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Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth. Psalms 60:4

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MISSIONARY IN JAPAN



Bro. Tajima preaching in a Hospital in Japan

Koji Tajima
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Hiroshima 733, Japan
July 3, 1970

Elder & Mrs. H. C. Vanderpool
2303 Grandview Drive
Bowling Green, Ky. U.S.A.

Dear Elder & Mrs. Vanderpool:

We appreciated the Baptist Banner Vo. 5 - No. 1 which we received some time ago and enjoyed it. Thank you for your doing favor in sending us your blessed paper.

We hope you and your family well in the Lord. I and my family are fine and doing fine for His glory here in Japan, for which we are thankful to the Lord. Though we have uncomfortable and unhealthy rainy season since middle of June, we enjoy His blessings any time and anywhere. This bad season will continue over two more weeks, then we will have hot summer. Summer is good season in carrying out the Gospel of Christ to each of Bible-believing missionary Baptist filled with missionary spirit.

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MISSIONARY REPORT FROM MEXICO

Guadalajara, Jalisco
July 3, 1970

Dear Friends:

We send our warmest greetings to all from Mexico. We are indeed happy at this time. Last Sunday, June 28, we were blessed with the privilege of being able to preach our first sermon in the Spanish language. We thank God that we have progressed enough to begin work without too much of a problem with the language. There are, of course, other problems that we will have to overcome.

We continue to be bothered by sickness in the family, but we are continuing as best we can in the work. We have about four more weeks of language study left before we come home for a short visit.

Because of confliction of dates, revivals and poor mail service here, we

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NEWS FROM MISSION FIELD IN ISRAEL

P. O. Box 7305
Jerusalem, Israel
July 4, 1970

Dear Vanderpool and Friends:

Again we send our warmest greetings to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ from Jerusalem. Shalom Alechem, peace be unto you. A treasured word, in a world where there isn't much peace.

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POLK COUNTY MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION TO MEET AUGUST 11-12

The 103rd annual session of the Polk County Missionary Baptist Association in Missouri is to be held with the Mt. View Missionary Baptist Church, Polk, Missouri, on August 11 and 12. Services are to begin on the first day at 10:00 a.m.

Officers elected last year were: Elder Wilburn Foster, Moderator; Sister Jewell Melton, Clerk-treasurer.

The annual Introductory Sermon on the first day is to be preached by Elder Jerry Reynolds. Elder Turner Smith is to preach in the afternoon and on Tuesday night the sermon is to be by Elder Austin McGinnis.

On Wednesday, the second day, the morning sermon is to be by Elder Harlan Graham, the afternoon sermon is to be preached by Elder Jackson Davis. Several brethren will conduct devotional services during the sitting of the association.

Mt. View church is located in the town of Polk, Mo., in north Polk County. Polk is on Highway D (County Road) two miles south of the intersection of D and Highway 64. It can be reached from Springfield via State Highway 13 north to Bolivar, then north to Highway D to Polk.

These people would be happy to have sound, true Missionary Baptists of other areas of the country to meet with them on these two days.

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Churches

BAPTIST CHURCH ORGANIZED AT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

Another Missionary Baptist Church was organized in Springfield, Mo., on May 17, 1970. The church was named Freedom. A revival was in progress when nine souls were saved and six were baptized. Elder Jerry A. Reynolds was assisted in the meeting by Elder Nevin Breshears.

The church was organized with twenty charter members. They now have twenty-six members and two are waiting baptism and six are waiting letters from sister churches.

There are now two old-fashioned Missionary Baptist churches in Springfield. Elder Jerry A. Reynolds was elected pastor of Freedom Missionary Baptist Church. Let's remember them in our prayers.

DEDICATION SERVICES

SET FOR INDIANAPOLIS CHURCH

Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church, 1032 S. Holmes, Indianapolis, Ind., is to dedicate their house of worship on Sunday, August 30. All churches of like faith and order are invited to attend. All former pastors have a special invitation to be present.

The Dedication sermon is to be by Elder F. W. Lambert of Westmoreland, Tenn. Elder Carlos Gammon is pastor of the church.

A SOLDIER AND HIS GOD

Look God: I have never spoken to you, but now —
I want to say: "How do you do?"
You see God, they told me You didn't exist
And like a fool — I believed all of this.
Last night from a shell-hole I saw your sky —
I figured right then they had told me a lie.
Had I taken the time to see the things you made,
I'd know they weren't calling a spade a spade.
I wonder God, if you'd shake my hand,
Somehow — I feel that you will understand;
Funny, I had to come to this hellish place,
Before I had time to see your face.
Well, I guess there isn't much more to say
But I'm sure glad, God, I met you today.
I guess the zero hour will soon be here
But I'm not afraid since I know you are here
The signal — well, God — I'll have to go,
I like you lots — this I want you to know.
Looks like this will be a horrible fight,
Who knows — I may come to your house tonight.
Though I wasn't friendly with you before,
I wonder God — if you'd wait at your door —
Look — I am crying, me shedding tears,
I wish I'd know you these many years.
Well, I'll have to go now, God — goodbye
Strange — since I met you — I'm not afraid to die.

(This poem was found on the body of a 19-year-old soldier in Vietnam)

The Arizona Missionary Baptist

REVIVAL ANNOUNCEMENTS FIRST SUNDAY — AUGUST

White Hill Baptist Church, Goodlettsville, Tenn. Pastor C. L. Russell is to be assisted by Bro. Horace Head.

White Oak Ridge Baptist Church, Monroe County, Ky. Pastor Melvin Stinson is to be assisted by Elder Truman Gerald.

SECOND SUNDAY — AUGUST

Plunkett's Creek Baptist Church, Smith County, Tenn. Pastor W. V. Deweese is to be assisted by Elder C. A. Gentry and Bro. Howard Dawson is to direct the singing.

Faith Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky. Pastor Hilman Duncan is to be assisted by Elder Howard G. Taylor.

THIRD SUNDAY — AUGUST

New Bethel Baptist Church, Goodlettsville, Tenn. Pastor F. L. Ray is to be assisted by Elder F. W. Lambert.

Fairview Baptist Church, Woodburn, Ky. Pastor James Suttle is to be assisted by Elder H. C. Vanderpool. The singing is to be under the direction of Elder Everett L. Fields.

FOURTH SUNDAY — AUGUST

Lyons Baptist Church, 904 Gagel Ave., Louisville, Ky. Pastor L. W. Smith is to be assisted by Elder Howard G. Taylor.

NEW CHURCH ORGANIZED

The editor is sorry that the report was not received in time to invite others to assist in the organization of another Baptist Church which was to be organized at Whiteland, Ind., on July 19. Elder Bill Mackelroy had been doing mission work at this place.

ISRAEL'S IMMIGRANTS LIKE CITY

TEL AVIV (AP) — Two-thirds of Israel's new immigrants prefer to settle in the metropolitan Tel Aviv area, a government study shows.

Some people not only want their religion free, but they want the preacher to deliver it to their homes.

EDITOR TO SHOW SLIDES OF BIBLE LANDS

The editor is to show slides of a 15-day tour of Bible Lands at Concord Baptist Church, White House, Tenn., on Sunday night, August 9 at 7:30 p.m.

The countries toured are Greece, Italy and Israel. The public is invited to attend.

REVIVAL REPORTS

Freedom Baptist Church, 500 Fuller Drive, Indianapolis, Ind. Nine professions of faith with nine additions by baptism. Pastor Billy Adamson was assisted by Elder W. T. Taylor.

Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, Warren County, Ky. Two professions of faith with three additions to the church. Pastor Charles Moore was assisted by Elder Bobby G. Sutton.

Fairview Memorial Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky. Three professions of faith with three additions to the church. Pastor W. T. Russell was assisted by Elder Floyd Ferguson.

Concord Baptist Church, White House, Tenn. Three professions of faith with three additions to the church. Pastor G. C. Smith was assisted by Elder H. C. Vanderpool.

Freedom Baptist Church, Springfield, Mo. Nine professions of faith and six were baptized. Two others approved for baptism and six received by credit of letters from sister churches.

CHURCH ORGANIZED AT MILFORD, ILLINOIS

Another Baptist Church was organized at Milford, Ill., on June 13, 1970. The work had been an extended arm out of Salem Missionary Baptist Church, Greenwood, Indiana.

The new church was organized with fourteen charter members and was named Beautiful Home Missionary Baptist Church. Elder Mitchell Smith preached the organizational sermon and Elder H. B. Eaton gave the charge to the church.

The new church is having full-time services and Elder Mitchell Rigsby, Route 2, Hoopeston, Ill., is the pastor.

THE CLOCK

The clock of life is wound but once,
And no man has the power
To tell just when the hands will stop
At late or early hour.

To lose one's wealth is sad indeed.
To lose one's health is more.
To lose one's soul is such a loss
That no man can restore.

39 people died while you read this short poem. Every hour 5,417 go to meet their Maker. You could have been among them. Sooner or later you will be. Are you ready?

A GRACIOUS EXPERIENCE

Red Boiling Springs, Tenn.
September 9, 1937

Dear Editor and Readers of
the Searchlight:

I've been thinking for sometime I would write to the paper but feeling the space could be more valuably used just neglected it. I have been a reader of your paper almost a year, think it is wonderful, wish more people would take it.

Dear friends, I feel that I am the weakest of God's children, but am so thankful that He had mercy on me the night of July 23, 1937. I knew I was a lost sinner, had been going to the mourners bench for a few years. That night I went but didn't stay on the bench I was on the floor pleading for mercy, thought I was going to hell in spite of all that could be done. But about 10:30 I surrendered to the Lord and he saved me with an everlasting salvation. They were singing, "I know I've Been Redeemed." Oh! I was so happy! Dear friends I won't have the pleasure of meeting all of you in this world but I am expecting to see you over yonder on the other shore.

Readers, I have a dear Mother, brother and sister out in sin, I want to ask you to pray that they may be saved before it is too late.

We all have our trouble and trials here but when we leave this old world of sin and sorrow, we have a building of God—a house not made with hands eternal in the heavens where we'll be one family around God's eternal throne.

Now reader, may I ask you a question, Are you a child of God?

If not poor sinner remember God hears and answers prayers. Jesus died for you, friends are praying for you, make ready before it's too late.

We all must face the judgment bar of God, prepared or unprepared. Just think, life is uncertain—death is sure. Call upon Him while He is near. Seek Him while He may be found. I will close asking God's children to pray for me. My church "Pleasant Valley" our pastor Bro. E. C. Butler.

Yours till we meet in glory,
Hazel Hance

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Report From Mexico

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have so far received confirmation of only four appointments during the time that we are to be home in August. They are: Caney Fork, Sunday night, August 9; Rocky Grove, Saturday night, August 15; Faith, Sunday night, August 16; Maces Hill, Wednesday night, August 19.

We sent request to the following churches but have as yet received no reply: Hendersonville, Piper's Chapel, South Carthage and Lafayette. If any church should desire that I send an appointment, I can be reached at Carthage, Tenn., phone 735-9311. We will probably be home about three weeks.

Following is a report of contributions received for the second quarter of this year:

April - Caney Fork, 30.10; Bro. and Sister Lucious Reed, 25.00; Bro. Jackie Woodard, 20.00; Mt. Tabor, 16.29; Faith, 52.35; Parkwood, 17.15. Total \$160.89.

May - Young Married Class of Lafayette Baptist Church Sunday School, 25.00; Class No. 8 of McFerrin Baptist Church Sunday School, 50.00; Longview 50.00; Caney Fork Sunday School, 25.35; Bill Petty's Sunday School Class of South Carthage Baptist Church, 50.00; Sister Fannie Vance, 50.00; Mt. Tabor, 14.50; Faith Baptist Church, 36.97; Bro. and Sister Lucious Reed, 25.00; Bro. Bobby Gentry, 10.00; Bro. T. D. Dickerson, Madison, Ala., 50.00; Bro. and Sister William Carter, 10.00; North Carthage, 98.34; Parkwood, 20.02. Total \$515.18.

June - New Salem, 93.00; Miss Lois Vance, 50.00; Bro. and Sister H. M. Wilburn, 5.00; Caney Fork Sunday School, 34.90; Young Married Class of Lafayette Baptist Sunday School, 25.00; Bro. and Sister Lucious Reed, 25.00; Faith, 34.47; Mt. Tabor, 11.30. Total \$278.67.

We thank everyone for the support. Our prayer is that God will bless all the churches during the revivals with the salvation of many lost souls. Remember to pray for us.

Your Bro. in Christ,
James Vance

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Bro. Tajima and Family

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Our works here have been blessed so much lately. It seems to me that it is a season of harvest after years of hard laboring in stony uncultivated fields. This is what Lord did and we are as nothing, however, I can tell this: that our enduring labour with your prayer and support have given glory to God by faith overcoming difficulties after difficulties.

Enclosed are pictures. My family, and two of them were taken at a hospital where I preach every Saturday morning. Lord opened the way for me get in with the Gospel of Christ to these people. Most of them are under medical treatment from their alcoholism. They are seeking something that satisfies their vacant souls, and you know, we have the very key to solves their own problems. A nurse told me there were 225 men and women in it's hall last Saturday morning. It is wonderful as well as when we do testify Christ to a soul. We would like for you remember us in prayer. We will keep praying for you as usual.

The following is a report of offerings which we have recieved with so much thanks from churches and individuals since April.

April - Plunketts Creek Baptist Church, 62.29; Elder David Pickel, San Antonio, Texas, 20.00. Total 82.29.

May - South Carthage Baptist Church, Junior S. S. Class, 25.00 and Young Adult Class 50.00; East Carthage Baptist Church, 155.93; North Carthage Baptist Church, 32.78; Plunketts Creek Baptist Church, 64.59; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Petty, Carthage, Tenn., 25.00; Mr. T. D. Dickerson, Madison, Ala., 50.00. Total 403.30.

June - Plunketts Creek Baptist Church 72.18; Adult S. S. Class of South Carthage Baptist Church, 40.00. Total 112.18.

To Koi Baptist Church - April - McFerrin Baptist Church, 68.62; Elder

Lex Walters, Gaithersburg, Md., 20.00. Total 88.62.

May - McFerrin Baptist Church, 204.47.

June - McFerrin Baptist Church, 100.

May God richly bless you.

Your humble brother in Christ
Koji Tajima & Family

News From Israel

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Our condition of health seems to be fairly good; and there are other conditions, of course, of which we are to be thankful. In our last service, on Thursday night, the promise of Jesus was realized, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Matthew 18:20. He was with us in a mighty way, and the Holy Sprit gripped our hearts as we engaged in prayer and the study of His divine Word.

There is a lot of unrest and tension among the people in this country right now, and I think many Israelis are getting nervous about the Russian build up in the Middle East, especially in Egypt; and because the United States isn't getting in any hurry about selling them more planes for their defense. It is enough to make them nervous. Who wouldn't be nervous among those who don't have a Saviour?

I have enrolled for the summer Hebrew classes and will study two days a week through July and August. At the beginning of September I will start on the regular term, which last through to June of next year. It isn't easy to learn a foreign language but I am very interested in learning this one, and intend to, by the grace of God to learn it. I request your prayers for this and all that we try to do for the Lord here in this land where He Himself once trod.

We might be moving in the near future to a more permanent place which we believe that the Lord has provided for us in Jerusalem. I will write later and give more definite details about this, but in the mean time we continue to seek out the Lord will in this matter. We must move as the Lord moves us, for we could get into trouble by taking matters into our own hands; and that we don't want to do.

May the Lord bless all our brethren and sisters back in our homeland.

Sincerely in His dear name,
Henry and Annie Laura Smith