



# 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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## Are You Ready?

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... In the 24th chapter of Matthew and the 44th verse we find these words, "Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh." Now it is one thing to talk about being ready and it is quite another thing to have your affairs all taken care of in such a way that you are really ready for the coming of the Lord. Some folks may say, "What do you mean by the coming of the Lord?" I mean just what this scripture says which I have just given you. "Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh." I have chosen to bring you a newspaper account of the life of the great great grandfather of Bro. Curtis Williams who now lives in Clearfield, Ky. I especially want you to notice one incident in particular. But here it is and I quote:

### EVERYBODY LOVED UNCLE ROBIN GREEN OF ELLIOTT COUNTY

By Helen Price Stacy

"Everybody loved Uncle Robin Green of Elliott County. There was that time in Cincinnati when he was put in jail ... so let's say just about everybody. But what would you have done had you seen walking toward you on a Cincinnati street a man in white robe and Roman sandals, a long shepherd's crook in his hand, and a white beard that fell on his chest?

"Robert K. Green and his wife, Marinda Workman Green, both were born in Virginia. Robin (as he was later known) was born June 10, 1811, and Marinda on May 24, 1819. Robin was the son of James Green Jr., who was scalped and killed by old Chief Benga while on a hunting trip.

"Robin and Marinda were married in

Russell County, Va., and after the close of the Civil War the couple and five of their six children traveled to Kentucky and settled at what is known as Green, Elliott County. Their son, David C. Green, was sheriff of Elliott County years ago.

"Uncle Robin was decidedly religious and in his fervor wrote a book called 'Primitive Truth'.

"In his spiritual belief, Uncle Robin tried to be Christlike in everything he did, and starting from the inside out he clothed his heart and soul by going about the countryside doing good, being kind where kindness was needed, and being generous where generosity was required. When he got to the outside, he did not stop there, but discarded the dark heavy clothing of the Kentucky pioneer and in its place donned white robes, sandals and allowed his beard to grow untrimmed.



"It was not unusual for neighbors to see Uncle Robin emerging through the early morning mist on his way to sit at the bedside of the sick, or to attend some religious meeting to 'gather in the lost sheep. '

"On his daily jaunts about the countryside, he carried his shepherd crook, made with a forked end, and with it swept snow or dirt out of the way of his sandals.

"Having written his book, Primitive Truth, Uncle Robin knew that was not enough. He had to have his book published for all the lost sheep to read. So one day, clothed in his white, his sandals, and carrying his stick and manuscript he walked from the county to Greenup where he got on a boat to Cincinnati.

"Things did not go too well in Cincinnati, where he was placed in jail. Gotham was not used to seeing Christ-like men walking down the street. . . but most cities, towns, hamlets might have reacted in like manner.

"When Uncle Robin was released and started on his way home to his familiar Elliott County, it was on a Sunday. Now Robin observed the Sabbath wherever he was. Shortly after leaving the boat he came upon a small country church, door open, and congregation seated listening to the closing remarks of a sermon. The preacher had asked the question, 'How many would be ready to meet your Savior should he come right now?' Almost every hand in the room was raised.

"At that moment, Uncle Robin, white-bearded, white-clothed and sandaled, walked through the door!

"Descendants of the old zealot say the preacher was the first one out, breaking a window. Only one woman remained to greet her 'Savior. '

"In 1869, the book was published.

"Robin lived out his days in Elliott County, working for his Lord and Savior to the end, continuing to devote his life to doing good, being kind and compassionate of the frailties of his fellowman.

"He was buried on a high, gently sloping Elliott County hill on the farm of his son, David C. Green, his wife by his side.

"But as the old man believed, who is there to say he is not walking the streets of Gold, robed in white, and sandals on his feet?"

Now, friends, what do you think of that? Do you suppose those people who raised their hands in the church that morning actually thought that Christ was going to return that soon? Well I doubt it, and what do you think of the preacher that presented the question to the congregation? It looked rather bad for him to break a window to be the first one out! Do you suppose he thought that Christ was going to catch him unprepared? Do you suppose when the Lord really does return again that he will find a lot of folks not ready? I am persuaded he will, my friends. And in that number isn't it quite likely that there may be some preachers too? I would say yes. And now will you listen to these solemn words once again which Christ used to exhort his disciples, "Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh." Now, dear ones, let us not be among



those who procrastinate and think, O well, I don't need to change my life today. I'll wait until some future time. We do not know neither the day nor the hour in which our Lord shall return. He left us his word that he was coming and of course the angels said that he would come in like manner as you have seen him go. Let us not be among those who are careless and slothful and unconcerned about our Lord's will and commission but may we take it to heart and be found doing what he left us to do when he does return.

Let us pray,

Our gracious Father,

Since we know not, (neither the day nor the hour in which you shall appear to call the world to judgment, to reward the saints, and to send forth everlasting punishment against the wicked) we pray that you will help us to be ready each moment of each day of our lives. Bless the broadcast to the good of all who hear and to thee we will give the praise through Christ our Lord. Amen

And may I remind you that this message has been brought your way over this radio station by The Mission Trail of Guthrie, Oklahoma. It is our sincere desire to exalt the Christ of the Bible and to present him to those who need him most! If you would like a copy of the message today you may have one free of charge by requesting it. Address your letter to The Mission Trail, Guthrie, Oklahoma. And of course may I also say that we certainly appreciate those who co-operate with us from time to time to make this message possible. May the dear Lord in his own way richly reward each and every one of you and of course for that

which is accomplished the glory and praise belongs unto God himself because we believe that he is able to supply the need and to fulfill his will in the life of those who are willing to give of themselves wholly to him.

Here is a song: "Heaven's Jubilee". The singers are Waldo Eck, Edwin Eck, and Neta Eck.

And now this final scripture beginning in Luke 21:34, "And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth. Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man."

Now, friends, I hope these scriptures and these thoughts may cause each one who hears the broadcast to think solemnly and to be sure that they've made preparations to meet the Lord. Now until we meet again this is Willie Murrey saying may God's richest blessings be with each of you. Be with us again next Sunday at this same time on this same station for another broadcast of The Mission Trail. A very cheerful good-bye!

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From Wisconsin: "I love the Lord. He has blessed me so much since I was left alone seven years ago and as I was reading the scripture reading in the Mission Trail in the 90th Psalm three score years and ten. I will be eighty years old in March if the Lord willing that I live that long. My eyes are quite bad. Please pray for me. In Christian love, "--Jennie Chapman



## Testimonies

From Arkansas: "Truly my soul waiteth upon God. I love the Lord because he hath heard my voice and my supplications, because he has inclined his ear unto me; therefore will I call upon him as long as I live. . . I know God hears and answers prayer. He has done so many times for me. I feel so unworthy of His blessings since I can do so little for Him, yet I know I am here on this earth for some purpose and with all my heart I want to do His will. To all the saints--keep yourselves in the love of God looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto Eternal life."

--Sybil Delahunt

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From Kentucky: "Greetings in Jesus name. I am still praising the dear Lord for his love and mercies to us. He has been so wonderful to us during my husband's sickness. But he, Wilbur, is still quite a sick man and needs help from God. He has been suffering for months with an over acid stomach and an ulcer in the duodenum. Many earnest prayers have gone up in his behalf by the dear saints here and else where. . . He has the awful yellow complexion and he has lost weight and is still losing. . . yet he can't eat but very little so as to build his body up. He still needs help. . . Bro. and Sis. Mart Samons and Bro. Harris and others here have been so faithful in praying for him and encouraging him. And he has gotten much help from the Lord in answer to their many earnest prayers. How we do thank the dear Lord for such wonderful saints who are willing to pour out their very souls (so to speak) in his behalf. I will say he is much much better this morning. Will you please all pray earnestly for him that he will be completely healed. . . . A sister in Christ,"

--Sis. Jarvis

From California: "Greetings of love to all of you dear and faithful people. It has meant so much to me having loved ones like you this past year. Today finds me still not well but trying to make plans to do a better job for the Lord this next year. He has been so good to me. Do agree in prayer with me that I will have a better understanding of his will. . . Please keep me on the mailing list. Much love and many prayers for all of you. . ."

--Edna Murry

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From Michigan: "This morning still finds me saved, and enjoying the many good blessings from God. I'm so thankful for health, as I was ill most of the past year. I'm so glad God hears and answers our prayers. Sometimes he lets us wait for our answer but he has a purpose. Please pray that I will always be faithful to him, and for more patience to wait upon the Lord. I know his will must be done. I enjoy reading the Mission Trail. I am sending a small contribution hope it will help carry your good work on. I can't get your radio broadcast up here. A sister in Christ,"

--Sylvia Hovey

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From Louisiana: "I am so thankful this morning for the privilege of serving such a great God. The One who knows everyone of his children by name. Knows our down sitting, and uprising, our going out and our coming in. He knows what we need before we ask. But just to be a great God in knowledge and power, it still wouldn't mean so much to us. But oh, that love, mercy, and goodness, also long suffering and patience with his power, knowledge and wisdom, it is wonderful to have Him for our God individually and to know he says to us, individually "Ask and you shall receive."

--Alta Flynn



From Ohio: "Greetings of love in Jesus dear name, the one who has loved us all so much and made the way where by we all could have eternal life. So thankful for His great love and mercy unto us. So thankful for the safe trip to Calif. and back. . . Sunday was our all day meeting in Dayton. Several from out of town came in, would be glad to have you come back some time as the Lord would lead. . . May the dear Lord bless and help each one as He sees best. . . Much love and prayers,"

--Sis. Bethel

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From Kansas: 'Greetings in the name of Jesus. Trusting that you and family have a joyous Christmas and a prosperous New Year. I know you will have all that I said for Lord said for us to ask and it shall be given you. . . that is a wonderful promise. You know His word has never failed as yet. The Lord is still blessing us with a reasonable portion of health and we still have our right mind. Thank the Lord . . . remember us in your prayers.'

--H. E. and Etta Martin

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From Oregon: "Greetings in Jesus name to all the saints everywhere. Hope everyone had a happy holiday season. . . I woke up during the night about the middle of the month and just couldn't sleep so got up and the Mission Trail paper had come that day. So I picked it up and started reading it and it just seemed to fit the situation perfectly. It was the one with the story of David and Goliath in it. I read the entire paper before going back to bed and enjoyed it tremendously. It was just what I needed. . . I do thank and praise our God for his goodness to me for the wonderful things he does for us. . . May God bless all his saints everywhere. Do pray for us. . ."

--Sister Ruth Bethell

From Montana: "We can't get your broadcast but how we do enjoy the little paper making its way to our home each week! Please keep our name on the mailing list and we will try to remember to send a little offering as the dear Lord provides. We appreciated so much having Bro. Murphey and Kathleen stop with us even if it was a short stay. We are always glad to have the saints visit us. Just wish there were more of them so their visits would be more frequent and this old world be a happier, better place! I do thank the dear Lord for all of his dear children I have had the privilege to meet. . . We need and appreciate the prayers of all you dear ones. Edith joins me in wishing all a happy new year and God's tender care. Christian love,"

--Sister Betty Davis

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From Oregon: "I greet you in Jesus dear name, can report victory in my soul and the Lord is helping my body . . . I do praise the Lord for all he is to me. I love him and want to serve him the very best I know how. We are having snow showers and rain showers off and on all this week, not enough snow at a time to really cover the ground. Then we get more rain. Now in the hills they get more snow and less rain but we are thankful we don't have much snow. Right now since I begin to write this it has begun to snow again but is turning to rain. So I am thankful. Herman had to work on the road 2 nights from mid-night till noon or later 12 and 13 hours but the last 2 days he just put in regular time. I talked to Sis. Ruby Hutchinson and she said they had quite a lot of snow up there tonight. What we got was soon gone for we got rain between showers and theirs was all snow. May the Lord bless you all . . . Christian love and prayers,"

--Sis. Emma Busch



From Kansas: "We want you to know how we enjoy hearing the broadcast over KGGF. . . we look forward each week to the paper and the news of the saints that it contains. We are sorry to be so slow in sending in our coupon. We do want to be on the mailing list this coming year. May the Lord richly bless you in the work you are doing for him. Our prayers are with you. We trust the Lord will bless you both spiritually and temporally in your service to him. Pray for us."

--David and Leora Besily and family

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From Oklahoma: "To the Mission Trail, We greet you in the name of Jesus and we are praying for you and the work. . . We pray that this year will be a prosperous one for us all . . ."

--Nancy Jones and Bell Sanders

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From California: "Praise our dear Saviour Jesus Christ for victory in my soul each day. He is everything to me. I am by His grace all on the altar, mean to see the end of this Christian race and pilgrimage thru this life to blend into our eternal life with our blessed redeemer. I am so glad I learned about this one true way in my youth. There are so many ways (religious) in the world, in Satan's control to lead astray souls and deceive them. O it is so pitiful to be deceived, to believe you are right and to learn at the judgment you are eternally lost when the Bible plainly teaches one way, one Lord, one faith, one baptism--how can they see so many different religions and not see the confusion which is in them? It grieves my heart and it must grieve God's heart too. By your prayers help me to live up to all I know and keep low down at His feet, hid away in Christ. I want on no man's pedestal, but to lift Christ up. Pray for me."

--Sister Zinn

Postmarked Washington: "We are yet saved and I mean to make heaven my home. When I think of heaven that will be a wonderful place to be, where there is love, peace, happiness, joy, etc. We won't have to be around hatred, racial hatred, unkindness, and all of the rest of sin and evil. It is real nice being around a true Christian and to be in their presence. . ."

--Lillie Mae Graves, Wichita, Kan.

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From Louisiana: "We're enjoying this beautiful spring-like weather we've been having the last two or three days. Please keep our name on your mailing list, we still enjoy the weekly messages of The Mission Trail. . . It was nice to have my brother and sister-in-law visit us during Christmas-New Year holidays. They thought it was very pretty down here and liked our warmer weather very much. It had been 3 below zero in Ohio once while they were with us. Keith is growing and of course we enjoy him more and more. . ."

--Juanita, Don, Keith Williamson

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From California: "I truly thank the Lord for salvation today and all the saints of God. We were blessed to attend the Pacoima assembly meeting which we enjoyed very much. We were glad to see the saints from far and near. I am very encouraged to press on for the Lord. We do desire your prayers. Your sister in Christ,"

--Sis. Geneva Norling

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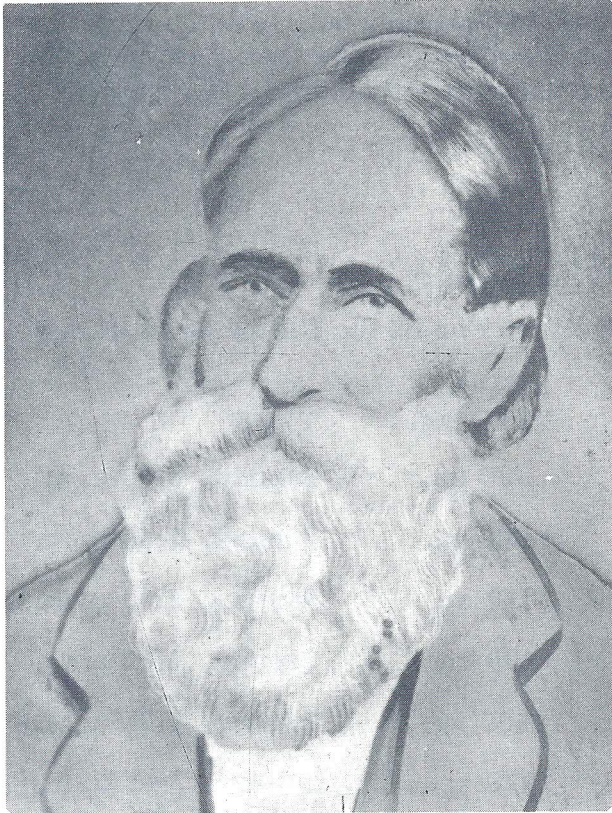
From Louisiana: "Greetings in Jesus dear name. We've enjoyed the Mission Trail paper very much and I do thank God for all he has done for us in this year of 1968. And I do hope the new year of 1969 will be a better year for every one. . ."

--Sis. Snowden



# at press time

we understand:



UNCLE ROBIN GREEN is pictured with his long white beard. His life's story was printed in the Elliott County News, Sandy Hook, Kentucky, and also Ashland News. He was the great great grandfather of Bro. Curtis Williams. Read of his experiences in the message for this week beginning on page 1.

From Arizona: "My home was once in Shawnee, Oklahoma till we moved to Arizona, but love all my dear saints in Oklahoma. We had our 60th anniversary in Dec. 27--was a happy day. I thank the dear Lord for all 8 of our children with us. . . We all had a happy time to thank the Lord for health that we could be up to enjoy."

--J. S. Landers, Gen. Del., Cashion, Arizona ~~95329~~ 85329

From Guthrie: "I'm so thankful that I can still report victory in my soul over sin and all uncleanness. Jesus cares for me day by day and keeps me encouraged. I'm much more satisfied to keep busy for the Lord. It's so wonderful to live where I can be with the children of God and go to meeting here in Guthrie. It's encouraging to read the testimonies from the different ones in the Mission Trail. May we each one dig deeper into the things of God, try each day to do something to draw closer to God, and be a greater example."--Sis. Evelyn Gibson, Box 103, Guthrie, Okla. 73044

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From Florida: "We send greetings from Sunshine Florida. So thankful for a good safe trip here and to be with Viola and family and the few saints here through the holidays. Guess we are missing a lot of cold winter back there. We did hate to miss the assembly meeting. We surely were made sad to hear about Bro. Harland Smith. We had never met him, only the one time at Clifford and Patsy's wedding, had always enjoyed his writings and concern and burden for the work of God. . . We are thankful to the dear Lord for keeping us well. Loyd has been picking oranges in the afternoon. A pretty orange grove is just across the street from us here. We don't know how much longer we will be here. We may get home sometime next month. Keep the Mission Trail coming to our home address. We enjoy it all very much. . ."

--Loyd and Cassie Wilson





THE MISSION TRAIL, originating in Guthrie, Okla., is broadcast by radio and published weekly in printed form by Willie and Frances Murphey with the help of others. It is mailed free of charge to those who request it. Its purpose is to reach the hungry hearts of the unsaved everywhere with the gospel which will save them. Its principal support comes from the free will contributions of its listeners and readers. Those who feel directed by the Lord to assist may do so by sending their offering to: THE MISSION TRAIL, Guthrie, Okla. 73044.

For some it will come true: "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." Jer. 8:20. Let us hasten with the message which Jesus gave: "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls."



## Broadcast Schedule

Listen for THE MISSION TRAIL weekly on one of the following stations:

RADIO STATION	LOCATION	DIAL SETTING	TIME
KGGF	Coffeyville, Kansas	690 kc.	Sunday, 8:00 a. m.
KCKW	Jena, Louisiana	1480 kc.	Sunday, 7:30 a. m.
KCLO	Leavenworth, Kansas	1410 kc.	Sunday, 3:00 p. m.
WFPR	Hammond, Louisiana	1400 kc.	Sunday, 7:45 a. m.
KCIJ	Shreveport, Louisiana	980 kc.	Sunday, 7:30 a. m.
KXOW *	Hot Springs, Arkansas	1420 kc.	Sunday, 7:45 a. m.

\*Additional broadcast is heard on this station Sunday, 3:30 p. m.

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