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CALIFORNIA LETTER

Brother Vanderpool and all our friends,

The Lord willing we will be leaving California by September 21st and returning to our home in Nashville. I believe that I have done all the Lord sent me here to do. I have prayed much about it, and I feel relieved and a deep settled peace in my heart in leaving. What there is of Nyland Missionary Baptist Church seems to be in unity, I haven't had any trouble in leading them; and now they need somebody else that can lead them to come and carry on. I must leave that to the Lord and the church. I don't want to take the Holy Spirit's place in trying to put somebody in. But if some brother sees this and knows about the need might be touched and led to come this way.

I want to continue to preach after we return home, and I will be available for appointments, and if any church or pastor wants me to fill in at any time I will be delighted to come and preach. I want to preach as long as I am able, I am not retiring, but will wait to see when the Lord is ready for me to do that.

We are very grateful to all the churches and individuals who have remembered us with your prayers and offerings. Our needs have been amply supplied, and there hasn't been any problem in this regard. The Lord has been so good to us, and His people have been generous. I feel so unworthy of all that you have done for us, but I pray that the Lord will be honored and glorified in it all! I have had the closest walk with the Lord since we have been here that I have ever had, and I am convinced that many people, the Lord's people, have been praying for us. Our home church at McFerrin has been so wonderful to us through the years since we started out in this walk of faith, going out as missionaries. When McFerrin was just an infant church, three years old she sent us out as missionaries to Japan, and she did all that she could in supporting us, with her prayers, encouraging words, and of course, supporting us with her means.

Just a few more words about Nyland Missionary Baptist Church. These people are few in number, but they are sound Baptists, and the stronger the doctrine is preached the better they like it. We have a great love for them, and we are praying, and have been praying, that the Lord will send them a leader, the one of His choice.

We will be back at our house at 1169 Hunters Lane, Nashville, Tennessee Zip 37207, the Lord willing about four days after we leave California. May the Lord bless you all!

Henry and Annie Laura Smith

Phone no. in Nashville 615-865-6398

REVIVAL

A revival is to begin on Friday, October 4, at Cedar Cross Missionary Baptist Church, Highway 252, Scottsville, Ky. Pastor Gerald

Cherry is to be assisted by Elder Gary Duncan. Services daily at 1:30 P.M. and 7:30 P.M. Everyone is welcome.

Siloam Missionary Baptist **Association To Meet**

On Friday, October 4, the Siloam Missionary Baptist Association will meet in its 33rd annual session at 10:00 a.m. with Long Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Lafayette, Tenn. At the 1984 session 24 churches represented with a total membership of 4,252 and Sunday school enrollment of 1,227.

Officers elected during the 1984 session were, Elder W. T. Russell, Moderator, Elder Don Curtis, Clerk and Bro. G. W. Hauskins, Treasurer.

On Friday night, October 4, Elder Jimmy Fulkerson is to deliver the Introductory Sermon and Elder Billy Moran is to preach the Memorial Sermon on Friday night. The Doctrinal Sermon is to be delivered on Saturday by Elder Don Curtis.

Banner To Have New Editor

The December, 1985 issue of the BANNER will be my last month as editor. We have a new editor, Elder Benny Maggart, pastor of Lafayette Missionary Baptist Church, Lafayette, Tenn. Bro. Maggart will assume his duties with this publication beginning with the January, 1986 issue. More on this subject later.

> H. C. Vanderpool, Editor

ADDRESS LABEL

INDIANAPOLIS REPORT

Dear Bro. Vanderpool:

Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church would like to inform everyone that Bro. Jerry Miller has terminated his mission work in West Virginia.

We wish to thank everyone for their prayers, encouragement, financial assistance and any other way in which you may have supported this Brother in his labors in the mission field.

Please continue to pray for him as he endeavors to do God's will. Dean Hauskins

Church Clerk

It's easy to know when to stop giving to the Lord's work.

Just give till the Master stops giving to you.

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Goodlettsville, Tennessee 37072

Report From California

August 20, 1985

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

First of all, I want to thank you for your prayers and support. Secondly, I would like to report on my work here.

We have been holding services for five Sundays now in Brother Richard Underwood's home. The Lord has really blessed our services, There has been 12-13 people every service. The Lord has helped us to relocate and gave me a great burden for the little mission that has started. I plan on getting an extended arm so that I can baptize new converts.

The move to our new home has put more of a financial burden on my family and me. Our monthly rent now is \$750. I have found part-time work with a construction company. We also receive \$155 a month regular support, and from time to time we receive a love offering from individuals and other churches. This support has helped us a great deal. I believe God has blessed these churches and individuals. I ask that you continue to pray for my family and me, and also the mission that the Lord has helped us to start. God bless you for your help and prayers.

Your humble servant in the Lord,

Elder Jeffrey K. Elliott and family

P.S. Our new address is 5595 Gardendale Ave., South Gate, CA 90280, Phone no. 213-923-4382.

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NEW BAPTIST MISSION IN COOKEVILLE, TENN.

An Old Fashion Missionary Baptist Mission has begun in Cookeville, Tenn. It is located at North Washington and Jere Whitson Sts. Services are conducted each Sunday at 11:00 A.M. by Bro. Bobby Brooks and Elder Edward Rader. Anyone having friends or relatives living in that area are asked to notify them of the mission and invite them to attend.

Elder Rader has a radio broadcast "Way of Salvation Broadcast" each 1st and 3rd Sunday at 2:00 P.M. over station WWRT, 1590 AM, Cookeville, Tenn. You are invited to listen.

KANSAS INFORMATION WANTED

We have a request from Faith Missionary Baptist Church in Roseville, Mich., wanting to know if there is a sound Missionary Baptist Church in the Ogden, Kansas area. Cedar Cross Missionary Baptist Church, Scottsville, Ky., has a Mission at Emporia, Kansas which is located southeast of Ogden. For the members from Michigan moving to Kansas to get location details contact: Melanie Calvert, Route 2, Box 127-C, Emporia, KS 66801.

INFORMATION WANTED ON KENTUCKY CHURCHES

Another request for an Old Fashion Missionary Baptist Church in eastern Kentucky has come to our attention. The person lives in Ashland, Kentucky which is on the border of Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia. At present the Old Time Missionary Baptist Church, Elizabeth, WV which is northeast of Ashland, Ky., is the closest that we have knowledge of. Contact Bro. Gary E. Fisher, Route 1, Box 172-A, Walker, WV 26180, or call: (304) 489-2104. If anyone knows of a church closer to Ashland, contact Mr. J. C. Frye, P.O. Box 9, Hartsville, TN 37074; or call him at (615) 374-2811, (615) 374-2520.

The Southwestern District Missionary Baptist Association Is To Convene In Its 137th Session

The Southwestern District Missionary Baptist Association is to convene in its 137th annual session on Friday, October 11, beginning at 10:00 A.M. The host church is Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church located 4½ miles northeast of Lexington, Tenn. in Henderson County.

Officers elected at the last seating were, Elder Harold Carver, Moderator and Bro. Ray Smith, Clerk. Elder Harold Eubanks was elected to preach the Introductory Sermon on Friday and Elder Harold Carver is to preach the Doctrinal Sermon on Saturday.

There were 31 churches representing in 1984 with a membership of 3,668 and the Sunday school enrollment was 1,899.

REVIVAL

A revival is to begin at Meadorville Missionary Baptist Church, Macon County, Tenn. on Sunday, October 20, Pastor Bobby Gann is to be assisted by Elder Jeffrey Thompson. Services each night at 7:30 P.M. Everyone is welcome.

WHICH KIND ARE YOU?

The body of every church is constructed from four kinds of bones: The "Wishbones" spend all their time wishing someone else would do their work; the "Jawbones" do all the talking but little else; the "Knucklebones" knok everything anybody else tries to do; and the "Backbones" do most of the work. LET'S ALL BECOME BACKBONES!

Shirley Dillard

THE ARKANSAS MISSION

Dear Bro. Vanderpool and Readers of the Baptist Banner, Here is the financial report for the months of May, June, and July. MAY

MAY	
Bethel Baptist Church, Indianapolis, IN	\$100.00
Individuals from Bethel	
Faith Baptist Church, Roseville, MI	20.00
Rock Bridge Baptist Church, Oak Grove, TN	30.00
Knob Spring Baptist Church, Mt. Juliet, TN	
Old Paths Baptist Church, Lebanon, TN	25.00
Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Franklin, KY	50.00
Red Hill Baptist Church, Holland, KY	20.00
Maple Grove Baptist Church, Lafayette, TN	25.00
Fairview Memorial Baptist Church, Bowling Green, KY	144.84
Total for May	
JUNE	
Bethel Baptist Church, Indianapolis, IN	\$100.00
Individuals from Bethel	
Rock Bridge Baptist Church, Oak Grove, TN	30.00
Red Hill Baptist Church, Holland, KY	20.00
Old Paths Baptist Church, Lebanon, TN	25.00
Faith Baptist Church, Roseville, MI	
Knob Spring Baptist Church, Mt. Juliet, TN	25.00
Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Franklin, KY	
Maple Grove Baptist Church, Lafayette, TN	25.00
Total for June	\$345.00
JULY	
Bethel Baptist Church, Indianapolis, IN	\$100.00
Individuals from Bethel	
Mrs. Edna L. Vantrease, Lebanon, TN	50.00
Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Franklin, KY	50.00
Faith Baptist Church, Roseville, MI	
Brattontown Baptist Church, Lafayette, TN	125.00
Maple Grove Baptist Church, Lafayette, TN	
Rock Bridge Baptist Church, Oak Grove, TN	
Knob Spring Baptist Church, Mt. Juliet, TN	25.00
Old Paths Baptist Church, Lebanon, TN	25.00
Red Hill Baptist Church, Holland, KY	
Total for July	
Total for the three months	\$1,364.34
We thank each Church and each Individual.	
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Your Bro. in Christ,

Elder M. V. Hammack

Rt. 1, Box 265

Bald Knob, AR 72010 Phone: 1-501-724-5871

LETTER TO EDITOR

I want to renew my Baptist Banner for 2 more years for \$7.00. I have been reading this paper for years. I am having a birthday on Sept. 26, I will be 85 years old. I am in good health. I was saved at the age of 14 at Meadorville Baptist Church. I look forward for my paper. God bless you.

Letha Dillehay 617 E. Main St. Hartsville, TN 37074

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If you want to be poor—grasp!
If you want to be needy—hoard!
If you want abundance—scatter!

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"Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy" applies to vacation Sundays as well as the rest of the year.





OREGON CHURCH INFORMATION

LaGrande Missionary Baptist Church, 2503 N. Birch St., La-Grande, 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.

Go Ye Into All The World

Having moved to London, Kentucky about three years ago, I have searched for a sound old time baptist church. To my knowledge there is not one here.

Is there a preacher who would feel led to come this way and hold a revival, with the possibility of staying?

For more information, call or write:
Joyce Brown, Rt. 3, Box 6

London, Ky. 40741 Phone (606) 864-8270

THE MEASURE OF A MAN

Not, How did he die?

But, How did he live?

Not, What did he gain?

But, What did he give?

Not, What was his station?
But, Had he a heart?
And, How did he play
His God-given part?



Corinthian half drachma.

WISEMAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION TO CONVENE

The Wiseman Baptist Association is to convene in its 95th annual session on October 25-26, with Old Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church, near Castalian Springs in Sumner County, Tenn. Services the first day are to begin at 10:00 A.M.

There were 36 churches representing in 1984, with a membership of 7,149 and the Sunday school enrollment was 1,885. Elder Howard Taylor was elected Moderator, Elder H. C. Vanderpool was elected Clerk and Elder A. G. Gregory was elected Treasurer.

Elder Gary Duncan was chosen to preach the Introductory Sermon on Friday, and on Friday night the Memorial Sermon is to be preached by Elder James Shoulders. On Saturday, Elder Harold D. Linville is to preach the Doctrinal Sermon.

REPORT FROM COLORADO

Dear Bro. Vanderpool,

I am sorry I didn't give you our address last month. See the close of this letter. Bro. Doug Kerby is to be with us this week. We are looking forward to the time we can have a pastor. Pray for him and us.

Our building is looking finished on the outside. The men did the concrete work the past two Saturdays. We still have to build a deck at the side walk in front and hand rails around porches and steps.

We have much to do inside. We are about \$35,000.00 from meeting their codes and able to move into the building, as the codes are at this time. We just pray we can finish under the county building Dept. Aurora has annexed us and are making the new projects put in sidewalks and streets across the property. So we just pray our project will get finished with the county.

We wish to thank everyone for their prayers and financial help, and you for your help. Pray for us. Yours in Christ,

Doreen Brown, Clerk Colorado Missionary Baptist Church 1676 S. Dayton St. Denver, CO 80231

COLORADO MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH FINANCIAL REPORT FOR AUGUST 1985

Grace Miss. Baptist Church, Hendersonville, TN \$50.00
Harmony Miss. Baptist Church, Nashville, TN
Harmony Miss. Baptist Church, Nashville, TN \$10.00
Faith Miss. Baptist Church, Bowling Green, KY
Faith Miss. Baptist Church, Bowling Green, KY \$25.00
Union Hill Miss. Baptist Church, Gallatin, TN \$50.00
Sherrill Jones, Hendersonville, TN
Marvin Payne, Springfield, MO\$100.00
Christine Green, Nashville, TN
Total

Said Satan cult site reveals emblems

TOLEDO, Ohio — Investigators today found "various ritualistic emblems" at a cinder-block building in woods where the county sheriff believes the human sacrifices of a satanic cult may be buried, authorities said.

Lucas County Sheriff James

Telb said Thursday he believes as many as 75 people may have been killed by a cult of Satan worshipers, but digging so far has failed to unearth any human remains.

Deputies today found stakes set in triangles and backward writing around the building, said Marvin Reams, spokesman for Telb. Deputies also began sorting through rubble in the basement, he said.