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Scripture Being Fulfilled

Siloam Missionary Baptist Association To Meet

The Siloam Missionary Baptist Association is to meet in its fourteenth annual session on Friday, September 30, and will continue through Sunday October 2. It will meet with Macedonia Baptist Church, Allen County, Kentucky. Services begin on the first day at 10:00 A.M.

On the first day the Introductory sermon is to be delivered by Elder W. E. Massey. Elder James G. Beal is to preach the Memorial sermon on the second day and the Doctrinal sermon on Sunday is to be delivered by Elder J. D. Birdwell.

Officers elected last year were, Elder F. W. Lambert, Moderator, Elder H. C. Vanderpool, Clerk and Bro. H. H. Harrison, Treasurer. Twenty-eight churches from Tennessee, Kentucky, Illinois, Michigan and Ohio represented in 1965, with a total membership of 4,746.

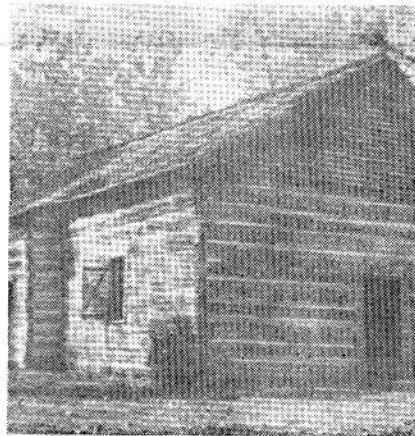
Letter From Brother Bacon In Japan

Ube City, Japan. For every prayer, for every thing in every way that has been done for us, we want to say from the depths of our hearts, thank you very much. The Lord has been very near to us and has overshadowed us with His comforting Spirit. We are learning to lean upon Him more and more each day. We want to praise Him for these things.

Last year the Lord burdened my heart to move here to Ube City, and through Him we were able to find a place to live and to have services. In the first service only two men came, but as we bowed on our knees and pray-

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Old Landmark



Old Mulkey Meeting House

Tompkinsville, Ky.—The Old Mulkey Meeting House is located on Highway 63, near Tompkinsville in Monroe County, Kentucky. It is now a State Shrine.

The Meeting House was erected about 1800 and is one of the oldest church buildings in the state. Some of Kentucky's early Baptists worshiped here.

Elder John Mulkey preached at this location. He gathered the Mill Creek Church which was organized in 1798. On the wall of the Old Mulkey Meeting House, neatly framed, is a roll of the Mill Creek Church, 1798-1799. There were 170 members. Also on the wall of this historic structure are the pictures of Elder Mulkey and his wife.

The way in which the building was constructed it has twelve corners. It is said that these represented the twelve Apostles. The five windows are believed to represent the five wise virgins. Symbolic of the Godhead are the three doors. The pulpit is located in the north side of the building. The seats are hewn

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Scripture And Headlines Coincide

By H. C. Vanderpool

Are you an optimist or a pessimist? Regardless of which one you are, we cannot deny the truth and the facts that confront us every day. I have always endeavored to be optimistic concerning the outlook on life, but when I read many headlines in papers today and then turn to my Bible I can plainly see that the scriptures are being fulfilled. Whether you are optimistic, pessimistic, rich, poor, unlearned, educated, a leader or a follower, we must and should face up to facts and not bury our heads in the sand as the ostrich does.

First let us turn to the scriptures and read, "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

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Bethel Missionary Baptist Association To Meet In Indiana

On Friday night, September 16, Bethel Missionary Baptist Association is to meet in its ninth annual session with Kokomo Missionary Baptist Church, 1723 Lindsey, Kokomo, Indiana. There will be services on Saturday and Sunday following.

On Friday night Elder Mitchell Smith is to preach the Memorial sermon. Elder Paul Bryson is to deliver the introductory sermon. On Saturday, the Doctrinal sermon is to be preached by Elder Othniel Finley.

Last year five churches represented with a membership of 545. Officers that served the association in its last session were, Elder H. B. Eaton, Moderator, Elder Billy Moran, Clerk and Bro. Edward Bradley, Treasurer.

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Gospel Singing School A Success

We, at McFerrin Avenue Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn., have enjoyed a ten night singing school taught by Mr. S. B. Cornwell, of Trousdale County, ending on the fifth Sunday in July with a homecoming at the church.

We had a wonderful testimonial service in the morning, feeling all around us the power of the allmighty God. Many visitors were with us, the house was full, enjoyed a fine meal at lunch time.

In the afternoon with the church full, we began singing praises to the Lord. Our teacher, Mr. Cornwell, who had worked faithfully for the ten nights was in charge and did a fine job. There were singers from at least six counties, lots of talent. Youngsters were taught to direct. There was an average each night of sixty-eight for which we are thankful.

Many good remarks were made for the cause of our Saviour. We are thankful to the Lord for a talented man and brother in the Lord to take time out from a busy schedule of being superintendent of schools in Trousdale County to come and teach a gospel singing school for us. Many times our heart is made to rejoice trying to sing good gospel songs of praise to the Lord. (Colossians 3:16) Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching

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Eternal Life or The Wrath of God

By Robert Gregory

(This is the third in a series of articles on this subject.—Editor)

II. NOW LET US LOOK AT THE OTHER EXPERIENCE THAT IS OFFERED US, "THE WRATH OF GOD." WHAT IS THAT?

It is just what the words express. I have given a good deal of study to the etymology and the usage of the Greek word which is rendered "wrath" in this verse. It means the intense and settled displeasures of God, the intense displeasure of that infinitely Holy Being who created us and all things, and who has the absolute control of all the powers and forces of the universe.

Every true and wise husband dreads the displeasure of his wife, that is, he would not if it could be avoided do anything to incur her displeasure. Every true and wise citizen dreads the displeasure of his government. Every true son dreads the displeasure of his father. But how much more will every man of understanding and of character dread "the wrath of God."

The wrath of God! There is nothing more awful than that. To have your infinitely Holy One displeased with you; to have the Holy Being before whom the seraphim veil their faces and cry, "Holy, Holy, is the Lord God Almighty" displeased with you; to have your omnipotent and infinite ruler of the universe displeased with you; to have the mighty one who holds the sun, and moon and stars, as well as the systems of the world of light that stud the illimitable expanse of Heaven in the hollow of His hand, as they move through space with incredible moment, displeased with you; to have the infinitely wise ruler and shaper of the whole history of this tiny ball that we call the earth displeased with you; yes, to have God displeased with you, to incur His wrath, His intense, deep-seated, settled displeasure, that is awful! That is appealing! But that is certainly what stares in the face today many a man and many a woman in this audience or readers "The wrath of God". Gather your thoughts together. Think of It! Will you have it? Will you choose it?

Here then, there are before you the two alternatives. On the one hand eternal life, real life, fullness of life, satisfying life, life of highest knowledge, complete life, the life of God, never ending life, blessedness and glory, eternal life. On the other hand, the wrath of

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Old Mulkey

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with two legs at each end. One is located just in front of the pulpit at the altar.

The editor has been privileged to visit this historic place on two occasions and has found it to be inspirational.

In the woods nearby there is a sign on a tree with these words, "Original site where the Thirteen Pilgrims built." In a cemetery nearby one may read the following on one monument; "Art, Elmira, Jeggy and Gemima, son and daughters of Isaac and Lumira Hagan Jackson, cousins of Stonewall Jackson." On another monument is the following: "Hannah Boone, born in Berks County, Pa., August 24, 1746, died in Monroe County, Kentucky, 1823"—she is a sister of Daniel Boone.

WHAT DOES A PASTOR DO?

The pastor teaches, though he must solicit his own classes. He heals, though without pills and knife.

He is sometimes a lawyer, often a social worker, something of an editor; a bit of a philosopher and entertainer, a salesman.

He's a decorative piece for public functions; he is supposed to be a scholar.

He visits the sick, marries people buries the dead, labors to console those who sorrow. He admonishes those who sin and tries to stay sweet when chided for not doing his duty.

He plans programs, appoints committees—when he can get them; spends considerable time keeping people out of each other's hair.

Between times he prepares a sermon and preaches it on Sunday to those who don't happen to have any other engagement. Then on Monday he smiles when some jovial chap roars, what a job—one day a week!

—Author Unknown

ARE YOU GETTING YOUR PAPER?

Are you receiving the Baptist Banner? If you are a subscriber and have failed to receive the paper by mail or you know of someone that has failed to receive their copy, please notify the editor.

Also we have been notified by some postoffices that subscribers have moved and failed to leave a new address. In this case we cannot get the paper to them. We would appreciate any information that you might give us. Also—we need all Zip-Code numbers. We must have these before January, 1967, for you to get your paper.



The Editor Says

I'm sorry that some errors appeared in last month's issue in the revival reports. Some names were left out and other ministers names appeared in the wrong church announcement. These revival reports are being given in this issue.

Yes—I've already heard about it, in fact I have been reading the pros and cons on "the popularity of the Beatles vs. Jesus." John Lennon, a member of the Beatles, said "Christianity will go. It will go. It will vanish and shrink. I needn't argue about that. I'm right and I will be proved right."

"We are more popular than Jesus now. I don't know which will go first—rock 'n' roll or Christianity."

Without a doubt, many people do worship the Beatles more than they do Jesus, including some in America. This does not lower the importance or the greatness of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. He will be recognized as the Lord of Lords and the King of Kings. Rev. 19:16.

Jesus said "And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humbleth himself shall be exalted." Matt. 23:12. The Apostle Paul wrote "For it is written, as I live saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God." Rom. 14:11.

If you are planning to move, please send your new address to Monroe County Press, 105 Main Street, Tompkinsville, Ky. 42167. State that you are a subscriber to the Baptist Banner and also give your old address.

I here express my appreciation to those who have shown an interest in the publication of the Banner. A number of person, some who are not Baptists, have donated several dollars to the support of the paper. They have subscribed and paid for subscriptions for others. Are you a subscriber? Did you receive this copy free? Subscribe today! Send the Banner to a friend.

Be sure and check the date on your name slip on the paper. This shows the month in which your time expires. Please renew.

To close the column I leave you with this thought: Many Christians are like the farmer's well, they have only two faults—they freeze up in winter and dry up in the summer.

REVIVAL REPORTS

Becker Drive Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky. Four professions of faith with seven additions to the church. Pastor Jimmy Suttle was assisted by Elder Enloe Jones.

Bethlehem Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn. Three professions of faith with 10 additions to the church. Pastor Bobby Sutton was assisted by Elder W. T. Russell.

Fairview Baptist Church, Woodburn, Ky. One profession of faith with two additions to the church. Pastor C. B. Huddleston was assisted by Elder L. W. Smith.

Caney Fork Baptist Church, Smith County, Tenn. One profession of faith and one addition to the church. Pastor Charles A. Gentry was assisted by Elder Cordell Earps.

Pleasant Valley Baptist Church, Peoria, Ill. Three professions of faith and five additions to the church. Pastor Hollis Atnip was assisted by Elder Bobby Sutton.

Westend Baptist Church, Gallatin Tenn. One profession of faith and one addition to the church. Pastor C. C. Gregory was assisted by Elder H. C. Vanderpool.

Eastside Baptist Church, Franklin, Ky. Two professions of faith with three additions to the church. Pastor W. V. Deeweese was assisted by Elder Paul Oldham.

Oak Grove Baptist Church, Macon County, Tenn. Five professions of faith with five additions to the church. Pastor Tommie Lankford was assisted by Elder William Johnson.

Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, Warren County, Ky. No visible results. Pastor Odell Willoughby was assisted by Elder H. C. Vanderpool.

McFerrin Ave. Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn. Six professions of faith with six additions to the church. Pastor A. G. Gregory was assisted by Elder James (Pete) Porter.

Cave Springs Baptist Church, DeKalb County, Tenn. No visible results. Pastor Charles A. Gentry was assisted by Elder C. C. Ramsey.

Old Union Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky. Fourteen professions of faith with 17 additions to the church by baptism. Pastor H. C. Vanderpool was assisted by Elder L. W. Smith.

Gospel Singing School

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and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Let us study to show ourselves approved in anything we do for the Lord. Bro. A. G. Gregory is our pastor. Come worship with us.

Thank You,
J. W. Hines

BRO. TOMMY ASHFORD ORDAINED BY CAVE SPRINGS CHURCH

Bro. Tommy Ashford was ordained to the full-work of the gospel ministry on Sunday, July 31, by Cave Springs Baptist Church, DeKalb County, Tenn. Seven churches were represented in the ordaining presbytery by five ministers and seven deacons.

Elder Charles A. Gentry, pastor of the church, served as moderator; Bro. James Vance was chosen clerk; The sermon was preached by Elder O. E. Russell; The candidate was presented by Bro. Artie Mathis and was interrogated by Elder L. O. Barclay; Bro. Elvis Hubbard prayed the ordination prayer and the charge to the newly ordained brother was given by Elder Charles F. Johnson.

Bro. James Vance charged the church and Bro. A. M. Maynard presented the Bible.

Revival Announcements

FIRST SUNDAY—SEPTEMBER

Fairview Memorial Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky. Pastor W. T. Russell is to be assisted by Elder F. W. Lambert.

SECOND SUNDAY—SEPTEMBER

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Sumner County, Tenn. Pastor Guthrie Thompson is to be assisted by Elder James (Pete) Porter.

FRIDAY NIGHT BEFORE THIRD SUNDAY—SEPTEMBER

Union Hill Baptist Church, Sumner County, Tenn. Pastor D. G. Russell is to be assisted by Elder H. C. Vanderpool.

FIRST SUNDAY—OCTOBER

Lafayette Baptist Church, Lafayette, Tenn. Pastor W. E. Massey is to be assisted by Elder H. C. Vanderpool.

Scripture Fulfilled

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For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, dispisers of those that are good,

Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,

Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth." II Tim. 3:1-7.

Now let us notice some of the headlines that have recently appeared in newspapers across the country. I will only list a few that you may realize that these things are happening and some of them haven't been too far away. These headlines have been read: "Quake Detected in Fox Island," "Officials in Chicago Try To Restore Peace," "Two More Mop-Tops Pop Off With Sour Notes on Society," "Protest Marches Mark Hiroshima," "Jersey Coed Found Slain," "Rock Hits King As Riots Flare," "Teen Crime: How Can It Be Curbed?" "Boy Charged In Obscene Phone Calls," "Two Killed In Chicago Violence," "Misuse Perils Freedom Of All," "Some People Enjoy Killing Others," "Rape Victim Strangled," "Gun Law Prospects Aren't Too Bright," "Chicago Marchers Are Pelted Again," "Victim Beaten, Shot," "Sheriff Reports Leads In Sunday Dynamiting," "Three More Federal Gambling Device Stamps Issued," "Earthquake Felt In Sections Of California, Arizona," "Man Killed Trying To Overpower Bank Bandit."

"Sniper's Shooting Spree Claims 17th Victim," "Youth Charged In Fatal Shooting," "Several Questioned In Bombing," "Boy Says He Saw Killer," "Girl Flourishing Gun At Officers Shoots Self," "Bandit Kills Customer, Leaves Loot In Bank," "ABA Chief Hits Advocates Of Civil Disorder," "Woman, 91, Raped, Beaten."

The twenty-seven headlines listed above reveal to us that there is hatred, covetness, lust, blood-thirst, lawlessness, ungodliness, blasphemers, lovers-of-self-attitude and many other things pointed out in the scriptures. Jesus said "And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled:

Wrath or Life

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God, the intense, deep-seated, settled displeasure of the All Holy One, the Maker and Governor of the Universe.

Which will you choose? If you choose the latter, some day you will be among those who are described as saying "to the mountains and to the rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb; for the great day of his wrath is come; and who is able to stand?" (Rev. 6:15-17).

III. HOW ONE DETERMINES WHETHER ETERNAL LIFE OR THE WRATH OF GOD SHALL BE HIS PORTION

Now we come to the question, and it is a tremendously important question, by what act do we determine whether eternal life or the wrath of God is to be our portion? Listen to God's own answer to this immensely important question. It is not the answer of all modern philosophers, it is not the answer of all modern theologians, it is not the answer of all modern preachers, but it is God's answer and therefore it is true. You will find that answer in the words of our text, "he that believeth on the Son hath eternal life; and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him."

Nothing could be plainer or more simple or more unmistakable than this answer. The one and only act by which we get eternal life is the act of believing on the Son of God, believing on Jesus Christ. The one and only act by which we lose eternal life and bring upon ourselves the abiding "wrath of God" is by refusing to believe on Jesus Christ.

Whosoever believeth on Jesus Christ gets eternal life. There it stands in God's sure Word in language a child can understand, "he that believeth on the Son hath eternal life," irrespective of who he is or what he is, irrespective of what he has been or what he has done. He may be a millionaire or he

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for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.

For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

All these are the beginning of sorrow." Matt. 24:6-8.

May God help us to take every stand possible to preach the gospel of Christ which is the power of God unto salvation. Let's pray that America will turn back to God. He is the only answer.

may be a pauper; he may be a scholar or he may be unable to read or write; he may be moral and upright and clean; or he may be immoral and dishonest and vile, but the moment any man or woman or child believes on the Son, believes on Jesus Christ, that moment that person gets eternal life, they get the actual experience of the beginnings of it, and the fullness that awaits them in the world to come is assured, of course it is with the Heart (Romans 10-10)

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## Letter From Bro. Bacon

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ed, we felt God's presence with us. Thank God there has been more coming ever since.

There have been several come a few times, then quit coming. In this way the Gospel is being spread around but oh how we long to see them keep coming, open their hearts to God, humbly repent and be saved. God is dealing in some of their hearts, we feel very strongly. However it is very different from what they have been taught for several generations and the devil through his idol gods have a very strong hold over them. Help us continue praying that they would yield to God's Spirit and get under so much conviction that they would have to fall on their knees and pray to God for salvation.

This month the Japanese have what is called "Obon Festival", at this time they are taught that the spirits of the dead return to where they once lived. So they have this festival to, as they say, to console the spirits of the dead. They prepare food for them and float some of it with lanterns down the rivers and streams. This is just one of their many superstitions and idolistic beliefs. Continue to pray that by the Spirit of God we might be able to reach as many as possible with the true Gospel and the plan of heartfelt salvation.

As we look out upon this vast field of labor, we are reminded of Jesus' words: the fields are white already unto harvest, work while it is called day for the night cometh when no man can work.

We appreciate your prayers for us and this work very much, without God we would be helpless. Our prayer is that all of you will receive the richest of God's blessings in the Lord's work there and that many precious souls will be saved, for a man's soul is his most precious possession.

Your unworthy Bro. in Christ,  
Dexter Bacon, Jr.