



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

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## “...and it came to pass”

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. . . and a very cheerful greeting to each and every listener of the broadcast. It is a real privilege to be coming your way once again with the gospel. After all, the gospel contains the good news of salvation and we have some good news for you. Do you remember that little phrase which occurs in the Bible so often which says, "And it came to pass". Down through the ages the prophecies have foretold events which were yet to come. And God in His unerring manner at the proper time and the proper places has brought them forth for all the world to behold. And that is surely so when we are dealing with God's prophecies, "And it came to pass."

While I was preparing this message and expressing my thoughts along this line my daughter Kathleen came up with a question, "Would you like to have a new word for your vocabulary?" Then she told me that the word was serendipity. Well I was set back just a little because serendipity didn't mean too much to me. Then she went on to explain and even found proof in the dictionary that serendipity means, "The gift of finding valuable or agreeable things not sought for." Friends, isn't it true that a sinner man who is burdened down with his guilt is seeking for release, but once he finds it, quite soon he realizes that a complete new world of God's promises and fulfillment have opened up to him to which he had been blinded previously. Is this not the greatest serendipity of all? Now, there you have our new word for this time. But back to the fulfillment of God's promises.

In Isa. chapter 7 and verse 14 are these words, "Therefore the Lord himself

shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel." The margin in Isa. says here 735 years before Christ. That is rather a lengthy vision for Isa. to foretell isn't it? But in the first chapter of Matthew is the account of the birth of Christ and the 22nd and 23rd verses record it this way, "Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us."

God's time of fulfillment is not always hundreds of years away. It depends upon what he is talking about. In the 4th chapter of Daniel an account is given how Nebuchadnezzar had become lifted up and was exalted in his imagination. God pronounced judgment against him and the 33rd verse gives this account, "The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar:



and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws." Now friends, did you know it is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of a living God.

When Christ was healing those who were sick and those possessed with devils Matt. 8:17 gives this explanation, "That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses." So you see, Isaiah had foretold it already in chapter 53.

But now to the crucifixion. In Psa. 69: 21 we find these words, "They gave me also gall for my meat; and in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink." Would you like to know of whom this is speaking? Then let me show you the fulfillment in Matt. 27 beginning with verse 34, "They gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted thereof, he would not drink. And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots." Would you say that it was just a chance that the soldiers cast lots for his garments? I would say that it was more than this. It was a fulfillment of the prophecies given under inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

Now did you know this, that it was during the passover season when Christ was crucified? The passover was a symbol of the deliverance of God's people from Egypt. Here is the way the original passover was observed. In Ex. 12 and verse 46, "In one house shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry

forth ought of the flesh abroad out of the house; neither shall ye break a bone thereof." Now notice that little phrase right there. And for the fulfillment listen to this from John 19 and beginning with verse 32, "Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs: But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water. And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe. For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken."

But perhaps the greatest serendipity of all took place on that morning of the resurrection. The women came to the tomb but he was not there. Instead they were greeted by the angels which told of his resurrection. Their sorrow was turned to joy and amazement and upon numerous occasions Jesus himself appeared unto different ones. John sums it up this way in chapter 20 and verses 30 and 31, "And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name." Friends, I am glad for the resurrection, aren't you? Listen to this poem:

I know that my Redeemer lives,  
And has prepared a place for me,  
And crowns of victory He gives  
To those who would His children be.

I'm trusting Jesus Christ for all, --  
I know His blood now speaks for me;



I'm listening for the welcome call,  
To say 'The Master waiteth thee!'

I'm now enraptured at the thought,  
I stand and wonder at His love,  
That He from heav'n to earth was  
brought  
To die, that I may live above.

I know that Jesus soon will come,  
I know the time will not be long,  
'Till I shall reach my heav'nly home  
To sing with joy the heav'nly song.

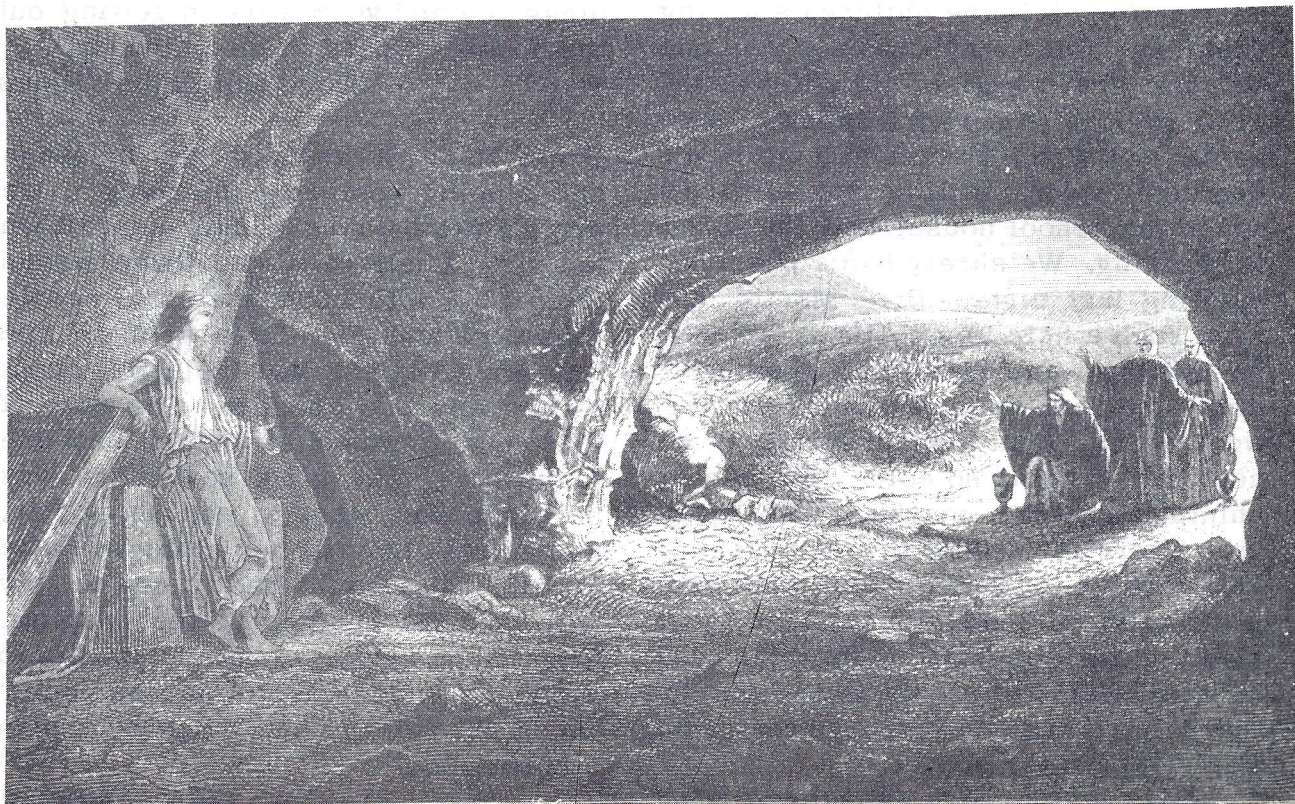
Let us pray,

Our gracious Father,

We are glad for the fulfillment of thy  
promises and the resurrection of our  
Lord from the tomb. This gives us  
hope that we too shall share in the re-  
surrection. Bless each listener of the  
broadcast with a special blessing and  
to thee we will give the praise through  
Christ our Lord. Amen

Here is a song, "Salvation has been  
brought down." The singers are Ro-  
bert and Mildred Sherman, Robert  
Mays, Willie Weldon, and Lucille  
Francisco.

Well, thank the Lord, I am glad that  
salvation has been brought down, aren't  
you, friend? That is what I call bring-  
ing something down in reach of us. We  
are certainly glad for salvation. We  
are glad for what it does for us that  
it makes us a child of God. We are  
also glad for the resurrection and the  
hope that we have in Christ. It is a  
pleasure to bring you this short mes-  
sage. We hope that each of you will  
be with us again next week at this same  
time on this same station for another  
broadcast of The Mission Trail. If we  
may be of any help to you be sure to  
let us know. And now until we meet  
again this is Willie Murphey saying  
may God's richest blessings be with  
each of you and a very cheerful good-  
bye!



"HE IS NOT HERE, BUT IS RISEN."



## Testimonies

From Ill.: "Greetings in Jesus dear name. I desire special earnest prayer for my body. I am having a real test over my afflictions. That place on my hip opened thru prayer, but hurts a lot and stays so sore. I know God can heal me. Thanks for your prayers, I know I have rec'd help thru your prayers. I pray for you daily."

--Daisy M. Payton

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From Mich.: "Greetings in the name of Jesus. Praise the Lord for victory through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Surely our hearts go out in praise and thanksgiving to Him who has done so much for us. We do trust that all is well in soul and body for you folks. We all seem to be getting along quite well, thank the Lord. And we are still endeavoring to please the Lord in all we do and say. . . I hope we get to go to at least part of the Dayton meeting. It is the children's spring vacation. But we will have to wait and see just what happens. Bro. Key plans to be at least to part of it I know. Maybe he and Bro. Martin will go down together. We are still having services out in the school house, and the Lord is blessing. We surely had a precious meeting last night. Bro. Martin has been such a help to us. He is able to go calling, and Bro. Key goes with him, and that helps so much in the work here. What a beautiful day, except for it being so cold. The sun is shining so pretty, maybe it will warm up. There for awhile it was so spring like, then it turned cold and it snowed. But that is all gone now. At least most of it. . . May the Lord richly bless you in your efforts to get the Word out by the printed page and through the radio ministry, is our prayer."

--Bro. Ralph, Sis. Dorothy Wilkins

From Texas: "I do thank the Lord for answering prayer in my behalf. I am greatly improved in body. I appreciate all prayers offered for me. However, I have another painful affliction that has begun to trouble me and I need prayer. The Lord is so good to me and my family."

--Sis. Velda Ellis

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From Mich.: "Greetings in Jesus precious name. We hope all of you are well. Wife cannot stand to do too much work, she gives out easily and still cannot stand to ride very far. She is 77 years old. I am in fair health for my age. Of course I have afflictions. But I thank God I am as well as I am. Our son is improving. He was losing 2 pounds a day. . . He was up here March 24. He certainly is in better condition than he was. He had gained 10 pounds. . . We certainly thank every one that remembered him in prayer. We daily bring you folks to the good Lord in prayer that God will richly bless you and your work in getting out the Truth. Yours in the one body,"

--Floyd and Esther Hines

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From Mo.: "I enjoyed the message and singing yesterday morning. We are glad to be able to help keep it on the air. I believe it was three weeks tomorrow afternoon that the people who were with Sis. Erska went off and left her while she was asleep without telling any one about it. She woke at 3:40 and it was 6:40 before any one found her. The girls saw there was no light and went to see about her. Stayed with her till her children came at 11:15. They could find no one to stay with her so put her in the hospital. They made arrangements to put her in a nursing home in Joplin but the doctor would not release her. Hopes to go to a home soon. . ."

--Sis. Lula Caughron



From Ohio: "Greeting in name of our Lord whom is still our refuge, strength and our salvation. We enjoy the Mission Trail--a letter from the family of God plus a message of enlightenment. . . . In Christian love,"

--Sis. Hazel Clark

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From Mo.: "Greetings in the Lord. Will write you all today. Am glad I am still saved, I'm serving the Lord. Glad I ever found him precious to my soul. I mean by his help and grace to be true to the end. His grace is sufficient for everything. We sure do thank you all for remembering our loved ones in prayer when we asked you. We sure do enjoy messages every Sunday morning. Only wished it was longer. May the Lord ever richly bless you all is our prayers. By for this time."

--Myrtle Glass

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From Okla.: "The more I go along this way I feel closer to God! God said 'He would manifest Himself to His children.' God requires us to do things for Him! God is only glorified in His trusting children in this world! And we need His holy spirit! . . . Happy we love our Lord, am saved, sanctified and healed by His blessed name! Also happy to fill place here in Golden Rule Home, helping aged saints. Love them dearly. We got some glorious victories in Louisiana. Our Joyce Johnson was saved! At Memorial Chapel Church of God in Baton Rouge where Bro. Max Williamson is pastor. Bro. and Sis. Stephen Henry works faithfully there and have been for years. Their efforts have been means of saving and helping souls. Oh! how we did rejoice over our daughter! and she has 4 children! . . . Still pray for my other dear children! We covet your prayers that they too will come to God. . . ."

--Sister Rubye Quave

From Calif.: "Greetings of love to you all once again in the precious name of Jesus. He has promised never to leave us or forsake us. Oh praise his precious name. Bless the Lord my soul, and forget not all his benefits. Psalms 103:2 They surely have been many and I could not forget them. He helps us through the testing trials and brings us out with victory in our souls. It's so wonderful to trust his great wisdom and his loving mercy of love. I want to count every minute for Jesus. May the dear Lord help me to be a light to others as he leads me day by day. It is a great pleasure and a joy to our heart to follow him. We realize the need as time is precious. . . May God bless you in your efforts to get the gospel out to the lost world. May he supply all your needs to send the messages out over the air also through the printing pages."

--Verlene Williams

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#### HE HATH DONE IT

Sing, O heavens! the Lord hath done it!  
Sound it forth o'er land and sea!  
Jesus says, "I have redeemed thee;  
Now return, return to me!"  
Oh, return, for his own life-blood  
Paid the ransom, made us free  
Evermore and evermore!

For I know that what he doeth  
Stands forever, fixed and true;  
Nothing can be added to it,  
Nothing left for us to do,  
Nothing can be taken from it--  
Done for me and done for you.  
Evermore and evermore.

Listen now! the Lord hath done it!  
For he loved us unto death;  
It is finished! He has saved us!  
Only trust to what he saith.  
He hath done it! Come and bless him;  
Spend in praise your ransomed breath  
Evermore and evermore.



## Easter Services in Wisconsin



Stanley, Wisconsin--Sunday, April 6

It was a pleasure for Frances and myself along with our children, Kathleen, Willie, and Wayne to attend the special Easter services in Stanley, Wisconsin this year. We left home on Thursday April 3 and arrived in Stanley Friday evening. Most of the way from Des Moines, Iowa to Wisconsin was through heavy fog as we drove along, but the Lord gave us a safe trip for which we were thankful. There were services Friday night and three services on Saturday and Sunday. Shown in the picture to the left above are part of those who attended Sunday. The pastor, Sis. Dietrich, and her husband (lower left) are shown in the picture below.



Brother and Sister Frank Dietrich



Part of the Alvin Olson family

They have been very active in working for the Lord there. Others attending include the Alvin Olson family (upper right) as well as John and Bertha La Veau, Sarona, Wisconsin as well as their son and his wife, Duane and Sue LaVeau. Bro. Andrew Senti (lower right) rode the bus from Minneapolis to be present. He rode back to Minneapolis with us on the return trip. He is 82 years old. Sis. Adams and her daughter Esther were there as well as Roman Deforth. Sis. Jennie Chapman and others from that area attended some services. We are grateful for the blessings of the Lord in the meetings.



Brother Andrew Senti



# at press time

we understand:

Plan now to attend the Oklahoma camp meeting in Guthrie beginning May 30.

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From Calif.: "Greetings once again in Jesus dear name. I think the little Mission Trail paper just wonderful, so clear on the teaching we need to help us in our travel in this life. Hope the good Lord keeps you workers filled with his spirit so you can feed our hungry souls. . ."--Bro. Guy Littrell

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Funeral services for Sis. Tempie Crisp were held March 30 in the Church of God chapel in Hoffman, Okla. She was 84 years old when she died March 17. Our sympathy is extended to her daughter, Vera Mae Hawkins, and other relatives and friends in this time of sorrow. Sis. Tempie took a real interest in the work of the Lord and often sent in her testimony and offerings to help further the gospel. May the Lord bless the remembrance of her life and cause others to walk in the ways of God.

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From Idaho: "I am trusting in the Lord more and more each day. Was supposed to have surgery. . . but trusted the Lord and he has healed me through faith. God bless you for doing the Lord's work. . . Please remember me in your prayers,"

--Sis. Joy Weimer

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Bro. Lawrence and Sis. Maybell Pruitt and also Sis. Marie Miles were in Dayton, Ohio for the services on Easter weekend. They returned home Tues. April 8.

"You should see the Busbee's baby boy. So tiny. But he just sleeps and sleeps. And he's filling out some now. Sis. Busbee looks much better and said she feels much better. . . Bro. Gordon Humphrey came by and spent the night Thursday night. He was on the way to Neosho for all day meeting yesterday."

--Mildred McIntosh

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Our sympathy is extended to Sis. Ruth Murphey of Neosho, Mo. and her sisters in the loss of their mother. Mrs. Melvina McNeely who has not been well so much of the winter, died Saturday, April 5. She was 81 years old. Bro. Charles Smith spoke at the funeral, Monday, April 7. Ruth is still quite nervous and in sorrow but the Lord has given grace and helped her through. Continue to remember her in prayer.

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We regret the death of another saint of God, Sis. Dot Henry. Sis. Dot had a stroke some weeks ago. Her sister Vera Forbes who was in Missouri at the time of her death, took a plane to return to California for the funeral. May the dear Lord comfort each of the relatives and friends at this time.

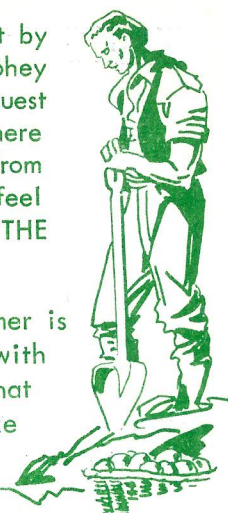
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As a result of our trip to Wisconsin over the Easter weekend we are two days later with the mailing of the printed copy of this publication. It is normally mailed on Tuesday before the date line which is Friday. However this week it is being mailed on Thursday. We would be interested in knowing how long it takes for you to get your copy.





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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:

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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.

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