



Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee,—St. Luke 24:5-6.

For thou wilt not leave my soul [to Sheol]; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.—Psalm 16:10.

### Personal Devotion

Mark 14:6— "Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work on me."

In this chapter we find Christ had gone to the little town of Bethany, where he met His devoted friends Mary, Martha, and Lazarus. Not long before this He had raised Lazarus from the dead.

Many were present this day also to have a glimpse of Lazarus. As they sat at meat, Mary brought a box of ointment of spikenard, which was very costly, and poured it upon His head and His feet. We might wonder what caused her to perform such an act as this. But if we think how Jesus had relieved her of the many sins she had committed; how he told her of His heavenly home which could be hers; and most miraculous of all—raised her brother from the dead—no wonder she was prompted to use ointment worth three hundred pence to pour upon her Saviour in appreciation of His great love.

As one writer said: "Her soul filled with loving devotion, she came to her Lord and breaking an alabaster box of Indian spikenard, poured it over His head and feet. It was a precious perfume, but nothing was too precious, too costly for Him whom she loved so devotedly."

Therefore they (some) began to complain. They suggested that the money should have been spent upon the poor. But Jesus said, "For ye have

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### RESURRECTION

With Easter soon to approach, which all Christian nations throughout the universe celebrate, it is of paramount importance for every true Christian, and everyone that would dwell earnestly on the eternal signif-

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#### TREASURED VERSES

**And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great.**

**And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted [amazed].**

**And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.**

**But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.**

**And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed: neither said they any thing to any MAN; for they were afraid.**

St. Mark 16:4-8.

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icance connected with that holy day, to be concerned with the resurrection of the body of Jesus Christ, which is the most remarkable manifestation and declaration of the power of God.

For all things were created by the word of His power (Ps. 3:6-9), all

things as sustained by the word of His power (Heb. 1:3), and God is working all things after the counsel of His own will (Eph. 1:11).

**But** when He raised the body of Jesus Christ from the grave, God showed the exceeding greatness of His mighty power (Eph. 1:19-20). He not only raised Him from the dead, but set **Him** at His own right hand in the heavenly places, Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come (Eph. 1:21). Christ was crucified through weakness, yet he liveth by the power of God (II Cor. 13:4).

The believer in Christ is assured that the eternal God is working in him that same mighty power, which He wrought in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead (Eph. 1:19-20). He is kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time (I Peter 1:5).

No doubt it was in view of this power working in the believer that caused the apostle Paul to be confident in writing to the church at Philippi; that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ (Phil. 1:6). He assured the Christians at Rome that God had power to establish them (Rom. 16:25). He prayed for the saints at Colosse that they might be strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, unto all



patience and longsuffering with joyfulness (Col. 1:11).

The resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead not only demonstrates the mighty power of God, but enables the believer in Christ to appropriate the fulness of that power for daily life and labor. We have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us (II Cor. 4:7).

#### The Mighty Saviour

When Peter went to Caesarea on a special mission, he told Cornelius and his household how God had anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power, and how He went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him; but the people slew Him and hanged Him on a tree.

Then Peter declared, him God raised up the third day, and showed him openly; Not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, even to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the judge of quick and dead. To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins (Acts 10:38-43).

Upon hearing this message, Cornelius and those with him believed on the Lord Jesus Christ unto the remission of their sins, and the Holy Spirit was given to them. Then they were baptized in the name of Jesus Christ as a testimony to their faith and their identification with Christ in His death and resurrection.

They were saved that very hour in the name and by the power of a risen and living Saviour. So what shall we say (of Him), I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death; (Rev. 1:18).

To know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, we must be made conformable unto his death (Phil. 3:10). Dear friends, why not let your hearts cry out to God for His mercy, grace, and truth, which came by Jesus Christ (St. John 1:17). Go with Him to Calvary's hill, where Jesus died

and shed His blood as a ransom for all that acknowledge themselves as sinners. Beg the almighty God in heaven, who alone is inviolable and omnipotent, to give you grace to go through the process of true repentance, a real heart searching; and a consuming of things that pertain to this world by a purging and cleansing of the heart with the shed blood of the Lamb. Through this make that happy experience of a spiritual regeneration, thereby becoming reconciled with God through Jesus Christ and through the same become spiritually minded, which is life and peace (Rom. 8:6).

Elias Winzeler.

**Note:** Sometime in the future we will try and write an article on the financing of the **Silver Lining**.

From Ephesians 1:21—"Far above all principality (rule), and power (authority), and might (power), and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come."

From 1 Peter 1:5—"Who are kept (guarded) by the power of God

through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."

From Philippians 1:6—"Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform (perfect) it until the day of Jesus Christ."

From 2 Corinthians 4:7—"But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency (greatness) of the power may be of God, and not of us."

From Revelation 1:18—"I am he that liveth (And the living one), and was (and I was) dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of (death and Hades)." American Revised, "And the living one" "and I was."

From Romans 8:6—"For to be carnally minded (the mind of the flesh) is death; but to be spiritually minded (the mind of the Spirit) is life and peace."

#### PERSONAL DEVOTION

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the poor with you always, and whenever ye will ye may do them good: but me ye have not always. She hath done what she could: she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying. "Mark 14:7, 8.

Therefore we should not be surprised when some do not understand our sacrifices by the giving of our time, wealth, and service to Him who gave His all for us. We too can give a sweet smelling savor by never forgetting to praise and thank Him in our daily prayers. This would be personal devotion to our Saviour.

Ramas Schlatter.

#### THE OX JUDAS

We are told that some years ago one of the Chicago stockyards had a trained ox, which they named Judas, whose only business was to lead thousands of cattle to their slaughter. The new animals, coming in the daily herds, were suspicious and shy of the road or passage way that led to death. They had an instinctive terror with which nature had endowed them for their protection. But "Judas," calm and serene, walked hopefully ahead of each new installment of meat cattle, disarming their fears. Leaving them to their fate, he found a private passage way by which he could return and get some more victims.

### Hymn for the Month

#### KNEEL AT THE CROSS

Kneel at the cross, Christ will meet  
you there,  
Come while He waits for you;  
List to His voice, Leave with Him  
your care  
And begin life a new.

Kneel at the cross, There is room for  
all  
Who would His glory share;  
Bliss there awaits, Harm can ne'er  
befall  
Those who are anchored there.

Kneel at the cross, Give your idols  
up,  
Look unto realms above;  
Turn not away to life's sparkling cup;  
Trust only in his love.

Chorus:

Kneel at the cross, Leave every care;  
Kneel at the cross, Jesus will meet  
you there.

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# SALVATION (Cont. 24)

Philip Gutwein, Jr.

“... but one **mightier** than I **cometh**, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose.” (Luke 3:16).

“Art thou he that should **come?** or look we for another?” And in that same hour He cured many of **THEIR** infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits... tell John... how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the **Gospel** is preached.” (Luke 7:20-22).

“Jesus... preaching the **Gospel** of the **kingdom of God**. And saying, the time is fulfilled, and the **Kingdom of God** is at hand: repent ye and believe the gospel” (Mark 1:14-15).

“He preaching and shewing the glad tidings (good news) of the **Kingdom of God**” (Luke 8:1).

The person, the position, and the ministry of John the Baptist is a unique and interesting one, in that he is the last Old Testament Prophet and one of the greatest men ever born of women. His ministry represents the dividing line between Old Testament inspired prophetic “**promises MADE** unto the Fathers” of Faith, **OF One and IN One**, which was to **come**, and Christ’s New Testament ministry of **CONFIRMING**—in Word and Deed—these **promises** so made (Rom. 15:8).

The language which John uses also clearly indicates that they were looking for a **MIGHTY ONE** to come with **POWER** and Authority to **JUDGE** in Righteousness, with a “wrath to come” from which the impenitent cannot flee, and **ONE** having so **GREAT A GLORY**, as to make a great Prophet **unworthy** to stoop down before Him and unloose the latchet of His shoes. **KINGDOMS**, their Thrones, and to Rule over them, are always associated with the idea of “power and great glory” (Luke 21:27). Even Satan must share this viewpoint, because in tempting Christ, he speaks of the power and the glory of the Kingdoms of the World, which he offered to Christ by the short-cut of devil worship, thus proposing to eliminate the weakness and the shame and the beforehand suffering of the Cross. It is ever God’s holy and right-

eous way to exalt Him with Power and Glory and a Name above Names, who humbleth **HIMSELF** most, with Christ having the pre-eminence also in these things.

On the other hand, is it ever the devil’s way to eliminate Righteousness from the Power of Rulership, making it a “**Might without Right**” and without **GLORY** and degenerating it into oppressive Violence and brute and blind **FORCE**; a basis for war and a hindrance to Peace. The Glory likewise, which the Devil claims is “delivered” to him (Luke 4:6), is a perverted one; it builds great monuments to forces that destroy as a price which the **opponent** must pay to make **oneself secure**, rather than to pay a price himself to reconcile an opponent, and make Security and Peace and Life and the pursuit of common possession. The “endtime” will worship the god of forces (Dan. 11:38), and the perversion of God-and Christ-delegated governmental Power and Glory will find its Zenith in the description of Revelation 13, where the anti-Christian World Ruler, and the many with him, finally shall have paid the devil’s price and worship the devil in the bargain for his kind of Power and Glory will bring in the greatest tribulation of all time upon our race, instead of the promised cure for its ills. To “**E N F O R C E**” international **PEACE**, apart from Righteousness among the Nations, in the hope to bring “Joy to the World” and the Kingdom of God to men on earth, the essence of which is: “righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost” (Rom. 14:17), and do it without the **KING** of that **KINGDOM** upon His rightful Throne, and the Government “upon His shoulder,” (Isa. 9:6) and do it without men **being born again of the Spirit**, as a **must** condition to “see the Kingdom of God or to enter into it (John 3:3-8); to undertake to bring in the **KINGDOM** conditions of “**PEACE** and **JOY**” thus by **FORCE**, while the devil is unbound and not in prison, (Rev. 20:1-3), will prove one of the greatest **DECEPTIONS OF ALL TIME** and mis-directions of

man’s efforts and resources in a Zeal that is “not according to knowledge” and in a self-effort of **UNBELIEF** and **PRIDE**, that blinds man to God’s “way of peace” (Rom. 3:17).

John the Baptist together with all the holy Prophets since the world began—like Enoch, the seventh from Adam (Jude 14)—looked for **ONE TO COME**, upon whose shoulder shall be the **GOVERNMENT**, and who shall be “called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.” They looked for a rod to come forth out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch to grow out of his roots, The “Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee” (Isa. 12:6), upon whom the Spirit of the **LORD** will rest in all the fullness of Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Might, and Knowledge and of the Fear of the Lord; to **judge in Righteousness** and to reprove in equity and to “**smite the earth with the rod of his mouth**, and with the breath of his lips” **slay the wicked** (Isaiah 11). They looked for “the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down, to be built again, and the ruins thereof again to be set up, that the residue of men might seek after the **LORD**” (Acts 15:16-17). They looked for “the increase of **HIS** government and peace” to have no end, “upon the throne of David, and upon his **KINGDOM**, to order it, and to establish it with **JUDGMENT**” and **JUSTICE**, from henceforth and for ever. (Isa. 9:6-7).

They looked for the mountain of the **LORD’S** house to be established in the top of the mountains and exalted above the hills—that is, the **Kingdom of God** to be established above the Kingdoms of men and exalted above the Nations of the earth, and learn the ways and walk in the paths of the God of Jacob, and beat their swords into plowshares and learn **WAR NO MORE**. They looked for the wolf also to dwell with the lamb, the leopard to lie down with the kid... the lion to eat straw like the ox, a little child to lead them and the suckling child to play on the hole of the asp—the poisonous serpent perfectly harmless. They looked for the earth to be full of the knowledge of the **LORD**

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# NEWS

## Bluffton, Indiana

Mrs. Orville Ringger, who recently underwent a major operation, is reported to be improving.

New arrivals in our community are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Clark's daughter, Jean Ann, born December 29 and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gerber's daughter, Janet Kay, born January 21. Mrs. Clark was formerly Beulah Kaehr and Mrs. Gerber was Bonnie Kaehr; both were daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kaehr.

Elder and Mrs. Sam Aeschliman and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stoller spent the week-end of February 8 in Toledo, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. John Baumgartner, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gerber, and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Gerber spent the week-end of February 8 visiting in Morton, Illinois.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Dotterer, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Moser, and Mr. and Mrs. John Kaehr spent Sunday, February 8, visiting in Latty, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kipfer and family and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haab spent Sunday, February 8, visiting relatives and friends in Milford, Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Manz and family from Junction, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Laukhuf and son from Latty, Ohio, visited us Sunday, February 8.

Richard Reineck, Kenneth Troxel, and Vernon Gerber have returned from a two weeks trip to Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Steffen and Mr. and Mrs. William Levy are vacationing in Florida.

A shower was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Moser on Wednesday, February 11, in honor of Goldie Moser, whose marriage to Arthur Kipfer took place March 7.

Among the many who visited our community over the week end of February 1 were Elder and Mrs. David Mangold, Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Hodel, Mrs. John Mangold, and many others from Roanoke, Illinois; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Belsley and others from Detroit, Michigan; Ralph Roecker, Lester Kaiser and Robert Belsley from Morton, Illinois; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bechtold from Fairbury, Illinois;

Mr. and Mrs. Ulrich Kipfer and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kipfer and son from Leo, Indiana; and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gerber and family from Latty, Ohio. We enjoyed their visit very much and welcome them all back.

We wish to welcome in our community Mr. and Mrs. John Frank and son who have moved here from La Crosse, Indiana. Mrs. Frank is the former Dorothy Isch.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gerber; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Aeschliman; Mr. and Mrs. Amos Dubach; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gerber and daughters, Elizabeth, Margaret, and Joan; and Miss Dina Fae Steffen spent Sunday, February 15, in Fairbury, Illinois.

Rev. and Mrs. Theo Beer and Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Beer of Milford, Indiana, spent Sunday, February 15 with us.

Elder and Mrs. Sam Aeschliman accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bucher of La Crosse, Indiana, spent the week-end of February 15 visiting in Roanoke, Illinois; Taylor, Missouri; and Oakville, Iowa.

Evening services were conducted Friday, February 20, by Rev. Joseph Waibel of Bay City, Michigan, and Rev. Henry Beer of Milford, Indiana.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Dotterer, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kaehr, and Mr. and Mrs. John L. Moser spent the week-end of February 22 in Cissna Park, Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hodel and daughter from Roanoke, Illinois, spent the week-end of February 22 visiting in our community.

Miss Melba Mangold from Roanoke, Illinois, spent several days with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Isch.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Reinhard are parents of a baby daughter, Sharon Rose, born February 20. Mrs. Reinhard is the former Leota Steffen.

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Maller are vacationing in Florida.

## Bremen, Indiana

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Leman became parents of a daughter February 16. On the same day a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Beer. Mr. Le-

man and Mrs. Beer are brother and sister.

On Sunday February 1, baptismal services were conducted by Elder Elias Dotterer for Carolyn Schumacher.

Those who visited our congregation on February 22 were Doris Scharlach and Wilbur Hoerr from Chicago, Betty and Letty Frey from Remington, Walter Stephen from Elgin, Mr. and Mrs. William Stoller from Latty, and Earl Zeltwanger, who is attending Purdue.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stoller from Latty visited us Sunday, February 29.

Mr. Carl Zeltwanger returned home from St. Joseph Hospital at South Bend Sunday, February 22, and is recovering from a recent operation.

Rev. Henry Souder and Mr. John Laidig attended the Brotherhood Aid Meeting at Cissna Park, February 24.

## Burlington, Oklahoma

Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Elias Somerhalder were in Gridley, Kansas, Sunday, February 22, to attend the wedding of Anna Bahr and George Greiner.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schrock, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Schrock, Mr. and Mrs. Elias Freiden, and Mr. and Mrs. George Miller have returned from visiting in Arizona and California.

The sudden calling of our sister, Mary Diel, wife of John Diel, was a great shock to our community. She is survived by her husband and seven children; also many friends who miss her. She was 58 years old. Funeral services were held February 8, with Brother Elias Somerhalder officiating.

Mrs. Sara Buckley of Fort Scott, Kansas, visited her sister, Mrs. Ben Farney, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kraft of Gridley, Kansas, were visiting in this community recently.

Mrs. Lucy Schupbach is gravely ill at this writing. She is in the Memorial Hospital at Hardtner, Kansas.

Monday, February 9, last rites were held for Sister Mary Kurz Miller, who had been in very poor health for several months. She was reared in this community and has many friends who mourn her going. Brother Henry Bahr of Gridley, Kansas, conducted services.



Wayne Miller, David Messner, and Fred Sinn of Fort Scott, Kansas, were here to attend the funeral of Mary Miller.

#### Croghan, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Virkler, Mrs. Anna Hirschey, and Miss Augusta Einbeck left February 9 to visit John Mertz at Tucson, Arizona and then to the West Coast.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Hooper left for Florida to spend some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schambach of Elgin, Illinois, are visiting their son, Mr. and Mrs. David Schambach and family.

Mrs. Marie Schieler of Remington, Indiana, is visiting her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Virkler, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Beyer.

Their was a union service held at the Croghan church the last few Sundays because of installation of a new heating system at the Naumburg Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Farney are planning to move into their new home at Croghan this week.

#### Fairbury, Illinois

The following weddings took place at Fairbury during the past month:

Miss Emma Lou Huber and David Steffen were married Sunday, February 1, with Rev. Joshua Broquard officiating.

Miss Leona Wiegand and Melvin Steffen were married Sunday, February 15 at 10:30 a.m., with Rev. Henry Kilgus officiating.

Miss Janita Bachtold and Leroy Koehl were married Sunday, February 15 at 2:00 p.m., with Rev. Henry Kilgus officiating.

Miss Gladys Zimmerman and Merle Kaisner were married Sunday, February 22, with Rev. Henry Kilgus officiating.

On Sunday, February 8, three cars from here visited the Peoria Congregation and were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Klaus, Peoria, Illinois.

The engagement of Miss Gladys Maurer and Virgil Koehl was announced on Sunday, February 8. The wedding day has been set for March 21.

Brother Fred Feldman, who recently underwent an operation at the Fairbury Hospital, is now at his home

and is improving very nicely.

#### Fort Scott, Kansas

The engagement of Pearl Massner to Wayne Miller was announced Sunday, January 18.

Glen Moser, Kenneth Massner, John Wagonbach, and Hartzell Schmidtgall visited friends and relatives here January 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Reber and baby of Hancock, Minnesota, arrived January 20 to spend several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Reber.

Mr and Mrs. William Feuchtenberger and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Feuchtenberger and daughter visited friends and relatives here the week-end of January 25.

J. R. Pfister was in the hospital the last week of January threatened with pneumonia. He is again able to be in our midst, for which we are very thankful.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Sinn and Larry and Mrs. George Sinn, Sr., left January 24 for Elgin and Peoria, Illinois, and Oakville, Iowa. Marie and Betty Zaugg accompanied them as far as Oakville.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Bahr of Gridley, Kansas, spent the evening of January 25 with Mr. and Mrs. David Massner and family.

Fred Marti and son, Dale, of Lamar, Missouri, spent Sunday, January 25, with friends and relatives here.

Adolph Massner of Oakville, Iowa, was a visitor of Mr. and Mrs. David Massner and family, January 26.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gall of Hancock, Minnesota, spent the afternoon and evening of January 30 with Mr. and Mrs. William Reber.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Leman, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Leman, and Miss Anna Obergfell were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Banwart Monday, February 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Miller attended the funeral of Mrs. Joseph Lorenz at Wichita, Kansas, February 17. They also visited in Enid, Oklahoma, and Harper, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Banwart of Lamar, Missouri, spent Sunday, February 15, with friends and relatives here.

February 22, we had no services during the day, as most of our congrega-

tion went to Lamar, Missouri, to baptismal services of Virgil Frieden. Also, some attended the wedding of Ann Bahr and George Greiner at Gridley, Kansas. Elder Noah Schrock of Oakville, Iowa, was here for the evening service, which was well attended. We had visitors from Oakville, Iowa; Princeville, Illinois; Lamar, Missouri; Gridley, Kansas; Burlington, Oklahoma; Lamont, Kansas; Harper, Kansas; and Sabetha, Kansas.

#### Lamont, Kansas

Mr. and Mrs. John Ott spent two weeks in Brownsville, Texas, visiting their son, Harvey.

We enjoyed Sunday morning services conducted by Rev. Louis Bahr, February 22.

Rev. and Mrs. Peter Fankhauser visited in Gridley, Illinois, Sunday February 22. Rev. Fankhauser conducted the marriage ceremony of Anna Bahr and George Greiner.

Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Anliker and Ione and Glen visited the Gridley, Kansas Church February 8.

Samuel Anliker, John Wernli, and John Ott attended evening services at Fort Scott, Kansas, February 22.

Our Sunday School held a farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. Louis Winzeler and family who are moving to Emporia, Kansas.

Rev. and Mrs. Peter Fankhauser attended the dedication service at Oakville, Iowa, February 15.

Many of the Lamont Congregation attended church at Gridley, Illinois, February 25. Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Knobloch of Lester, Iowa, were also present.

Mrs. Charles Gleichman from Harper, Kansas, and Miss Eva Emch from Kansas City, Kansas, spent Sunday, February 22, with their mother, Mrs. Mary Emch, at Emporia, and attended church services at Lamont.

#### Leo, Indiana

March 21 is the date set for the wedding of Margaret Kipfer and David Schlatter.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Norr are the proud parents of a baby girl; she was born Sunday, March 7.

We are happy to have Irma Joy Steiner back in our Sunday school after about two months absence due to illness.



Mrs. Aaron Bertsch of Tremont, Illinois, is visiting for several weeks at the home of Matilda Bertsch. Matilda is still on our sick list.

Mrs. Donald Zeltwanger of Bremen, Indiana, has been spending several weeks with her parents helping to care for her mother, Mrs. Vernon Klopfenstein, who has been ill for some time.

Gaylord Widner spent Sunday, March 7, with relatives and friends. He is attending Purdue University.

Funeral services for Mary Margret Hassig, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hassig of Fort Wayne, Indiana, were conducted at the McCombs' Funeral Home.

Funeral services for Norman Kay Frank, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Frank of Louisville, Kentucky, were conducted at the Apostolic Christian Church of Leo, Indiana, March 9. Rev. Otto Norr officiated.

Mr. Phil Clauss and associates entertained a large group of people from Cissna Park, Milford, Bluffton, Bremen, Leo, and Grabill at dinner in a preview of the new Wayne Hobby House.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Beer and Mrs. Ed Rassi visited the Leo Congregation on Sunday, February 15. In the evening he participated in the Young People's program.

#### Lester, Iowa

A son, Allen Lee, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Doornweed on January 30. Mr. and Mrs. Aliva Meyer and Ernest and Salome Kellenberger were visiting in Oakville, Iowa, on Sunday, February 8.

Dena Knobloch of Elgin, Illinois, and Calvin Weiss were married February 21. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Knobloch of Lester. Attending the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Weiss and son, Oliver, of LaCrosse, Indiana, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Fehr and family, Leah and Mary Traub, and Mrs. Virgil Sauder and daughter of West Bend, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Schmidt of West Bend visited with Mrs. Schmidt's mother, Mrs. Mary Mogler, and Louisa.

#### Mansfield, Ohio

Due to severe cold weather and a shortage of gas for heating, no serv-

ices were held at the church Sunday, February 1. A number of members and friends met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Beer in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. William Stavenik of Bluffton and Mrs. Mildred Schlatter and daughter, Ethelyn, of Leo visited relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Bocka visited Mrs. Bocka's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gasser, of Rittman, Sunday, February 15.

Sister Marquarat of Fort Wayne is back at the Apostolic Christian Home again.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Pulfer are the parents of a daughter, Joyce Eileen, born February 17.

#### Peoria, Illinois

Mrs. John Bittner, Sr., suffered a severe heart attack recently, but is somewhat improved at this writing.

Miss Martha Baer of Peoria and August Fisher of Roanoke were united in marriage, February 1, Elder Emil Schubert officiated. After a wedding trip to California, they will be at home on a farm near Roanoke.

On February 22 Elder Emil Schubert officiated the marriage of Miss Eunice Sinn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Sinn, and Leslie Unsicker, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Unsicker, of Peoria.

The many relatives and friends of Mrs. John Sinn were shocked by the news of her sudden passing on February 25. She died from a heart attack shortly after receiving the message that her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Unsicker, were in an auto accident while returning from their wedding trip. Mrs. Unsicker suffered broken bones, cuts, and bruises. Mr. Unsicker received a few cuts and bruises, but was not hospitalized.

Rev. Al Fisher and family from Chicago visited among Peoria relatives and friends over the week-end of February 22.

#### Pulaski, Iowa

Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Hodel and Mrs. Samuel Martin from Roanoke, Illinois, Rev. and Mrs. Henry Grimm from Morton, Illinois, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schrock, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wiegand, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Anliker and daughter, Alma Lou, from Oakville, Iowa, spent Sunday,

February 29, with us. We enjoyed the day very much.

Rev. and Mrs. Ben Banwart from Lamar, Missouri, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Frank spent the evening of March 8 with us. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Frank returned home after services; Rev. and Mrs. Ben Banwart stayed all night with the Albert Wuthrich family.

#### Princeville, Illinois

In a double wedding ceremony January 24, Miss Elsie Winzeler was united in marriage to Mr. Victor Stichling and Miss Mildred Winzeler to Mr. Elmer Stichling. The brides are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Theo Winzeler of Tremont, and the grooms are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Stichling of Princeville.

The Sunday School took part in singing at Morton, February 8.

The Misses Irene Hodel and Catherine Gerber of Latty, Ohio, spent the week-end of February 14 with friends here. Sunday, February 15, the Misses Dorothy Martin, Dorothy and Melinda Hodel, Genevive Blunier, Marie Aeshliman, and Gladys and Evelyn Zimmerman, all of Roanoke, and Evelyn Reutter of Peoria, spent the day with us.

Mr. and Mrs. John Streitmatter spent three weeks in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Mr. and Mrs. Silas Leuthold left the first of the month for Hot Springs, Arkansas; and Arizona. They plan to be gone two months because of the health of Mrs. Leuthold.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Menold entertained friends and relatives the evening of February 14 as a farewell for Mr. and Mrs. August Feucht and family, who are moving to Iowa.

Mr. Albert Herrmann of Sabetha, Kansas, spent several days here visiting relatives.

Mrs. Ollie Ricketts, who suffered a fractured vertebrae a few months ago, is able to attend church services again.

Mr. Rudolf Dallinger has returned to his home after being in the hospital five weeks. He underwent a major operation and is recovering nicely. His daughter, Cecelia, had a tonsillectomy February 20. Mrs. William Ehnle had a major operation February 5 and is getting along very well. Lawrence, youngest son of Rev. and



Mrs. George Wagonbach, is confined to his bed with rheumatic fever. Latest reports are that he is getting along as well as possible. Miss Dorothea Kieser had an appendectomy February 16. She has returned to her home and is getting along nicely.

#### Oakville, Iowa

Rev. Gus Sinn of Ft. Scott, Kansas, delivered a sermon at special services on Wednesday evening, January 28. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Eisenman of Cissna Park also visited in this community Wednesday.

The marriage of Miss Verle Moser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Moser, Oakville, and Mr. William Funk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Funk of Gridley, Illinois, was solemnized by Elder Noah Schrock at 2:00 p.m. Sunday afternoon, February 1. Guests were present from Gridley and Morton, Illinois; Morris, Minnesota; and Pulaski, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schrock entertained several families at dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Rocke and son of Tremont, February 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Orel Steiner, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schrock, and Mr. O. Rocke attended the funeral of Caesar Klaus, Sr., at Roanoke, Illinois, February 11.

Rev. Philip Gutwein gave the dedicatory sermon Sunday, February 15. Elders David Mangold, Rudolph Graf, Sam Aeschliman, Joshua Broquard, and Joseph Wittmer were present; also ministers Joseph Hodel, Roanoke; Peter Fankhauser, Lamont, Kansas; Jesse Schrock, Congerville, Illinois; and Albert Wuthrich, Pulaski, Iowa. Many others from midwestern churches were also present.

February 22 Rev. Irvin Stoller and Rev. George Sinn of Latty, Ohio, gave us two inspiring sermons. A number of folks were also present from Latty and Junction, Ohio; Remington, Indiana; and Peoria and Elgin, Illinois.

We are now enjoying two services in our new church after having had only one service Sundays since November 5, 1944.

#### Remington, Indiana

Miss Edith Bahler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Bahler, was united in marriage to Mr. Ben Kaufman of Cis-

sna Park, Sunday, February 2, in the presence of many relatives and friends including Elder Henry Kilgus and family, Rev. Ezra Feller and family, as well as many others from a distance. The ceremony was performed by Elder George Yergler. After a dinner at the home of the bride's parents, the couple left for a trip through the western states. After their return, they will make their home on a farm near Cissna Park, Illinois.

Rev. and Mrs. Lucas Sabo and son and Rev. and Mrs. Henry Sabo spent Friday evening, January 30 with us. Services were held.

Rev. Irvin Stoller, Rev. George Sinn, and several others of Latty, Ohio, visited us on Friday evening, February 20, and also held services.

Rev. Elmer Zollinger and several others from Rittman visited here on Sunday, February 22. They left Monday for Cissna Park, Illinois.

Several from here attended the dedication services at the Oakville church, Sunday, February 15.

The engagement of Miss Lois Frey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Frey, to Mr. Edwin Bahler, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Bahler, was announced February 22.

#### Roanoke, Illinois

William Knepp passed away at his home in Eureka, February 3. Funeral services were held February 6 at the Roanoke church.

Caesar Klaus, another Eureka resident, passed away at his home on February 8, after an extended illness. Elder Rudolph Graf of Akron, Ohio, conducted funeral services February 11 in the presence of many friends and relatives.

Elder and Mrs. Sam Aeschliman visited us Thursday, February 12. Services were held that evening with many visiting from neighboring towns.

Wedding vows were exchanged by Helen Hodel and William Leman Sunday, February 22. Elder David Mangold officiated. Some of those attending were from Leo and La Crosse, Indiana and Cissna Park, Peoria, Morton, and Congerville, Illinois. After their return from a wedding trip in the South, they will be at home to friends and relatives in their new home in Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Schumacher, Jr., are the parents of a baby boy, Mark Stephan, born Sunday, February 22.

#### South San Francisco, California

Elder and Mrs. Noah Schrock from Oakville, Iowa, and Elder and Mrs. Phil Aschliman from Cissna Park, Illinois, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Schick January 15. Sister Amanda Bingham and four other friends attended the evening service at the Schick home. Inspirational sermons by Brother Noah Schrock and Brother Phil Aschliman were enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Leman and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sauder of Roanoke visited Mr. and Mrs. Schick, February 6.

A change of address of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Schick is: 226 Camaritar Ave., South San Francisco, California. Phone South San Francisco Juno 8-9270.

#### Taylor, Missouri

Elder and Mrs. Samuel Aeschliman of Bluffton, Elders Noah Schrock of Oakville, David Mangold of Roanoke, Rudolph Graf of Akron, Ohio, Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Hodel of Roanoke, and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bucher from LaCrosse visited the Taylor Church February 13. Evening services were held. Their plans were to be in Oakville Sunday for the dedication of the new church.

February 8 the Taylor Bible Class, Rev. Fred Grimm and wife, and numerous others from the Taylor church spent Sunday in Morton, Illinois. A delicious supper was enjoyed by all in the Elmer Witzig home. In the evening the various Sunday schools participated in group singing at the church.

February 6, George Erb and Margaret; Rovene; Adam, Jr.; and Dean Gutwein of Francisville, Indiana, visited in the home of Rev. Fred Grimm. They were en route to California.

Miss Doris Scharlach of Chicago, Illinois, spent the week-end with Elva Butikofer and friends of Quincy February 1.

February 15, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Sutter and son, Richard, and Mr. and Mrs. William Butikofer visited Oakville for the dedication of the new church.



## SALVATION

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and a root of Jesse to stand for an en-  
sign of the people. (Isa. 11:1-10). They  
seen in the prophecy they uttered, the  
desert to blossom as the rose, the eyes  
of the blind to be opened, the ears of  
the deaf to be unstopped; the lame  
man to leap as an hart, and the  
tongue of the dumb to sing. (Isa. 35).

They waited, like Simeon, for the  
"consolation of Israel"; they longed to  
see the Lord's Christ (Messiah) and  
His Salvation and the GLORY of the  
people of Israel and "looked for the  
Redemption of Jerusalem and of the  
Nation of Israel"; the "RESTORING  
again of the Davidic KINGDOM to  
Israel, the natural Seed of Abraham,  
with His great Son upon the throne  
of His father David,—to FIRST to  
bless them and then "all the kindreds  
of the earth." (Acts 1:6 and 3:25-26).  
They saw Jerusalem the Center and  
Israel the lender among the Nations  
and not the borrower, and the "head,  
and not the tail" (Deut. 28:12). They  
forseen the Davidic Kingdom RE-  
STORED TO ISRAEL, expanded and  
extended until "The kingdoms of this  
world are become THE KINGDOMS  
of our Lord, and of his Christ" (Re-  
velation 11:15) and "The LORD shall be  
king over all the earth." (Zech. 14:9).

Such then were "the TIMES OF  
REFRESHING" to "COME FROM  
THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD;"  
and such was and still is the amazing  
and glorious PROGRAM prophetical-  
ly outlining the "RESTITUTION OF  
ALL THINGS," which God hath  
spoken by the mouth of all his holy  
prophets since the world began. A  
PROGRAM, which last but not least,  
will RESTORE "DOMINION (TO  
OUR RACE) . . . OVER ALL THE  
EARTH . . . and SUBDUE IT" (Gen.  
1:26, 28) in the "last Adam," which  
was lost in the First Adam, that "all  
things" so RESTORED will bless man  
with Peace and Security and Prosper-  
ity, instead of cursing him with more  
sorrow and sweat and blood and  
tears. Once more "ALL THINGS"  
will blend together into a harmo-  
niously functioning Creation, free  
from groaning and from pain, ap-  
proximating the GOODNESS in the  
which it was originally created.

The consummation of this future

prophetic Program is bound up in  
Israel's earthly destiny, and the vis-  
ible and temporal blessings of Israel  
and the Nations of the earth, and cen-  
ters around the kingdom of God or  
OF HEAVEN, with God's Will done  
on earth, as it is in heaven, to be real-  
ized in the near "at hand" dispensa-  
tion of the millennial KINGDOM OF  
POWER and GLORY, "the GLORY  
THAT SHOULD FOLLOW," when  
God, through His Christ, the Messiah  
with His Saints, shall RULE and  
REIGN in the earth and the affairs of  
undone man at the end of his rope.  
(Revelation 5:10)

The blessings of the Kingdom of  
God cannot prosper with the curse  
of Sin side by side. Therefore did  
John the Baptist, in announcing the  
KINGDOM OF HEAVEN as being  
"at hand" and introducing the KING  
to Israel, call them to REPENTANCE  
and to his Baptism for the REMIS-  
SION OF SINS. Israel did not re-  
pent then, and John lost his head as a  
gift to a dancing damsel by a vain-  
glorious ruler. Christ preached the  
same message of REPENTANCE, and  
his disciples baptized even more than  
John for the REMISSION OF SINS.  
But again Israel's Rulers "rejected  
the counsel of God against them-  
selves," they were not baptized, their  
sins remained, and the KING WAS  
CRUCIFIED. After His resurrection,  
another and third effort was made to  
bring in the KINGDOM and now on a  
world-wide scale, as we read: "And  
that REPENTANCE and REMIS-  
SION OF SINS should be preached in  
his name among all nations," but,—  
and THIS IS THE PIVOTAL POINT:  
"Beginning at Jerusalem" (Luke  
24:47) and "both IN Jerusalem, and  
in ALL Judaea, and Samaria, and  
(then) unto the uttermost part of the  
world." (Acts 1:8). Again the Apos-  
tles called on the "Men and brethren"  
of Israel to "REPENT, and be baptiz-  
ed—in the name of Jesus Christ for  
THE REMISSION OF SINS" (Acts 2:  
38). According to verses 5 and 14 they  
remained at JERUSALEM as they  
were instructed (Luke 24:49) and  
addressed their message to the "men  
of Judea, and ALL YE that dwell AT  
JERUSALEM."

Once again did Jerusalem NOT RE-  
PENT, but continuing in their for-

mer tradition, they killed the Prophets  
and stoned them that were sent to  
her, by which most of the Apostles  
lost their lives. And until Jerusalem  
and all Judaea will REPENT, the  
KINGDOM with its temporal Bless-  
ings in POWER and GLORY will not  
come with "OBSERVATION."

To look upon the "Great Commis-  
sion as Christ's instructions appli-  
cable today,—while Israel is still scat-  
tered among the Nations and in tra-  
ditional blindness, and expect Christ's  
ALL POWER to back it up with  
signs and miracles following, is un-  
dispensational and ineffective, a  
human effort, and God's Program in  
Reverse. To separate the signs from  
the Commission is unscriptural.

From Daniel 11:38 (American Re-  
vised: [god of fortresses].

From Isaiah 11:1—"And there shall  
come forth a rod [a shoot] out of the  
stem [stock] of Jesse, and a Branch  
shall grow out of his roots [shall bear  
fruit]:

Revelation 11:15: (from the Ja-  
mieson, Fausset and Brown commen-  
tary): The kingdom (sovereignty) of  
(over) the world is our Lord's and  
His Christ's. The kingdoms of the  
world give way to the kingdom of  
(over) the world exercised by Christ.  
The earth-kingdoms are many: His  
shall be one.

Authorized version: "The kingdoms  
of this world are become the king-  
doms of our Lord, and of his Christ."

"And hast made us unto our God  
kings and priests: and we shall reign  
on the earth." Commentary: made us  
—read "them." 'a priesthood' for  
priests. American Revised reads [a  
kingdom] for "kings" and [and they]  
for "and we shall."

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