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“For the faith once delivered unto the saints”

OUR MOTTO: Spiritual in life and Scriptural in practice.	OUR WATCHWORD: Go into all the world and preach the gospel.
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OUR AIM: Be it our aim to be more sanctified, more righteous,
more holy, and more perfect through faith and obedience.

O MASTER LET ME WALK WITH THEE

O Master, let me walk with thee
In lowly paths of service free;
Tell me thy secret; help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move
By some clear, winning word of love;
Teach me the wayward feet to stay,
And guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience; still with thee
In closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
In trust that triumphs over wrong;

In hope that sends a shining ray
Far down the future's broadening way;
In peace that only thou canst give, -
With thee, O Master, let me live.

—Washington Gladden

THE CONSISTENT LIFE

When we read the Gospel accounts concerning Jesus' earthly ministry, we notice that He remained consistent in what He said and did. The Pharisees and other Jewish leaders were often baffled by His words and His deeds. Although His words and deeds upset them, they acknowledged that He was consistent. He often challenged their over appreciation of rituals and trivia and chided them for forgetting the deeper spiritual application of the Word. He often referred to them as hypocrites.

The definition of hypocrisy is the lack of consistency between what is said and what is done. The lack of consistency may be a problem for those who speak much but fail to fulfill their promises. Jesus never had that

problem. Although He often triggered the Pharisees, they could never prove Him untrue or unable to fulfill what He said. When their pricked pride goaded them into scheming with Judas to betray Him and to find false witnesses to convict Him, their scheme almost fell apart when the Sanhedrin was reluctant to convict Him. Later they used political persuasion to convince Pilate to pronounce the death sentence on Jesus.

When Jesus' stated purpose was to do His Father's will, which led to His death on the cross as He yielded to God's plan. The Pharisees could talk about rituals and sacrifices, but their hearts were not invested in Israel's greater spiritual good.

The Pharisees illustrate

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a present human tendency. Words, promises, and vows made easily are often not fulfilled. Although they may intimate that they follow Jesus and honor God, they seem unable to match their actions with their words.

There are many voices that affect Christians during their journey. Some of those voices may try to persuade them that Jesus was not serious in His commands and challenges for believers. Others might persuade them that He would never demand obedience and faithfulness. His promise was that though they might face trials and troubles He would provide succor for them. They needed to learn patience and faith during the journey until His timing was right. They cannot be at ease thinking they have nothing to do or to bear.

Jesus gave instruction for Christians that included precise directions for how they should conduct themselves. He demanded integrity, righteousness, faithfulness, and perseverance. Their lives should be different than those living to please themselves in accumulating possessions, being amused, and being

entertained. Christians need to examine whether their activities are consistent with their professed values.

To know and to apply the values of Christianity requires study of the Word of God. Christians need a broad knowledge of Biblical teachings concerning various activities in life. Many of the Bible's cardinal doctrines are well known, but others have been ignored because they are not popular.

People today have little knowledge or desire to practice these activities. The headship covering demands a submission that recks of weakness in today's culture. The wearing of conservative clothing may be daunting to those who are immersed in the world's popular, frivolous, and immodest attire. The integrity a Christian needs to conduct a commercial business in today's business climate may seem a path to poverty and failure. Resting one day each week may seem a waste of time to those who use every day for fun, frivolity, and finances.

It is profitable for Christians to know what God has shared for their benefit in the New Testament. What may seem to be inconvenient, difficult,

tiresome, or ritualistic in the New Testament is given for the believer's spiritual benefit. Participation brings lessons taught, principles developed, and fellowship enhanced.

Jesus desired His followers to come to Him for their soul's salvation, then to grow and

develop through the practices that He taught and patterned for them.

Are your activities in line with your profession of Jesus as your Savior? Are you willing to grow in your faith?

M. C. Cook

GODLY LOVE??

February 14th, Valentine's Day, the day that most of the country and the world celebrates love. In 2021 people in the United States, spent \$21.8 billion on Valentine's Day. I am not here to say spending money on a special someone is wrong, but instead it pains me to see people think that it is the only time we need to show affection or shower love on our loved ones.

As Christians, the Bible says by our love the world will know us. John 13:35, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." In the previous verse, Jesus also said this, "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another." John 13:34. That is a huge responsibility!! Jesus loved us so much that He gave

His own life to redeem us.

In Ephesians 5, Paul uses Christ's example to show what Christian families and marriages should look like. Verse 1-2, "Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour."

The next verses talk about things we are to put off and have no part of as well as things we are to put on and act like, but the passage I want to bring your attention to is verses 21-29, "Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God. Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. Therefore

as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh, but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church." This is a controversial passage but if we will take Christ's example, study what is being said, and apply it to our marriages we will be the example the world is looking for.

Harold Martin says it like this, "Many homes have been wrecked because arrogant men made doormats of their wives and domineering women have trampled underfoot their husband's manhood. The only real solution to the peril of broken homes is to follow the biblical example: husbands love their wives; wives are submissive to their husbands and children are brought up in the nurture and

admonition of the Lord."

What does that look like? A wife's submission does not mean that women are inferior to men, but it means a wife looks to her husband to lead the home, acknowledging his headship, and by choosing to ask his advice before making major decisions.

Men and women have different functions in life. In God's eyes they are of equal value, however, He has placed each in a level of authority. 1 Corinthians 11:3, "But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God."

A husband's job is to love his wife. Her greatest desire is to feel secure, valued and wanted. He can show this in various ways, gifts, help with housework, making sure she has everything she needs to do her daily duties efficiently, being considerate of her wants and desires and so forth.

Verses 28 and 29 tell a husband to love and cherish his wife as if she were his own body. The meaning of the word "cherish" used here is "to foster with tender care." If we want to see something flourish, we foster it and give it the best we can to

see it grow into its potential.

Marriage is a unique relationship that requires maintenance and self-sacrificing, not just a 50/50 working relationship. Having been raised in conservative circles, I see husbands and wives, believing that divorce is wrong, but not putting their 100% best into the marriage, "because they are stuck with me now." This is a false belief and should never be used as an excuse to do less than our best.

When I hear men start to justify their actions and give excuses, I ask, "what excuse did Jesus use to stay off the cross?" He stayed the course and gave His life before we ever even asked for forgiveness. That is love and that is the pattern we are commanded to follow!!

Christian marriages are to be different than the world's marriages. If they are not, we are not doing it right. We cannot blame it on the pattern Christ left, because He was perfect. The only answer is the fault of two imperfect people refusing to do it God's way. God designed it, God instituted it and by default, He has the right to tell us how it works best. I am humbled to think that as a

man, the responsibility of this relationship working, is mostly mine.

I believe that most women (there are exceptions), when loved with the love that Christ intended, will respect her husband. This does not mean there will never be a difference of opinions, but she will have a wholesome reverence for him.

When the relationship between husband and wife is what it should be, the family becomes an example to the world of Christ's sanctifying love for the church. He died for the church and in so doing He brings sanctification, a cleansing or purifying process, to the body. His goal is to work out any blemish or wrinkle and be able to present the church to Himself without having spot or wrinkle.

I believe love is an action word. It is how we treat others and takes effort. It does not necessarily come easy. God has called us to a higher level of love than the world's standard.

If this is an area that needs some polish in your life, pray for help, read the WORD, and follow its instructions. 1 Peter 1:22, "Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned

love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently.”

Let us show the world something so radically different than their normal that they

cannot help but wonder what it is and want it for themselves!!
God Bless!!

Brother Joe Cover
Dallas Center, IA

THE GREAT SUPPER

Rudy Cover

Luke 14:12-24

Jesus was dining with a Pharisee. I think this Pharisee was a good man because he invited Jesus to dine with him. He wanted to hear Jesus and considered it an honor to have the Master in his home.

Jesus said to the Pharisee, “When you make a feast, don’t call your friends, nor your brethren, neither your relatives or your rich neighbors; lest they invite you to their homes and a recompense be made to you. When you make a feast; call the poor, the maimed, the lame, and the blind: And you shall be blessed; for they cannot recompense you; but you shall be recompensed at the resurrection of the just.”

Jesus told about a certain man who made a great supper and invited many. He sent his servant at supper time to say to

them that were invited, “Come, for all things are now ready.”

Then they all with one consent began to make excuse. One said, “I have bought a piece of ground, and I have to go see it. I pray thee, have me excused.” And another said, “I have bought a yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee, have me excused.” And another said, I have married a wife and I cannot come.”

When the servant returned and told his Lord these things, the master, being angry, said to his servant, “Go out quickly into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled: For I say unto you that none of those men, which were first invited, shall taste of my supper.”

Isn’t that about the way most people react to the invitation of Jesus for salvation? Excuses,

excuses, excuses! There is always something more important.

Jesus has done so much for us. He has prepared a table full of the necessary food for all our souls. This food is the Word of God. Jesus said, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." He will take your burden of sin and give you the best in life. He loves you and will forgive you. If you make excuses and turn down

the invitation to this great supper the Master may say, "You are excused – you shall never taste of my supper."

We are all invited to this great supper but if we turn it down, there are others who will come. There is a great table spread. God's House will be filled.

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PHIL'S PONDERINGS

As we "study to shew ourselves approved unto God..."

February 2022 Study Questions

February 6 – 1 Samuel 1:21-2:11

What did Elkanah mean when he said, "only the LORD establish his word."? 1 Samuel 1:23

How old was Samuel likely to be when weaned?

How would you have responded if you were in Eli's position?

What are some notable differences between Hannah's two prayers?

What is surprising about verse 1?

How does God's justice reveal itself in her prayer?

Commentary: What do you do with the pain in your heart? How we respond to pain tells us much about our relationship with the Lord. Anger and emptiness are twin responses to pain that drive others away or close the doors to relationships. Self-medicating our emotional pain may isolate us from our enemies, but it hinders intimacy with those we love.

Hope shrivels within. Hannah had no means of overcoming her barrenness nor the taunts and insults of Elkanah's other wife. She was helpless until she turned to the Lord and poured out the pain in her heart. At this point many of us can find some similarity with Hannah's pain and our own. But to vow to give away the gift (a son) that transforms her sense of self-worth is a sacrifice few of us may ever know. Her prayer of praise and thanksgiving comes from her lips at the moment she could easily regret ever having made such a vow. Nor is her joyfulness in God's salvation hers alone but for all who call upon Him in their distress. God brings down those who rely on their own strength and power and raises up those who are weak and have no other resources but the Lord. May our sorrows also be transformed into joy as we experience, "what is the exceeding greatness of his power to usward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power...." Eph. 1:19

February 13 – 1 Samuel 2:12-30

How did Eli's sons become priests?

What does the phrase, "sons of Belial" mean?

How were the sons of Eli taking advantage of those offering sacrifices?

Why did people begin to abhor the offering to the Lord?

What are some reasons why Eli was ineffective as a father?

How did Eli honor his sons more than the Lord?

Commentary: The great sin and source of corruption in the lives of Eli's sons is that they did not know the Lord. In not knowing the Lord they could not honor the Lord in their service to Him. By not honoring the Lord they were left with the inevitable result of their ignorance of Him: they honored themselves. They used their position to please their own passions. They extorted the people they were meant to serve. Sexual abuse in the workplace was typical of their behavior as they took advantage of the women who came to clean the tabernacle and repair its many fabrics. Though Eli upbraided their behavior he also was unwilling to surrender all the privileges as a priest that came to him and his sons.

Part of what we see in this passage is a small-scale version of the corruption that existed in Jesus' day associated with the sacrifices made at the temple in Jerusalem. Jesus referred to it as, "a den of thieves." This passage should remind us that we also are vulnerable to the corrupting nature of sin. No matter our position or the prestige associated with it, our one true defense is the Lord who has called us for His purposes and to Himself for our salvation defeating sin's power over us.

February 20 – 1 Samuel 2:31-3:14

What is Eli's punishment for allowing his sons' behavior to go unchecked?

How has the Lord revealed Himself to you?

Did you know from the first prompting that He was calling you?

Did someone help you identify the source of your call?

Have you been able to help someone else identify the Lord as the source of their calling?

What counsel did Eli give Samuel that still stands the test of time?

Commentary: Some may object to the idea of a personal relationship with the God who is the creator of all things. Somehow the notion of a God who is all powerful, all knowing, and everywhere present who condescends to reveal Himself to the least of any of us diminishes His nature as God. Such intimacy between man and God is reserved for only a few. Samuel is an exception because he is a prophet and counselor of kings. Others need the reassurance of His closeness to accomplish the mighty deeds assigned to them by the Lord. But such personal intimacy with the God of the universe is not necessary for ordinary mortals such as us. Our hands are full enough simply imitating His nature in our everyday experience of life. So, Satan desires us to believe. In the process he would rob us of our unworthiness that brings us to the cross of Christ. He would dismiss our need for Jesus as a savior who loves us so much that He shed His blood for our salvation. He would pamper us with self-sufficiency thus denying us our need of the Holy Spirit to imbue us with power from on high. May we embrace and comprehend, by the

grace of God, that God's call to Samuel is also our experience, differing only in the circumstances that make up our individual lives. Therefore, our response to God is the same: "Speak Lord for thy servant heareth."

February 27 – 1 Samuel 3:15-4:11

What did Eli sense from Samuel before anything was spoken?

What did Eli do for Samuel by insisting that Samuel tell him everything God said?

What is Samuel learning to do by telling Eli all that God has said?

What can we learn from Eli's response to Samuel?

What is meant by the phrase, "let none of his words fall to the ground?" 1 Sam. 3:19

What is misplaced faith and how does it apply to Israel's battle with the Philistines?

Commentary: How much time has passed since the unnamed prophet prophesied God's judgment upon Eli and his family is uncertain. But Samuel is still a young boy and therefore likely that only a short time has passed. As Eli realizes that the Lord is the one whose voice Samuel hears, perhaps his hopes grew that the Lord may have changed His mind. It is not likely that Samuel was privy to anything said by the previously mentioned prophet. Nor is he old enough to easily discern the content of what was prophesied. But the hesitancy that Samuel may have displayed in sharing what the Lord told him could only be for one reason. So, the Lord confirmed to Eli through Samuel that His judgment had not changed. Eli's gracious demand that Samuel shares all that the Lord said kept Samuel from having to carry the pain of a secret he could share with no one. It was also a growth step in Samuel's life where he will often share the unwelcome news of God's judgment. Samuel's faithfulness and God's blessing upon his life would help carry Israel through many dark times. The end of chapter three looks forward to Samuel's ministry. But the beginning of chapter four brings us back to the present consequences of God's judgment. The unfaithfulness of Hophni and Phinehas created a spiritual vacuum in the life of Israel. When such a vacuum exists, something will begin

to fill it. Lacking spiritual maturity, faith gets misplaced resulting in disaster. Conflict with the Philistines fills the vacuum created by spiritual ignorance. No particular reason is stated for the present conflict though there is a hint in verse nine. "...that ye be not servants unto the Hebrews, as they have been to you..." Israel often found itself subjugated by their enemies. They became slaves or forced to share their crops. They were taxed heavily or in some other way financially in bondage. Rebellion is a typical response to injustice. But it also blinds those without spiritual maturity. Whatever the reason for the battle, the first engagement goes poorly for Israel. Their first thought is to blame God for their losses. Then they realize that they have forgotten to bring God along with them. Once they have the ark of the covenant of the LORD in their midst they will prevail in battle. But God is not a means to an end that we can use for our own purposes. Faith has been misplaced inviting greater consequences. Many more soldiers die and the ark of the covenant of the Lord is captured. If we are to avoid modern day defeats that impoverish our soul then we must daily remind ourselves to invite the Lord to reside continually in our hearts, our ark of the new covenant, so that our faith is never misplaced or left behind, but always looking toward Him.

Brother Phil Franklin
Modesto, CA

OBITUARIES

EDITH MOSS

Sister Edith Pauline Moss, 73, died December 21, 2021, at the San Gorgonio Memorial Hospital, Banning, California, following a fall and a general body breakdown. She was born June 18, 1948, in Des Moines, Iowa, the daughter of Brother Paul and Sister Beulah (Flora) Moss. She became a member of the Dallas Center Dunkard Brethren Church in her teen years. She graduated from Dallas Center High School in 1966.

She served her family and others when there were needs in a home. She worked in Greenville, Ohio with her aunt, Elma Moss, at Resthaven Nursing Home for two years. After returning to Dallas Center, she later volunteered several years of service at the Torreon Navajo Mission near Cuba New Mexico. After that service she moved to Beaumont, California for four years, where she was

a member of the Winterhaven Dunkard Brethren Church.

In 1981 she moved to Modesto, California, where she was a member of the Pleasant Home Dunkard Brethren Church. She worked at Overholtzer Church Furniture, for several years before becoming Medical Records Administrator for English Oaks Convalescent and Rehabilitation Hospital, later she held the same position at Casa de Modesto Retirement Center. She also served as the night call person at the Salas Brothers Mortuary until 2020. In June 2020 she returned to Beaumont, California, where she lived with her niece, Laura Cook.

Eddie loved her Lord, her family, and her church family and friends. She served as a Sunday School teacher and in various Bible study programs. She encouraged others and remained faithful. She enjoyed working jigsaw puzzles, as well as doing word puzzles and being part of family gatherings.

She is survived by her sisters, Esther (Marvin) Haldeman of Quinter, Kansas; Marilyn (Milton) Cook of Beaumont, California; Catherine (Wilbur) Sheets of Dallas Center, Iowa; and Martha (Doug) Brown of Huxley, Iowa, and a sister-in-law, Mary Sue Moss, of Jerusalem, Israel and many nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; her stepfather, Ray Reed; her brothers, Leonard Moss, Jerry Moss, and an infant brother and her sister-in-law, Kay Moss.

Following a family service in Beaumont on December 26, 2021, and a memorial service at the Pleasant Home Congregation on January 29, 2022, she will be buried in the Brethren Cemetery, Dallas Center, Iowa beside her parents.

RACHEL J. BEEMAN

Rachel Joyce Beeman, age 44 of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, passed away suddenly on December 18, 2021. Rachel was preceded in death by her father, Steven E. Beeman and by her infant brother. Rachel is survived by her mother, Diane M. (Peffer) Beeman and siblings Katurah "Kate", John (Jodi), Stephanie, Thomas, Zachary (MacKenzie), and five nieces and nephews.

You may remember Rachel from her employment at Carlisle Cares, Kmart, Walmart, driving the van for the Stevens Center, and most recently at McDonalds. Rachel loved to drive, and her favorite employment was long haul trucking.

Despite her life-long struggle with mental illness, she cared immensely about others and had a great sense of humor. Rachel loved to talk on the phone and her calls will be missed greatly by friends and family members across the country.

Memorial services were held December 27, 2021, at Malpezzi Funeral Home, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania. Private interment will be held at Mohler's Church Cemetery.

NEWS ITEMS

GENERAL CONFERENCE 2022

The Lord willing, this year's General Conference of the Dunkard Brethren Church will be held June 4-8, 2022, at Manchester University in North Manchester, Indiana. Questions and reservations should be directed to Brother Lyndell and Sister Rita Noecker. Reservations must be received by May 21, 2022, via text, call, email, or mail.

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We have attempted to find a place suitable for all ages and believe this location will serve us well. The buildings are all close and there is an open yard for play. We plan to have activities for children as well as complete access to two gyms. There are four camper hookups on the campus and a campground within ten minutes.

Further information will be published later.

The Lodging Committee

PLEASANT RIDGE, OHIO

The Lord willing, the Pleasant Ridge Congregation will hold a one-week revival meeting on March 20-27, 2022, with Bro. Jim Meyers from the Dallas Center Congregation as our evangelist. Evening services will be at 7:30 P.M. Examination Service will be at 2:00 P.M. on Saturday, March 26, 2022, followed by Communion Service at 7:00 P.M. Sunday, March 27, 2022, will begin with morning worship at 7:30 A.M. followed by breakfast at 8:00 A.M. Regular worship service begins at 9:30 A.M. with lunch to follow and closing with a 2:00 P.M. service. Everyone is invited to come worship with us. Please pray for Bro. Jim as he prepares for these meetings.

Sister Teresa St. John, Cor.

CONNECTIONS

Contributed by the Bible Study Board in reference to this month's Sunday School Lessons. Our hope in writing a monthly article is that we all see afresh different points of connection that reveal the Word made flesh.

"Here am I!" As Samuel lays down to sleep, he hears his name being called. He gets out of his bed and goes to see what Eli needs. This is the first thing that I notice about Samuel – his instant obedience. When you are asked to do something, how obedient are you? Even with countless excuses, how obedient are you? How quick we are to forget that God prepares the way and gives us the strength to carry out His calling.

The second thing I notice about Samuel is his response to God's Word: "Here am I." What a beautiful way to respond to God's Word! "Here am I", is a beautiful response, not because it reminds God of our presence, but rather because it is a humble statement. One that comes from a servant's heart that is seeking direction.

We must hear from God. We may hear directly from Him and through His Word. Or we might hear His voice while the minister, our parents, friends, or teachers, speak. It is important to remember that God often confirms His calling through the voices of His children.

So, my friend, how will you respond when you hear Him calling you?

Brother Gerry Priest

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS FOR MARCH 2022

March 6 – Every Knee Shall Bow – I Sam. 4:12-5:9

1. What does it mean that the glory is departed from Israel? How could the glory be departed in our lives today?

2. What should our response be to the hand of God being sore (heavy) upon us?

March 13 – God Defends His Own Reputation – I Sam. 5:10-6:18

1. Why do we harden our hearts?

2. The ark of God was treated with respect as it represented God's presence. How do we treat the presence of God?

March 20 – Return, Put Away, Prepare and Serve – I Sam. 6:19-7:17

1. What caused the house of Israel to lament?

2. Do we need Ebenezers in our life? If so, what could the result be?

March 27 – Shackles of Security for the Freedom of Faith– I Sam. 8:1-22

1. Do we have relationships where we should listen and then warn solemnly?

2. Are there ways we Christians desire to be or are like all the nations?

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STANDING INFORMATION

EDITORIAL POLICY

That it be the policy of the Bible Monitor to exclude controversial material and material opposing, questioning, or reflecting on the decisions or positions of the Church as determined by the General Conference or derogatory thereto. Also excluded will be all other material not of proper standard or spiritual value for a church paper.

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2. Place your name and address at the close of the article. We deem it more appropriate to sign as Brother or Sister.

3. Do not make sentences too long. A number of short sentences are better than a long, involved sentence, which is difficult to punctuate and in which the real meaning of the writer's thought may be lost.

4. It will be appreciated if you gather a particular thought or thoughts and their proving Scripture quotations into paragraphs. Set these apart from the rest of the article by setting in the first line of each paragraph about the space of three letters

5. Do not crowd your words or punctuation marks close together. Do not use slang or abbreviated words such as, "thot" for "thought", "2" for "two", "&" for "and", "etc." for "and so forth".

6. Write or type on one side of the paper only. Double spacing of lines is much preferred. Do not make the lines the full width of the sheet, leave at least a one-inch margin on each side of the sheet.

7. Use direct quotations for the Scripture references. Please copy wording and punctuation just as it appears in the King James Version of the Bible. Given thus: book, chapter, and verse. "Jesus wept." John 11:35.

8. Frequent mistakes we find: "beleve" for "believe"; "recieve" for "receive"; "ore" for "or"; "&" for "and".

9. In submitting selected material, give the name of the author and publication in which it appeared, if known, secure permission to use copyrighted material and add "selected by" and your name.

10. To be certain that an item is in a certain issue, your editor should have this item at least sixty days prior to the date of that issue.

11. The Publication Board has decided that News Items should contain material of general interest to the Brotherhood. Therefore, items of only local interest should not be included in News Items, such as local Sunday School officers, District Meeting delegates, minor local church property improvements and items, "In Memoriam".

12. Read these, then write.

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Located on Route 419, five miles east of Bethel, which is one mile south of Interstate 78, Rehrersburg Exit 17. The Church and school are located together. The telephone number is 717-933-5510.

CHAMBERSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

The Chambersburg Dunkard Brethren Church is located at 2175 Lincoln Way E, Chambersburg. From the north, south or west exit from I-81 at Exit 16, go three miles east on US 30 to the church which is on the left. Coming from York or farther east, take US 30 west to the church which is on the right.

CLEARVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA

The Clearville Congregation is in South Central Pennsylvania, sixteen miles south of Everett and about six miles south of Clearville. From Everett take Rt. 26 to Clearville. At Clearville go straight south, leaving Rt. 26, which turns right. Go 1.5 miles, turn right at the fork. The church is five miles on left side of road. Services are held every Sunday at 10:00 AM.

CORNERSTONE, OHIO

The church is located at 5430 Greenville Falls-Clayton Road, Covington, Ohio. Those traveling on I-70 exit unto North I-75. At the junction with Route 36 exit to West 36 and proceed through Covington to the junction with the Greenville Falls-Clayton Road, turn left to the church. Those traveling on Route 48 go to Covington and turn unto Route West 36 and

proceed as above. Those traveling on Route 127 should exit unto East 36 near Greenville and proceed to the junction with the Greenville Falls-Clayton Road, turn right to the church.

DALLAS CENTER, IOWA

Dallas Center is located on Rt. 44, twenty-four miles northwest of Des Moines. Turn off Rt.44 onto Quinlan Avenue at west edge of Dallas Center. The church is located at 23209 Quinlan Avenue, three-fourth mile north on the west side of the road.

GOSHEN, INDIANA

Located on Green Road, one block north of County Rd 130. Take U.S. 33 or Indiana 15 to Goshen. Turn west at police booth. Four blocks beyond bridge, turn right on North Indiana Ave., go one block. Turn left on West Clinton Street. Go one mile to Green Road, turn right and go one block. The church is located on the east side of the road.

GRANDVIEW, MISSOURI

The Grandview Church is located south of Grandview. Take I-49 (old Highway 71) to exit #178 (140th Street). At the stoplight, if coming from the south turn left, if coming from the north turn right. Go west one block and turn left on Southern Road. Go one block to 140th Street, turn right and go one block to the church on the left side of the street. The address is 5301 E 140th Street, Grandview.

HART, MICHIGAN

From Muskegon go north on Rt. 31 to Hart Exit. Go left from freeway about 1.5 miles to tee in road. Turn right and go approximately one-half mile to church on left side of road.

LITITZ, PENNSYLVANIA

Coming from the south on Route 501, turn right on Newport Road, which is about a mile north of Lititz. Coming from the north turn left on Newport Road. Go to second crossroads, turn right. The white church is on the right.

McCLAVE, COLORADO

The Cloverleaf church is located one mile north of U.S. Highway #50, four miles west of McClave Junction, or two miles east of Hasty, Colorado on U.S. #50, then one mile north.

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Mohlers Meetinghouse - Located near Route 15 on Old Gettysburg Road, south of Mechanicsburg. Coming from the South take the Rossmoyne/Wesley Grove Exit off Route 15. Make a left onto Rossmoyne Road and another left on Old Gettysburg Road. The meetinghouse is on the left after you travel about one-half mile. Coming from the north you will exit onto Rossmoyne Road and make a left onto Old Gettysburg Road.

NEW LIFE, WASHINGTON

The New Life Christian Fellowship meets at 201 Main Street, Granger, WA. Granger is approximately five miles east of Zillah. From I-82, whether going east or west, exit at Exit 58. If coming from the east, turn left, if coming from the west, turn right onto Highway 223. Go 0.6 miles to East 3rd Street and go 0.4 miles to Main Street. Turn right onto Main Street and go one block to East 2nd Street. Turn left, the meetinghouse is the first building on the left (south side) of the street.

PINE GROVE, PENNSYLVANIA

The location of the church house is 97 Pleasant Valley Road, Pine Grove, Pennsylvania. The directions to the church house from the stoplight at the center of Pine Grove take route 443 East 8/10th of a mile to Church on the left. From route 183 North take route 443 West 9.2 miles to the Church on the right. It is located on the east edge of Pine Grove.

PLEASANT HOME, CALIFORNIA

The Pleasant Home Church is located at 3960 Sharon Avenue, Modesto, California. The church's telephone number is 209-524-8634.

Directions: Coming from the north or south on Highway 99 take the Briggsmore Exit and proceed east on Briggsmore Avenue for approximately five miles. Turn left at the Roselle Avenue signal. Turn right at the first stop sign unto Merle Avenue. Turn left at the stop sign at Fine Avenue, approximately three-fourths of a mile. Turn right onto Sharon Avenue. At the end of Sharon Avenue turn right into the church parking lot.

If traveling south on Claus Road, turn right on Merle Avenue. If traveling north on Claus Road turn left unto Merle Avenue. Go to Fine Avenue, turn right, and follow above directions to Sharon Avenue.

PLEASANT RIDGE, OHIO

Located in Williams County, Ohio four miles west of West Unity, forty rods north of Rt. 20 Alternate on County Road 16. Two miles east of junction of Ohio Rt. 15 and U.S. Route 20 Alternate.

PLEVNA, INDIANA

Route 18 passes east and west through Converse. In Converse, turn south at stoplight and go three miles. Turn right on blacktop road and go five miles to Plevna. Or go west of Converse on Rt. 18 for five miles, turn left and go three miles south. The church is on west side of street near the square of Plevna.

QUINTER, KANSAS

Exit 107 from 1-70 leads to Quinter. If coming from east turn right, if from west, turn left. The exit road will curve into Main Street. The church is located on the left at the corner of Eighth Street and Main Street.

SHREWSBURY, PENNSYLVANIA

The physical location is: 216 North Main Street, Shrewsbury, Pennsylvania.

From Baltimore, Maryland, and points south of Pennsylvania: Proceed north on Interstate 83. After crossing from Maryland into Pennsylvania, get off the Interstate at the Exit 4 (Shrewsbury Exit). After going down the hill on the ramp, turn left (west) onto State Route 851 (E. Forest Avenue).

Proceed up the hill to the center of the town of Shrewsbury for 0.7 miles. Turn right (north) onto North Main Street and proceed about 0.5 mile. The church building will be on your left (west side of the road). There is a sign in the yard in front of the meetinghouse.

From York or Harrisburg and points north: Proceed south on Interstate 83 to Exit 4 (Shrewsbury Exit). At the bottom of the ramp, turn right onto State Route 851 (E. Forest Avenue) and follow the above directions. There is a sign in the yard in front of the meetinghouse.

SWALLOW FALLS, MARYLAND

Church address is: 2191 Swallow Falls Road, Oakland, MD 21550. Take Maryland Rt. 219 North of Oakland 5.5 miles or South of I 68, 18 miles to Mayhew Inn Road. West on Meyhew Inn Road to the stop sign (4.2 miles). Bear left onto the Oakland-Sang Run Road for .3 mile to the

Swallow Falls Road. Turn right onto the Swallow Falls Road for .3 mile. The Church will be on your left.

WEST FULTON, OHIO

The church is located at 18354 US 20-A, Wauseon, OH 43567. It is located on U.S. Rt. 20 Alternate, 3.5 miles west of the junction of Ohio Rt. 108 and U.S. 20 Alternate.

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