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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 ....... Tompkinsville, Ky. April, 1970 VOL.4 Number 11

# **MISSIONARIES**



#### Elder and Mrs. James H. Smith MISSIONARY REPORT SOUTHERN BAPTIST FROM ISRAEL CONVENTION

P. O. Box 266 Ramallah, Israel March 3, 1970

Dear Brother Vanderpool:

I am enclosing a picture of the VW Bus which you may run in the Banner for the people to see. We are enjoying it very much; it really is wonderful for our use. We thank the Lord for this means of transportation which the Lord's people have made possible for us. Our apartment in Ramallah is in background.

We are living in Jerusalem most of the time now, but still holding on to the place in Ramallah; but we are considering very seriously of cutting ourselves off from there and giving our full time to Jews. Since we came here, the Lord has given us some good contacts with Jews. and we believe this is His way of showing us that we are to cast ourselves on Him and then He will open doors for us to reach the Jews. We can't get Jews to come to Ramallah, an Arab populated city; in fact, Jews tell us that if we want to win Jews, we have to be with the

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By P. D. Ballard

An issue or two ago this paper carried an article relative to the looseness of Convention Baptists on baptism. I pointed out that 36 percent of the messengers at the 1969 session of the convention claimed to believe in alien immersion. that is, that immersion administered by any professed church is scriptural. Today (March 13, 1970) "THE DAILY OKLA-HOMAN" carried an article that further reveals unsound practices among the SBC I believe the following inchurches. formation will indicate the opinion of SBC churches toward the enemies of truth.

"In Oklahoma City, the former denominational president, the Rev. Dr. Hershel H. Hobbs of First Baptist Church, played a key role in formation of a new ecumenical organization there, the Agency for Christian Cooperative Ministry, including a cross-section of Roman Catholic and Protestant churches, and four South-ern Baptist congregations."

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### **R. C. LINVILLE DIES** AT AGE 69

Robert Clifford Linville, age 69, of the Rocky Mound community, Macon County, Tenn., passed away suddenly on February 25. He was a retired farmer, a native of Logan County, Ky. His parents were Sam W. and Ida Trammel Linville.

He was a member of Rocky Mound Baptist Church, where he had served many years as clerk, and was also a member of the Trammel Masonic Lodge.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, March 1, at 1:00 P.M. at Rocky Mound Baptist Church by Elder F. W. Lambert and Elder J. D. Sanders. Burial w s in the Rocky Mound Cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Maggie Napier Linville; three daughters; Mrs. Hollis Doss and Mrs. James Overton, both of Westmoreland, Tenn., and Mrs. Billie Rhea Jenkins of Nashville; one sister. Mrs. Mettie Kepley, Adolphus, Ky.; four grandchildren. His first wife, Mrs. Lucille Bradley Linville, passed away in 1929.

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#### REVIVAL

A revival is to begin at Lyons Missionary Baptist Church, 904 Gagel Ave., Louisville, Ky., on Sunday night, April 12. Services each night at 7:30 P.M.

Elder L. W. Smith, the pastor, is to be assisted by Elder Dexter Bacon of Glasgow, Ky., in the meeting. Members of the church will be in charge of the singing. Everyone is invited to attend.

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#### MINUTES

I picked up the 1969 Minutes of the Siloam Missionary Baptist Association from the printer on February 26, and mailed them out to all the churches in the Association that same week. If for some reason any church did not receive them, please let me know at once-Editor. 

> BE SURE AND **READ PAGE 4**

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## Missionary Report

#### From Israel

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Jews. With them is where our heart is, primarily, anyway. So we must try to find us a more permanent place here in Jerusalem. It may be that we can stay on for a long time where we are, but the people who own the place have it up for sale, and it might sell anytime, but again it might not for years. Anyway, whatever the Lord works out for us, we must be content. Of course, whatever we do we have to be careful, because this is a religious state, built on Judaism, and they are against missionary work. But there are hungry souls here, and surely this hardened stand against the Gospel being preached will break.

We will continue to receive our mail at Ramallah till further notice. We still have our apartment and furnishings there, and we go back and forth two or three times a week; it is only about twenty minutes drive from Jerusalem.

You may publish these few lines with the picture if you so desire. May the Lord bless you and the work you are doing for Him. Please remember us in prayer. Yours in His service.

James H. Smith

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The above contains the sentiments of a former president of the SBC. To me, his views are very liberal. When a professed Baptist desires to team up with Roman Catholics and her offspring (Protestants), then I believe it is high time for real Baptists to stand up and be counted.

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Now, to further show that Mr. Hobbs is not the only professed Baptist preacher among the SBC churches that is headed toward Rome, I will give you the actions of another Convention president for your consideration. The following reveals the sentiments of Ex-Congressman Brooks Hays:

"And in Wake Forest, N. C., another former denominational president, Ex-Congressman Brooks Hays, heads an ecumenical institute, sponsoring talks between Southern Baptists, Roman Catholics, and others."

The above quotation was taken from THE DAILY OKLAHOMAN, also. So you can easily see where Convention Baptists are headed. However, their present president, Dr. W. A. Criswell, is telling the "Arch Liberals" "To get out and form their own church." Do you suppose the two former presidents (Hobbs and Hays) will get out and leave it with Dr. Criswell? It appears to me that Dr. Criswell is out numbered.

Brethren, can we safely continue to receive baptism administered by professed Baptists that fellowship such liberal professors and churches? Why professed Baptistswant to go with their arms around the enemies of truth that have martyred our predecessors is more than I can understand. And why any true Baptist would want to accept, and continue to accept, baptism administered by such liberal Baptist (?) is another thing I cannot understand. Why yell "old fashion" and then accept baptisms administered by those that have kicked the mouner's bench out and are going with their arms around the enemies of truth that have slain our people by the millions? Are we too weak to face the issues of our time? Our forefathers rebaptized those that they deemed did not have scriptural baptism, such as were baptized by apostate churches. Paul reimmersed some that had formerly been immersed by a misinformed administrator. Acts 19. If it was right for Paul to do such, then why isn't it a good example for us to follow? If it was right for Paul to reimmerse, then it is wrong for us to do otherwise. Therefore, we had better beware of immersions administered by SBC churches of today.

Sure, you may get some that are scripturally immersed, but how many may you get that are not scripturally immersed? Can we afford to take immersions administered by them today, knowing that we are apt to be receiving alien immersion? Is that the safe thing to do? Is it? Why yell, "Modern Baptists" and then receive their baptism and work with them?

#### **News** From Israel

Over \$3.7 million has been contributed by Israel for Refugee Rehabilitation. Israel's contribution to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) to aid Arab refugees in the administered territories amounted to the above mentioned amount during the UN agency's budgetary year ending last June.

The Foreign Ministry sources said that in the year under review, the Israel Government had contributed ILlm, in cash, as well as IL200,000 for vocational training in Gaza. In addition, it provided services to the refugees – health, welfare, administration and others costing ILlom., as well as port services for UNRWA – storage, transport from stores to refugee camps and portage – amounting to some IL2m.

Israel's UN mission reiterated the proposal most recently voiced by Foreign Minister Eban to the General Assembly on September 19:

"Our Government has always urged that humanitarian considerations and not political animosities should determine the attitudes of all Governments concerned with this problem. It was in this spirit that Israel has proposed to convene immediately an international conference to work out a f.ve-year plan for the settlement of the Arab refugees." - AAJE News

#### NOTICE!

Next month will conclude the fourth year of publication of the BAPTIST BANNER. During these four years there have been many individual subscribers and a number of churches that have subscribed annually for a bundle.

In addition to all these, thousands of extra copies have been sent FREE for distribution. In order to be conservative in our financial means and time involved in the preparing and mailing of these, this practice will be discontinued beginning in June. SO PLEASE SUBSCRIBE TO THE BANNER AND HAVE YOUR CHURCH SUBSCRIBE FOR A BUNDLE – Editor.

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#### **DOES DADDY GO?**

Daddy had a liftle boy,

His soul was white as snow He never went to Sunday School, 'Cause Daddy wouldn't go.

He never heard the Word of God, That thrills the childish mind

While other children went to class, This child was left behind.

As he grew from babe to youth, Dad saw to his dismay,

A soul that once was snowy white, Become a dingy grey.

Realizing that his son was lost, Dad tried to win him back;

But now the soul that once was white Had turned an ugly black.

- Dad even started back to church And Bible study too;
- He begged the preacher, "Isn't there A thing that you can do?

The preacher tried, failed, and said, "We're just too far behind;

I tried to tell you years ago, But you would pay me no mind."

And so another soul was lost, That once was white as snow;

Sunday School would have helped But Daddy wouldn't go.-Selected.

#### SINNER ----You Are Invited

#### By H. C. Vanderpool

Often, individuals or families ....eive invitations to attend some type of meeting, association or gatherings of various nature. I have heard this statement by someone that was not invited to some

#### Meditation

By G. H. Dillard

- Oft I'm so lonely in this world of care, But I know in Glory, no sad ones dwell there.
- Yes, I know in Heaven Jesus waits for me, When my work is ended I shall with Him be.
- When I enter Heaven city bright and fair.
- He'll be first to welcome me, a child, an heir.
- To those heavenly treasures, laid by Christ in store.
- For the weary traveller when this life is o'er.
- Why then should I wonder blindly here in sin.
- When in Heaven yonder is a crown to win. O dear Saviour, guide me, keep me by thy side,
- May I now and forever in thy love abide.

"I would have particular get-together. gone, but I wasn't invited." The person that failed to receive an invitation would then be offended.

Let us now put these thoughts aside for more important matters. Christ is the door by which the lost can enter into rest. He said. "I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.' John 10:9. Sinners, this invitation is for you.

"Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Again the words of Jesus, Matt. 11:28.

Satan causes many unsaved people to



believe that they are not included in the great invitation given them from the word of God. The forgone scriptures teach that "any man" and all ye include every sinner.

Unsaved friend, why doubt the great promises of God? Our bodies hunger and thirst for food and water. The souls of nankind hungers and thirsts after the piritual food and water that comes from God through Jesus Christ. It is free. If you are lost - you are invited! "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money: come, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price." Isa. 55:1

Jesus invited the thirsty souls to come to him as recorded in John 7:37, 38, "In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water."

It is not God's will that any should perish, but that ALL should come to repentance. Christ died for ALL. DON'T PUT OFF SALVATION! "Come now and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." Isa. 1:18

You may be one that has listened to the gospel many times. You may have gone to an altar of prayer often. You may attend church each Sunday. You can be saved by repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Works for redemption, are excluded. Eph. 2:8-9 and Titus 3:5

Even though you have sinned against God and have gone in the ways of the world, He loves you and invites you to turn from sin and come to Him for life and salvation.

God hates sin, but He loves the sinner.

"And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst, Come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." Rev. 22:17.

Sinner - you are invited.

Recently, I've received word from individuals' and churches that you had not received your paper or bundle. When this happens, let me know as soon as possible so we, editor or printer, can check this out and see where the failure is – PLEASE DO! – Editor.

The NCC "speaks for" over 41,000,000 people, a membership which gives it tremendous political power. This political power may very well enable it to control our entire economy, as suggested by Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, General Secretary of NCC's Big Brother, The World Council of Churches. You may rest assured, if this happens, our country will become Marxist.

Not only have these misguided churchmen, traitors or communist plants, as the case may be, been able to sell the big lie that the basis of Christianity is Marxism, but they have been successful in turning many ill-informed Americans against our fundamentalist Christians and anti-Communists.

The "modernist" Ecumaniacs are promoting a new social order, man-made, man-planned and man-ruled by men who have belonged to communist fronts, by men who have denounced many of the Scriptures and by men who have renounced Christ by denying His divinity, His miracles, His resurrection, His saving power and His promise of eternal life.

"Bishop" Pike said: "I've jettisoned the Trinity, the Virgin Birth and the incarnation." In His infinite wisdom, God recently jettisoned His Holy Land from the weight of Pike. And some well-meaning, non-communist church leaders have and its causes must be sought not in popular discontent, but in a deeplaid conspiracy that uses the people to their own undoing."

Many "modernists" contend that "World Opinion" demands that we dethrone Christ, through the United Nations and the Supreme Court and in our schools and even our "Christian" Churches. (The United Nations does open some sessions with a prayer, of course. The prayer is addressed "to whom it may concern".)

According to "Christianity Today," (October 13, 1967), Western Reserve sociologist Jeffrey Hadden contacted 10,000 Protestant clergymen in the United States, asking them what they believed. Of the 10,000 inquiries, there were 7,441 replies. Tabulated results of this poll of 7,441 Protestant ministers is one of the most alarming surveys I have ever read.

The ministers were asked the question: "Do you believe in Jesus' physical resurrection from the grave in the same sense that you believe that Abraham Lincoln was assassinated?" In other words, do you believe that Jesus' resurrection is a historical fact? Fifty-one percent of the Methodist ministers in the United States said they could not accept Jesus' resurrection from the grave as historical fact. Thrity percent of the Episcopal priests of America could not accept it, nor could 35% of the United Presbyterian preachers, 33% of the American Baptist preachers, 13% of the American Lutheran preachers, and 7% of the Missouri Synod Lutheran ministers.



played a major role in jettisoning Christianity from the church.

For instance, the batred of Capitalism and the vision of World Communism was clearly expressed by Dr. Ivan Lee Holt, Bishop of the Methodist Church. His traitorous words are: "If Protestantism should turn to a fuller gospel. . . .it would seek the overthrow of the present capitalistic system. There are those who feel that the profit motive is wrong and that there can never be happiness for mankind until the present economic system gives way to some cooperative scheme. . . It might mean revolution. There are those, who while opposed to the use of force in international relations, would not hesitate to use force in the overthrow of an economic system which they regard as un-Christian and vicious."

He's as subtle as a sailor with a 6-hour pass.

The first research director of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, Dr. J. B. Matthews, attended Union Theological Seminary and later Methodist's largest school, Boston University. Dr. Matthews was at first taken in by his leftist associates, but later saw the light and made amends. He testified that more than 8,000 clergymen and people affiliated with the clergy were deliberately helping the Communist cause. Most were not members but fellow travelers, front-joiners, who do most of the Communists' dirty work.

Nesta Webster said about 30 years ago: "The revolution through which we are now passing is not local but universal, it is not political but social Reprints of this page are available from SOUTHERN FARM PUBLICATIONS, 2012 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. 37212. Prices are: 1-10 copies, 10 cents each: 11-499 copies, 5 cents

When asked if they believed in the virgin birth of Jesus Christ as a biological miracle, 60% of America's Methodist preachers said emphatically "no," as did 44% of the Eqiscopal priests, 49% of the Presbyterian ministers, 44% of the Baptist clergymen and 5% of the Lutheran ministers in the Missouri Synod, along with 19% of the American Lutheran ministers.

When asked if they believed in Satan and in the existence of demonic evil powers, 62% of the Methodist preachers said they did not believe in Satan or evil, as did 37% of the Episcopal priests, 47% of the Presbyterian clergy, 33% of the American Baptists, 14% of the American Lutherans and 9% of the Missouri Synod Lutherans,

Perhaps the most alarming result of this poll was this: When asked if they believed that the Bible is the inspired word of God, that is, if they personally accepted a nearly literal interpretation of the Bible, 82% of the Methodist preachers rejected the inspiration of the Bible, as did 89% of the Eqiscopal priests, 81% of the Presbyterian clergy and 57% of the American Lutheran clergy!

In sworn testimony concerning activities of the Communist Party in the field of religion, Manning Johnson, former member of the Communist Party, USA, stated: "The plan is to make seminaries the neck of a funnel through which thousands of potential clergymen would issue forth carrying with them, in varying degrees, an ideology and slant which would aid in neutralizing the anti-Communist projects. This project was success

ful beyond even Communist expectation."

This great patriot, a Negro, died mysteriously a few years later.

J. Edgar Hoover has warned: "Many Communist fronts have operated under the guise of some church commission or religious body. IT IS GHASTLY TO SEE THE MONSTER ATHEISM BEING NOURISHED IN THE CHURCHES WHICH IT SEEKS TO DESTROY . . . Any minister who cannot find in this Bible sufficient arguments for the cause of liberty and social justice, who has to borrow the double-talk of the Communists, is in the wrong profession and should be carefully watched by his official superiors and his congregation."

Of course, all atheists are not Communists, but all Communists are atheists. An agnostic preacher is a deaf mute who teaches elocution.

#### WHO BELONGS?

It is most important to understand that no individual church is directly a member of the National Council of Churches, The NCC is a grouping of denominations. If your local church is a member of any one of the denominations listed below, then you are supporting one of the most evil, pro-Communist, anti-American pressure groups in America: African Methodist Egiscopal Church; African Methodist Egiscopal Zion Church; American Baptist Convention: Antiochian Orthodox Catholic Archdiocese of Toledo Dependencies; Armenian Church of America (including Diocese of Cal.); Christian Churches, International Convention; Christian Methodist Episcopal Church; Church of the Brethren; Church of the New Jerusalem; Exarchate of the Russian Orthodox Church in North and South America; Friends United Meeting, Greek Archdiocese of North and South America; Hungarian Reformed Church in America; Lutheran Church in America; The Moravian Church in America: National Baptist Conventions; National Baptist Convention of America, USA, Inc.; Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of the Religious Soc. of Friends; Polish National Catholic Church of America; Presbyterian Church in the United States; Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc.; Protestant Episcopal Church; Reformed Church in America; Romanian Orthodox Episcopate of America: Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church of America; Serbian Eastern Orthodox Church; Seventh Day Baptist General Conference; Syrian Antiochian Orthodox Church; Syrian (Orthodox) Church of Antioch; Ukrainian Orthodox Church of America; United Church of Christ: United Presbyterian Church of the USA; United Methodist Church.

More than 20 additional denominations, which are not members of the National Council of Churches, are active participants in some of its units and programs. NCC sells millions of dollars worth of Bibles, songbooks and "Social Action" literature every year to millions of innocent would-be Christians. Buying Christianity from NCC is like buying hair restorer from a bald barber.

Remember: Once the camel gets its foot inside the tent, it is only a matter of time until your denomination is pushed in and you are on the road to a One-World "Marxist-Christian" Church!

Collectivism, whether secular or ecclesiastical, is the seedbed of the suppression of individual liberty. Men of the cloth, like other men, are corrupted by too much power. If we have "One World", it will be a slave world. If we have One Church, the high priests will again burn the "witches" at the stake!

The NCC is an unnecessary evil: a gigantic concentration of tax-free wealth made by capitalists, administered by socialists, promoted by agnostics and dedicated to merging the USA with the USSR.