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GREETINGS FROM JAPAN

Dear Elder H. C. Vanderpool and Readers,

We send you our Christian greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ from Japan remembering all of you in prayers.

Suppose your small children were about to have a picnic lunch on nice-looking rocks on the seashore on a beautiful day from school, and in a few minutes after the earthquake occurred, they saw mountain-like high tidal waves coming toward them so rapidly from outer ocean that they had no time to escape. The awful water took them away to somewhere with other people, cars, houses, and everything. Water went great back and you could watch the sea-bed with no water for half a mile distance from the shore. Sea water came back to the shore, and calmed still as if nothing happened. This happened some time ago in Akita, northern part of Japan. We think of the day and time when

Jesus comes back, of the right and the wicked, of the saved and the unsaved, of the eternal security for the saved and eternal punishment for the lost. We praise the Lord for His wonderful salvation. That is why you and we are missionary Baptists to preach the gospel to the world.

My family and I are fine and are doing fine day after day for the glory of God, for which we are thankful. Right now we are in the rainy season, yet we don't have rain often. We have dry and nice weather now.

A 26-year-old man, Masao Katayama, who has come to our services from last Fall, got saved recently and we were happy over a fact that a precious soul got saved, which was more than anything. We would like for you to know you have a part in his conversion. However, he was sent to the mental hospital.

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ORDINATION AT SYCAMORE

There is to be an ordination service on Saturday, August 13, 1983, at Sycamore Valley Missionary Church, Macon County, Tenn. Services are to begin at 1:00 P.M. Bro. Jerry Shrum is to be ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry. He has been called to the pastorate of Madison Missionary Baptist Church, 214 Maple St., Madison, Tenn. Churches of the Wiseman and Siloam Missionary Baptist Associations have been invited to assist in the ordination.

PASTORAL CALLS

Rocky Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Rutledge Lane, Lebanon, Tenn. has called Elder Vernon Roark to her pastorate. He began his work with the church on Sunday, June 26.

Elder Berlon Roy has been called to the pastorate of Liberty Missionary Baptist Church, Maco Dr., Barberton, Ohio.

Parkwood Missionary Baptist Church, 244 Ewing Lane, Nashville, Tenn. recently called Elder Thomas Armstrong as pastor.

Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, 222 E. Epler Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. called Elder Eugene Brown to her pastorate.

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LETTER FROM INDIANA

Dear Bro. Vanderpool:

I would like to express my appreciation for the Baptist Banner. I enjoy reading the various Bible subjects by you, and other able brethren who have knowledge and wisdom from God. Also, enjoy the articles on the Bible Land. We considered it a real privilege to have been with the tour in the fall of 1977, it has opened up many scriptures to us, and we apply it in our preaching.

I would appreciate you announcing a revival that we have

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CUMBERLAND VALLEY SCHOOL OF GOSPEL MUSIC

The First Annual Session of the Cumberland Valley School of Gospel Music was conducted June 20 - July 1, at Cumberland College, Lebanon, Tennessee. Classes were held both day and night. Areas of special interest were taught including music theory, harmony, sight reading, ear training, conducting, song writing and teacher training. Private lessons were also taught.

Over 500 attended final
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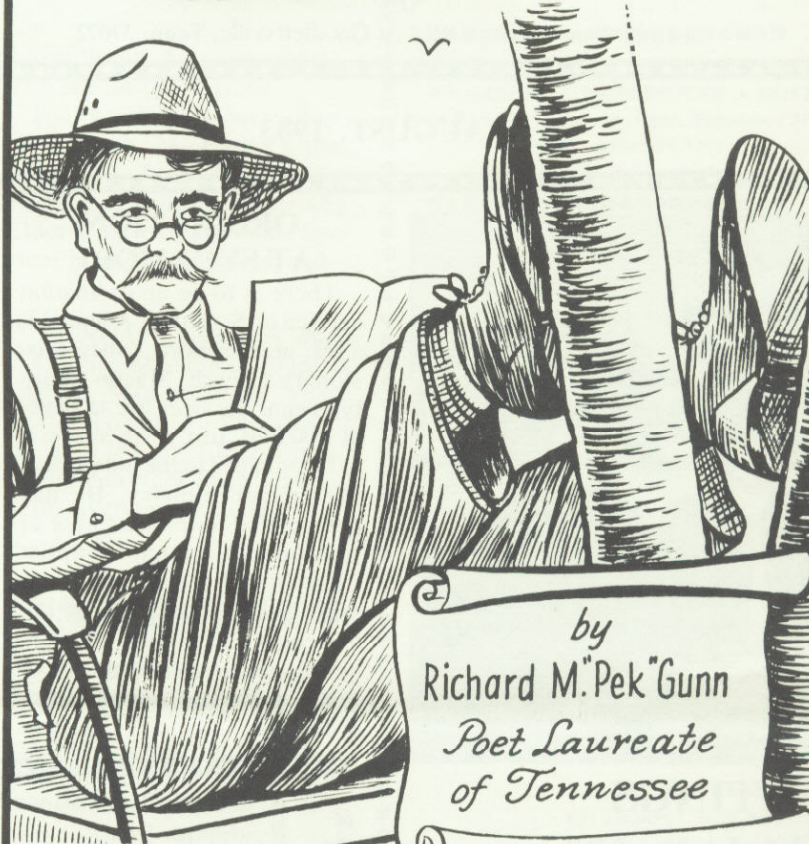
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Information Wanted

We have a request for information concerning an old fashion Missionary Baptist Church that might be located some 25 miles south of Birmingham, Alabama around the city of Montevallo. The one looking for such church is Sister Priscilla Threadgill, 208 Connie St., Montevallo, AL 35115. We received a letter from her sister asking for the information. Anyone who might have the information being asked for can either contact Sister Threadgill, or her sister, Mrs. Kay Lunsford, 204 Kennett Rd., Old Hickory, TN 37138, or call her: (615) 847-5570. Any information on this matter would be appreciated.

IF I ~



*If I could go back and undo
Some wrongs I've done along the way,
And know that wounds that I have caused
Were healed of all the scars today.*

*If steps I've caused someone to take
By thoughtless ways in which I've trod
Have led to a confused estate,
Instead of simple trust in God.*

*If someone else still wanders on
Who followed my unsteady track.
And lost his way for lack of light
Because my lantern globe was black.*

*If I could gather up and bind
The wasted years that I have spent,
And treat them as they'd never been
Today I'd be much more content.*

*I'm pardoned from my undone past—
But even so the hurt is done,
For out there somewhere in the dark,
A soul is lost I might have won.*

NOW IS THE TIME
TO PRAY. NOW IS THE
TIME TO SEEK THE
LORD.

"The unregenerate
person lives in sin, and
loves it.

The regenerate person
occasionally lapses into
sin, but loathes it."

"Lord, lay some soul
up my heart

And love that soul
through me.

And may I gladly do
my part

To win that soul for
Thee."

"If you find life empty,
try putting something in-
to it."

THE BIBLE TEACHES
US TO PRAY...for one
another...without ceas-
ing...earnestly...in
private...honest-
ly...within the Lord's
will...for our daily
needs...with praise to
God...for government of-
ficials...for those who
are preachers of the
word...with thanksgiv-
ing.

Those who pray well
live well.

Those who pray
together stay together.

Those who pray will
practice.

Those who pray
receive.

--G.W. Fox

A child may not inherit
his parents' talents, but
he will absorb their
values.

Whatever you write on
the heart of a child-

A story of gladness
or care,

That heaven has bless-
ed or that earth has
defiled

'Twill linger un-
changingly there.

--Anonymous

JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH IN CHRIST

By J. H. Smith

Justification is a legal term, whether we are thinking in terms of civil law, or Divine Law; and as we view this subject, we are reminded of several factors, such as: 1. law, of course; 2. penalty for its violation; 3. violators, or transgressors; 4. judgment, or condemnation; 5. release, or acquittal, from the penalty. May I state just here, however, that justification in a Bible sense has a broader meaning than merely being released, or acquitted from penalty for one's past sins; because this would only take care of his sins, past, and up to the time of his acquittal, and wouldn't provide for his future sins; but in God's gracious plan He



has fixed it so that man's past sins can be wiped out, and there is provision made for his future sins, so that no charge can ever be brought against him. "Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God who justifieth." "Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us." Romans 8:33-34. Note the following points:

FIRST, MAN'S NEED FOR JUSTIFICATION. The Scriptures reveal that man is a guilty, condemned sinner, and subject to the wrath of a holy and righteous God, whose Law he has broken and left without an excuse. The Law in which some people seek to be justified are condemned by it instead, for the Scriptures declare: "Now we know that whatsoever the Law saith, it saith to them who are under the Law; that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God." "Therefore by the deeds of the Law shall no flesh be justified in His sight; for by the Law is the knowledge of sin." Romans 3:19-20.

Note: "That every mouth may be stopped" Man has nothing to offer in defence, no excuse, nothing to say; he is guilty with nothing to say to free himself from the

condemnation of the Law which he has violated.

Furthermore: "By the Law is the knowledge of sin". One of the purposes of the Law is to show, and to prove, to men that they are sinners, to show that they have fallen short of that which the Law demands. Therefore by the deeds of the Law man can not be justified, because he just can't measure up to such a holy standard, "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23. This includes both Jew and Gentile. Paul argues; and he was a Jew, "Are we better than they? No, in no wise; for we have before proved both Jews and Gentiles, that they are all under sin; As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one." Romans 3:9-10.

Some men argue that there is some good in everybody, and what we have to do is educate them and bring out the good that is in them; and in this way we can make good men and a good society; but to prove the fallacy of such an argument, all you have to do is read and study Romans 3:9-18; and of course there are many other Scriptures but this would suffice. There is no righteousness in man that God will accept, as we note in the following Scripture: "But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousness are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away." Isaiah 64:6. So man must have a righteousness other than his own to ever stand before God in peace.

SECONDLY, THE BASIS OF JUSTIFICATION. After Paul said, "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;" he said this: "Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in

Christ Jesus; Romans 3:23-24. Notice that he said that being justified by grace is through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. Without the redemption that is in Christ Jesus there would be no grace, no justification, and no declared righteousness for the sinner. Jesus paid the price on the cross for the sinner, and this is what redemption is all about; it is buying back by a ransom price of those in slavery, and this is just what our Lord did in His sacrificial death. "Who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time." 1 Timothy 2:5.

God has set forth, or foreordained, that His Son should be the propitiation for our sins, in order for us to have His declared righteousness. Our sins were charged to His account, and He voluntarily paid the price; He settled the old account that was against us, this satisfied justice, and God can and does justify sinners and still be just to His Law. "Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood, to declare His righteousness for the

remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; To declare, I say, at this time His righteousness: that He might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus." Romans 3:25-26.

THIRDLY, HOW JUSTIFIED. In God's gracious plan to set sinners free, and count them righteous, excludes all boasting on the part of the freed captive. Paul asked this question, "Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay, but by the law of faith." "Therefore, we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the Law." Romans 3:27-28. Note: 1. That man is justified by faith, 2. without the deeds of the Law. Faith excludes works, and of course the Law is doing something, it is deeds, or works. A man who is trying to be justified by law, he is working at the job. And if he could get the job done, he would have a right to boast, because he would have earned something; and if God were to set him free from penalty on the basis of what the man had done, God would be paying a debt. If not, why not?

Men now, and in ages past, have been justified by faith, without the deeds of the Law. Abraham was a good man, if there ever was one, but he could not glory before God for the works which he did; "For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath whereof to glory, but not before God." "For what saith the Scriptures? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness." Romans 4:2-3.

We learn here that one's faith is counted for righteousness; it is not to him that worketh, for his works don't count; but God does look at his faith, and He counts that for righteousness. "Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt." "But to him that worketh not, but believeth on Him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness." Romans 4:4-5 If our works were to be counted in this in anyway, as far as our justification is concerned, even after we are forgiven and released from the penalty, we could still be charged and condemned for our sins afterward. But Paul goes back to the Old Testament, to one of the Psalms, to prove that a man who is once forgiven will never be charged and condemned again, "Saying, Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered." "Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin." Psalms 32:1-2. Yes, of course a man will sin after he has been forgiven, because his life will not be perfect, all his works will not be good, but his sins will not be charged to him. Our sins are covered by the blood of Christ, and that takes care of all of our sins, past and future, and when we sin in the flesh after conversion, we will be chastised

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OLD UNION BAPTIST MINISTERS SCHOOL

The 11th annual session of the Old Union Baptist Ministers School was held at Old Union Missionary Baptist Church, Matlock Rd., Bowling Green, Ky. on March 23, 24, 25, 1983. There were 89 ministers attending from California, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, Tennessee and West Virginia.

Those attending were: Brad Adams, Tim Binion, Jeffery M. Brown, Eugene Brown, Bobby Butts, D. C. Barton, Dexter Bacon, Ophie Carr, Willard Carr, Harold Carver, Daniel Chandler, Rufus Chandler, Paul Cofer, Del Compton, Ronald Cook, Morris Cothron, Jerry Crain, Richard Crain, Don Curtis, Doug Curtis, Kenneth Davis, Hilman Duncan, Gary Duncan, Danny Edwards, Jeff Elliott.

Steve Franklin, Roger Fowler, Ronnie Galloway, Bobby Gann, Bill Green, Garry Green, A. G. Gregory, Darrell Hicks, William House, C. B. Huddleston, Ricky Huff, Rex Hunt, Doug Kearby, C. W. Kesner, Terry Lyles, Landon Long, Don McDonald, Benny Maggart, Kenneth Massey, W. E. Massey, Jerry Miller, Floyd Mince, Billy Moran, Joe Morgan.

Terry Nicodemus, W. R. Overton, Kent Parsons, Charles Patterson, Calvin Perrigo, Elmer Perrigo, Steve Perrigo, Bob Pitt, Donald Joe Porter, Eugene Porter, Pete Porter, Jerry Reynolds, Kent Richter, Vernon Roark, W. T. Russell, C. L. Russell, Leon Sherron, James L. Shoulders, William Shoulders, Henry Smith, Homer Smith, Levy Smith, Ken Stapleton, D. W. Story, James Suttle, Ray Sutton.

Howard Taylor, Grover Thompson, H. C. Vanderpool, Don Watts, Keith Watts, Leon White, Ron Whiteside, Jackie Wilburn, Jay Wilburn, Kenneth Woodall, H. E. Woodard, Glen Webster, Nathan York.

Teachers during the session were Elders Billy Moran, Calvin Perrigo, Jerry Reynolds, Henry Smith, Howard Taylor and H. C. Vanderpool. A good session was enjoyed by all in attendance. Lunch was served each day at noon in the Neel Masonic Lodge Hall near the church. Elder Paul W. Bryson is the pastor of the church. Several pastors' wives attended a study for them. Photo and report on page 7.

◆ "Talk is always cheap,
◆ because the supply has
◆ always exceeded the de-
◆ mand."

◆ "It's generally in the
◆ summertime that the
◆ church gets snowed
◆ under."

◆ Those who "cook up"
◆ stories usually find
◆ themselves in 'hot
◆ water'.

◆ "The BIBLE is like a
◆ compass--it always
◆ points the believer in the
◆ right direction."

GREETINGS FROM JAPAN

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It might be by a kind of conspiracy of his people and Satan to separate him from our Christian fellowship. You see the situations we face, yet we have no time to get discouraged. We know Lord will show us the best way to help him out in peace with God and people. We need your prayers very much.

A few weeks ago we had guests from Matsumoto, a town

under the Japan Alps. In memory of Momose and his wife's 25th anniversary and 30 years of work in the Savings and Loan Association, they got four days vacation including one Sunday.

Following is the report of donations received with so much thanks for the second quarter of 1983.

April:

Plunkett's Creek Baptist, Carthage, TN	\$423.27
Faith Baptist, Nashville, TN	82.64
Beckwith Baptist, Mt. Juliet, TN	75.00
Mr. & Mrs. Mike Collins, Bowling Green, KY	75.00
South Carthage Baptist, Carthage, TN	145.49
Calvary Baptist, Carthage, TN	50.00
North Carthage Baptist, Carthage, TN	311.78
Mace's Hill Baptist, Smith County, TN	100.00
Total	\$1,263.18

May:

East Side Baptist, Franklin, KY	350.00
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Petty, Carthage, TN	50.00
Mt. Tabor Baptist, Smith County, TN	219.76
South Carthage Baptist, Carthage, TN	140.30
Plunkett's Creek Baptist, Carthage, TN	394.67
Faith Baptist, Nashville, TN	82.76
Beckwith Baptist, Mt. Juliet, TN	75.00
Calvary Baptist, Carthage, TN	50.00
Total	\$1,362.49

June:

Fellowship Baptist, Indianapolis, IN	452.63
Plunkett's Creek Baptist, Carthage, TN	454.09
South Carthage Baptist, Carthage, TN	127.32
Eld. & Mrs. J. H. Smith, Nashville, TN	50.00
Faith Baptist, Nashville, TN	112.65
Total	\$1,196.69

To Koi Baptist Church -

April:

McFerrin Baptist, Nashville, TN	152.15 & 134.20
Summer Shade Baptist, Summer Shade, KY	45.00
Lyons Baptist, Louisville, KY	200.00
Total	\$531.35

May:

New Friendship Baptist, Russell Springs, KY	487.26
Mt. Calvary Baptist, Nashville, TN	60.00
McFerrin Baptist, Nashville, TN	91.00
Total	\$638.26

June:

McFerrin Baptist, Nashville, TN	120.92
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We really appreciate your co-operation with us when we carry the gospel of the Lord here in this land of paganism. We will keep praying for all of

you. We would like for you to pray for us.

May God richly bless you,

Yours truly,
Koji Tajima

LETTER FROM INDIANA

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planned in Arlington, Texas. We were in Texas the first week of June, after being burdened for the area of Dallas, and by the help of the Lord were able to find a location for a Revival effort.

We have the meeting scheduled for August 14 thru 18th. It will take place at the Quality Inn in a meeting and convention center, located at 1601 East Division, Arlington, Texas. Services each night will begin at 7:30 PM. Singing will be provided by Bro. Bobby Butts and Bro. Steve Perrigo. Elder Dale Compton will be assisting me with the preaching.

If you know anyone in this area please contact any one of us and in turn we will contact them if possible. Please pray for the success of this meeting and for us that will be laboring in the word and doctrine.

Yours in Christ,
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**OREGON CHURCH
INFORMATION**

LaGrande Missionary Baptist Church, 2503 N. Birch St., LaGrande, Oregon 97850 was organized on January 28, 1983 with 13 charter members. The minister with this church is Pastor James Van Houten. Anyone wishing to have information on this church may write to the above address asking for doctrinal statement, etc. You may call: (503) 963-4745.

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REVIVAL REPORTS

Old Paths Missionary Baptist Church, Watertown Rd., Lebanon, Tenn. One saved. Pastor Edgar Copeland was assisted by Elder Hilman Duncan.

Sulphur Fork Missionary Baptist Church, Sumner County, Tenn. Five professions of faith with seven additions to the church by baptism. Pastor Bobby Earps was assisted by Elder Bobby Hale.

Caney Fork Missionary Baptist Church, Smith County, Tenn. Two professions of faith with two additions by baptism. Pastor James G. Beal was assisted by Elder Jack Green.

New Harmony Missionary Baptist Church, Auburn, Ky. Eight professions of faith with eight additions by baptism. Pastor William House was assisted by Elder Mitchell Smith.

Faith Missionary Baptist Church, Rose and Burbank Sts., Nashville, Tenn. Three professions of faith with seven additions to the church. Pastor A. G. Gregory was assisted by Elder Charles Patterson.

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OHIO LETTER

Dear Bro. Vanderpool:

I really enjoy the new format of your paper. The articles are really great and I enjoy the letters from the readers.

Your Sister in Christ,
Lou Ann Green
Toledo, Ohio

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You cannot repent too soon, because you do not know how soon it may be too late.
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55% in Southern States Teetotalers: Study Report

By W.A. REED

Tennessean Religion News Editor

More than half (55%) of the Southerners in a 16-state region said they never drink alcoholic beverages, according to a national study released yesterday.

A regional analysis, *Where Does the Time Go? The United Media Enterprises Report on Leisure in America*, was sponsored by United Media Enterprises, a

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Scripps-Howard Co. affiliate, and conducted by Research & Forecasts Inc., a New York-based national survey research firm.

THE RESEARCH is based on approximately 1,000 interviews with Americans throughout the country and more than 300 interviews with leaders of the nation's

media.

"The study showed that fewer Southerners attend parties (68% vs. 80%); go to bars and night clubs (38% vs. 51%); or drink alcoholic beverages (45% vs. 68%) than people in the nation as a whole," said Robert Roy Metz, president of United Media Enterprises.

Evidence from the study and from *Religion In America*, a Princeton Religion Research Center poll, indicates that more Southerners attend religious services at least once a week. The United Media poll shows a 63% attendance while the Princeton poll shows 58%, with the Midwest reporting 61%. The Princeton poll was for 1979-80. The United Media Report shows a 53% figure for the rest of the nation.

IN ADDITION, nearly twice

the percentage of Southerners (44%) watch religious programming on television. The average percent for the rest of the nation watching religious programming is 23%.

The study also shows that more Southerners watch television every day than the public in general (67% vs. 59%), though not necessarily for more hours per day.

Community spirit is stronger in the South. More Southern respondents (68%) agreed that people have a responsibility to spend a large part of their free time helping others than respondents nationwide.

Similarly, 57% of Southerners said "it is very important" to help other people in their free time although only 42% of the national sample concurred

PARKWOOD HOMECOMING

All-day homecoming services will be at Parkwood Missionary Baptist Church, 244 Ewing Lane, Nashville, Tenn. on Sunday, August 21. There will be special singing in the afternoon beginning at 2:00 P.M. with the Wilburn Family. Everyone is invited to attend. The revival begins that night. See revival announcements on page 8.

NORTH CAROLINA RADIO BROADCAST

Bro. Steve Perrigo began a radio program on Sunday, July 10, and will be on each Sunday at 7:30 A.M. The station is WRMT-AM, Rocky Mount, North Carolina. Tell your friends and relatives in that area to tune in. Pray for this work.

JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH IN CHRIST

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for those sins, but never will God condemn us and send us to hell. The word, impute, means to charge, to impose a charge for some wrong done. But God says that this will never happen to one that He has forgiven. "Blessed is that man to whom the Lord will not impute sin." Romans 4:8.

The believer has the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ, and His is a perfect righteousness. Our sins were charged to him, and He took our sins to the cross and paid for them. He died in our stead, died the death that we were due to die, and in turn, when we believe on Him, His righteousness is accredited to us; He took our sins, and we take His righteousness; and God, the Almighty, sees us through His Son and accepts us on the basis of what Christ has done, and not on the basis of what we have done, or ever will do. "Christ is the end of the Law for righteousness to everyone that believeth." Romans 10:4. This doesn't mean the termination of the Law, that it has gone out of existence, but

it means that Christ is the end of it for righteousness. That is, He fulfilled it. He didn't destroy the Law but fulfilled it. Matthew 5:17. And when we believe on Him, the Law doesn't make any more demands of us, everything has been settled in Christ Jesus.

FOURTHLY, FRUITS OF JUSTIFICATION. It is certain that one cannot enjoy the fruits of justification until he has been justified. There is no doubt, however, that there are many, many people that would like to enjoy the fruits, but they don't want to meet the requirements to bring them into the position to experience these great blessings from the Lord. We notice in Romans 4:25, Paul writing about the finished work of Jesus on the cross, he says, "Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification." Then he said in Romans 5:1: "Therefore being justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Notice, if you will, that Paul mentions our offences, that Christ was delivered for our offences. This tells us that we have offended God, for He is the One that we have sinned against; and now, as long as that offence remains, there will be no peace with God; but being justified by faith, we have peace with God, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Note: 1. peace with God; reconciliation is made the moment the sinner puts his trust in Jesus Christ, and all offences are removed; and peace is made between a righteous God and the undeserving sinner; 2. He has access by faith into the wonderful grace of God, wherein he stands. (Romans 5:2) This is his standing, it is in the good favor of God; and he rejoices in this grace, because he has a hope of God's glory. When all this takes place, how could this sinner, saved by grace, keep from rejoicing? He for the first time has something to rejoice in, and to rejoice about; 3. He can glory, or rejoice, even in times of trials: "And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also;" Romans 5:3. Our hope of glory is so wonderful and so encouraging, that, when the going down here is the hardest, we can, and do, rejoice in the great hope of glory; 4. The man who has been justified by faith in Christ has the love of God shed abroad in his heart by the Holy Spirit. (Romans 5:5) When a sinner believes in Christ, the Holy Spirit is given to him as a witness, (I John 5:10; Romans 8:16) and in the original Scriptures the rendering is thus: "The love of God is poured in our hearts by the Holy Spirit" What an experience, to have the love of God to flood our souls!



MINISTERS' WIVES FELLOWSHIP

A number of the ministers' wives attended the Fellowship and Study conducted for them during the 11th annual session of the Old Union Baptist Ministers School at Old Union Missionary Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky. which was held March 23, 24, 25, 1983. They assembled at the Neel Masonic for their meetings where they lunched each day with the ministers.

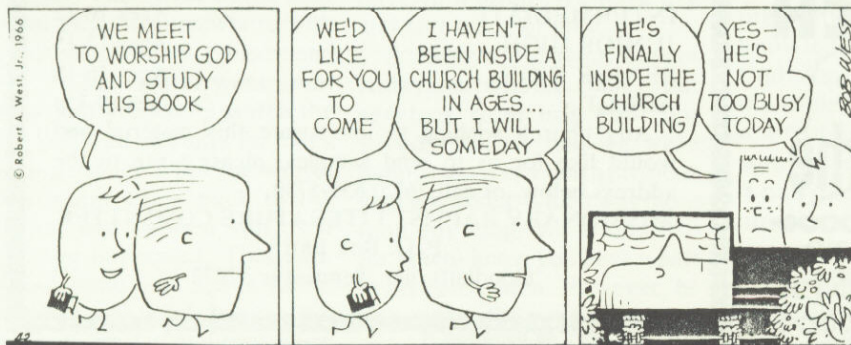
Most of those attending are pictured above. Attendants were Virgie Carver, Cherie Crain, Evelyn Barton, Gaibelle Porter, Pat Roark, Lucille Carr, Helen Perrigo, Annie Laura Smith, Shirley Parsons, Eva Davis, Ann Reynolds, Elaine Wilburn, Helen

Woodall, Helen Thompson, Juanita Curtis, Bernice Bryson, Mrs. Ray Sutton, Dixie Suttle.

Pat Curtis, Sue Cook, Margie York, Marell Carr, Nellie Woodard, Shirley Bacon, Shirley Cofer, Evelle Massey, Betty Smith, Kathy Morgan, Jane Moran, Lovie Mince, Bev Compton.

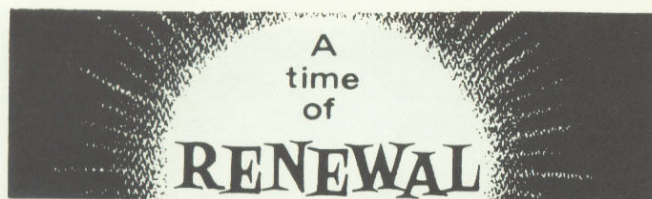
Those chosen to conduct the fellowship sessions were Evelle Massey, Annie Laura Smith and Alta Vanderpool. Sister Vanderpool was sick and unable to attend. The sisters report a very good fellowship.

THEOPHILUS



I Asked God

I asked God for strength that I might achieve.
I was made weak that I might learn humbly to obey.
I asked for help that I might do greater things.
I was given infirmity that I might do better things.
I asked for riches that I might be happy.
I was given poverty that I might be wise.
I asked for all things that I might enjoy life.
But I was given life that I might enjoy all things.



REVIVALS

SUNDAY - AUGUST 7

White Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Louisville Rd., Goodlettsville, Tenn. Pastor C. B. Massey is to be assisted by Elder William House. Services nightly at 7:30. Everyone is invited.

Long Fork Missionary Baptist Church, 5 miles east of Lafayette, Tenn. just off Highway 52 at Webbtown. Pastor G. W. Knight is to be assisted by Elder Don Curtis. Services each night at 7:30. Everyone is invited.

FRIDAY - AUGUST 12

Fairview Missionary Baptist Church, Highway 240, Woodburn, Ky. Pastor Doug Matthews is to be assisted by Elder Billy Moran. Services each night at 7:30. The public is invited to attend.

Piper's Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, Portland, Tenn. Pastor J. E. Shoulders is to be assisted by Elder Odell Wallace. Services nightly at 7:30. You are invited to attend.

SUNDAY - AUGUST 14

Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, 1401 Lischey Ave., Nashville, Tenn. Pastor Bobby G. Sutton is to be assisted by Elder A. G. Gregory. Services each night at 7:00. The public is invited to attend.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, 1080 Old Dickerson Pike, Goodlettsville, Tenn. Pastor H. C. Vanderpool is to be assisted by Elder Doug Curtis. Services nightly at 7:15. Everyone is invited to attend.

Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, 879 Orchard St., Toledo, Ohio. Pastor Darrell Hicks is to be assisted by Elder

Levie Smith. Services nightly. You are invited to come.

Parkwood Missionary Baptist Church, 244 Ewing Lane, Nashville, Tenn. Pastor Tom Armstrong is to be assisted by Elder Charles Patterson. Services nightly. You are invited.

SUNDAY - AUGUST 28

Liberty Missionary Baptist Church, Macon County, Tenn. Pastor Tommy Parkhurst is to be assisted by Elder Bobby Gann. Services each night at 7:30. Everyone is invited.



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singing on Friday night, July 1, which began at 7:00 P.M. and continued until 9:00 P.M. Officers, Board Members, and Faculty were encouraged over the 185 students who enrolled. Photos and a complete report will be made later with information on how the school can be supported. If someone wishes to have more information at the present time, write to: Cumberland Valley School of Gospel Music, Inc., c/o Mr. Key Dillard, Pres., Route 7, Rucker Lane, Murfreesboro, TN 37130, or call: (615) 890-0288.



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