work of our missionaries but should take a look at the history of our own churches, lest they should become a mission field because of our failure to take advantage of the opportunities we have to promote the work of the Lord.

Brother H. C. Vanderpool hit the nail right on the head at Old Union Ministers' School in 1974. He was teaching Church History in America. He was comparing two groups of churches. One moved South; the other remained in the colonies of Delaware and Maryland:

"We notice the increase in the work of the group that came South and under the direction of Shubal Stearnes and Daniel Marshall. We are told here that they were characterized by missionary zeal. They went out; they witnessed; they were carrying out commands of the Lord. It had been a long time, many centuries, but they were still doing that. Well, if a church, or an association of churches, fails in what God expects of them, are they going to prosper too?

The work now has moved down into Virginia and into the Carolinas, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Georgia, but we go right back up the eastern seaboard, into the colonies, and we take Delaware and Maryland, where some of them started, and they are going in the other direction. Let's notice.

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Watch-Night Service

There is to be a watch night service on Friday night, December 31, from 8:00 P.M. until midnight, at Parkwood Baptist Church, 244 Ewing Lane, Nashville, Tenn. Special guest will be The McKameys from Clinton, Tenn. Everyone is invited.

REVIVAL REPORTS

Beech Bottom Baptist Church, Macon County, Tenn. Three professions of faith with three additions to the church. Pastor E. G. Williams was assisted by Elder Doug Curtis.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Holland, Ky. Three professions of faith. Pastor Kenneth Woodall was assisted by Elder Billy Moran.

West End Baptist Church, Gallatin, Tenn. One saved. Pastor William E. Massey was assisted by Elder H. C. Vanderpool.

Cedar Cross Baptist Church, Allen County, Ky. Six professions of faith with nine additions to the church. Pastor Leon Jones was assisted by Elder Billy Moran. STUDY HABITS (Continued from Page 1)

heavenly Father.

Second, your own Bible is the best source of information you can have. The individual references, tying a particular passage of scripture to another passage, found elsewhere in the Bible, do far more towards promoting an understanding of the meaning of the passage, than any commentary will ever hope to.

Third, it is of the utmost importance that you do not pull the scriptures "out of context." This is probably the greatest single error any student can make. Specific verses of scripture, pulled at random, can be used to endorse any number of debatable doctrines we encounter in our world today. The same scriptures, kept "in context," only affirm the doctrines intended. The Bible does not contradict itself. To imply that it does infers that God inspired an imperfect work, through its writers.

Fourth, the use of reference materials can be invaluable if they are kept in their proper

perspective, which is, the expression of another person's or group's beliefs. Many bible commentaries, bible dictionaries, and dissertations on specific topics, contain much background information that may not be included in the Bible, some of which may be factual and some that may be speculative. Always, when I study, I view the authors of these types of reference materials as the second person conversing with me on a particular subject.

We turn to these reference materials for two primary reasons: #1 - to find support for our existing beliefs on certain topics or passages of scripture, and, #2 - to establish a belief on certain topics or passages of scripture.

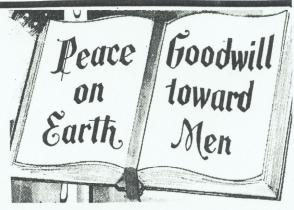
It is important to remember that the endorsement of personal beliefs, or the opinions expressed, by reference materials are, in themselves, insufficient to firmly base your own personal beliefs. The eternal question "WHY?" must be asked each time you turn to reference material for consultation. "Why does the reference material agree with my own beliefs?" "What does the author base his opinion on?" Or, "Why does the author take this position on this particular topic?" It is far too easy to accept the opinion of others, blindly adopting their beliefs as our own, without ever understanding why we believe what we believe! Most certainly, a necessary attribute of a belief, is the ability to defend that belief which, at times, relies on factual historical data combined with scriptural references.

Fifth, utilize the knowledge of others, well founded in the faith, at every opportunity. Their guidance and counsel will better enable you to grasp difficult passages and doctrinal beliefs.

Sixth, keep an open mind to different beliefs from the ones you may have established. It is entirely possible, with all your studying, that you might fail to acknowledge one point of reference that might cast a completely different reflection on a principle or doctrine. Remember to ask "WHY?", and prove that alternate point of view, before you change your own.

I pray these few guidelines will be beneficial for those who earnestly desire to study the Word of God. Paul's command to Timothy assuredly applies to all of us when he said:

II TIMOTHY 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.



We, the BAPTIST BANNER staff, and our families, wish each of you a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We trust the Lord's richest blessings will be upon each of you and your families. May the true Spirit of the season reign in your hearts for ever.

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Season's Greetings!



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By Libby Beckmann Lyons Missionary Baptist Church Louisville, Kentucky

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Pastor Douglas Curtis, Co-Host Route 2, Box 274-A, Westmoreland, TN 37186 (615) 644-3163

> Pastor Harold Carver, Co-Host Route 1, Buena Vista, TN 38318 (901) 586-2126

Pastor Paul Bryson, Co-Host Route 9, Box 52, Bowling Green, KY 42101 (502) 943-9339 EXPERIENCES AND MISSIONS (Continued from Page 1)

David Benedict, in his history, he is giving us a statement concerning some churches. David Benedict had some correspondence with a preacher up in Delaware but he didn't get much response for his history. This preacher wrote him a letter. A minister's statement follows: 'One general remark is true of them all. They progressed backwards. There has been a regular decline for years even greater than that exhibited by their returns (or their reports) and their congregations to almost nothing. But there is one prominent reason why these churches and those of a kindred spirit in Delaware and Maryland and everywhere else are declining and do not and cannot prosper.

Now he said the reason they are not prospering. You will find it in Haggai I:2-12 and Malachi III:8-11. They withhold from the Lord's cause that which he demands and the results are that the Heavens withhold their blessings. God has called for a drought upon them in spiritual things and they are withering and fast descending, and it needs no prophet's gift to see their speedy dissolution unless they repent and return to the Lord and engage in His service. It is lamentable and I want us to notice that. Let's think about today. As I said awhile ago, we've heard it so much, it has been talked about so much that in this part of the country is the seat of Old Time Baptists; and some have gone as far as to say that this is the headquarters for Old Time Baptists. But I'll tell you exactly what I believe. I believe it will remain a fruitful field if we go according to what the Bible teaches, for this part of the country. I made this statement at one of our Associations a few years ago and a preacher told me later that I was laughed at about it. Our Association was being held over here in Macon County and the only church that asked for the Association another year was up in Ohio 500 miles away. Some of the churches in 10 miles didn't even send messengers, and I made the statement that if people did not wake up, and get willing to go according to the word of God and move out and do things, that this part of the country that had been so fruitful could become a mission field. Now, I said it could. I hope it doesn't.

Well, this was a place of strong churches at one time - Delaware and Maryland. But this preacher, because they had failed to do what God wanted them to do, said. It is lamentable to see the light extinguish-

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ELDER LANDON C. LONG EVANGELISTIC WORK

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As we close out our third quarter this year we do it with rejoicing because of what God has done. We have seen the power of God at work in many places.

God has certainly put his blessings on the work as we have seen a good number of souls saved and God's people revived.

During this quarter we have attended sixty-one services, preached thirty-three sermons, worked in four revivals, witnessed ten professions of faith, and witnessed sixteen to unite themselves with old time Baptist churches. For this we thank God.

I am still praying that God will once more send a great and glorious revival throughout this land. I know that He will if we as His people believe it and labor to that end. I am very glad to hear the reports of good revivals in our old time churches this year.

Our support is much better. The first few months we were in this work our bills piled up on us but we just put our faith in God and moved forward. We are now beginning to get our heads above water again.

We want to say a special thank you to all the churches and individuals who have supported this work with their prayers and financial means. Thank you to Harvest Church for the benefit singing they held for this cause. I feel that benefit singings are a very good way for our Churches to support all the Missionary work that our Churches are doing. Perhaps other churches will consider this.

Following is a report of finances for July, August and September:

September:	
Harvest Baptist Church\$1,122.00)
Old Paths Baptist Church60.00)
Becker Drive Baptist Church200.00	
New Bethel Baptist Church, Henry Co673.3	I
Bethel Baptist Church, Carroll Co835.00	
Faith Baptist Church, Nashville	0
Mt. Tabor Baptist Church75.00	
White Hill Baptist Church250.00	
Emmanual Baptist Church	
Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Benton Co	
Elk Creek Baptist Church	
New Bethel Baptist Church, Goodlettsville115.03	3
Bethel Baptist Church, Indianapolis, Ind	
Calvary Baptist Church, Chandlers, Ind	0
Lyons Baptist Church100.00	0
Revival in Harrison Co., Ind	0
Bro. and Sister Tim Caldwell	0
Bro. and Sister William Woodall200.00	0
Edler and Sister Weldon Chandler15.00	0
Brother and Sister R. C. Perry20.0	0
Brother and Sister Jackie Wiggins20.0	0
Brother and Sister A. Willoughby5.0	
Brother and Sister Joe Guinn	3
Brother Robert Whited40.0	0
Sister Cora Haskins5.0	0
Sister Elizabeth Overstreet	0
Elder and Sister Ron Stewart53.0	0
Brother and Sister John H. Charlton25.0	0
Brother James Hicks10.0	
Brother and Sister Charles Travis131.1	4
Brother Nathan York20.0	0
Brother Tim Binion20.0	
Elder and Sister Don Curtiss100.0	0
Brother Marshall Ward20.0	0
July total\$1,620.51	
August total\$1,695,14	

 July total
 \$1,620.51

 August total
 \$1,695.14

 September total
 \$1,670.07

\$2,524.39 of the above was received in revival meetings and various appointments.

Your Brother in Christ, Elder Landon C. Long 1502 Calvert Ct., West Gallatin, Tenn. 37066

Ordination Service



Pictured above are, I. to r. Mrs. Bill (Ruth) Green, Heather Green, Beth Green and Elder Bill Green. Bro. Green was ordained to the full work of the ministry on Saturday, October 30, 1982, by Long Fork Missionary Baptist Church, Route 2, Lafayette, Tennessee.

Services began at 10:00 A.M. Several Baptist Churches in Tennessee, Indiana and Kentucky were represented in the presbytery by 32 Deacons and Ministers. Elder G. W. Knight, pastor of the church, was moderator. Elder Don Curtis served as clerk. The ordination sermon was preached by Elder F. W. Lambert, and Deacon Willard Smith presented the candidate to the presbytery. The interrogation was given by Elder James H. Smith and Elder James Shoulders led the ordination prayer. After the "laying on of hands" Elder H. C. Vanderpool gave the charge to the newly ordained minister. The charge to the church was given by Elder James "Pete" Porter and Elder Howard G. Taylor presented the Bible to the ordained preacher.

This was a great day for old-fashioned Missionary Baptists with a wonderful fellowship and service. Sisters of the church and community well supplied the bountiful meal for the noon hour. Bro. Green is presently working with a mission in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. He had been assisted by Bro. Raymond A. Sutton in that work, but Bro. Sutton has been called to the pastorate of Rock Bridge Baptist Church in Sumner County, Tennessee. Elder James Shoulders is to be assisting in the Murfreesboro Mission now with Bro. Green.

Let us remember this work and these brethren in our prayers and

V REVIVAL

GOODNIGHT MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM Franklin, Kentucky March 27 - April 3, 1983

Sunday night - March 27 Monday night - March 28 Tuesday night - March 29 Wednesday night - March 30 - Elder A. G. Gregory

Thursday night - March 31 Friday night - April 1

Sunday night - April 3

Saturday night - April 2

- Elder D. C. Barton

- Elder Paul Bryson

- Elder Hilman Duncan

- Elder Billy Moran

- Elder Bobby E. Pitt

- Elder James Suttle

- Elder H. C. Vanderpool

This announcement is being made early so all who can, will make plans, and arrange their schedules, to be able to attend and work in this great effort. The Baptist Churches where the above eight brethren pastor will be sponsoring this revival, which will be televised and shown across America. Make plans to come!

SERVICES: 7:30 P.M.

RADIO BROADCAST

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New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, 1080 Old Dickerson Pike, Goodlettsville, Tenn. sponsors a radio broadcast each Sunday morning at 8:00 A.M. conducted by the pastor, Elder H. C. Vanderpool. It is heard on WNAH 1360. It is heard Sunday nights at 8:00 P.M. on Viacom Cabel, 92.5 F.M.

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ed where once had shown so clearly. Though it is in accordance with His plan, Who doth all things well in Whom will be honored by the service of His professed disciples.

Now before I read the rest of that paragraph, let's notice those two scriptures up there and what he said about it. Back in Haggai I:2-12, when they came back over there to rebuild the temple, the people who had the responsibility of rebuilding that temple and restoring their worship said, it is not time that we build the Lord's house. Let's wait; we don't want to get ahead of the Lord. It's not time to do that, but the prophet said, it's time that you are building your houses. You are building yourselves good houses, yourself cieled houses. You say it's not time to rebuild the Lord's house, but you think it is time to build yourself real nice houses.

There are hundreds, maybe thousands, of so-called Baptists in the world today who will say it's not time to have Sunday School. It's not time to have a preachers' school; it's not time to build new church buildings. It is not time to fix up God's house. It's not time to do radio work. It's not time to do missionary work, but at the same time they are building bigger and better houses for their own comfort.

Now this was the exact condition of the people of Israel. Then over in Malachi, the reason: they were taking the Lord's money and using it for themselves and it got so bad that the Lord just withheld their blessings.

And this preacher (it doesn't give his name) he writes to David Benedict and said the reason that the churches in Delaware and Maryland are progressing backwards is because they are not doing what God has said for them to do. All right, let's notice just a little bit farther, the last part of that paragraph. These churches opposed all missionary, Bible, Sunday School, tracts and temperance organizations. In other words, if it's for temperance, against the liquor business, they were against it because it took an organization to get behind it. If it was the printing of religious literature, they didn't want to have anything to do with it. If it was the Sunday School, they didn't want to have anything to do with it. If it was for the purpose of missions, they didn't want to have anything to do with it. If it was to have an organization or a meeting to study the Bible, they didn't want to have anything to do with it. You put that with those two scriptures up there

and you know why they were progressing backwards and were hindering the fulfillment of the Savior's command to preach the gospel in all the world, to every creature, as far as they can do it and while they thus act, they cannot prosper.

I have just read to you where these churches did not put God first in their lives. They did not put His welfare first and the money that they needed to spend for the Lord's cause they kept for themselves; and every move of missionary work, Bible study, Sunday School, printing of religious literature, or whatever it was, they were against it. And so they were going backwards! I am made to believe; I cannot help but believe; I don't like the thought; but I would not doubt but that there are men and women, boys and girls, their souls are in hell at this time and will always be separated from God that lived in the states of Maryland and Delaware and the reason for it is because these churches, two hundred and some odd years ago, failed to do what God wanted them to do.

Now, Shubal Stearnes and Daniel Marshall, they moved out of that field. They got willing to leave their homes. They got willing to leave their communities and go a few miles and cross a few mountains and face a few cold days and take criticism. They got willing to move. Now there are a lot of things we need to pray for, but, so to speak, sometimes we need to put some hands and feet on some of our prayers, not that God can't do things by Himself; but it's been that way all along. Now then, these men that got willing to move out and do things, they came down at Sandy Creek and in seventeen years the mother church planted 42 separate Baptist churches and sent out 125 ministers. The next sentence says: 'The Sandy Creek Association organized 1758 was forever characterized by its missionary zeal:

So are we going to go backwards in our generation, or are we going to go forward?'

The alarming thought which keeps coming to my mind is that it is true that multiplied thousands of souls are in hell because Old Time Baptists (God's people) have not taken advantage of all of our opportunities to reach a lost and dying world. And it is alarming to me to see and hear of the condition of some of our churches. So, please, join with me in humbleness and prayer for this great work and this great heritage that is in our hands.

Thank you.

Your Brother in Christ, Raymond L. (Sonny) Callis

OVER 53 YEARS IN THE MINISTRY



Elder F. W. Lambert

On Sunday, October 3, 1982, at Pleasant Hill Missionary Baptist Church in Sumner County, Tennessee, Elder Floyd Wilson Lambert preached his final sermon as a pastor. He had been pastor at this church for 30 years. He has served in the ministry of Missionary Baptist Churches for over 53 years.

Bro. Lambert continues to preach by appointments, and evidently, is staying busy. This month, on December 19, he will be 79. He was born on December 19, 1903, in Macon County, Tennessee the son of James M. and Donnie Howell Lambert. He was married to Miss Tennie Leath on August 5, 1923. They have already celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary. He was saved at Siloam Baptist Church in August, 1921, and was baptized the same month into the fellowship of Siloam Church by Elder P. H. Dyer.

Bro. Lambert acknowledged his call to the ministry in the spring of 1927, and on December 2, 1927, he was ordained to the ministry by Siloam Baptist Church.

Due to the lack of space, we cannot give full details of his life and work here. The history of Bro. Lambert's life is told in his book, Traveling Toward The Sunrise, and we recommend that everyone who does not have a copy, ORDER ONE NOW. The price is \$10.00, but you will not regret the purchase. Write for the book: Elder F. W. Lambert, Route 4, Box 75, Westmoreland, TN 37186. His phone is: (615) 644-3235. He is available to fill appointments for preachers who are sick, in revivals or for any reason having to be away from their churches.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Bro. Lambert was the one who interrogated me at my ordination on April 30, 1950, at New Bethel Baptist Church, Goodlettsville, Tenn. We have had many happy years together in several capacities. His book would make good Christmas gifts. Every Baptist home should have one. May the Lord's blessings be upon him and Miss Tennie for many years to come.)