

# The Mission Trail

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"LIFT UP YOUR EYES, AND LOOK ON THE FIELDS; FOR THEY ARE WHITE ALREADY TO HARVEST." - JOHN 4:35

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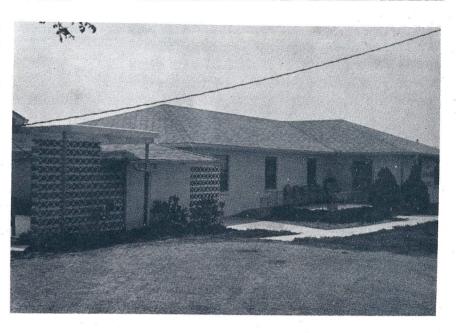
The Golden Rule Home Edition

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. . . A very pleasant greeting once again to all the listeners of radio station XEG. This is THE MISSION TRAIL broadcast of Guthrie, Oklahoma, and your speaker is Willie Murphey. are glad to be coming to you once again by means of radio on this Friday night as we do each Friday night at 11:00. have certainly received great encouragement from those who have stood by with their letters of encouragement. We also appreciate those who are

helping to make this work of faith possible by their support. We hope that God will reward you a hundredfold and that the results of your sacrifice may be the means of reaching many with the gospel message, both by radio and by the weekly printed messages.

For the benefit of our new listeners, let me say that we do print this message each week and mail it free of charge without obligation to those who request it. If you would like to be included in this weekly mailing, be sure to send us your correct name and address. If you have a burden or a problem which you would like to have us remember in prayer, mention that when you write. Address your letter to The Mission Trail, Guthrie, Oklahoma, or if you like, you may personally address it to



The GOLDEN RULE HOME for the aged near Shawnee, Okla.

me, Willie Murphey, Guthrie, Okla-homa,

Consider now this scripture from Psalms, chapter 92, and beginning with verse 13. "Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God.

### THEY SHALL STILL BRING FORTH FRUIT IN OLD AGE;

they shall be fat and flourishing; To shew that the Lord is upright: he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him."

Now it is true that the church of tomorrow rests in the hands of those who are the young people today. It is the young and active and those who are in the best years of their life who are able to make great contributions through their efforts for the cause of Christ. But did you ever stop to think that those who are aged in years today were the young people of yesterday? Let me assure you that if you begin your service for the Master as a young person, when the years begin to pile up behind you, the wrinkles begin to appear in the features of your face, and your hair has turned gray through the care and the toil of the years, it is possible that these years may be the richest ones which you have ever seen in the service of the Master.

Listen once again to the text. It says: "They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing." So we see then that instead of the results of your life being diminished, it will abound more and more as the years go by.

Let us bring this a little closer home by living examples. As many of you know, Bro. Charles Smith of Shawnee, Oklahoma felt the need for a place for our aged saints to live. This dream became a reality a few years ago, as you may see from the pictures shown in this current issue of The Mission Trail. Now in this Golden Rule Home located near Shawnee is to be found some of the most cheerful and happy aged saints in the world.



BRO. CHARLES SMITH is active manager of the home



ANOTHER VIEW of THE GOLDEN RULE HOME

But let us go one step further and point out one specific example. Not long ago Frances and I had the privilege to be with those in the Golden Rule Home upon a very special occasion. It was the 90th birthday of Sister Claudia Sidner. I hope that her testimony will bring the thrill to your heart which it did to mine on her 90th birthday.

Listen now to the conversation which I had with her and the song which she sings so well.

Bro. Willie: "Sister Sidner, it is a real pleasure to be with you today, and I understand that this is your birthday. How old are you, Sister Sidner?"

Sis. Sidner: "Ninety years old."

Listen to her reply when I asked for the name of the song she was going to sing.

Sis. Sidner: "God Is Still on the Throne"

Bro. Willie: "All right, would you go ahead and sing it please?"

Sis. Sidner: "Well, are you ready now then?"

Bro. Willie: "Yes, we are."

Sis. Sidner: "All right."





SISTER CLAUDIA SIDNER on her 90th birthday Sister Malinda Penner, matron, holds the cake

Have you started for heaven and glory?
Have you left this old world far behind?
In your heart is the comforter dwelling?
Can you say praise the Lord he is mine?
Have those who once walked on the highway

Gone back and you seem all alone?
Keep your eyes on the prize for your home in the skies,
God is still on the throne.

God is still on the throne,
And he will remember his own.
Though trials may press us
And burdens distress us
He never will leave us alone.
God is still on the throne.
He never forsaketh his own.
His promise is true,
He will not forget you,
God is still on the throne.

You may live in a tent or a cottage,
Unnoticed by those who pass by.
A mansion for you he is building
In that beautiful city on high.
It will outshine the wealth and the splendor

Of the richest on earth you have known. He is the architect true and he is building for you.

God is still on the throne.

Friends, is not this an encouraging thing to hear a sister who is ninety years old sing a song like she meant it from the depths of her heart, and more than that, you would not suspect unless you had known, but she is blind. Listen as she tells more of her testimony.

Sis. Sidner: "Now, do you want me to go ahead?"

Bro. Willie: "Yes, Sister Sidner, you sang that song like you really meant it on your 90th birthday. Would you tell us why that song means so much to you?"

Sis. Sidner: "Well, I want to first say that today is April the 16th, 1966. Today is my 90th birthday, and I always love this song because it brings out the fact that God is still on the throne, and he will never forsake his own, and he never has forsaken me all these many years. He has been with me.

Bro. Willie: "That is very, very good. Would you like to tell a little more of your testimony?"

Sis. Sidner: "Yes, I was going to then. Over 75 years ago I repented and the Lord saved my soul. Later he sanctified me. Fifty-eight years ago I took him as my physician. He has been my only physician for 58 years. He has always answered prayer and helped me in every time of need. His grace is sufficient, he said, for me so he has given grace for the tests and trials of



DINNER TIME is enjoyed by members of the home

life, and he has given grace, then, to go through my blindness. I have been blind for 28 years."

Then she told how God had given her victory even in her blindness. Listen to her words.

Sis. Sidner: "Finally, the Lord brought to me the scripture where he told the Apostle Paul that, when he sought him thrice for that thorn in the flesh, and he told the Apostle Paul, my grace is sufficient for thee. And so he brought that scripture to me, then that I didn't need to be prayed for anymore that his grace is sufficient for me, and that he would see me through and so I never did anymore—have prayed for healing—because I just submitted to God's will, and he just so wonderfully blessed my soul and body ever since that I am just contented and happy as if I could see."

Bro. Willie: "Yes, do you remember that scripture, Sister Sidner, that says that we know that all things work. . .

Sis. Sidner: "... together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. I have hung on that scripture. I said that if everything went against me, why I had the Bible on my side; that he said all things work together for good to them that love the Lord, and I said the



SISTER KOEHLER helps prepare the food in the modern kitchen



SISTER POULOS is shown in her new apartment

Lord knows Ilove him with all my heart, soul, body, mind, and strength, and my neighbor as myself which he said was a full commandment, you know, of the law and the prophets."

Now I believe that this aged saint is able to give some good advice for young people. Listen as she said this.

Sis. Sidner: "The younger folks, if they will just put their trust in the Lord and just remember these scriptures say remember now thy creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say I have no pleasure in them. Well, that is what I did, and so that is the reason that the Lord, I guess, has given me a long life and has kept me saved all these many years because I sought him in the days of my youth and obeyed the Bible according to the word of God."

Bro. Willie: "Well, surely we told you about that birthday cake that we have today with the figures 90 on it for your 90th birthday."

Sis. Sidner: "Yes, and I want to thank the Lord, too, that the brother brought me a great big angel food cake, and it was just all I could hold. It has 90 on it showing that today is my 90th birthday."



Bro. Willie: "Well, wonderful, the Lord bless you, Sister Sidner, and we trust that he will let you live just as long as he sees that you can still be useful for him."

Sis. Sidner: "The neighbor woman over here, she was here just before you folks came. She said, 'Oh, you are going to live to be 100.' I said, I am not going to say how long I live or how soon I will die. I said have thine own way, Lord, not my way, but thy way. If he wants me to live a 100 and get glory out of my life, all right, and if not, why he can take me right away if he wants to. I am ready to go or ready to stay, ready my place to fill. Ready for service, lowly or great, ready to do his will."

Bro. Willie: "Thank you, Sister Sidner, for the glorious testimony of how God has stood by you for more than 75 years."

Friends, if you are not receiving our weekly printed copy of THE MIS-SION TRAIL, be sure to send for your issue this week. See the picture of Sister Sidner and her birthday cake along with other pictures in this issue.

Until next Friday night at 11:00 this is Willie Murphey speaking for THE MISSION TRAIL of Guthrie, Oklahoma in behalf of the gospel of Christ our Saviour, and wishing you each and everyone a very pleasant goodnight!

"Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace. But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off. But the salvation of the righteous is of the Lord: he is their strength in the time of trouble. And the Lord shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him." Psalms 37:37-40

#### NOT GROWING OLD

They say that I am growing old, I've heard them tell it times untold, In language plain and bold--But I'm not growing old.

This frail old shell in which I dwell Is growing old, I know full well--But I am not the shell.

What if my hair is turning gray? Gray hairs are honorable, they say, What if my eyesight's growing dim? I still can see to follow Him Who sacrificed His life for me Upon the cross of Calvary,

What should I care if Time's old plough Has left its furrows on my brow? Another house, not made with hand, Awaits me in the Glory land,

What though I falter in my walk?
What though my tongue refuse to talk?
I still can tread the Narrow Way,
I still can watch, and praise and pray.

My hearing may not be as keen As in the past it may have been, Still I can hear my Saviour say In whispers soft, "This is the way".

The outward man, do what I can,
To lengthen out his life's short span,
Shall perish and return to dust,
As everything in nature must,
The inward man, the Scriptures say
Is growing stronger every day.
Then how can I be growing old
When safe within my Saviour's fold.

Ere long my soul shall fly away, And leave this tenement of clay. This robe of flesh I'll drop and rise To seize the "everlasting prize"--I'll meet you on the Streets of Gold, And prove that I'm not growing old.

## Correspondence from some in THE GOLDEN RULE HOME:

"I am greeting you in Jesus dear name. Yes, I do read The Mission Trail. It is God's blessing to me and I get all the little papers. And do thank you so much for it. I am very happy here in my new home. Thanks be to God for it. I need your prayers."

--Viola Cramer

Bro. Murphey and family, I appreciate The Mission Trail. I am enclosing a dollar to help send it to others. Yours in his service," --Manly L. Jones

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Dear Bro. and Sis. Murphey, We greet you in Jesus' dear name. I still remain quite weak in body but am enjoying the blessings of the Lord. Am writing you to say I enjoy The Mission Trail very much and have been receiving it regular. I was delayed in getting this in the mail but today when the other Mission Trail came I have NONE. The first I have missed and I surely hope it will be the last as I keep them all. Continue to pray for us."

--Nellie Poulos (Note: We hope this was only a temporary delay due to postal reasons.)

#### OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

From Mo.: "The Mission Trail, Greetings in the lovely name of our dear This finds me happy with sweet peace in my soul. Oh, how I appreciated all your prayers for the unspoken request that my daughter wanted me to call for. Yes, the Word of God tells us to first seek the kingdom of God and his righteousness, all things shall be added unto us. The sun is bright and real cold this morning. Mothers' Day the dear Lord sent me many nice things by my daughter for Mothers' Day. Thank God every good and perfect gift comes down from our father above. . . " -- Mary Whitmore

TENT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT Dear Bro. Willie and family, We greet you in Jesus' dear name. We are much encouraged in the dear Lord today with a desire to go all the way with him. Just want to announce that our first tent meeting will start, Lord willing, on June 17th, at Charlestown, Ind. Anyone passing that way we would be glad to see them. If they can't come, everyone can pray for this work. I told different ones that I would keep in touch with you, so you can put it in your little paper. That way folks will know where we are from time to time. We enjoy the little paper. Trust the Lord will richly bless your labors for him. Give all the saints our love. Remember us in your prayers. Much Christian love," -- Bro. Samons and family

MEETING REPORT - Oklahoma City Dear Bro. and Sis. Murphey, Greetings in Jesus' dear name. This leaves us saved, sanctified, and pressing on for Jesus, hope you all are fine. We receive The Mission Trail each week, and enjoy it very much. The messages are encouraging to our heart. We look forward to reading it each week. We have just closed our spring meeting. . .

The meeting was a great success. Many were blessed, some were saved, healed and many of the saints received spiritual help. The meeting was well attended . . . Many expressed that they are still feasting on the messages and teachings we received which was anointed of God. We can already see the effect. Chandler sat and taught on Friday which was much enlightening. We enjoyed the sweet fellowship of all. Pray for the work here that God will continue to bless. We also, the congregation of 3rd and Phillips, Oklahoma City, feel it would be God's will to have all day service the first Sunday each month, beginning June 5th. We invite all that can to come be with us on these Sundays. . . "--Bro. & Sis. Herman Kelley



#### ... FOR THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE

"Young men likewise exhort to be sober minded. In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity, Sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil things to say of you." Titus 2:6-8

"To the dear young people, Jesus bless each one of you dear young sisters and brothers in Christ. Christ opened up the road himself so each of you can go deeper into the love of God. keep my commandments ye shall abide in my love. ' Oh! this blessed Christlike obedience leading to an abiding in the divine love. We must study Christ more to attain it. He emptied Himself, and humbled Himself, and became obedient. May He empty each one of you so you can be made perfect and do right in His sight. . . May he fill each of your hearts with His love and may you always abide in His love and do His will. We love young people and thank the Lord for everyone of you. Give yourselves up to Jesus that He may breathe His own mind and love in you and keep you filled with His spirit. God bless you all, "--Sis. Rubye Quave --0--

"Dear Bro. and Sis. Murphey and family, Greetings in the name of our Precious Saviour Jesus Christ, I trust this letter finds you all encouraged in the Lord, and I hope your work is prospering, too. . . I would like to say that your programs and the papers have been a great encouragement to me in times of distress and trouble. preciate it very much. I have all the papers starting sometime last September until now except one and I must have lost it. . . Well, I hope to see you soon. I'm happy to report that the Lord has kept me saved and sanctified and encouraged to live for Him. brother in Christ," -- Don Johnson "Dear Bro. and Sis. Murphey and family, I have been receiving The Mission Trail paper regularly each week and I'm thankful for it. The messages are always so good. Many times they've been encouragement to me. The messages seem to be on the thing I need at times. I'll be going through a trial or test and feel a need and then I read your paper and It will be the encouragement I needed. The Lord is so good to send us encouragement through letters or papers such as yours. week's message was good to me. been feeling a need for more faith and I read the message about running the race with patience and fighting the good fight of faith and it helped me to know that if we do keep pressing on and asking the Lord to help us, he will give us the desires of our heart. As long as we keep seeking for more of Him in our lives, He will be pleased with us and help us through the struggles of life. I pray the Lord will keep this desire in my heart for more of His love and grace. There's nothing more important to me than living for Him. . . He's helped me to see some things lately, and I certainly want to move up when He shows me. My life is in His hands and I want Him to have His way. Pray for me that I'll stay faithful and do the Lord's will in everything. You're doing a wonderful work for the Lord, and I know He'll reward you richly. It's going to mean so much if we stay true to Pray for me and I'll pray for all of you. With Christian love,"

--Lana Lasiter

#### AT PRESS TIME WE UNDERSTAND THAT:

Are you familiar with the so often quoted golden rule? It says, "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you." The Bible version of this golden rule is found in the words of Jesus himself in Matthew 7:12, "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets."

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Are you fearful of what may happen to you in old age? Then remember the text found in Psalms 37:25 which says, "I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread."

If you would like an extra copy of this Golden Rule Home edition, or if you want a copy mailed to a friend, send us your request. We printed a few extras.

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Remember that new starting time for the broadcast for this summer beginning June 24 will be 10:45 p.m. This is fifteen minutes earlier than our usual time of 11:00. Be sure to listen for this broadcast and hear the interesting testimony from India. Why not tell a friend about the new time of 10:45 p.m. each Friday night?

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#### MEETING SCHEDULE FOR JUNE

Your attention is called to the announcement of the tent meeting to be held in Charleston, Indiana, beginning June 17. For further information read the letter from Bro. Samons on page 6 in this issue.

Other meetings scheduled for June are as follows:

Holly Hill, South Carolina--June 3. One brother writes, "... We still need your prayers for the campmeeting. We are working hard for the campmeeting to get things ready. .."--Utson Platt

Tulsa, Oklahoma--June 3 Hoffman, Oklahoma--June 17 Jefferson, Oregon--June 24 Hammond, Louisiana--June 24

We still anticipate being in services a few nights at the community building near Garfield, Arkansas, June 12.

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This issue of The Mission Trail has required considerably more expense and work. We hope you enjoy it. We hope the Lord will provide the means for us to continue this service for Him and his people.

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