

# Revival For Our Day

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Dear Christian brothers and sisters, followers of the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world, the blessed Jesus, born of the virgin Mary, who suffered under Pontius Pilot, was crucified, dead, and buried, and arose to ascend again on the right hand of God, interceding for us, forever after the order of Melchizedek, the mighty One of Israel, the Beloved of the Father, the only Begotten of our God.

Greetings, with thanksgiving for all of your prayers, petitions, supplications, and fastings, and for your endeavor to utterly depend upon the Lord as little children upon their parents; that you might be refined and cleansed to become a sanctified people, meet for Jesus' use. We must forget those things which are behind, and press toward the mark for those things which are ahead in Christ Jesus. We know that He does all things well if we will trust and obey. I have been reading in Jeremiah these last few weeks, and have read again and again where the people hearkened not unto the voice of the Lord. Even though I have read the Word of God for over fifty years, I have been moved in this recent reading in a way that I can't quite explain.

We must press constantly and die daily in order to obey the leading of the Holy Spirit, that we might be in divine order and be in the right place at the right time, doing and saying the right thing with the right people. Romans 8:14 says, "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." His blood is sufficient to cleanse us, and His truth to sanctify and fill us with the Holy Spirit, that we may be as Jesus was. I Jn. 4:17 says, "...because as he is, so are we in this world."

Yesterday morning, the twenty-second day of January (my spiritual birthday), I was asking Jesus where the hymns were for the morning service. The precious Holy Spirit operated in my heart on page 225 in The Methodist Hymnal:

*Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee. Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise. Take my hands, and let them move At the impulse of Thy love. Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee.*

*Take my voice, and let me sing, Always, only, for my King. Take my lips, and let them be Filled with messages from Thee. Take my silver and my gold; Not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect, and use Every power, as thou shalt choose.*

*Take my will, and make it Thine; It shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is Thine own; It shall be Thy royal throne (That touches my heart!). Take my love; my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store. Take myself, and I will be, Ever, only, all for Thee.*

Rev. McAdams was encouraged with this hymn, as was Rev. Hogue when I gave it to him. The next hymn the Lord revealed was on page 287: *A charge to keep I have, a God to glorify, A never dying soul to save, and fit it for the sky.* From morning to night we are constantly fitting and preparing, by God's grace, our life for His service and for eternity. We can speak wonderful truths and say good things, but if our words are not led by the Holy Spirit, they are not fitting. Instead of bringing help to people, we will hurt and discourage them. We need wisdom to know what to say and what not to say. A word fitly spoken is like "apples of gold in pictures of silver." We are to fit our life and our being into his mold, into His guiding hands.

If we fail to become utterly dependent upon Him, completely forsaking all, we are not fitting ourselves for the sky. The hymn continues:

*To serve the present age, My calling to fulfill; O may it all my powers engage To do my Master's will!*

*Arm me with jealous care, As in Thy sight to live, And, oh, Thy servant, Lord, prepare A strict account to give!*

*Help me to watch and pray, And on Thyself rely, Assured, if I my trust betray, I shall forever die.*

The Lord led me to call on Michael Parker to pray, followed with a prayer by Grandson David. When David ended his prayer, Janice Parker, Michael's dear wife, arose and said, "You know,

I was hurting and did not know how long I could endure the pain. But while David was praying, Jesus touched my body." I later learned that Donna Keen was also hurting, and that when David was praying, by God's grace, the hurting subsided. I thought that was a lot to be thankful for. The Lord then helped me to speak, and I was very grateful for His guidance, His direction and anointing. I was extremely indebted to the Lord for these wonderful helps.

Jesus said, "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth. Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me." (St. John 17:17-23)

How are we going to become perfect in one? The answer is in the sixth chapter of Matthew, verse thirty-three, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." In 1941 I was preaching on this text at the Mt. Carmel Methodist Church, when suddenly I saw that the world, and most all churches, are living in the reverse. We are doing the planning and trying to work out our own lives. That is not what He called us to do. He has called us to forsake all to do His will. He said, "Except ye forsake all, ye can not be my disciple." Why isn't this preached throughout the world? We must forsake all to seek first the Kingdom of God, for this is how we become one.

Jesus said, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God." As I look at this word "seek", I see hearing in it. Unless we hear that we have to seek, we are not going to do anything but what we like to do. I also see heeding and instruction. We are instructed to seek first the Kingdom of God. How are we going to do that? We need to seek with our whole heart, with our whole being. We must leave all and forsake all. Unless we forsake all, we are not going to seek the Kingdom of God first. Instead, we are going to seek our own interests. Searching is also in this word.

"For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him...." (II Chr. 16:9)

I see that revelation is also in the word "seek". Unless we receive the revelation that we need to seek first the Kingdom of God, we are not going to seek it first. We are going to seek what seems to be good. "There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." (Pr. 16:25) We must not go in that order. We must have the revelation and the urgency of, "...seek ye first the Kingdom of God." The Kingdom of God is righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. When you have the joy of the Lord in your heart, you have His strength and anointing. Do you have the joy of God in your soul today? Do you have the joy of Christ within you?

I not only see hearing, heeding, searching and revelation in this word "seek", but I also see vision. The word "seek" is full of vision. Without a vision, the people perish, and that is what this world is doing. Do you know people who obey God when He talks to them? For as many as are led by the Holy Spirit, they are the sons of God. If you are not led by the Holy Spirit, get right with God. Get your sins under the blood. If you have talked about anyone, you have violated Jesus' word when He said, "Judge not." If we talk about, murmur or criticize anyone, we are living in gross sin.

This word "seek", is full of sight, as well as vision. It is full of effort, energy, and perseverance. If we don't persevere and deny self, we are never going to seek. This word is filled with love for the Word of God, the revelation of God. It is full of prayer, praise, and self-denial. This word "seek" requires you and me to die to self from morning to night. Only then, we will begin to obey Him.

I see a tremendous thing in seeking first the kingdom. From the very first to the last it is filled with submission. The person who earnestly seeks the Kingdom of God must be submissive to God's will. Jesus said, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven." (Mt. 7:21) We can pray, preach, and go through beautiful worship services, but unless the Holy Spirit is leading, it is our own doing. My family has heard me say over and over for many years that I need Him every

breath. I can not find fault or criticize anyone. The Lord revealed to me at the baptism of the Holy Ghost on April 14th, 1942, that I could never again criticize anyone to my wife, judge anyone again, or complain about anything. Whenever we complain, murmur, or find fault, we are living in sin. When we criticize people, we judge them. Jesus said, "Judge not." Every time a person does that, he violates the word of God.

I want to bring to your attention that to seek first the kingdom, is to be utterly dependent upon God. The utter dependence that He calls for in us should be as that of little children who are utterly dependent upon their parents. We come to this dependence as we wait upon God. Only as we wait upon Him will the sacredness, the seriousness, the greatness, the humility and brokenness required, be revealed to our hearts. Unless we are broken, we will not seek first the kingdom of God. We will not become utterly dependent upon Him.

Some years ago I was listening to the president of Taylor University speak, and he shared the story of an experience he had as a young man eighteen years of age. He said, "I went into my father's study (he was pastor of a church) and said, 'I want to tell you, Father, something I feel I should share with you. I have been called to preach.'" His father said, "This is not news to me. I have known it for a long time. But son, you will never be able to preach until you are broken." He said that for years he never knew what his father meant, until one day God sent him to a church that brought him to brokenness. Unless we are broken enough, and committed completely and entirely to the will of God, we will not seek first the Kingdom of God.

Jesus said, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God." I see here in this precious word "seek", that we must have an awareness of who Jesus is. We must confess our sins and make our restitutions. If we haven't asked people to forgive us for the things we have said about them, we will not seek first the Kingdom of God. When Jesus comes, by the Holy Spirit, the precious blood, the power of the Holy Ghost, His truth will sanctify us. Until the church body is entirely committed to forsake all and do God's will, it will just be a group of people talking about religion and not really knowing the urgency of seeking first the Kingdom of God through prayer, through waiting upon Him, through fasting as He leads, through witnessing at every opportunity. The Bible says

they overcame the devil by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony. If we don't have a testimony for Jesus, it is because we haven't sought first the Kingdom of God.

Your testimony for Jesus will be your life. It will be your walk. It will be your coming in and your going out before your fellow men. Jesus said, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God." When the demoniac was made whole and was sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, he wanted to go with Jesus Christ. Jesus told him to go back home and tell the people there what the Lord had done for him. He obeyed and did what Jesus told him to do. He wanted to be with Christ more than I know. Jesus was the first light he had seen. It was the first time he had ever known joy, rest, and peace. Why shouldn't he want to go with Him? Jesus said, "No, you must deny yourself and return home where you were a troublemaker." He had to go back into the storm and tell the people what Jesus did for him. Have you been telling what Jesus has been doing for you? Have you been declaring that He loves everyone alike? Jesus said, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God." When you seek first the Kingdom of God, He will set you on fire. He will send you forth as lights in the world. "By this shall men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." (Jn. 13:35).

Jesus said in Matthew 7:14, "Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it." Being led by the Holy Spirit begins in the first few seconds after conversion. Just as soon as we are converted, the devil will tempt us to lean to our own understanding and not witness for Jesus. We must deny ourselves the instant after we ask Jesus to forgive us of our sins. If we fail to witness, we get off the narrow way, the way of humility. But we must know when to speak and what to say so that we do not overdo our witness. If you overwater or underwater a plant, you will kill it. It must have just the right nourishment to grow. This pathway is narrow. It is a narrow path to know how to follow and resist the devil when he says we don't need to obey the voice of Jesus.

Jesus also said in Luke 13:24, "Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able." It is because we have failed to witness just seconds to moments after conversion. After my conversion, in just a little while, the Holy Spirit revealed to me that I was go to my coach's home to have prayer with him. I had to do God's will and not

my own, and when I did, the power hit me three times greater, it seemed to me, than at the moment of my conversion.

The leadership of the Holy Ghost begins at conversion, but we are not to seek His leadership. We are to seek to lose our life. As we lose our life, He will lead, guide, direct, and tell us what to do. We must keep in the center of His will, and obey His voice without fanaticism, radicalism, or pressing people. This is vital to the Christian's walk. We must follow Him every step of the way by trusting and obeying His voice. It is by God's grace and through the blood of the Lamb that we make it to heaven. This is a simple message, but far reaching in helping us to keep spiritual equilibrium.

May your burdens be lifted, and may your lives be directed of Him as you wait upon the Lord. "Truly my soul waiteth upon God...." (Ps. 62:1). "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." (Is. 40:31) May you be strengthened to do as God would have you. Jesus said in St. John 16:13, "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come." We are unworthy, but grateful for His direction and healing from the top of our head to our toes. May each of you be delivered and strengthened. We trust to be found faithful, with clean hands and a pure heart. Please be encouraged and undergirded by His presence, by His word, by His truth, by His anointing, protection, and provision through Jesus Christ our Lord.

In Jesus' Name,

*Loran W. Helm*

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p.s. We want to share the following letters with you for the glory of God.

Dear Dr. Helm, My father once told me that the gospel is so simple, yet many people overlook its truth because they are looking for something more complicated. This message, "Ye Are Not Your Own," is a model of the simplicity and power of the gospel message. I thought of the passage, "a fool need not err therein." Robert Morey is not his own; he belongs to Jesus; he is to do what Jesus tells him to do. It's simple.

Yet, it is so powerful. You said, "If men and women knew they were not their own, there would be no theft, adultery, fornication, gossip, judgment, c hurt." What is the scope of that last statement? No theft? no adultery? no hurt? What would that mean to a family, to a community, or to a nation? It is beyond my comprehension. The church does not address the great problems of our day because it will not bend down to embrace the simplicity of this message.

It really is part of the Good News. We sin and die when we take charge of our lives. Jesus died to save us; therefore, we belong to him and he is in charge of our lives. Thank you for including this message in the newsletter. I read it six times when I got it today. It started burning in my heart as I continued to read it. I found myself praising the Lord and pleading the blood over my heart as I read it because I am thrilled with it and want to retain it in my heart. These newsletters are an anchor to my soul amidst the clamor of the world and the wilderness of religious thought and practice. They are healing, gentle, illuminating, and full of light.

*Sometimes a light surprises the Christian while he sings; It is the Lord who rises with healing in His wings: When comforts are declining, He grants the soul again a season of clear shining, to cheer it after rain.*

*In holy contemplation we sweetly then pursue the theme of God's salvation, And find it ever new; Set free from present sorrow, we cheerfully can say, Let the unknown tomorrow bring with it what it may.*

Sincerely, Robert Morey.

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Dear Loran and Florence, I read the newsletter tonight, and appreciated it as I did when you preached it. I thought it was a great sermon. The music was a great encouragement and blessing also. We're always thrilled when we see the two of you walk in.

Thank you for loving us...I enjoyed and appreciated Sunday morning service so much. I felt like you were the happiest I'd ever seen you in a while in service, right from the beginning. It was a wonderful time in the Lord. I'm so thankful I got in on it. You're talking about Richard Moore was very good. ...Thank you again for loving people. We love you both very much, Jane (Langdon).

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Precious Brother and Sister, Please put me on your newsletter mailing list. I read one of them around Christmas from Terry Adamson. I enjoyed it very much. It was agreeing with Brother David Wilkerson

and Brother Francis Frangipani. You three bless me much.

I have given away several of your books A Voice in the Wilderness. I've read it twice so far. It means more to me now that I've begun preaching two years ago (Jan. 27th). Someday I want to meet you, and are praying for you. God bless you, my brother, and Godspeed, Joe Shaver.

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Dear Rev. Helm, Greetings on this beautiful winter morning. The snow is beautiful and we are thankful for God's blessing, mercy, and love.

I wrote you last Wednesday, but I wanted to get a letter off to you today because as I read your recent newsletter of January 5, which came this week, I have been greatly helped. I believe this newsletter is helping me more than any I have ever received. It has brought a greater fear of God unto my heart. There is a greater desire to be very careful to do only what God wants and leads. It is not easy for me to put into words what I feel, but what I do feel is very vital and convicting. I plan to read this at least six times, and as I do, I am crying out to God to get this truth into my heart, sanctify it, seal it by the Holy Ghost, cover it with the blood, and then it will bring forth fruit. Yours in Calvary love, Forrest Richey.

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Dear Rev. Helm, Thank you for your January newsletter. I was beginning to hunger for a letter, and it came in a day or so.

It more than fed my soul! As I read it to my parents, it seemed as though I was surrounded by a love crowd, all shouting and praising God, as I read about our not belonging to ourselves, but to God.

The praise from the crowd seemed to get into me, and I was stirred, fed, satisfied, and helped. I wish I had that daily. You and your loved ones are in our prayers regularly, James W. Bunnell.

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Dear Rev. Helm, Thank you for the phone call this morning. It was a high privilege to hear your voice and the message you shared with us. I was listening on our speaker phone as you shared with my husband, and it does not permit any response to be heard. I do want to share that I was weeping and blessed as you shared.

Yesterday, as I was talking to Jesus, I asked Him what He wanted me to do. As I opened up the Bible the only word that really spoke to me was obedience. Today you called and shared how we are to deny ourselves and obey Jesus, and be loving, tender, kind,

gentle, and thoughtful to others. I was weeping and rejoicing. Your words to us today were the very instructions our hearts and souls needed. The almost two hours seemed but a very short time. I was able to write down eight legal size pages of notes as you shared those two hours, and I have tried to review them.

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Rev. Helm, you and Florence still light up our lives, by God's grace, through Jesus. Your walk with Jesus, and your love for each other and everyone is an example to all of us of what Jesus can do if we allow Him to. We love you both very much. Thank you again for your call. We needed it! Sincerely, Mrs. Gary (Sarah) Mann.

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Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm, The mercy of our God is great! Thank you again for loving us and instructing us women to dress modestly. May I say that I have emphasized that our fair sex needs to have their limbs very well covered below the knee so that men will not be subjected to temptation.

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Thank you for telling us that if we watch one wrong movie, it can cause us to lose the victory or backslide.

(If we watch things that take from us spiritual victory and insights, our soul is dampened and we lose the fire. When we attend movies that support divorce, adultery, and fornication, we are robbed of spiritual victory. When people see us there supporting that kind of living, then it causes them to be discouraged with our Christianity.)

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It takes the fear of God and a great love for His people to say these things, and I appreciate all of the instruction. The truth will make us free. With much love and prayers, Maria Yoder.

#### **SPECIAL NOTICE**

The Helm's will be returning to Florida on February 1, and for those of you who would like to share in the celebration of Rev. Helm's 79th birthday on February 3, please direct your cards, greetings, and gifts to their Florida address.

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Dear ones in Christ Jesus, Greetings.

We were recently privileged to return to Florida, the Holy Spirit protecting and guiding. Reimar and Marcia Schultze traveled with us, and Grandson David drove our car down. We arrived, by God's grace, on the day the Holy Spirit had revealed to me weeks before. Upon his arrival, David immediately began work to replace our washer/dryer unit, which Kenneth and Cathy Dunigan had purchased for us sixteen to seventeen years ago. Kokomo Christian Fellowship and Palm Beach Gardens Christ Fellowship purchased a new unit for us, so when David arrived on the first day of February, he began to tear out the cabinets around the refrigerator and washer and dryer and install the new unit. We were very grateful for how the Lord helped Kokomo and Palm Beach to buy this unit for us, and for how He helped David to install it.

Before traveling to Florida, the Lord had revealed to me that the Schultzes and David were to return on the thirteenth of February. We give God the praise for this, because when they left on the morning of the thirteenth at 11:05 a.m., little did we know that in four hours, or less, a storm would hit Miami. The wind blew up to sixty miles an hour, and six planes at the Miami airport were damaged. When they left it was a beautiful morning, but in just three to four hours all of that changed. We give God the praise and the glory for protection, and for the revelation He gave weeks before they were to leave. The Holy Spirit blessed, protected, and gave help. It was so marvelous and outstanding, so gracious and wonderful of God to help Reimar and Marcia and Grandson David do so much for us while they were here. We give God all the praise, and Jesus all the glory for everything.

Last Saturday evening I was meditating concerning the following Sunday morning service at Palm Beach Gardens Christ Fellowship. The Holy Spirit witnessed in my heart for the choir to sing number five on their list. I called the pastor to share with him what was on my heart, and he said, "They haven't sung for weeks, but I will call Brian Benjamin (their choir director), and tell him that the choir is to sing in the morning." I

had not been there since last May or June, so I did not know the choir had not sung for a few weeks.

Upon our arrival at the church the next morning, Edward and Jackie and I walked into the beautiful little room they have for us to pray and wait in prior to the service. The pastor was waiting for us, and shared with me that number five on the choir's list was a number they had sung quite a while ago, and at that time, out of all their numbers, he thought he could hardly wait for me to be with them and hear this song. It was the very song that he had told the choir weeks ago he wanted me to hear. This was a wonderful manifestation that was hidden, and yet it was revealed. I didn't know the choir's list, and I didn't know what Thomas had said all those weeks ago. Even though the choir had not rehearsed that song for a few weeks, they sang it under a precious anointing of the Holy Spirit.

While we were in this beautiful little room prior to the service, dear ones we have found through the years came to greet us. Through a leading of the Holy Spirit in 1945, we found Dalton and Vera Landers. When we were with them in revival in 1968, Dalton told me that if we would come back, he would build us a church in the woods close by. When our book was published in 1973, he told me he couldn't read the book because his eyes would burn when he would try to read. Two years later he was in trial, battle, and struggle in his life; and one day he was praying in the middle of his living room, crying out to Jesus, "What am I going to do?" He heard a voice as clear as crystal say to him in his heart, "Read A Voice in the Wilderness," and the hair stood up on his arms. He began to read it, and read sentence after sentence after sentence without any burning or hurting in his eyes. He read the book through in sixteen hours. Then he read it through ten times in two months and twenty-eight days.

When I was with him yesterday he said, "You know, I have just finished my seventy-sixth reading of your book. I want you to know I have read it seventy-six times." A few years ago, after he had read it seventy times, he laughed and cried. He said, "I'm not going to read it anymore. I'm going to let Daniel Light read it to

me on tape." After a year or two he decided to read it again. On his seventy-first reading he said he got more out of the first paragraph than he did in the previous seventy readings. Yesterday he told me that when he finished reading the book for the seventy-sixth time, when he read the last word of the last chapter, the glory of God began to fall upon him in waves. This also happened to him at the end of the seventy-fifth reading. He said, "I couldn't grasp everything God was telling me, but the glory of God just fell on my whole being in waves after both the seventy-fifth and seventy-sixth reading of A Voice in the Wilderness." I give Jesus all the praise, the Holy Spirit all thanksgiving, and our heavenly Father, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, all honor and glory, for it is a miracle of God's grace.

Brent King also came in to greet us before the service. I recall the time when Brent was twelve years of age and his mother wanted to take him to a Waiting Upon God. He didn't want to go, so his father had to forcibly put him in the car. I didn't know this occurred until years later when he was in his late teens and wrote me of this experience. Normally, when I arrive at the hotel where we will be holding a Waiting Upon God, I go directly to our room, but when I entered the lobby of the hotel that day, out of all the people there, Jesus took me over to this twelve-year-old boy. I believe he was the only one with whom I shook hands. I didn't realize until he told me many years later, that when I took him by the hand, he felt the Holy Spirit run from my hand into his hand, up his arm and into his body. He said he knew then that God was in it, that God loved him, and that Jesus was real. I wrote him twice, and he said, "By God's grace, I now believe." When I loved him yesterday I thought of how the Lord had touched his life when he was twelve years of age. He is now a prayer warrior and bears a burden for souls, for the sanctification of believers, and for the church.

When I loved James and Lynann Isham, I recalled how Lynann's father and grandfather would pray with me one hour, until midnight, or all night. When I loved them, we cried and laughed together. It was such a high time that Edward said he trembled a little. The Holy Spirit helped us with various couples and families. When I shook hands with Kathryn and Rick Hubbard, Kathryn said, "We've missed you so much." Rick and Kathryn have the responsibility

of children's church at Palm Beach Gardens Christ Fellowship, and sometimes they have a hundred to a hundred and fifty children in attendance. Their ministry is in the realm of the precious and wonderful. To administer to this many children is a great privilege, for we don't know what is hidden in each life that could come forth if everyone would obey the Holy Spirit.

While we were yet in the room, prior to entering the sanctuary, the Lord revealed to me that Patty Pate was to sing number sixteen on her list. (We have Patty and her precious husband because a few years ago the Lord led for Florence and me, along with Oliver and Barbara Hogue, to take a cruise with the Dolins and the Wrights. Patty was the singer on that ship, and has recently told me, "Rev. Helm, God sent you on that cruise to find me and my husband.") The pastor said to me, "I have just discovered that she didn't have a list, and the Lord laid it upon her heart to compile one." Patty and her husband are like our children and we love them very much, as we love all of you. When Patty came forward to sing the number that God had laid on my heart, we rejoiced together because of Jesus' mercy in the fact that she had just compiled her list that morning, and the Lord revealed to me just minutes before entering the sanctuary that she was to sing number sixteen on her list. How great is that, dear ones! She sang that number under a great anointing. I have heard her sing on the cruise ship, in Israel, here in this church, and at Waitings Upon God; but the anointing of the Holy Spirit that fell upon her as she sang this number was one of the most wonderful I have heard in my years in the ministry. We give God the glory and praise for this guidance and revelation.

I then began to speak on "But seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." (Mt. 6:33) Edward told me that he thought I was under one of the most wonderful anointings, similar to the time I preached at a little convention at Lake Wawasee, Indiana, in the early seventies. I give God the glory, praise and honor for His mercy to guide, protect, anoint, lead, and make a way that we might be well in the soul, the mind and body. God gave us such a wonderful time together Sunday morning, for which we were thankful.

After the service, Max Rawlings accompanied us on our return to Ft. Lauderdale. Max and his

wife, Twila, have been precious close friends of ours for over forty-one years. We used to have meetings with them just south of Windsor at the little church where Art Gilmore, and my brother preached. We reviewed the time I held a revival meeting, the Lord helping me, for Max's mother at a little country church over forty years ago. We also reviewed about how the Lord had led in a meeting at the Christian Church in Blountsville, Indiana, where his mother was the pastor. At that time we were living with Florence's parents, and as I stepped over the threshold of the front door of the church, I turned to Florence and her parents and said, "God tells me there is something wrong in this church. I can not locate it, but I am burdened as I come through this door. The Lord is conveying some message to me." Some days later, I was filling the coal box at Dad and Mother Spence's when Twila Rawlings' mother called to tell us that the Blountsville church had burned down because of defective wiring. The Lord had revealed the burden to me days before, and we give Him the praise for His mercy and protection.

We don't want to forget to give God the praise and the glory for all He has done, for what He is doing, and for what He will do as we trust Him. We need His love, His care, His holiness, His protection, His blessing, His anointing, His unction, and His direction as we follow Him every step of the way. Jesus said, "If any man is going to come after me, let him deny himself." The instant we are converted, self-denial begins. Self must be denied before we can witness, and many times the Holy Spirit will lead us to give God the praise and Jesus the glory for saving us the moment we are converted. When we cease that life of self-denial, we go into the life of self-assertiveness. We can preach, sing, and hold services, thinking we are having church, but we are really arranging it ourselves unless He leads. It is by the grace of God I can ever be led again, and I give Him all the praise and glory for everything. He can do all things if we will yield entirely to Him, and ask Him to forgive us wherein we have failed anyone, or haven't prayed as we ought to, or witness when we should. It is by His Spirit and presence that this can be accomplished. What we work out will die, but what He leads will be forever. If we are not utterly dependent upon Him, we are just a group of people talking about religion rather than depending upon Him to do only as He leads, guides, directs, and reveals.

"And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none." (Ez. 22:30) God said to Moses, "O that there were such an heart in them that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children forever!" (De. 5:29) This is in the subjunctive mood. When you read the Old Testament you find only a few in a generation who would do God's will on their own. We must deny ourselves, walk in the light as He is in the light, and do God's will, for then He will lead us into this prayerful place wherein we may be an intercessor to make up the hedge and stand in the gap for the land, for the community, for souls, for the lost, for Israel, for the Gentiles; that our prayers might get through and the Holy Spirit could descend with revival, with the fires of His light, love, holiness, purity and truth.

In Ezekiel 22:30 He could not find anyone. Are you willing to stand in the hedge? Are you willing to deny yourself? Are you willing to be submissive to God's will? or will you stray back into the self-arranged life because you have loved something in the world? "Love not the world, neither the things in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him: for all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world." (I Jn. 2:15-16)

God wants a people who will follow Him. "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." (Ro. 8:14) God wants to lead His people. We can easily stray from God's will and work things out ourselves rather than be led by the Holy Spirit. We can be well meaning, well educated and well prepared, but if there is the slightest bit of a judgmental spirit or criticism in our life, we will leave the life of self-denial and begin a life of self-assertiveness. We must remain broken, submissive, and compassionate if we are to follow Him.

Thank you for your prayers, sacrifices, gifts, helps, supplications, petitions, love, care, and thoughtfulness. Thank you, each one, for the wonderful cards, remembrances, and flowers on my seventy-ninth birthday. We were grateful for each one. We want to give appreciation and thanksgiving to the Lord and to each one of you

who has taken the time to consider whether or not you will obey the Holy Spirit, pray, do God's will, and love one another. I John 4:17 says, "...because as he is, so are we in this world."

May each one of you be encouraged, and may your burdens and cares be lifted. Some of you have cares. Lord, take care of these cares, work out these pressures, and intervene for those who have been disappointed. Please take care of those who are having certain experiences of being crushed or hurt. We pray for healing, and for the Balm of Gilead to be applied. The Lord reveals to me that there are fourteen persons being healed from infections, growths, or sicknesses. We are very much in debt to God for this revelation, and for Jesus to heal these dear ones for His glory and honor. We pray also for the Holy Spirit to work, and for revival fires to burn in our hearts. We pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, or for however God sees fit to work. We pray for the Holy Spirit to indwell the sanctuary of the new church at Parker City, for unless the Holy Spirit dwells there, it is just a building. When the holy presence of God comes and dwells, He will deal with the hearts of the people. This can be only by the grace of God, for we can do nothing in ourselves. It is not by might nor by power. It is not by preaching or programs. It is only by the Holy Spirit that men and women can be drawn, changed and touched of God.

We would like to share that the dedication service of our new facilities and church in Parker City will be held on August 20, 1995. We are trusting for the Holy Spirit to have full charge.

In Jesus' Name,

*Loran W. Helm*  
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p.s. We share the following letters with you, giving thanks and honor unto God for everything.

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm, I have had a wonderful time in prayer today in the areas of praise and thanksgiving. Afterward, it occurred to me that I should thank you for your instructions about prayer. I grew up praying. I have prayed all my life. There never was a time when I didn't want a close relationship with my Savior.

That relationship never really materialized until I began putting in practice your instructions, which was

primarily to pray about thirty minutes to an hour a day, and to stay in praise and thanksgiving much of the time. Suddenly, the Lord was close to me all the time, every day, and I entered into this intimate relationship that has grown more and more wonderful.

I guess it has been almost twenty years or more since I took your admonitions to heart, and I wonder to myself, "Where in the world would I be spiritually without these simple guidelines?" There is no such thing as a spiritual person who doesn't pray, and yet the church, in general, doesn't seem to have strong group of these fundamental concepts.

I surely do thank you for sharing what the Holy Spirit has taught you. It has been invaluable to me. Praise the Lord for His faithfulness. Lovingly, Joy Belle (Cox).

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm, Praise God! Glory be to Him who died and rose again, who has cleansed us from all our sins, and is set down at the right hand of God to intercede for you and me. Praise His dear name.

I praise Him who allowed us to hear of the narrow gate, and who has been willing to help us through it. Thank you for A Voice in the Wilderness. It helps me more than these few feeble words can tell you. I have been in a place of trust, and am trying to learn what it means to wait upon God. I know I fail so miserably, but He is not finished with me yet. Amen.

I have found myself amazed and thrilled as I read Chapter Twenty-Three of your book. My soul can only cry out to God for help and pray that He will get it into my heart. I keep reading just these few pages, and I believe God is helping me to grasp the seriousness of it. I am so glad that you obeyed God--words are often not able to describe how I feel. May God show you how thankful I am, and help me to be more thankful when I read this. It is like reading an epistle on how to walk with God. God, I believe, spoke to my heart and said two things on different occasions. He desires for me to obey more than a man loves his wife. I want to love everyone, Rev. Helm. It encourages me that He wants to lead us every step of the way. You have tried to explain to us how it is to die and to obey.

Jesus is helping me. May the God of all grace strengthen you, deliver you, and heal you. May your hearts be strengthened in the inner man to be encouraged. God will fight for you, for the battle belongs to Him. With His love, Mark Wolfe.

# Revival For Our Day

March 15, 1995

Greetings to those who are striving to obey the Holy Spirit.

Jesus said in St. John 13:34, "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another." This commandment is new, and of course, we can only love one another by the grace of God as we die to self daily after conversion. If we cease dying to self, then we cease loving one another as Jesus loves us.

Jesus said in Matthew 18:3, "...Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." His love pours through the person who is utterly dependent upon Him. Jesus is able to pour His love through the person who is childlike, submissive, and has obeyed the last leading of the Holy Spirit. When we cease to obey the Holy Spirit, then His love does not flow through us. We cannot bring this about by strength of knowledge. It only comes by the Holy Spirit in the little ways, the childlike ways of utter dependence upon Him.

St. Paul said in I Corinthians 2:14-15, "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man." A sanctified person is yielded to the will of God. St. Paul also said in I Corinthians 3:1-2, "And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ. I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able." They had been saved and had given their hearts to Jesus, but Paul said they were not yet able to bear this for they were yet carnal. He continues in verse three, "For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?"

Jesus said, "If any man is going to come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me." Following Jesus depends upon the fact that we have been crucified and are bearing His cross daily. Only the life that has died daily will go on to be cleansed through the

truth of Jesus Christ. The carnal mind finds fault. The carnal person, the person who is not walking in the Spirit, complains, murmurs, judges, and criticizes. These are the fruits of carnality. Paul said he couldn't talk to them as unto spiritual people because there was envy, strife, and division among them. The carnal mind looks at the faults and weaknesses of others. The spiritual heart and mind does not look at the faults of others. It does not seek to find the weaknesses of people, but seeks to find the will of God, and to love one another as He loves us.

A very capable spiritual leader wrote me some time ago saying that they had attended a conference where one of the outstanding leaders in the religious denomination shared the fact that in his opinion, seventy-five percent of the churches were in turmoil. This means there is carnality, fighting, and bickering in the church. When I meditate and pray, I believe that the percentage is even yet higher than seventy-five percent. Whenever there is the slightest bit of carnality in any man or woman, causing them to be critical of others, it is evidence that that heart is grieving God. This, of course, is a very serious state in which to live.

Many are trying to get people saved, and that is wonderful because we need to, but if we get people saved and they do not deny self and die daily to take up the cross, we have bickering, conflict, turmoil, and a judgmental spirit in the church. This causes great spiritual sickness and hospitalizes the church. If there are one or two men or women in a church who are carnal, it brings that church into a state wherein they are hospitalized and not able to do much as a body. An appendix is a tiny, little organ, but if there is an infection in it, that organ will hospitalize the whole body.

Carnality always brings disobedience. Where carnality is, disobedience reigns. It is urgent and expedient to have carnality cleansed out of us through the blood and power of Jesus; otherwise, we become spiritually diseased, and cause the whole church body to be hospitalized and to suffer. This is why it is expedient for each one in the church to be pure in heart, which comes by obedience. Imagine trying to have church when

you have one, two, or three persons who have murmured about, found fault with, criticized, or looked at the weaknesses of others. It brings depression upon the people, and is a pressure upon the body.

Unless we lose our life by being cleansed and crucified of the carnal nature, we do what we want. The carnal nature is then predominant, and the fruits thereof are very hurtful, causing turmoil, depression, and devastation. Someone may say, "This is too hard." Jesus said that if we will come to Him, He will not turn us away. He said He would sanctify Himself that we also might be sanctified. He will sanctify us through His truth, and so in that very second that we find ourselves falling back into the critical spirit, we must resist the devil and ask God to let the truth of Jesus cleanse out of us that awful evil so that we can live a victorious life.

Psalms 119:165 says, "Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them." There is no offense in the spiritual heart. Carnal people are offended over many things, but those who walk with Jesus and are dying daily are not offended. When we cease to deny self, we are on our way into disobedience. This brings us into the area of finding fault with people, and seeing the weaknesses of others. Jesus did not call us to see the weaknesses of people. There is no verse in scripture that says we are called to find the weaknesses of people, or to straighten them out or line them up. We are to walk in the light as He is in the light, and to have fellowship one with another. Then, the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, will cleanse us from all sin.

Therefore, we walk in His light by dying daily and denying self. Jesus said that if any man was going to be His disciple, he must deny himself. If he ceases to deny self, then that instant, he goes into self-assertiveness, which is the life of disobedience. Disobedience is sin, and sin cannot live in the church of Jesus Christ. If there is the slightest bit of sin in the church, it brings division and upheaval, which is a terrible detriment. It brings great damage, not only to church people, but sinners will say, "That is Christianity for you." We are to be in total harmony, that we all may be one as God and Jesus are one. Harmony and unity are in complete understanding of each other, and we are to become like that. He has called us to holiness, not to impurity. He has

called us to righteousness instead of to conflict. Where impurity and conflict exist, the church has a hard time. We are to love one another as He loves us. We must strive to get all of this carnality out of our hearts to become cleansed and sanctified vessels for Jesus' sake.

When we wait upon God, we begin to learn to die daily and deny ourselves to take up the cross and obey the leading of the Holy Spirit. Obedience only exists as the three previous states are lived; dying daily, denying self, and assuming the cross. As long as we obey and deny self, He is able to lead us, not into temptation, but into His will and purpose. So many evil things are surrounding everyone on earth, and we have to constantly press to escape them. "The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of heaven is preached, and every man presseth into it." (Lk. 16:16) Every man must press into the Kingdom of God. There is not one second we can let up on this inner death. When we let up a little, that instant, carnality comes in and we find fault with, or complain about someone. That is disobedience, and brings a church into a state of turmoil. We must get back to God and let Him lead us so we will be like Him. I am reminded of a chorus, "Oh, to be like Thee! Oh, to be like Thee, blessed Redeemer, pure as Thou art! Come in Thy sweetness, come in Thy fullness; Stamp Thine own image deep on my heart."

We must press continually into the Kingdom of God or we waver, wonder, analyze, or speculate. This cannot be in the spiritual life. When Adam chose to do what God told him not to do, we went after the fruit of the knowledge of good and evil. We must submit unto God and obey the Holy Spirit. We must let Him lead us into all truth, because He said, "...when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come." (Jn. 16:13) When the Holy Spirit comes, He anoints us. His anointing will guide us into all truth, and will teach us what we need to learn. But if what we learn is not of the Holy Spirit, it will cause us to depend upon the knowledge of earth, which will immediately take us out of divine order.

We must be cleansed and crucified daily in order to be taught to lose our lives. When we

wait upon God, we don't seek to save our life, but to lose it. Jesus said in Matthew 7:14, "Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it." We know that we only find this life as we press constantly into the Kingdom of Heaven. This life is found by the leadership and revelation of the Holy Spirit, by the word indwelling. "...as he is, so are we in this world." (I John 4:17)

**We would like to announce a Waiting Upon God August 20-22, to be held in our new church facilities in Parker City, Indiana. The dedication of the new church will be held Sunday, August 20, as previously announced, beginning at 9 a.m., followed by a Sunday evening service beginning at 6 p.m. Services Monday will be at 9 a.m., and 6 p.m., and on Tuesday at 9 a.m., and 6 p.m. Enclosed is a Registration Form. It is very vital that you return this form immediately to help us in our planning. If you need any information or help, please call our office at 317-468-8166.**

Our sanctuary can hold approximately seven hundred, and our fellowship hall can seat approximately four hundred. We are also investigating the use of a large tent that can be used for overflow, with close-circuit television in both the tent and fellowship hall. We will alternate people between the sanctuary and television facilities every service. This will allow most everyone to be in the sanctuary at least half of the services. We are sorry that not everyone can be in the sanctuary for every service, but the Holy Spirit has witnessed He will be with us here, and so we know that you will be understanding and helpful in making all things work together. Sanctified people are willing to make the best of every situation, and rejoice in all things. They always resist the critical and complaining spirit.

The church will be open Saturday, August 19, from noon until seven o'clock p.m. for people to familiarize themselves with the facilities. Refreshments will be available in the tent each day. We will provide a list of various restaurants that will be available for regular meals. There will be no catered group meals as at past Waitings Upon God. Please pray for dry weather, and for moderate temperatures.

A Waiting Upon God is not a place to come for entertainment, nor is it meant to be a vacation or

place of visitation. When we come into the church of Christ, we need to be quiet and worshipful before Him, that He may reveal to us the state of our heart and mind, and what the leading of the Holy Spirit is.

A Waiting Upon God is for those persons who are endeavoring to obey God. Children are precious, but if we bring our children with us, they have our attention and we cannot get tuned in to what God is wanting to do with us. If young people come to the Waiting Upon God just because another young woman or man is going to be there, it is better not to come, because their minds will not be upon the will of God. We can only wait upon God by His help and mercy, by the leadership of the Holy Spirit, by His word indwelling, and by the truth of His presence to guide and steer us through the service as He wills. If we try to work it out, we are waiting upon ourselves rather than waiting upon God. When I make this statement, there is a certain operation in my heart telling me this is true.

We wait upon God to allow Jesus to refine, teach, help, instruct, feed, and do whatever He sees best to cleanse and fill us with His Holy Spirit. There may be quiet times. There may be singing. It could be that people who want to sing, will not sing. Years ago a dear person had a thought as they came into the room where the meeting was being held, "Well, Brother Helm will have his own singers to sing." The Holy Spirit heard that precious person, and for three days I wasn't able to have any of our singers to sing. We don't want to come to the Waiting Upon God with preconceived ideas. Let us just come and have Him slay out of us all of our own thoughts, wants, and speculations so that He can have His way with us.

To wait upon God is to begin to find out how to lose our lives. We must let Him have His way with us so that He can guide our steps as we maintain spiritual balance. We must be utterly dependent upon Him as a little child to follow Him. And when we follow Him, we become pure, long-suffering, gentle and tender. A life that denies self and obeys God has a kind spirit.

When Mary Webster asked me to meet with the saints of God and spend three days with them, I told her I was not able to do that. It was too great an assignment for me. It is too great for any

man. To wait upon God requires a willingness to pray and obey. If there is carnality in the hearts of the people, there is no inspiration. There is no delight coming out of the carnal heart unless that person makes restitution and asks Jesus to sanctify them through His truth. It is only through the leadership of the Holy Spirit that we are endeavoring to wait together for three days. I am needy, and the least of all His servants. I do not know what to say or do. I am just a sinner saved by grace through the mercies of God. I have to die daily to be cleansed of all carnality and unrighteousness. The carnal heart resents the endeavor to wait upon God, but the Lord is able to save, sanctify, heal, restore, and teach us the ways of God.

We thank Jesus for His precious blood, and for your prayers, sacrifice, fasting, and holding on to God for us. We pray for spiritual victories, and for protection in travel to and from the Waiting Upon God. Let us pray for protection in walking, driving, and moving, so that everything will be safe and right, and that His Spirit will come into us with joy, rest, love, delight, romance, thrills and adventure through Jesus Christ by the Holy

Ghost. May the Lord encourage your heart as you pray and follow Jesus. As we read the scriptures, we find that only a few were willing to follow Him.

Thank you again for your prayers, supplications, petitions, love, care, and sacrifice. We are praying that God will see fit to lay the burden of finance and the willingness to share upon some hearts. It would be such a help. All we will have at the end of life is what we have given to the needy and to the Kingdom of God. We need to seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and do what we can for our neighbors, and for the needs around us.

Thank Thee, Jesus, for these who read this letter. Let it be as a light, as honey, or as a little bit of the work of the Holy Spirit in the soul to enable us to be lifted and fed, that we may go forth in Jesus' holy name as His children.

In Jesus' Name

*Loran W Helm*

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# *Revival For Our Day*

April 15, 1995

To the followers of Jesus the Christ, Greetings in the Holy Ghost.

Jesus declared in Matthew 18:3, "Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." He likewise said in Matthew 7:1, "Judge not, that ye be not judged." He spoke about the fact that if someone asks you to go one mile, go two. He also said, "...That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven." (Mt. 5:20) Now the scribes could write a part of the Pentateuch perhaps, and some of those they knew by heart. The Pharisees fasted twice a week, paid tithes of all they had, and prayed. And yet Jesus said that except our righteousness exceed theirs, we shall not enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

Jesus said in Matthew 11:28, "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." He also said in Matthew 7:21, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven." He continued in verses twenty-two and twenty-three, "Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity."

His word so declares that we are to rejoice always. We are to rejoice ever more, and in everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning us. He told us that He would have us to be sanctified. "And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth." (St. John 17:19) In verse twenty-one He mentioned that He wanted us sanctified that we all might become one, and in verse twenty-three He said that we may be made perfect in one. This way is straight, for He also said, "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the

way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it." (Mt. 7:13-14)

Jesus said in St. Luke 16:18, "Whosoever putteth away his wife, and marrieth another, committeth adultery: and whosoever marrieth her that is put away from her husband committeth adultery." He has instructed us to press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. We are to lay aside every weight and sin which so easily besets us, to run, with patience, the race that He has set before us. We are to look unto Jesus, the Author and Finisher of our faith, Who for the joy that was set before Him, endured the cross, despising the shame, and is now set down at the right hand of God, interceding for us. We are to lift up our eyes unto the hills from whence cometh our help, for our help cometh from the Lord.

The Old Testament states in the book of Deuteronomy, verse twenty-nine, "Oh that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!" Then Jesus said in the New Testament, "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another." (St. John 13:34) He continued in verse thirty-five, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." The Old Testament states that obedience is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams. Jesus said in Luke's writings, "...If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me." In other words, we must die to self daily. If we will not deny self, we can not be His disciple.

When we cease to deny ourselves and start making our own plans and arrangements, we have left the beautiful meadow of self-denial to go to the rough, terrible terrain of self-assertiveness. We leave the straight and narrow path. The narrow pathway is so narrow that it excludes all criticism, evil, sin, disobedience, and self-will, but it is wide enough to include all righteousness, true purity, and God's marvelous will for us.

Jesus also states that we are to pray and seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteous-

ness, and then all these things shall be added unto us. Therefore, we look up towards the promises of God and pray one for another, that we may be healed. As we confess our faults one to another and make our restitutions, we begin to start to be willing to live the life of submission and obedience.

When I recently talked with precious Kathryn Hubbard, the wife of Rick Hubbard, she said to me, "I am so hungry and longing for a Waiting Upon God, even if we need to have it in our living room." I mentioned this to Pastor Thomas Mullins, and asked if we could have a Waiting Upon God at the Palm Beach Gardens Christ Fellowship church. The Lord operated within my heart that this Waiting was to be held on April 2, and I can not explain to one person of my inner sense of utter nothingness and total dependence upon Him as this date approached. All I knew when I entered the pulpit was, "...Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit." (St. John 12:24)

For many years my burden has been for the church, that we ministers, clergy, and laity are more prompted to do what we want to do rather than leave all to do God's will only. I can see that most humans, since the fall of Adam, have endeavored to save their lives by planning and wanting their own way, as Lot did when he wanted to be with his Uncle Abraham. The cost of that aftermath has never ceased. Jonah's voyage was also costly. I can see that the rich young ruler really couldn't hear the words of Jesus because he went away sorrowful. He was not willing to do what Jesus had told him to do.

When I went into this Waiting Upon God, I felt myself in a place of such utter neediness. After I entered the pulpit, the Lord revealed that Debbie Johnson was to sing number eleven on her list. When she finished, Pastor Thomas Mullins said, "Debbie, it seems as though the words of the song you have just sung were written for this hour." I then stated that I would like to do something by permission. Debbie sang number eleven by the revelation of the Holy Ghost, but I asked for permission to request that her daughter sing a number she had sung a few weeks prior to this meeting. Debbie's beautiful daughter sang this tremendous song, and we were very grateful.

The Lord began to deal with me that someone there was suffering on the right side of the head.

He then revealed to me of another situation, and after a little while, He revealed to me of a situation in the abdomen. I didn't know until a day or so later that precious Lynn Ann Cox Isham had wondered before she came to the meeting if she could make it, because she was in such pain. It was so severe that she didn't know how long she could stay once she got there. She said that my hand and finger went to the very spot in her body where this suffering was so intense. She said that, to Jesus' glory and to God's praise, the severe pain began to subside until it was gone. Another person was also healed.

I then spoke on St. John 12:24, "...Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit." In other words, "...but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it." (Mk. 8:35) I spoke for thirty to forty minutes, and was grateful for the way the Lord led.

We are thankful for your sacrifice, fasting, petitions, and supplications to God on our behalf. We are very grateful and thankful for each one. We covet your prayers for us for the Waiting Upon God to be held in Parker City, Indiana, August 20, 21, and 22. As the sanctuary will only hold a few hundred people, it would be very kind for those who are in the 6 p.m. service on August 20 (the 9 a.m. service will be the dedication service) to be willing to go to the fellowship hall or tent during the morning service on August 21, so that the people who were not able to be in the sanctuary the previous service would have that opportunity, and then switch for each service accordingly.

I would also like to mention the fact that I have made it a practice when I enter a building to try to wipe the dust and dirt off of my shoes. Years ago, I was going through the door of a motel with the owner, as he was taking me to see a room. I stopped at the mat to wipe the dust and dirt off of my shoes, and he stopped, turned to me, and said, "You are a gentleman. I have seldom seen anyone do this." I try to do this, because I know it helps to preserve carpeting and flooring. I would like for you to consider this also, for I believe it would be helpful.

Thank you for your prayers and consideration, because as we look towards this Waiting Upon God, we know it will only be by the mercies of God and the healing stripes of Jesus that He might anoint me for this next assignment of

endeavoring to begin to wait upon Him. Without the enduement, the anointing and indwelling of God, Jesus, the Holy Ghost in the sanctuary, it would be rather desolate, dull, and boring. But with Him, there is no dullness at all. There is no loneliness, but fulfillment, great joy, and a precious, quiet rest in a place where Jesus, the Holy Spirit, the God of Abraham is leading. The words of a song come to mind, "He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught! Whate'er I do, where'er I be, Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me."

We want to declare to all persons who have reached the age of accountability that it is required by scripture that we confess the Lord Jesus Christ. We must repent of our sins, and ask Him to come into our heart. We must be willing to take up the cross and follow Him. We must accept Jesus as Lord, as the Son of the living God, as the Savior of all men. We know it is only through His precious blood and by His mercies that can we come to God and make it to heaven. It has been on my heart to declare this word to you. We trust that all persons will learn this, and accept it in Jesus' precious name and for His glory.

Jesus said, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me." After we find Him, we are requested by the Savior to become as little children in order to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. We must review the truth of this, and sanctify and bless it in Jesus' holy name. Amen.

In Jesus' Name,

*Loran W. Helm*

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p.s. I would like to include the following letters for God's glory and honor, giving Him thanksgiving for everything.

Dear Brother Helm, What a privilege it was for Barbara and I to attend the Waiting Upon God this past Sunday night at Palm Beach Gardens Christ Fellowship with you and your wife and daughter. It is in response to that meeting that I am writing this letter.

Between meetings, I confess that I seem to forget how quickening, alive, and refreshing any meeting is where the Holy Spirit leads you. How surprised I was when the Lord revealed to you

that several persons were in need of healing, beginning with one in the head. How merciful and gracious of our God to relieve the suffering of several before the service proceeded. Early in the service you asked Debbie Johnson to sing number eleven on her list. After she finished, Pastor Thomas Mullins stated that he had never heard it before, and thought it must have been written just for that hour.

Indeed, it was Debbie's number that brought such rest to my soul, and tears of relief and thanksgiving to my eyes. It anchored my soul, calmed my spirit, and drove the darkness back, particularly the word on "distress". It seemed as if the Lord had me in mind as the message in song was delivered. I am aware, however, that this same peace came to a number of other persons who needed the same help I did. When the Lord leads, there is help for everyone gathered there. Praise the Lord!

When you called your daughter, Joyce, up to sing with the Helm brothers, we were to be treated to one of the rarest stories in all of history. You shared about a time when she was only six years of age. You were sharing with her about experiences in the Kingdom of God. She responded by saying that while you were speaking, something was happening inside her heart. You asked, "Honey, what do you mean that something is happening in your heart? Explain that to me." She could not describe the nature of the unusual operation, nevertheless, the fact that something was happening to a child's heart during your sharing alerted you, for the first time, that the Holy Spirit witnesses to anointed truth within the human heart. You were experiencing the prophecy of Isaiah, "...a little child shall lead them." Rarely, in my entire life, or in all my reading, have I ever heard of a spiritual phenomenon so profound and instructive.

You called on Jerry Keller to sing number five on his list, and pointed out that he and seven others had driven in a van all the way from Indianapolis, Indiana, to attend the meeting. Jerry explained that they had made the long trip because they knew that Jesus would be leading. Of course, you did not know, nor did we, that number five on his list was, "In This Very Room." That song states that there is quite enough joy, love, and power for all things, because Jesus is in this very room. We were sur-

prised, blessed, and excited over the timing and truth of the song. More than that, I was made more deeply aware of the importance of having a leader who can hear what Jesus is saying in any room where He comes to lead and abide.

All that the Holy Spirit led you in was designed to open all hearts, and support the message that the Lord had placed on your heart. You asked us to turn to John 12:24 for your text, “...Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.” After you read the text and context, you began to speak on the importance of losing our lives in order to really find eternal life. It wasn’t long until I realized that Jesus Himself was speaking through you. In fact, I had the distinct impression that Galatians 2:20 was fully in effect. The life on display in our Waiting Upon God was that of our Lord Jesus Christ, because your life was crucified as was the Apostle Paul’s.

Unfolding before us was the kingdom of God and life eternal. It was so attractively presented that I, along with the hundreds in attendance, could make the choice for the life of revelation—the life of fulfillment, adventure, and romance—as opposed to the life of self-assertiveness, which leads to desolation and destruction. We were aided in making the right choice by the singing of “Just As I Am.” Several came forward just as they were, and a greater number came forward within the heart to rid their souls of one dark spot. Where invited, the blood of Jesus was applied.

Several thoughts came to my mind toward the end of the service and just afterwards. I thought of how much more fortunate we were than the sincere students of Socrates, Augustine, Descartes, and even the late William Temple. The way to eternal life, while profound, was made so simple. Truly, the missing link has been that of self-denial, even to the great teachers.

Your teaching was masterful, thus leaving with us a masterpiece of the secret of living. On the way home I asked you how long one would have to listen to this service to really get it. You answered, “A lifetime.” So, I ordered two tapes from Palm Beach Gardens Christ Fellowship this morning. Praise the Lord. Your son in the Faith, Oliver C. Hogue.

p.s. Please express my thanksgiving to your lovely wife for her anointed playing.

Dear Brother Helm, Praise to our God Who loves us with an everlasting love!

Pastor Schultze has asked me to send you a report of the Men’s Ensemble singing to a pastor here in Kokomo. This I shall try to do, the Lord being my helper. But first, let me express my thanks to God and gratitude to you for your letters to us. Each one has the message I need to hear for the moment; challenging, yet refreshing to my heart. I am thankful for your perseverance through the years, and for allowing God to teach you these wonderful insights into His kingdom, bringing great help and nourishment to our souls. May the Lord continue to reveal His truth to you, lead you, guide you, and direct you into His perfect will. Amen!

Sunday, March 19 at about 8:00 in the morning I called Pastor Schultze at the church, and in the course of our conversation, I asked him to consider sending out the Men’s Ensemble to an area pastor. I told him that we were already meeting for practice and that we could go if God led. He said he would meditate on it.

By service time he already had a certain man in mind, Pastor Glenn Rich of Calvary Temple, a pastor who has been in our community for over thirty years serving and loving the people, but not really being known or recognized very much at all. His building is off the main track, sort of in the background.

The first time the Schultzes met Pastor Rich was when Marcia worked as a nurse at the Tipton Hospital some years back. Pastor Rich was one of her patients many times during her five years there at the hospital. (Later, Pastor Rich said that he had received great encouragement from Marcia when he was in the hospital.) That was the beginning of their fellowship together. Through the years, he has also listened to Pastor Schultze on the radio whenever possible. Just recently, they happened to meet again at a local Chinese restaurant, and they had a wonderful time together.

At about 3 p.m. Sunday afternoon Pastor Schultze called Pastor Rich at his home and asked him the time of his evening service. Pastor Rich said it was at 5:30. Pastor replied, “Well, we have a surprise for you, and we would like to find a way to bring it to you.” Pastor Rich asked, “What is it?” and Pastor responded, “Well, it is a

surprise." Pastor Rich had no idea what was coming his way. After the call, Pastor Rich said that he didn't know what to do with such a surprise, so finally, he took out a promise card—it was on "Patience."

After they hung up, Pastor called me to say that we should be at Calvary Temple at 5:00 with a card and fruit basket. I began to call the men to meet at the church thirty minutes before our scheduled practice time, ready to sing. By God's grace, everyone contacted was there, and arrived without the slightest question or murmur at coming early.

After making the calls to the men, Jordan and I went to get some fruit to make up a fruit basket, as we could not find one already made up or that could be put together on such short notice. We went to Cub Foods and began to pick out some fruit; apples, oranges, bananas, a honeydew melon, and some mixed nuts (for some reason, only God knows, He checked me when I went to get some grapefruit). Then we needed a basket, and by this time, we were running late. We went on to Walmart, and found that the baskets were in the far corner of the store. We quickly found a basket that would do very well, and I told Jordan that we had better pray to get into a short checkout line. We prayed, and the second register cleared as we approached it. Praise the Lord!

When we arrived at the our church, the men were just gathering. A few men helped get the fruit basket ready, I filled in the card, we had some prayer, and we were off. The men were encouraged to pray on the way to the church that God would bring us to oneness so that He might minister to Pastor Rich through us. At this point I'll share Jerry Richardson's observations of our visit as he shared in our evening service.

"It was great! It's always great! When we pulled out of here, it was quite a sight, seven cars all loaded up, and we stayed together all the way over there. Evidently, there was a lot of praying going on, because when we got out of the cars—all the cars were lined up right together on the street—twenty-five men began to march up the sidewalk together. It was a sight, Pastor. I'd like to have had a camera, because there were more of us than there were in that church.

"When we got into the church, Pastor Rich said, 'Well, we'll take you into the prayer room in the

back.' I thought it was great they had a prayer room. Then he said, 'No, let's just go up front.' He took us right up in front of the congregation and gave a little introduction to his people, 'I don't know what is going on. I'm just as surprised as you are. These are my friends because Pastor Schultze is my friend, and he has sent them over here today.' We were thrilled!

"But what I'm more thrilled about is that God sent Pastor Don to lead us, because God gives him holy boldness. He just marched in there like he's been there before, and like he was in charge. He asked the people, 'Do you love your pastor?' We heard about fifteen to twenty people say, 'Yes, we love our pastor.' We knew we were in a great place. Pastor Don began to preach to them about loving their pastor, standing with the man of God, and that the only reason we were there was to esteem the man of God. He preached awhile and we sang awhile.

"Then Pastor Don said, 'If you could send a note to your pastor, it would help him.' Now this pastor was reserved, very dignified, and very concerned about his flock. You could tell he was wondering how they were taking all of this. But when Don said, 'If you will write a note to them,' he couldn't control himself and just nodded. He wanted a note. How long does it take us to realize that these men of God need a note? We were getting a lesson there.

"I was thrilled to be on the winning team. I was thrilled to be a part. It was great, and God helped us to sing. We sang with the anointing, by God's grace. Pastor Rich was surprised and shocked. He said, 'You never know what God is going to do for you.' I'm trusting that they will review it in their congregation. I'm thankful that we can be on assignment for you, Pastor. We represent you, and we are trying to take a little love where we go. We are thankful and thrilled. I think I could sense from the pastor's wife that she was overwhelmed and thrilled for us to come. By God's grace, we had a great time, but it was because of prayer, obedience, and numbers. Every number counts. It would have meant a lot less if only four of us had shown up, but, by God's grace, twenty-five men showed up."

As you can see, Jerry was very stirred, and others were encouraged also. We sang three songs, "Jesus is Lord of the Way I Feel," "Make Me a Servant," and "Chariots of Fire," with some sharing in between. "Chariots of Fire" seemed to have

an especially wonderful anointing. Both times we went through the chorus, Pastor Rich praised the Lord when we sang the words, "But they that wait upon the Lord, He'll strengthen them all."

After we finished singing, he commented that he knew Chester Schultze (Chester had worked in the Chinese restaurant and had seen Pastor Rich many times there.), and then asked if he knew anyone else. George Bellamy, the black brother you loved twice when you were last here, said, "When I was eight or nine years old, I shoveled the snow from your sidewalk." Just think of that connection? When George finished saying that, Pastor Rich stood, walked over to George, and shook his hand. It was a wonderful sight.

He again turned to his congregation and said that he was surprised. He thanked us for coming, and as we began to walk out, the pastor's daughter went to the organ to begin playing the music for their service. During those moments, I had quite an experience. When this daughter began to play, I wanted to shout. I wanted to dance and jump. I thought, "I just want to stay here. Where are the words to the music? Let's start singing." There was an anointing in her music that, as far as I can recall, I had never heard before. It was marvelous. Three or four others had a similar experience when they heard her begin to play also.

Outside the church Pastor Rich again thanked us for coming and said that this had been a great surprise. We all returned to the church, rejoicing that God could use us. And yet, we knew so very little of what He had done and what He was going to do.

Monday, March 20, Pastor Schultze received a call in the afternoon from Pastor Rich and his wife. Pastor Rich began, "I don't have the words to express what yesterday did for us. After the men left, my wife opened the card and began to cry. She was very touched. We began to sing and had songs and testimonies for an hour. It brought revival. I told my people that I was glad I didn't have to preach, for I was too nervous. We have been going through something, but have not told anyone. I know it was God. (I had told the people that they needed to pray for their pastor and his wife because they have trials and situations that none of them could ever imagine.) One lady's husband said, 'They had to know something.' My wife has been reading a book entitled, 'The Strangest Things Happen.' It is about how God moves in a mysterious way, His

wonders to perform. My parents were there, and my mother thought an army was coming in. The fruit basket was so wonderful. Today for breakfast we had fresh fruit. I have arthritis, and I don't know when I've been able to be up all day, but I have been going all day and I feel great. When the men were here, all of them looked me in the eye, so I decided to look each of them in the eye too.

"During our service my daughter stood up at the organ and testified that she had had a dream a few weeks ago. She dreamed that men came to the church to encourage her mom and dad. (When I later heard about that, I could see why we were so touched by her music. She was somewhere up in the heavenlies, having just sat through the fulfillment of a dream sent to her from God, and she played heavenly music.)"

We were thankful that God helped Pastor Schultze to know we were to go visit them that day. And there is more. Tuesday, March 21, Pastor Rich called again. He said that his mother has Alzheimer's Disease and can not remember things. Tuesday morning she had gone to the doctor and told him what had happened two days earlier, "We had a group of men come to our church Sunday to sing to us." The doctor, responding from his medical knowledge of her ability to remember, said, "You are out of your mind." Pastor Rich's daughter is a nurse and was standing there. She spoke up, "No doctor, it is true. There were a group of men who came to our church on Sunday to encourage my father and mother."

Pastor Rich continued by saying that two other persons in the congregation had also had dreams about men coming to the church to encourage their pastor. He said that people were talking about it all over town, and that one person even called long distance from Peru to see if it were true.

As we left the church to go sing for Pastor Rich, we felt so in need of God's help, and God went far, far, far beyond what we could have even imagined. Praise His holy name. May the Lord continue to bless, guide, and fill you with His presence. We love and appreciate you, and we, the Men's Ensemble, are thankful that you spoke to me almost twelve years ago, saying, "Don, it would be nice if you would get some men together to sing." Truly, it has been a highlight in our walk with God. Hallelujah!! Sincerely in Jesus, Don Litchfield.

# *Revival For Our Day*

May 5, 1995

Precious striving followers of Jesus Christ, of the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world, the mighty God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Joseph, Ephraim, and Manasseh, the Creator of the universe, Greetings.

May you be sustained by the grace of God as you press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God; laying aside every weight and sin which so easily besets us, to run the race that is set before us in purity, in humility, in utter dependence and childlikeness, as we strive to become like Him and allow Him to cleanse and crucify the carnal nature from us.

St. Paul declared, "I die daily." He also said in the seventh chapter of Romans, "...for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I." This is the picture of the carnal nature. It reveals the weakness of the nature of man, which indicates that there is an urgency to take up the cross. Jesus said that except we deny ourselves and take up the cross daily, we cannot be His disciple. The slaying of the carnal nature, which causes so much grief and trouble in the world, is a constant battle. This is the result of our forefathers choosing what they wanted rather than doing God's will.

"But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son, cleanseth us from all sin." (I Jn. 1:7) We have the strength and victory to do this through the Word of God indwelling, as we apply His precious blood to our hearts in surrender and submission unto the will of God. Jesus said, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven." (Mt 7:21). The Lord touches my heart on "doeth the will". We can only discern the will of God by the work of the Holy Spirit and the Word of God. It was not God's will for Jonah to go to Tarshish, it was Jonah's will. Our will and God's will are as far apart as the north pole is from the south pole. Our inner nature must constantly die in order for God's will to be done. Jesus spoke to the demoniac, and when he was set free, fully dressed, and in his right mind, he wanted to go

with Jesus, but it wasn't God's will. It took a great deal of pressing toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus to go back home and face the trials, storms, and misunderstandings of the past, but he obeyed the Lord.

When we walk in the light as He is in the light, there is Holy Ghost fellowship. Now there is a spiritual fellowship when people get together and share scripture and their experiences of witnessing. And then if they continue to obey, die daily, and follow in all the word of the Lord, they come to a place of complete compliance to the will of God, which is utter dependence upon Him. This only comes by the inner guidance and indwelling of the Holy Ghost. We can arrange our services around good subjects and scripture, then get songs and testimonies to work in with it, or we can go on, by God's grace, unto deep surrender and entire sanctification. Jesus said, "And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth." (Jn. 17:19) Then in verse twenty-one He said, "That they all may be one..." This touches my heart, and it means that we are to go on a little farther. The Word of God says that when Jesus was in the garden, He went a little farther. In the garden of this walk, going a little farther means to be utterly dependent upon Him so that He might guide us in our hearts. (He operates in my heart now.) This requires death to self and the work of the Holy Spirit, which will only come as we trust and obey Him. Proverbs 3:5 says, "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding."

When He calls us to leave all, there is the pull of the carnal nature to continue holding the reigns. We still want to arrange our own lives and plans. It is through our willingness to utterly depend upon Him that He is able to slay this carnal nature from us. And if we don't witness when we should, we slip back a little bit from the place of dying to self, wherein He can guide us in the interior life. After conversion, the tendency is to lean to what seems to be spiritual and a good idea. The temptation is not to trust in the Lord with all of our heart, but to lean to our own understanding. Joseph's brothers leaned to their own understand-

ing. Lot and Jonah leaned to their own understanding. The rich young ruler leaned to his own understanding. The carnal nature pulls us to lean to what we think is best, rather than to go by the witness of the Holy Spirit.

Years ago a mother called me and asked, "Do you think my daughter should marry this man whom she wants to marry?" When I prayed about it, the Holy Spirit operated in my heart. If He hadn't dealt with me, I would have just been guessing. We are not called to figure things out on our own. We are called to follow, but in order to follow, we have to die second by second. As soon as we cease dying to self, then we cease being led by the Holy Spirit in the interior life. Instead, we are led by good thoughts and arrangements. This requires the Holy Spirit, and no one merits it. I merit nothing, but I can see that as we comply, yield and obey, then God, for His glory, can lead us. He witnessed to me that this young woman was not to marry this man. Years later, the mother called and said, "Rev. Helm, I wish I had been able to get this across to my daughter, because she has suffered so much." I prayed with another mother years ago whose daughter wanted to go to a university not far away, and the Holy Spirit revealed to me she was to go to Taylor University. She chose to go to the other university, and the price has been high. When we do not go where God leads us, we get into difficulties.

I recall the time many years ago when we prayed about a young minister going to a certain village. Of course this was difficult for me, for it is a great assignment to ask any man of God what to do. When I prayed, the Lord revealed to me that he was to go to this village, but there was another church that pled with him not to do that, but to come to their church. This was a very talented and gifted young minister, and he went where this church pleaded with him to go, which brought a result that is too serious to speak of. I was praying with a great man of God who is very gifted and talented, and the Holy Spirit revealed that he was to go to a Bible college several hundred miles away. I believe that there would have been around six hundred young ministers and missionaries that he would have had some influence with, but another church a few hundred miles in another direction called and pressed him day after day to come to their church.

To walk in the light as He is in the light, is to walk in submission and death to self. What God wants us to do, many times, is not what the self in us wants to do. The church that was pressing this young man was a wealthy church and could pay him more money. He really wanted to go, I believe, to this Bible college, but the pressure from the other church was so great that he finally gave in. The Lord revealed to me that he would have either four or five problems in this church. He found them all. The situation was not helpful in certain respects, but the great price was in what occurred with his children. If we are not where the Lord wants us, then our children have certain experiences, and we get into valleys and terrible gorges. Today, no doubt, the world is in chaos because we made the choice for what seemed right. "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." (Pr. 14:12)

When we walk in the light as He is in the light, we are continually dying to self and obeying the leading of the Holy Spirit. There is a place where we can share and have spiritual experiences together, but as we go on a littler farther in the garden of inner death, then He begins to lead us by the inner operation of the Holy Spirit in the heart. If we arrange our services by what seems good, we can have beautiful music, prayer, and preaching, but the depth of the power of the Holy Spirit is not there. When He leads by the Holy Spirit (He operates in my heart.), with communion with God, then His power can descend.

Fifty years ago, when I was able to spend an hour to three hours on my knees, there would be times when I would have communion with our heavenly Father. When I would mention, "Our heavenly Father, God," He would operate in the interior heart. My communion was with God the Father. That thrills me now as I share this! Then maybe a day or two later my communion would be with Christ the Savior. And I am thrilled all over again! It was a great privilege, and I didn't merit it. I am just a sinner saved by grace, and it is only through His precious blood I can make it to glory. I had the inner communion in my heart with Jesus the Lamb. And when I say "Jesus the Lamb" I am thrilled and the glory of God is going down through my body! Then the next day or a week later, I would

have communion in the Holy Ghost. This thrills me and touches me also! I didn't know anything about this. I never read about it since I am not a scholar nor a student, but my communion was with the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Now there are times when we can have communion with the saints of God. They may be far away from us, or already in glory. This is a gift from God, and there is nothing in us to merit it. If we walk in the light as He is in the light and lean not to our own understanding, then He will bring us on to an inner death. I remember the time when Rev. Robert Morgan shook hands with a great religious man, and this great man of God said to Rev. Morgan (who is one of the most wonderful of ministers), "May God slay you, brother." Now there is a slaying of our inner nature, and not many men, since Adam, have ever been willing to pay the price to leave everything and become utterly dependent upon Him. I am so thankful that Rev. Morgan was willing to forsake everything to trust Jesus. He had never had such an experience as that before, and I had never heard of one likewise.

There is a slaying that this great, humble, mighty man of God knew about. We must be slain of all these carnal traits, and all the evil in the heart that gets into our thinking. If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanses us from all sin. If we obey Him, and are slain of the carnal nature and take up the cross to become sanctified through the truth of Jesus, He can take us on into a walk wherein He guides us by the witness of the Holy Ghost in the inner life. (And He operates within my heart now!) It is His will to lead us by the inner witness. And it is His will for us, as leaders of the church, to go by the inner witness. He may witness on hymn #201, and the next time He will witness on hymn #422. We never know what hymn or scripture the Holy Spirit will witness on for that service. Only the Holy Ghost knows whether or not He wants testimony. But if a testimony is not in the Holy Spirit, it brings the service to a place that is very difficult to rise above. Yet, there should be witnessing, because the Bible says they overcame the devil by the blood of the lamb, and by the word of their testimony.

The Holy Spirit may lead for intercessory prayer. He may lead for revelation, or for the healing of the body or mind. We only know as the Holy Spirit operates in our hearts what we are to do. If we have the plan and know that we are going to sing this or that song, or this or that chorus, and work things out, then His power is not in it. If He leads, we are surprised, because when He leads by the inner witness, it is different than we had thought. We need to go only by what the Holy Spirit says to maintain spiritual balance. Once in a while the Lord may lead for the serving of holy communion.

I recall the time in 1942 when my wife and I were with a group of dear ones, waiting before God and singing the songs that God led for us to sing, when all at once the Lord spoke to me, "Serve holy communion." It was nine or ten o'clock in the evening, but I obtained some juice and took the bread and broke it. I gave each person a piece of bread, saying, "...Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me." (I Cor. 11:24) Then I passed the cup, quoting I Corinthians 11:25, "This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me." When the service began I didn't know that God was going to lead that way.

We were in another service a little later on, and along about ten o'clock that night, He led for a baptismal service to be held in a frozen river. He operated within my heart that this was to be, but we didn't know before the service began that He was going to lead that way. Now when we go into a service and we have the plans laid out in our minds and hearts, we are going in compliance with what seems to be right and wonderful. It is only by His mercy that He will allow us to be led by the inner witness of the Holy Spirit for a certain hymn, prayer, message, or time for healing. It is only by His revelation. This only comes as the Holy Spirit leads, and we cannot work it up or press into it. It must be as the Holy One of Israel guides and directs.

In February of 1937, the district superintendent offered us a parsonage and church near Taylor University, but the Lord did not witness that we were to go there. Then he offered us another one with more money, but again, the Lord did not witness. When he offered the least that they had,

the Holy Spirit operated within my heart that we were to go there. We give Him the praise and all the glory, for unless I am completely yielded and have obeyed each leading of the Holy Spirit, I will not be led by the witness of the Holy Ghost. I will be led by what seems to be a good, reasonable, spiritual, beautiful way.

There is the way that we can arrange the program, and then there is the way whereby we die daily to our own understanding. All of us in the church are constantly battling leaning to our own understanding, and our own understanding usually has preeminence. I believe that ninety-eight percent of the time, leaning to our own understanding has the preeminence, and most of us won't even know it or be aware of it unless we have walked with God, died to self, prayed, obeyed, and become utterly dependent upon Him as a little child. This is to encourage us and to illuminate our hearts, not to press us down or put us in a difficult place. This awareness will come as we pray, obey, and wait; leaning not to our own understanding.

When we walk in the light as He is in the light, there is fellowship in the Holy Ghost, but there is also a cost. The cost is yieldedness, surrender, forsaking all, leaving all, and dying to self. Self continually wants us to go into self-assertiveness. We can have Christian fellowship wherein we talk of spiritual things, but then when we forsake everything, we go on a little farther into Holy Ghost fellowship. (And He operates in my heart!) I didn't know anything about this kind of fellowship until 1942, when the Lord taught me that Holy Ghost fellowship is in the interior life. This is His gift and none of us merit it. It comes to those who are broken and yielded. As I have shared before, a dear old man told his son, "If you are going to preach the gospel, you will never be able to preach until you are broken." His son never understood what his father meant until years later when he went through a tremendous experience in the church and was broken.

There are two types of brokenness. One is our arranging it, and the other is God leading it. We must go by His leading rather than our own formula for brokenness, yieldedness, and giving all so that we will maintain the straight way. This narrow pathway is so narrow that it excludes all

self-will, self-like, self-plans, self-arrangements. But this narrow way is so wide that it includes all leadership and witness of the Holy Spirit. It includes all holiness, but is so narrow that it excludes all self-assertiveness, all carnal weapons, all bitterness, and all criticism. We cannot judge anyone. This way is so narrow it will not support a judgmental spirit, but is so wide that it includes all wonderful true Holy Ghost fellowship. It is so great that if one ever obtains it, he will want everyone else to have it too. This fellowship comes in the interior life by letting Him lead the way each day as we give Him all the praise for everything.

This narrow way is so wide that it includes all praise, all glorifying God, all honoring the Holy Spirit, all honoring the sacred word indwelling. It is so narrow that it excludes all man-made ideas that seem good, but are not really born of the Holy Ghost. If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another. There is a spiritual fellowship as we talk of the scriptures together. Then as we die and go on, there is Holy Ghost fellowship within the heart. Fifty years ago I would go from place to place, from individual to individual, looking for Holy Ghost fellowship. It is by the grace of God that I am ever privileged to have Holy Ghost fellowship with anyone, for it is a delicate matter, and most sacred and precious. It is through His mercy that we can have this communion in the interior heart with the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and with the saints of God.

The leadership of the Holy Spirit comes through walking in the light as He is in the light. If we keep walking in the light as He is in the light, then He brings us right in to entire sanctification (This touches my heart.), into the cleansing through His truth, of the carnal nature. We have to die daily from morning to night, as St. Paul said, or self will creep back in and make the plans for our life, or for the worship service, and we will just go on in a beautiful religious form. He wants to bring us into the depth of His love, will, purity, truth, and holiness, that He might lead, guide, and direct. He said, "Howbeit, when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come." (Jn. 16:13)

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father." (Jn. 14:12) It is only through the Holy Spirit and His word indwelling, for we can do nothing in ourselves. We cannot plan or build or arrange anything with our own knowledge or individual personality. It must be as we become as little children, utterly dependent upon Him. Little children have no plans, and if they had a plan, they couldn't carry it out because they don't have the strength or ability to do it. Jesus wants us to follow Him so He can do it, through us, by the work of the Holy Spirit.

After we go on a little farther, we can't explain to anyone how it is. It is a mystery. E. Stanley Jones used to say, "Christianity is supernatural." I said to a black sister at a retail counter, "May the Lord strengthen you, help you, encourage you, lift your burdens and disappointments." She smiled and said, "Thank you." I was purchasing some meat at a grocery store we have been shopping at for over eighteen years, and a lady waited on me at the meat counter. I spoke to her on spiritual terms, saying, "May the Lord lift you from hard places." She replied, "This is the most wonderful word I have had all day." I had never seen her in all the years we have shopped there, but I was led, by the help of the Holy Spirit. If I don't have His leading, there is only emptiness. There is no glory or power.

I was at the doctor's office a few days ago, and the doctor said to me, "In the next room is a young woman that all the doctors say will be gone in thirty days." He asked, "Would you mind speaking with her?" I said, "If you will let me go into a room where I can be free, I will endeavor to speak with her." I began to tell this woman of forty years of age about the time I was called to go pray with a woman who was a yellow green color all over. Her daughter said that her mother's suffering was intense for weeks, but no medication could stop the pain. She was full of cancer through the abdomen. I was holding the hand of this woman whom all the doctors said was going to die in thirty days, and was telling her that when I laid the handkerchief on the forehead of this woman and began to pray for her healing, Jesus spoke within my heart, "I have healed this woman." That never happened

to me before or since. I prayed on a little bit, and again He said, "I have healed this woman." The tears began to run down this young woman's face as I was sharing this story with her there at the doctor's office. I began to pray for all of this infection to leave her body, that it would be killed and slain, consumed, and obliterated, and that the blood of Jesus would be poured in so that it would no longer exist in her body. When I ended, she asked, "Why did I cry like this? Why did the tears run down my face like this?" I replied, "It is because Jesus is helping us."

My wife loved her and we had such a precious time together. The doctor came in and I can't tell you how great the fellowship was that we had together. We were in a certain area of being thankful for how He helped us. If we walk in the light as Jesus is in the light, there is, by His grace, a covering, a spiritual umbrella wherein He shelters us. As we comply with Him, then He makes the way for us where there seemeth to be no way at all. He wants to lead us by the Holy Spirit in our hearts rather than figuring things out in our minds. He wants all church leaders and bishops to be led by the witness of the Holy Ghost in the heart. The price for this is to leave all, forsake all, and walk daily with Him.

God's ways are past finding out. He wants to lead the services, but our heads may want this hymn, or our hearts may want a certain scripture. The Holy Spirit may have another plan if we can become dead to self enough so that He can reveal, by the help of the mercies of God, what His will is for that moment. When we were waiting before God some weeks ago at Palm Beach Gardens Christ Fellowship, I didn't know what to do. I was crying out to Him for help, and the only thing I knew was a scripture, St. John 12:24, which took me to Mark 8:35, "...but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it." When we begin to save our lives by making plans, then He no longer leads us by the inner witness of the Holy Ghost. Instead, we are led in a spiritual area of what is beautiful to do.

Even though that scripture is all I knew, He began to reveal to me trouble in the brain on the right side. He then revealed trouble on the left side of the brain, and had me pray for suffering in the abdomen. The Holy Spirit was leading,

guiding, blessing, and revealing. When I began to preach, God began to teach me little by little. The tendency within us, if we are not careful, will be to lean to our own understanding. Proverbs 4:23 says, "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life." Through the heart come the issues of this life. If our hearts are not kept by constant death to self, and by witnessing when we ought to, then the revelation will not come through the heart. **We are to keep our hearts with all diligence, for through our hearts come His revelation, His will, His leading. This is worth the whole letter if we can grasp it in it's simplicity.**

We must continue in much prayer, praise, utter dependence upon Him, and self-denial. The second the slightest tinge of self-assertiveness comes in, the heart is no longer kept for the revelation of His will or Holy Ghost fellowship. He brings His fellowship to those who are in compliance to His will. We must press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus, instead of doing that which we want to do. If we will do what God wants us to do, even though we go into what is seemingly a furious battle, we know that God will shield us. He will shelter, guide, comfort, console, and make poverty look like palaces. Therefore, we lift up our eyes unto the hills from whence cometh our help, because our help cometh from the Lord which made the heavens and the earth. We know that in Him there is no darkness at all as we walk in the light as He is in the light. When we walk in the light with Him, we have communion, sweet fellowship, glory, a lift, light, healing, guidance, comfort, and there is no end thereof as God giveth more grace. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, may He grant you and me a willingness to let Him lead us to be so slain in our hearts of the carnal nature that He can guide us in our interior lives.

The spiritual heart will be very thankful for this message, but the carnal nature will take it as confusion, or frustration, or will say, "What is the use?" We must resist that thought, and say, "By the grace of God, He can slay out of me all the things that will keep me from the guidance of the Holy Spirit." We give Him praise for His mercy, and for all of you precious praying warriors who have prayed so hard for us, and have sacrificed so much. We pray that this little,

humble message will be sanctified. Thank You, Jesus, for sanctifying it, that it might be understood, lifting, challenging and helpful. We pray that each one of us will trust in the Lord with all of our heart and lean not to our own understanding, which is doing only His will instead of our own. Amen.

I would like to share with you a few things concerning the Waiting Upon God that the Lord has laid upon my heart. A Waiting Upon God is a great task and tremendous assignment for such a limited, feeble servant as I sense myself to be. When Mary Webster said to me in August of 1966, in Salina, Kansas, "God has revealed unto me that you are to meet with the saints of God for three days," I was either amazed, astonished, or surprised. My reply to this handmaid, one of the great servants of Jesus, was, "I am not able to do this. I am too limited." I feel the same way now as I am endeavoring to share this with you, and press toward the place of this sacred time. The Lord just now reveals to me of trouble on the left side of the brain toward the forehead. I pray that Thee, Jesus, would let healing come, for Thou art the head of the body, and we want to be pure and holy unto Thee.

When I awakened this morning at 5:25, I began to meditate upon the various aspects of this vast immensity, high calling, and great assignment of waiting upon God. This could be more than trying to get a degree in philosophy, or law, or learning of the great techniques of this computer age. A Waiting Upon God is where we learn how to be brought to a state of humility, wherein we are willing to submit ourselves to allow Jesus to cleanse our hearts from all the wicked and deceptive worldly loves. If we have any love of the world in our hearts, the love of God is not in us. "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world, If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever." (I Jn. 2:15-17)

We are endeavoring to make an attempt to give a word concerning the preparation of getting ready for this great, humble, precious, lowly service of learning how to begin to wait upon

God in our hearts. As we endeavor to wait upon God together, no one knows what His will is. Only the Lord knows whether He will want to begin with music, prayer, healing, preaching, exhortation, revelation, or word of knowledge.

A Waiting Upon God is not a time of getting together for a reunion, which many services can be. A Waiting Upon God is for those who have been willing to do God's will instead of their own. If we come to a Waiting Upon God and have had our own way, how many hours would it take to bring us to the place of being willing to submit to His will? Anyone who is not spiritually sanctified will be offended if they have to sit in the tent or fellowship hall. Sanctified persons will be willing to do so, and will receive far more than if they hadn't. They might receive healing, or learn more about the Kingdom of God in minutes than they would sitting in the midst of the finest building ever built by man. I do not know God's ways. They are past finding out, and are precious and wonderful.

When I recently made a call to a hotel in Virginia, and began to share with the hotel clerk, she replied, "Thank You, Jesus," and it touched my heart, as it does now. As I shared with her she asked, "Would you pray for my dear friend?" I endeavored to pray for her, but I could only get through on "deliverance". I did not know this hotel clerk, but while we were praying, the Lord laid it upon my heart to pray for her health. He revealed to me that she had three burdens. I didn't know it was going to be such a high privilege. She was happy and so was I. She said she would convey my request for the servant of the Lord, Rev. Oliver Hogue, to call me, and we closed our conversation.

I went to lie down to rest for a while, and the telephone rang. Rev. Oliver Hogue was calling back at my request, and in response to this precious Christian handmaid of the Lord Jesus Christ. He was so excited, and if you only could have heard his voice. He said, "Oh, my dear brother, in the twenty-nine years we have been together, I have seldom ever seen any hotel or motel desk clerk like this handmaid. When I came up to the desk, she was crying and had to go back into a little room to get some tissues. She was shining like a light. She held her hand up (Please give God all the praise for this. Please

give Jesus all the glory, the Holy Spirit thanksgiving.) in the air and said, 'I have just received the most precious telephone call of my life.' I believe she is in her fifties. She said, 'All my burdens are lifted out.'" The Lord had revealed to me that she had three burdens. Oliver shared with me that she said, "I have just experienced (for the glory of God and the praise of Jesus) the most precious presence of Jesus the Christ that I have ever had in my lifetime." When Oliver told me this, I felt so in debt to God for all He has done for us through these sixty-two years.

This upcoming Waiting Upon God is an adventure. It has never been before. It is brand new. We do not come to a Waiting Upon God to visit or to renew acquaintances. We come to learn how to begin to start, at the edge of the Alpha, to lose our lives for Jesus' sake. He said, "...but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it." (Mk. 8:35) Someone asked me, "How long will it take to get this?" It will take one lifetime. We don't get this in four or eight years like we study to get a degree. We need to learn how to begin to become nothing, to wait upon God, and to be submissive. He who thinks himself to be something deceives himself, because everything comes out of nothing. There isn't anything that nothing doesn't surround or touch. All things are in nothing. When we know that we are nothing, we then know that we are not able, in our own self, to learn, and that it is only by the help of the Holy Spirit, by brokenness, yieldedness, surrender, and quietness.

When we arrive at the church for this Waiting Upon God, we need to be quiet. As we come into the rooms where we will worship, let us be quiet. Most people think it is just a meeting where we come together and talk if we want to. A Waiting Upon God is not like that. A Waiting Upon God is in His hands. We don't know whether He will want healing, or preaching, or witnessing, or revelation, or scriptures, or a solo or chorus.

We beseech thee with pleadings of kindness, that when you enter the building, please wipe your shoes on the mat. I learned when I mopped floors to try to be thoughtful of where I am going, and what may be on the bottom of my shoes. We may be very limited in our feeble presentation, but a Waiting Upon God is for

learning to endeavor to begin to start to wait upon God. I suppose that is why Mary Webster said, "Rev. Helm, you are to meet with the saints of God." She said "saints of God," not just persons. If persons are carnal and get upset with things, they will not want to sit in the back. Saints of God will be willing to be anywhere without murmuring, finding fault, or criticizing. Anyone who has a little carnality in their heart, and is not sufficiently sanctified, will find fault, and will not like how things are done.

After the dedicatorial service for the building near the spot where I was first led by the Holy Spirit to go have prayer with my coach, sixty-two years ago last January 22 at 10:30 p.m., we will endeavor to begin to wait upon God together. We began waiting upon God in November of 1942. We waited at the parsonage of the church almost every night through June 7. That was my beginning to learn to start, and I know so little about it, even after all these years. This isn't learned in a prescribed length of time. It comes by dying daily. It comes by leaving all. It comes by forsaking all, by listening, heeding, praising the Lord, prayer, waiting, fasting, and trusting in the Lord with all of our hearts to lean not to our own understanding. When a pastor or leader arranges a service in his mind, and leans to his own understanding, it is just a service. It may be a nice service and precious, but it is just a service. A Waiting Upon God is a big assignment for anyone, especially when one is in his eightieth year. I am still learning after sixty-two years of walking with Him. Dr. E. Stanley Jones used to say, "I am a Christian in the making." It takes a lifetime to begin to learn how to begin to lose our lives, how to wait upon God.

To wait upon God requires persons who are willing to be submissive and cleansed. A spiritual heart will be satisfied in a tent, fellowship hall, or sanctuary, and there will be no complaints or requirements. The Bible says that Esther was called for such a time as then, and you and I are called for such a time as this. It is time to begin to lose our lives and submit to the Lord, to let Him teach us, refine us, and heal us again. I have the revelation of a need in a certain part of the head. Be whole, be healed in the name of Jesus, of this growth, this tumor. (The Lord reveals to me it is a tumor.) Be whole, be healed in the name of Jesus Christ, for the glory

of God. Please give Him the praise for this, for I didn't know it was going to occur. I don't know what to do at the Waiting Upon God. I will only know by His grace, mercy, healing, strength, and blessing, with His anointing, unction, with everything right inside the church, as well as the weather from the seventeenth through the twenty-fourth of August to be good to excellent, and without mosquitoes. Three to five years ago we had so many mosquitoes in the summer months that one could hardly be outdoors without being bitten. We have been praying for the weather. There is another revelation of need in another part of the brain. Be whole, be healed in the name of Jesus of Nazareth. I did not know this was going to occur when I began dictating this message.

I would like to share that when our grandchildren, April Marie and Angel, were young, they stayed at home until they were fourteen or fifteen years of age. Persons who come to the Waiting Upon God need to be quiet before God for Him to be able to work. If we are looking after children, we are limited, and it is difficult to begin to learn how to wait. Children will want to use the rest room every half hour or so, and anyone who moves in the sanctuary is a distraction. It is hard for any servant of God to have people moving around unless it is an emergency. We love babies and young children, but this is a Waiting Upon God, and Mary Webster said it is for the saints of God. It is for the people who pray and read their Bibles, and want to know more about how to lose their lives. This is not just a meeting to get together and share, but it is a meeting where we let the Holy Spirit lead the best we know how.

I will not know what to do except by His Holy Spirit, His mercy, His love, His care, His teaching a very needy, limited, feeble servant. I will not know whether He wants a song, healing, prayer, or preaching. I will only know as He chooses to reveal. Please share this with those who do not know what a Waiting Upon God is. I pray that you will be encouraged as you pray, as you travel. Please pray for traveling mercy. This Waiting Upon God is different than any in the past. We need much grace, understanding, and compassion. We are in need of health, strength, protection, anointing, guidance, blessing, and the direction of Jesus. We need His unction and

anointing in the sanctuary. Please pray that this would be a time of refreshing, a time of spiritual growth, insights, and discoveries of that which is in our hearts. When a dear one read A Voice in the Wilderness the fifty-ninth time, God revealed to him what was in his heart. At that time he was about sixty years of age, and he didn't know what was in his heart. We don't know what God will reveal, or how He will lead, but we do know that it is by His mercies alone, His protection, anointing and grace, along with our willingness to bend and not want our own desires.

Thank you for being willing to take turns being in the sanctuary during this time of waiting upon God together, so that each one will have opportunity. Of course, I will miss each one of you when you are not there, but we simply do not have the accommodations we have had in the past. During the first Waiting Upon God at Elkhart, we had sixty-five persons with us. The presence of God was so great that when we came out of the hotel, it seemed like we were in another world. Those persons will tell you that there is no way to tell how wonderful it was. It seemed like the angels were with us as we waited together.

My burden has been for the church. Jesus said that he who will save his life, shall lose it. My burden is that we get saved, but do not deny self right away. We don't obey God right away. We let self smother out the first leading. Instead of living a life of self-denial, we live a life of self-assertiveness. We leave the life of self-denial, which begins the first moment after conversion, when the Holy Spirit says, "Witness," and self say, "Don't do it. Wait a while." We then miss the first leading and go into the life of self-assertiveness, which is the life of disobedience. We continue to sing, preach, and pray, but if we do not deny self constantly, we go right into self-assertiveness and make our own plans. We set it up and make it look good and religious, and everybody is pleased with it. But when God leads, there is inner crucifixion and testing to purge and cleanse us of the carnal nature, which is impatience, or wondering why this couldn't have been done, or why we didn't do this, or why that wasn't done.

The saint requires nothing. The book of Esther says, "...she required nothing..." Neither did

Jesus. He could take a few loaves and fishes and feed five thousand. He didn't require much of anything. Even when they had nothing, He took what little they had and satisfied all. We cannot do anything like that, but God can work in our hearts if we are willing to submit in the tent, in the fellowship hall, or in the sanctuary. If we are willing to submit there, then He can do as much, if not more, in the heart, the soul, the mind, or the body. If we think we are not in on something, it may be that we are in on it more than we think if we have the right spirit. We need to lose these tendencies that spoil us and cause turmoil, conflict and trouble in the world. These tendencies cause the prisons to be full, and men and women to put away their companions and marry others. God can take two stubborn and rebellious persons, if both of them are willing to pay the price and be cleansed of the carnal nature, to die daily and take up the cross (regardless of the situation they are in), and bring them to be one as God and Jesus are one. If we are willing to submit to the circumstances, then He can do whatever He sees best for us.

Thank you for praying for the anointing in the services, for persons to be happy where they are, even if they do not have a good seat. Please pray that people will be protected as they drive to and fro. Please pray that we will be like Jesus, and that the light of Christ will shine forth and be obvious to those who are seeking God's will and wanting to do as the Holy Spirit will lead. We trust that little children will be left with responsible persons who will be holy with them and treat them purely. It will be by the mercies of God, and through your prayers, love, care, and understanding that a person in his eightieth year can endeavor to be in each session for two and three hours at a time. One of the dearest men I know on earth told his wife when I was seventy years of age, "Rev. Helm will not be able to go through three or four hours of service three times a day." It requires more than one would think unless God reveal it to them. I know I am still in the beginning, and know very little concerning all the requirements of inner submission and death that God wants to teach us. Let us not seek the mysterious, but the humble and childlike ways of the Lord, that which God would lead and direct. We pray that every soul victory will be for His glory, praise, and honor.

Please pray also about the parking. If persons will car pool from the hotels, it will be helpful, for our parking space is also limited. Thank you for your prayers and petitions, and for praying about our finances. Our financial burden for the church is great, and only the Lord knows the secret of how to take care of it. Thank you for your thoughtfulness, prayers, love, care, and devotion. We want to thank the forty or fifty who write us every few weeks. Thank you for crying out at the Throne of God in prayer groups for Jesus to have His way, for the Kingdom of God to come, as well as for our bodies, minds, safety, and well being. We pray that people will see the Lord in our lives, and be encouraged. Thank you for your consideration, for your compassion and dying out to self. We pray that everyone will come to the Waiting Upon God trusting, and not wanting this or that to happen, but let the Lord lead. Thank you for your devotion, commitment, dedication, understanding, compassion, and help.

May you be strengthened, healed, lifted, and grow spiritually, having an adventure within your soul that would be helpful and encouraging. The children of Israel did not have it easy when they crossed the Red Sea to go into the wilderness for forty years. They suffered in so many ways, and we are only together for just a few services. It is just a short time, but we need the help of God. We need His healing, encouragement, protection, anointing, and the unction of His presence so that when persons walk upon the property, He will work and move upon their hearts with the Holy Spirit, for His glory and His praise. We pray for souls to be saved, believers to be sanctified, and for persons to learn how to pray and listen in prayer, how to be thankful and give Him all the glory for everything.

Whatever I have overlooked, I may mention in a later newsletter. Thank you for reading this and passing it along to those who will be attending the Waiting Upon God. In Jesus' precious name and for His glory, thank you, again, for your prayers. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

In Jesus' Name,

*Loran W. Helm*

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## SPECIAL NOTICE

Rev. and Mrs. Helm would like to thank the five hundred and fifty-five of their friends and family who attended their 50th wedding anniversary celebration eleven years ago, as well as all the members of the choir and special singers. They also want to thank Son Jon for his beautiful organization.

In just a few days, on May 27, Rev. and Mrs. Helm will celebrate sixty-one years together. We thought you might like to join us in sending your thanksgiving to them for their lives, and for what they have meant to all of us through these years of endeavoring to walk with God. I know that my life has been wonderfully and miraculously changed because of their obedience to God's will, and I am deeply indebted to Him for ever bringing them across my path. Praise the Lord.

Thank you,  
Kathleen Hecke

Please send your cards, greetings, and remembrances to their Florida address:

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## NEWSLETTER ALERT

We are endeavoring to update our newsletter mailing list. If we do not have an accurate address for those who wish to be on the mailing list, the letter is not forwarded by the postal service. In an attempt to circumvent wasted letters and postage, we would like to request that you drop us a note saying that you wish to continue receiving Rev. Helm's newsletter. Please include an up-to-date and complete address. Rev. Helm does not want one person to miss receiving the letter if you desire to hear from him, and he and his wife do so enjoy hearing your responses of encouragement and help that the letter gives you. Please send your response to:

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# Revival For Our Day

June 5, 1995

Dear followers of the Lamb of God, Greetings in Jesus' precious name.

Jesus said, "It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." (Mt. 4:4) Every person who does not obey the Holy Spirit does not understand this writing. They do not have the insight into the significance and urgency of it. When we are carnal, we disregard the fact that what Jesus said was written by the Father and the Son, and that it is carried by the Holy Spirit into the heart of the reader of truth.

"And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." (Jn. 12:32) The promise of this scripture could come to pass if we would be willing to believe these words of Jesus. Jesus said He would draw all men unto Himself if He were lifted up. For Jesus to be lifted up we must believe His words, follow what is written, and accept it with delight. Unless we become like little children in utter dependence upon Him we have not gotten this word sufficiently in our heart. It is written in mercy, love, and truth, but if we do not perceive it, we remain yet carnal and walk as men.

"It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." This is the whole Bible, the whole message of Christ, the word of Christ; and we must strive to keep it because Satan will come and try to take it from us. It is by the grace of God we can maintain this wondrous fact that we only live through every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God, for there is no life in just bread alone. I know this message is deep, but yet it is simple.

Man has chosen his own way and has disregarded the words of Jesus. We must assume the cross upon which we are crucified moment by moment, or we go into the life of our own will rather than the will of God. "Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity." (Mt. 7:22-23) This indicates that they were doing everything that ministers do. They preached, prayed, cast out devils, and witnessed miracles, but He said this was not enough. We need to live by every word that proceeds from His mouth.

His precious word reads, "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep." (Gn. 1:1-2) Darkness was everywhere before the words came out of God's mouth. "...Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." Can we comprehend this?

I shall never forget the experience Oliver and I had in Norway when we were driving through a tunnel for about four to five miles. If you are ever in a tunnel for that long, when you look back, you will see only intense darkness. I said to Oliver, "Son, do you see that darkness

back there?" He answered, "Yes sir," and I said, "That is how dark it seemed to be when I left all to go with God."

Verse three of the first chapter of Genesis says, "And God said, Let there be light: and there was light." Out of the mouth of God came these words, and light came into existence. Before, there was only darkness! "...Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." God spoke the light into existence.

Since man chose his own will, we have lived in a consequence of great darkness, and God had to send His only begotten Son, the Light of the world, to bring us from that darkness of disobedience into the light. Great disobedience covers the earth, and unless we in the church obey the Holy Spirit, we live in darkness. Unless we deny self, die daily, and take up the cross, we are in spiritual darkness. Jesus said, "...If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me." (Lk. 9:23) St. Paul said, "I die daily." If I will not die to self daily, I will not deny what I want, and will live in my own arrangements.

"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." (Ro. 8:14) The Son of God leads us with His word because He is the Word. He was in the beginning with God, and the Word was God. "And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us..." (Jn. 1:14) He is the Light of the world. When I was a boy we used to sing an old song, "Let The Lower Lights Be Burning." The lower lights are men and women who deny themselves unto death to be crucified of the carnal nature continually and take up the cross, that we may become in His likeness, and walk like Him. He has to cleanse out of us that old nature because man chose his own will, causing the darkness which came upon the world. Jesus came to rescue us and take us out of this consequence to life eternal.

Now as we go back to Genesis, we see that God said, "...Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." Verse twenty-six says, "And God said, "Let us make man in our image..." This stirs me up! Verse seven of the second chapter says, "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground..." Can you see God getting down on his knees, taking the dust of the ground and forming the head, finishing with the toes. After he completed this lifeless form, He "...breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." This lifeless form made of dust became a living soul in the image of God! He breathed life into the man He made from dust in His own image. The living word was breathed into man's nostrils, and he became in the image of God.

If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanses us from all sin. If we do not walk in the light as He is in the light, we live in disobedience, and the fruit is carnality. I don't know how many sermons I have preached on carnality. A dear sister of ours wrote down three hundred and three traits of the carnal nature from different sermons I have preached.

Carnality is a troublemaker and can never be pleased. It is never happy with how things are. "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned." (I Cor. 2:14) Can you see this? Verses fifteen and sixteen continue, "But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man. For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ." We have the mind of Christ when we deny self and take up the cross to follow Him as He leads.

Chapter Three continues, "And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ." We can be converted and still have the carnal nature, the desire to run our own lives. Verses two and three read, "I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able. For ye are yet carnal (He is speaking to the church.): for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions (conflicts and arguments), are ye not carnal, and walk as men?" Paul was saying here, "You have found Christ, but you still have a carnal spirit which needs to be cleansed out of you." He said he couldn't speak to them as to spiritual, but as to carnal people. They had carnality in their hearts. And when this inbred sin nature is still in the heart (that touches me), it will take charge and we will not be led by the Holy Spirit. We will be led by another spirit, the spirit of the flesh. "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God."

Paul said they were carnal and walked as men. We see here that we have to deal with carnality after we are converted. These people were saved and had accepted Jesus, but they still had this spirit in them (and that touches me now) that wanted its own way. I want you to see that carnality is the great problem which has caused all the trouble and consequence of sin. God told Adam and Eve that they could have everything in the garden except the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. They took of that fruit anyway and went into sin, which is why we are born with the carnal nature. It can only be cleansed out of us as we obey the Holy Spirit. There are many people who are trying to be sanctified, but they haven't obeyed the Holy Spirit. It is so easy for even the very best of us to disobey and walk in the flesh, which is why His Son had to come and rescue us through His blood.

Jesus said in St. John 17:15-17, "I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." He is the Word, the Way, the Truth, and the Life. He said, "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." Isn't that tremendous! Sanctification brings us from darkness into the life of obedience. Verses eighteen and nineteen continue, "As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth." God's Son, Jesus, said that for the sakes of those who are converted, He would sanctify Himself that they also might be sanctified. Now that "might be" pivots on the choice of every man and

woman to deny self. Most mortals do not know this, because it is hidden from them unless it is revealed by revelation through the Holy Spirit.

He continued, "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word." Why did He want us to become a sanctified people? He said in verse twenty-one, "That they all may be one..." We are sanctified through the truth of Jesus. We are saved by His blood, and our transgressions are blotted from us as far as the east is from the west, but He said that He wants us to be sanctified through His truth that we all may be one. He wants all men and women in the church to become one as God and Jesus are one. Jesus said, "That they all may be one: as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me." (This scripture touches my heart!)

In verses twenty-two and twenty-three He says, "And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them (His followers); that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them (you, me, and those who have lived before us and after us), and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one..." When we are sanctified, we are cleansed of this carnal nature, this inbred sin nature. If two persons who are absolutely opposite from each other will both deny themselves and do God's will, He can cleanse their hearts from all carnality and make them one. Jesus said, "...that they may be made perfect in one..." Someone may ask, "How can that be?" It can only be as we die daily and deny everything that we come in contact with that is of this world, obey the leading of the Holy Spirit, and take up the cross. We can only be perfect in one by the blood of the Lamb and through the truth of Jesus as we obey Him.

After our conversion, if we immediately witness for Christ, we will receive a blessing in our heart. Great joy will come in. But if we do not obey by witnessing for Him, then we are disobedient. We are to praise Him always. If we do not obey that first leading, we leave the life of obedience and go into the life of disobedience, which is self-assertiveness. And we are not led anymore unless we ask God to forgive us of our first disobedience. Then as He forgives us, and we begin to proclaim that Jesus is Lord, we have new life and He leads us again. He said He would guide us by His Holy Spirit. "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come." (Jn. 16:13)

We must be cleansed of this carnal nature, that all men and women have, or it will dominate us. It will take us over, and we will not even realize we are living in self-assertiveness, which is the life of disobedience. We can read the Bible, pray, preach, and do beautiful things; but we are not obedient to the leading of the Holy Spirit if we have criticized one person. Criticism is a gross sin. Jesus said, "Judge not." Just as soon as I disobey that word, I have left obedience and have gone into disobedience. If I find fault with anyone, I am living in disobedience. Carnality causes us to find fault with people. Carnal people frighten me. If carnality is not cleansed out of us, we rebel and have our own ideas. I have to die daily, or I will become carnal and find fault with people.

In April of 1942, Jesus told me, "Do not judge anyone again to your wife or anybody." He said, "Do not criticize anyone again." The instant we criticize or find fault, we have disobeyed Jesus' word. He said, "Let us not judge one another anymore." We judge people because of the carnality within us. Paul said he had to die daily or the carnal spirit would return. I am trying to share this in simplicity because it is the answer to the question of why people have so many troubles and conflicts. St. Paul described the manner and behavior of the people of the church in I Corinthians, 1:10, "Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment." He is speaking to the brothers and sisters of the Lord Jesus Christ. He left no one out. We can only speak the same thing through the sanctified heart. Carnality will speak differently, but when the heart is cleansed from all carnality, St. Paul said we would then speak the same thing. We are to have no divisions among us in the church. Oh, what a day! Oh, what a blessing! This scripture is talking about the sanctified heart.

The carnal heart will find fault with people and will judge everyone. It is a troublemaker and is led by the spirit of self-assertiveness, which appears to be true. It looks good. "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." (Pr. 14:12) Carnality will dam up the heart and clog up the spirit so that the agape love of Jesus Christ can not flow through it. Jesus said He wants us to love one another as He loves us, but carnality plugs that up and His holy love can not get through because we have not obeyed. Instead, we have been living in the life of self-assertiveness, wanting to do what we want to do. His love will flow through every one who will become in His likeness, utterly dependent upon Him.

Jesus said in Matthew 18:3, "...Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." Just as soon as we are sanctified and cleansed through the truth of Jesus, then He takes all evil out of us. There is no conflict in the true church of Jesus Christ. Carnality will use anything we don't understand to discourage us. It will use anything it can to try to get us to look at the negative, and to look at the faults of our brother, our sister, or our neighbor. The Holy Spirit can not lead in the heart of that person. For as many as are led by the Holy Spirit, they are the sons of God, and He leads them by His holy love, His presence, His sweetness.

Years ago, I was driving down the highway, when all of a sudden the Holy Spirit spoke to me in my heart, "Stop and go over to that filling station." It was 6:20 in the morning and my wife was hungry, but I obeyed the Holy Spirit. I met a man there whose father had been a minister, and was privileged to lead him to Jesus in about fifteen to twenty minutes. We had to change our breakfast plans and go with God's plan. I was going to the restaurant to eat, but the Lord told me to go to the filling station. He will lead you as you give Him the praise, the glory, and the honor. He must have all the praise, all the glory, and all the honor for all that He does for you and for me. He is a wonderful Savior! I need more of His pre-

cious blood! Hallelujah! He is the Light of the world! I need more of the glory of God, of His anointing, of the wonderful gifts of the mighty One of Israel, who transforms us and sets us upon the rock that is higher than I.

We need to maintain balance and not press or criticize anyone. If I don't deny self sufficiently, I am liable to do it in the next moment. Carnality breeds hardness of heart. It creates it. It always causes inner suffering, anguish, and distress for anyone who lives near it. Carnality can never be sweet because it is bitter and full of briars. Have you ever gotten into a briar patch? Carnality will strike in every direction. The seventh chapter of Romans says, "...for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I." This is the picture of the carnal nature.

All through the Old Testament God could hardly find one man in a generation who would deny himself and obey Him. "And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none." (Ez. 22:30) Carnality is so great in us that we don't pray as we ought. If we don't obey every leading and love people through the Holy Spirit in us, we become bitter and create storms. Everyone who is carnal creates a storm, just like Jonah did when he went to Tarshish.

If we are not sufficiently dead to self, we will not obey the Holy Spirit and do God's will to be cleansed of the carnal nature. From the moment I awaken in the morning until I go to sleep at night I must die to self or it will take over, and I won't even know it except by the grace of God. He will help me to be delivered from the carnal nature if I will become like a little child, depend upon Him, and love everyone as He loves me. The evidence of Christianity is that you love as Jesus loves. "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." (Jn. 13:35)

Let us pray that Jesus will send His truth to sanctify our hearts (that touches me!) to get all of this ugliness, evil, self-assertiveness, and ideas of making things look good, cleansed out of us, so that we will do what Jesus tells us to do. I need Him every hour, every moment!

We are thankful for your prayers, petitions, supplications, and sacrifice on our behalf. Thank you, each one, for the precious anniversary cards, flowers, and gifts. Please pray with us that God will be able to bring the finance in for the church, for His glory and honor. We desperately need the Holy Spirit to come in revival and for His presence to indwell the sanctuary. Please pray also for those traveling to and from the Waiting Upon God, that each one would be protected, by God's grace. Thank you, in Jesus' name, for praying.

In Jesus' Name,

*Loran W. Helm*

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p.s. Following are letters we wanted to share with you for God's glory, honor, and praise.

Dear Father and Mother, Jesus is the Lily of the Valley, the Bright and the Morning Star, the Rose of Sharon, the Lion of the tribe of Judah.

May He lift up the light of His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace, joy, and love in the Holy Ghost. May He that is mighty undergird you in this hour. May He lift all of thy burdens, heal thy diseases, deliver thee from all thine afflictions. In the name of Jesus, I ask that suffering in the head, neck and upper body be removed through the stripes and the blood. Hallelujah! Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive all the praise, honor, and glory.

Lift Thy servants, Loran and Florence, this day. Oh, Jesus, our dearest Friend, who sticketh closer than a brother, hear the cries of Thy servant. Lift the burdens of the church, and distribute them among the faithful today. Grant Thy servants, Loran and Florence, rest and renewal. Help them in body, mind, and spirit. Quicken and anoint their intellects with the sanctifying power of Thee, the Holy Ghost.

Cause Thy people everywhere to sense the need for repentance, forgiveness, restitution, reconciliation. Bring to oneness Thy people, Thy holy church universal and Catholic! Visit us, O Ancient of Days, with Thy sacred presence.

Thank you, thank you, thank you, Lord Jesus, for this Thy merciful kindness, Thy love and care, Thy provision! How can we live without Thee?

I plead the blood from the sacred heart of Jesus for Father and Mother this day. Help them to feel and sense a great cloud of witnesses in the church triumphant, as well as the prayers and the love of the church militant here upon the earth. Touch Florence, O Great Physician, equalize, stabilize her body and nervous system. Get into the eyes, the brain, the nerves, the muscles, the blood pressure with Thy holy energy, holy light, holy power, and divine healing. Open the knees, hips, feet, and hands. Quicken and heal, I pray.

Lead, guide and direct, Father, I pray Thee. Grant him the joy of the Lord. Help him to meet all the divine appointments with Thy pilgrims along the way. Grant him the privilege of Holy Ghost fellowship today with some saint of God along the road of life.

Thank You, dear Jesus, for what Father and Mother mean to me, and to Renee. What a high privilege to know and to love them. We praise You for the day that we were privileged to meet them, and to join in this holy pilgrimage of trust, self denial, and obedience. Grant, O Lord, that we shall be faithful to Thee in every way, and to be of assistance to these Thy servants.

O Lord, save the state, save the nation, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance. Grant Thy people to be joined in one in the holy temple for Thine own indwelling presence. Bless, keep, and comfort Father and Mother in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen. Your son in the gospel, Guy William (Young).

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm, Just wanted to drop you a note to let you know how much I love you both. I am thankful for how God has helped you through the years in loving all of us. I am thankful for the anointing of love that is on you and your ministry. I believe that some anointing has fallen down upon us at Palm Beach Gardens Christ Fellowship.

As you related to me the other night the intensity of the spiritual warfare you are facing, I know that I need to pray harder for you, that God would push back the enemy and you would be free to simply obey the Lord as you have always strived to do. It seems that God is preparing all of us for a great work in these last days, as the enemy has tried to strengthen His own battle front against us all... We know that greater is He that is within us than He that is within the world. It is wonderful to know that through the Lord Jesus Christ, we all will be victors.

My prayer is that God will continue to strengthen both of you in body and spirit. I believe that some of the greatest aspects of your ministry lie ahead. (I would like to add, by God's grace.) I am thankful for your faithfulness, for your vision, and for your walk with Christ. Your son in the gospel, Thomas Mullins.

The reason I am writing this letter is that I wanted to let you know that on February 19, I was one of the fourteen people who the man

of God prayed for, and I received healing from a growth I had on my arm. I had noticed this for some two weeks prior, but just the night before I said to myself, "Monday I am going to call and have this looked at." You see, I have had breast cancer, and I should not ignore such things. But then Sunday God chose to take it away, and I am so thankful. I never even looked to see if it were gone until about two hours later, but I felt God's touch in the service. What a surprise, when I checked to see, that it had disappeared. God be blessed and thanked through Jesus Christ, and the glory of God.

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Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm, I wanted to write and say hello, and I love you both. I also want to let you know how much the Lord has helped us since returning from Israel. The services in our fellowship have been more and more wonderful. The Holy Spirit has come in such sweetness to draw ones to a deeper walk with Jesus. There were five precious ones who went down to pray and received great help Sunday morning. You could see such a light on their faces. Different ones confessed their critical and judgmental spirit, and prayed that the Lord would send His truth into their hearts and sanctify them. The power fell in such sweetness.

We have a newly saved young lady who stood and told us that she finally knew why the Lord sent her to our fellowship. It was so she could learn how to follow Jesus. We have to give Jesus all the glory that He was able to get her to us. She and her husband were saved on Palm Sunday. When we were in the service that Sunday morning, Pastor Thomas asked, "How many more storms, earthquakes, and so on would it take before we believed God?" That very afternoon we had several tornadoes come through our area. This lady and her husband were in their home in different rooms when Jesus sent out His love call, and they answered. They came to service and shared how they had received Jesus in the midst of the storm. We give Him all the praise.

It is wonderful how the Lord is helping us. I can see such a difference since our return from Israel. I believe the services there were the best I have ever attended. They were different and life-changing. I am trusting the Lord to continue the work He has begun since we were in Israel last April a year ago. I know that as I continue to die, allow Him full control, and try to come as a little child, totally depending upon Him, He will show me what to do. Thank you for your love and care for all of us. I love you both, and am trying to be faithful to lift you both before the Throne daily. I trust the Lord to send strength and healing to you. I am looking forward to the Waiting Upon God. God bless you with much love, Terry (from Traveler's Rest).

## ANNOUNCEMENT

We would like to announce that Florence Helm's 84th birthday is coming up on June 27. We praise the Lord for how He is helping both Rev. and Mrs. Helm. They have now returned to Indiana, so please send your letters, greetings, and birthday cards to their Parker City address:

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## NEWSLETTER ALERT SECOND NOTICE

For those of you who have not sent in your current address for the mailing list, please do so as soon as possible. We have gotten quite a wonderful response and have found many errors, either in spelling, street numbers, zip codes, etc., that we are correcting on computer. Thank you so much for your encouraging notes, and for helping us update the mailing list. We love you, one and all.

# *Revival For Our Day*

July 1, 1995

This message, dear ones, is a most urgent and expedient message of truth. The word of the Lord is proclaimed, and is a glorious truth, a mighty truth, a high truth, a far-reaching truth, a never-ending truth, always the same truth, a never diminishing truth. It is located within the fifth chapter of Ephesians, verse twenty-seven, "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."

Jesus said in Matthew 7:21, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, (or prays or works in the church) shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven." It is by the grace of God this can be, so that He can present to Himself a glorious church.

A glorious church is a church led by the Holy Spirit. In the eighth chapter of Romans, verse fourteen tells us a significant truth that we do not want to omit, "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." This glorious church cannot be led by ideas nor by decisions or good thoughts. Just as soon as we begin to lead the church by good thoughts and ideas, we leave the glorious church and go into the self-assertive church, the self-arranged church, which does great damage in the world. Thirty to forty years ago I heard Billy Springfield preach at the Methodist church here in Parker City. He said a church that is not obedient or faithful in doing God's will, is doing more harm in the world than saloons.

The glorious church must be led by the Holy Spirit, that He might present it unto Himself. The glorious church is led by the direction of the Holy Spirit, not by what we can reason or figure. For hundreds of years the church has wandered on to the figuring pathway. We cannot stray to that pathway, because the instant we do, we leave the glorious church and go into the self-made church, the self-arranged church. The glorious church is filled with the communion of God, the glory of God, the glory of Jesus, and the beauty of His holiness.

As I meditate on this truth, I think of what Jesus said in the fifteenth chapter of St. Luke's

writings, "What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it?" (Lk. 15:4) The wilderness is trying as hard as it can to get into the church. If there is the slightest tinge of the wilderness in the church, then it ceases to be a glorious church. Instead, it is a church of the wilderness, which is carnality and disobedience, and doing that which we would like to do. The wilderness is pressing to get into the church as much as if I were to take a gallon jug with a stopper and submerge it in the Atlantic Ocean. The deeper I would submerge it, the more the water and substance of that ocean would want to get into the jug. But it cannot get in, because the stopper creates a vacuum, a pure place. If we are not careful, the wilderness will press into the church as much as if the gallon jug were submerged thirty to fifty feet in the ocean. The carnal thoughts and ideas of man, the decisions of men, will press to get in, and as soon as it does, it ceases to be the glorious church and becomes a church of the self-assertive life.

He wants to present to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle, or any such thing. He wants it to be holy and without blemish. The church of Jesus Christ is to be a glorious and victorious church, which can only be by following the leadership of the Holy Spirit. The instant anyone in the church (whether it be the leader or a member of the board) ceases to die daily, then the church ceases to be a glorious church. Whenever the slightest bit of self-assertiveness comes in, the church ceases to be a glorious church.

We know that it is by the blood of Jesus and by the help of the Holy Spirit that the church can be a glorious church. Jesus talks about it in the seventeenth chapter of St. John. Three times He states that the church is not to be of the world, even as He is not of the world. He said in the seventeenth and eighteenth verses, "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them (the people of the church) into the world."

When we leave the fold, we are in the wilderness, which is full of disputings, conflicts, and

the love of the world. This wilderness is absolute poison to the glorious church. The church of Jesus Christ must be the glorious church without spot or wrinkle. Jesus said, "I sanctify them through the truth: thy word is truth. As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world." The precious Savior, Jesus the Christ, the Son of God said, "And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also (the glorious church) might be sanctified through the truth." The only way we can maintain this truth is to resist the carnal evils that are raging. The carnal church wants to have dominion, and we must constantly die or lose our status as members of the glorious church.

St. Paul made a statement in the third chapter of I Corinthians that we need to think about. He said, "And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ." He continued in verse three, "For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?" Leaders and members of the church have a constant battle from morning to night. We have to die constantly, or this carnal spirit comes to preeminence, and then we cease to be the glorious church. Instead, we are just a group of religious people acting like the glorious church, which is very serious. For fifty-some years, my burden has been for the church. God called me in the inner voice seventy-four years ago and told me that I belonged to Him. I told Him I wasn't able to preach, but He called me to preach. Isaiah 58:1 says, "Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins."

This is a great responsibility, because I can see that this carnal spirit is within us unless we die daily, deny self, and take up the cross wherein all this wickedness is cleansed out of us. The carnal nature will dominate and make the decisions in the church, and it then ceases to be a glorious church. It just becomes an ordinary group of religious people who are trying to sing, pray, and preach. Romans 8:14 says, "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." The church must be led by the Holy Spirit, which comes by revelation and not by ideas. Unless we die daily, we will be making the decisions ourselves. Things may look and seem good, but they are not of the Holy

Spirit. Unless the Holy Spirit witnesses, it is not the glorious church, but just a group of people living in the self-assertive life. Who is going to cry out concerning this? It is a great responsibility on the servants of God whom He has called to proclaim this word.

Carnality is so strong in all men and women that we have to die from morning to night or it will get in us, and we won't know we have it. It comes in in resentment and in dominance. Anyone who is not walking in the Spirit gets offended and has resentment in their heart when they hear this word. They don't appreciate it, nor do they want to hear it. What they want is what they want, but this cannot be in the glorious church. The glorious church cannot have any of the wilderness in it. It cannot have carnality, for the carnal nature is enmity against God. It is not subject to the law of God. The glorious church is a church that is filled with the glory of God.

Jesus said, "And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth. Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word: That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee..." He says here that the church is to be one as God and Jesus are one. This means we are to be in holy harmony, in purity, in righteousness, in truth.

The description of the glorious church is seen in verse ten of the first chapter of I Corinthians, "Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment." The glorious church speaks the same thing. Someone may say, "That seldom ever occurs," but this is the description of the glorious church. We are all to speak the same thing, and there must be no divisions among us so that we be perfectly joined together in the same mind and judgment. This is the mind of Christ, the leading of the Holy Spirit.

This describes the behavior, manner, and disposition of the glorious church. Again, Jesus said in St. John 17:21, "That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me." Now if we have good ideas, this is not going to occur. If we go

by our own decisions or what seems to be reasonable, this isn't the glorious church. Verse twenty-two says, "And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one." Here again Jesus said that we may be one. The glorious church is one. Whenever there is a tinge of anything else, we cease becoming one. The glorious church is one just like Jesus and God are one.

When the whole body is obedient and faithful and true to God, the scripture that has never come to pass will come to pass, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." (St. John 12:32) Since the Ascension I don't know how many churches have been willing to pay the price to live in this divine appointment. This is a divine appointment, not our appointment. This is not mine, nor is it yours. This is God's appointment, that we all become one as God and Jesus are one. Jesus says in verse twenty three of the seventeenth chapter of St. John, "I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one;..." This is the glorious church, dear ones. This is not by our might, knowledge, decision, goodness, or our uprightness; it is by the holiness of God. It is by the Holy Spirit, by Christ. He said, "...that they be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me."

Every leader, board member, and persons of the church must die constantly. When we cease denying self, that instant the church ceases to be a glorious church. When we take ourselves down from the cross, we cease to be the glorious church. The cross is where we are nailed by our willing submission unto His will to take out of us all self-assertiveness, all enmity, all carnality that we were born with when Adam chose the fruit of the of knowledge of good and evil. Deuteronomy 5:29 says, "O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!" The subjunctive mood is evident here, which means the heart is not there. It is His will for us to be a glorious church.

A voice in the wilderness is crying, "Oh, come, come, come to submission, come to willingness, come to His purpose, come to Him." The Bible says that not every one who prays or preaches is

going to enter the Kingdom of Heaven, but he who does the will of the Father which is in heaven; and this is only known by the witness of the Holy Spirit. It is only known by the leadership of the Holy Spirit. The glorious church is a church without the wilderness in it. The glorious church is one in which everyone speaks the same thing. There is no division or carnal dominion in it. The instant the self-life enters the church, then it ceases to be the glorious church. Jesus said that He "might" present it to Himself. This is conditional, and the condition pivots on what I have been sharing.

Jesus will present to Himself a glorious church if every leader, board member, and person of the church will submit to the word of God and do only what Jesus says. If someone feels this is too straight, we must remember that Jesus said this way is straight and narrow. This way is so narrow it excludes all carnal decisions, and every idea of man that isn't led by the Holy Spirit. But this narrow path is wide enough to include all of the will, purity, and holiness of God. We are to be holy as He is holy, so the Word declares. He also said, "Be ye therefore perfect even as I am perfect." This is only possible through the Holy Spirit, only through following Him and letting Him have His way. Carnality will make excuses and bypass it. We have to die constantly, or some carnal thing will slip into our heart and we won't realize it. We will become figurers instead of followers.

Jesus said, "If any man is going to come after me, let him deny himself." Just a few feet from where I am now sitting, years ago I prayed and said to Jesus, "There is a missing link. There is something wrong, because these promises are true." If we do not deny self constantly, we will bypass the cross. The self in us is constantly working to get off the cross. We must press constantly into the Kingdom of God. Jesus said, "The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it." (Lk. 16:16) If we don't press with all of our hearts to die daily, we will not be the glorious church. We will just be a group of people who pray, preach, sing, and talk about it. He wants us to put Him first. He must be first.

We will not become the glorious church unless, after conversion, we become utterly dependent upon God. The glorious church is utterly

dependent upon God like a little child. Unless we let the Holy Spirit lead us, we will not be the glorious church. It is God's will that we be pure and holy. Jesus also said in Matthew 7:22, "Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?" This was all good. Here was preaching and declaration, casting out devils, doing wonders and miracles, but His reply was, "And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you; depart from me, ye that work iniquity." (Mt. 7:23) They thought they were in the glorious church. They really did, because they said they did all these things. But they weren't the glorious church.

The glorious church is the church of God, it is the church the Holy Spirit leads when we are willing to submit to His will and deny self daily, doing only God's will instead of our own. Again, Ephesians 5:27 says, "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." The scripture is so plain. Every second the carnal spirit takes over, the church ceases to be the glorious church. Only a few times has God been able to continually lead a church. The carnal church is so strong and deceptive. It looks good from a distance, but if you get into the heart of it, you find conflict. Wherever there is the slightest conflict, carnality exists. If there is the slightest resentment, it means we are yet carnal. We must be cleansed of all carnality, because the carnal mind does not want this truth. It wants to bypass it, but we cannot do that. We must accept it because it is God's will that we become the glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle.

The glorious church is a church where God has full preeminence and where the Holy Spirit is the leader. As I go from place to place, from individual to individual, I am seeking persons who are led in their heart by the Holy Spirit. Now this will witness to all saints. When the Holy Spirit is leading, we are one as God and Jesus are one. It is a glorious church, a church of victory and compassion, a church of love and caution, a church of carefulness. We must be careful with everything in God's church. We cannot decide on our own how to designate funds, but must do only as the Holy Spirit leads. We have been very careful with Revival For Our

Day funds so that we will not charge things or designate funds to places except by the witness of the Holy Spirit. It must be this way. If we charge something that we are not supposed to charge, then we are in a grievous situation. We must be sure God is leading before spending church money. We must do as the Holy Spirit leads to be a glorious church.

This message should be folded up and carried in the cloak of our soul and reviewed morning, noon, and night, or we will stray into carnality. Every one of us will let the wilderness in if we are not careful, and we will not even be aware of it. We will be blinded by carnality and the devil, by the powers and rulers of darkness in this world, and spiritual wickedness in high places. This blindness will prevent us from becoming the glorious church. The glorious church is a church of obedience. When self takes over, we leave utter dependence and begin the self-assertive pathway. We depart from the glorious church that Jesus wants to present to Himself, which is conditional. If any of us have resentment or criticism or have any kind of sin in our life, we grieve the Holy Spirit and leave the glorious church even though we go on professing.

The glorious church is a childlike church. It is a church where God leads, where Jesus is the head of the body. Just as soon as the body becomes one as God and Jesus are one, Jesus' head will fit on that body and He will be lifted up to draw all men unto Himself. Jesus said in Matthew 8:20, "The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head." He had Joseph's home, John's home, and Lazarus' home. He was talking about being the head of the body, and just as soon as He finds a body of believers who will resist carnality and do only the leading of the Holy Spirit, St. John 12:32 will come to pass, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." The kingdom will come when we let Him lead us in the glorious church.

Carnality, prayerlessness and disobedience have prevented the glorious church from existing. He wants to present to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle. I John 2:16 says, "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust

of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world." We must not have one spot of the world touching us. Not one worldly thing can be in the glorious church. The world has been hurt and crushed because the church has drifted. The glorious church is not the self-willed church. We must review this or we will drift from it. We cannot have one spot.

A spot exists because we have touched something. If we touch anything that is carnal, we have a spot and this grieves the Lord. The glorious church must not have a spot or wrinkle. Wrinkles are our own ideas pressed in. Wrinkles come because the carnality in us wants to have a part in running the church and making the decisions. Self-planning puts wrinkles in the church, and the glorious church cannot have a spot or wrinkle or any such thing. All these things in the world are trying their best to spot and wrinkle us because of our not dying daily, of our not denying constantly, of our trying to get off the cross where we are cleansed of all deceptions, wickedness, loves of the world, and ideas of self. We want to get off the cross and put the arrangements in our own hands. We will do it and not even know it.

The glorious church is God's church and all of us must be holy. This means we are to be cleansed of all carnality, all evil, all unrighteousness, all self-assertiveness, all self-will, all self-want, all self-desire. He said this church is not only to be all of that, but it is to be without any blemish. Now I want you to note that a blemish comes from inside out. When I was in a meeting in 1964, there was a man there who was born with a red blemish on his face. One night God allowed me to pray, and I asked God to take that off of him. A blemish comes from within. It is a condition that is within the church. Blemishes reveal our disposition. Blemishes are what is seen from the outside that is not of God. A blemish is that which should not appear on the outside of the church. We must live a holy life inwardly, or a blemish will come out and the glorious church cannot have a blemish. It must be without spot or wrinkle or without a blemish.

Therefore, as we press upward, we see that the Kingdom of Heaven suffereth violence and the violent take it by force. There is a constant pressing into the Kingdom of God from the days of John the Baptist until now. We must die

from morning to night, and if we don't press into denying self and let Him have His way with us on the cross, we will be running the church in a beautiful, nice, and attractive way, in a way that pleases most men. This cannot be. Jesus is the leader of the church. He died to purchase the church with His own blood. We have nothing to do with it. If we have anything to do with it, we spoil it. We bring spoilage, disappointment, and hurt to anyone in the world if we are not living holy unto God, pure unto Jesus.

By God's grace, we must die out constantly or we will exclude ourselves from the glorious church. In this church we cannot make any decision without the witness of the Holy Spirit. If there is the slightest tinge of decision-making without God's leading, we leave the glorious church and become the church of the man who wants what he wants, the self-assertive church. Jesus wants to present to Himself a glorious church. The plan of man cannot be in the glorious church. It can be the greatest plan that ever was, but it won't work in the glorious church because it is not the plan of God. The plan of God is that which we have never even thought about. God leads in ways we never really had any idea He was going to do. In my experience, the way the Lord leads is not my idea of what I thought it was going to be. The glorious church is led by God the Father, and it is holy, without spot, wrinkle or blemish. It is without the self-assertive, carnal life.

This is a call unto the will of God. We must do God's will and not our own. Since Adam chose the fruit of the knowledge of good and evil, man has chosen knowledge. We think education is the solution. The more you and I know, the more we will depend upon it and crowd out the glorious church and the will of God. We can be the most well-meaning people in the world, but the glorious church is not led by what we think. The Holy Spirit, Jesus Christ, leads the glorious church. The self-assertive church is not led by the Lord. It is led by men and women who have good ideas or thoughts. Unless the Lord lead, we are leading. And if we are leading, the Holy Spirit is grieved and does not lead us in our heart. "For as many as are led by the Spirit, they are the sons of God." He only leads those who have followed the last leading and the leading before that. He said the glorious church will be led by the Holy Spirit, which is very precious, isn't it?

The word of God is sharper than any two-edged sword. It pierces asunder the soul and spirit, the bone and the marrow. God has been seeking for a people, and He said, "I sought for a man among them who would stand in the hedge and make up the gap before me for the land that I should not destroy it, but I found none." There were somewhere between three and five million, and He didn't find one who would die or deny or obey to the place of intercession.

We see that this message is urgent and expedient, but it is possible. It is God's will. Most all men are following self, not Christ. He said that when He comes again, will He find faith on the earth. Will He find persons who are willing to do His will instead of their own? The self in you and me is constantly wanting to dominate and have preeminence, and this cannot be in the glorious church. The glorious church comes by prayer, by communion, by the word of God, by petition, by the crying of the soul, by dying, by complete yieldedness to the will of God, which yields the fruit of compassion, tenderness, sweetness, togetherness, and harmony.

I am convinced that the Holy Spirit is grieved with the church far more than any of us can comprehend except God reveal it to us. Many years ago, when I made the statement, "The Holy Spirit is grieved," the power fell on Homer and me so greatly that Homer thought we would be translated. The Holy Spirit revealed to us that He was very grieved. If we do anything outside of the leadership of the Holy Spirit, then we grieve the Holy Spirit, for this cannot exist within the bounds of the glorious church. The Holy Spirit has been grieved with the church for hundreds and thousands of years (and He touches my heart on thousands). Good thoughts and ideas have been grieving God for thousands of years. Most all people are not willing to do God's will. They want to do a little of their own will. God's word is plain on many issues. If we go ahead and make the choice, we grieve Him. This cannot be in the glorious church of Jesus Christ, of the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, of the Holy Spirit. For His glory and praise, let us press toward the mark and die daily. Let us obey the leading of the Holy Spirit. Let us not succumb to the desire of the flesh as Adam did, as Lot did, as David did, as Jonah did, as Solomon did, as Acan did, as the rich young ruler did. When Jesus finished His

sermon on being the Bread of Life, they turned away and never followed Him again. Unless we die daily and obey, making no plans, we will not be the glorious church.

In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, may we latch it to our hearts, to the cloak of the soul, and never let it go. This is the way, the truth and the life. May you be encouraged to die from morning to night. May you be determined, by God's grace, to deny yourself. May you constantly stay on the cross instead of trying bypass it and get off. Following is always preceded by inner death and not the plan of man. It is very simple, but profound. There is only one in many, it seems, that is really willing to do God's will. Instead, we want to do what we want and like. This, of course, grieves the Holy Spirit. Thank you for praying for me, for I am very weak, and it is through the blood of Jesus, and God's mercy that I can make it. Through His precious blood will we make it to glory and not have failed at the great judgment. I must not get out of order in what I want, or in what someone else wants, but in how the Holy Spirit would want things to be. In Jesus' name and for His glory, Amen.

We want to thank each one of you for all you have done for us, our family, and staff. We thank each of you whom we have been privileged to find through the mercy of God for your prayers, sacrifices, blessings, and help in the Holy Ghost. Thank you for your care, love, fasting, and prayers. We are thankful to our heavenly Father, Jesus, for the work of the Holy Spirit. We are grateful for all these helps that He has showered upon us in many known and unknown ways. To Jesus be the praise and glory for it all.

We also want to thank each and every one who sent Florence birthday cards, gifts, flowers, and greetings. She was deeply appreciative of each one, and very thankful to receive your words of love. Thank you in Jesus' name.

Dear ones on our mailing list, I have never made a request like this before, and do not want to ask too much, but the finances of Alan and Lori Jacobus have been on my heart. They have come to be the director of music here at the church for nothing, and he gave up a teaching position in Michigan to stay here. The church

has been endeavoring to support them, but it is on my heart that you might be able to pray and ask the Lord if He would have you to send them a little finance every month, whether it be five dollars or ten, or whatever the Lord may lay upon your heart. It could be that He might return it to you three-fold. I thought it would be all right to make this request, and let the Lord lead you in your hearts. Thank you in Jesus' precious name.

In Jesus' Name,

*Loran W. Helm*

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p.s. Following is a letter that I have asked Rev. Oliver Hogue to write to all of you. We are thankful to God, and owe Him all praise and glory for everything. We are deeply in debt to the Holy Spirit for all that He has done for us through these years.

To All Like-minded believers, During the latter half of these seven years of prayer in Parker for Dr. and Mrs. Helm, family, and staff, I have been afforded the opportunity of visiting an increasing number of the churches who support and share the vision of Brother Helm as to the necessity of revival in our day. Most of the churches who have invited me, Reimar Schultze, and Forrest Richey number from twenty to seventy congregants. We have responded to all of the invitations as the Lord has witnessed to His servant.

I am sure that the apostolic commission in being sent to these churches is the reason why the power and presence of the Lord has been similar to that experienced in the first three Waitings Upon God. As wonderful and blessed as all subsequent travels and meetings have been, none of them rival those early waiting times. Yet, both my wife and I can testify that these Faith Promise services are similar to those extraordinary anointed Waitings Upon God held in 1966 and 1968.

An amazing thing has resulted in these last several years with all the churches who are having these Faith Promise services annually. Their vision has deepened considerably, and their giving has been increasingly generous. The three larger churches are averaging more than \$1,000 weekly, and the congregations numbering from twenty to seventy are averaging around \$1,000 monthly. Previously some of the churches were giving only that much during the entire year. This is commendable and outstanding. The most outstanding occurrence,

though, has been the increased number of prayer meetings and intercessory prayer groups. These smaller churches remind me of the churches in Macedonia that the Apostle Paul mentioned in his second letter to the Corinthians:

*We must tell you, friends, about the grace that God has given to the churches in Macedonia. The troubles they have been through have tried them hard, yet in all this they have been so exuberantly happy that from the depths of their poverty they have shown themselves lavishly open-handed. Going to the limit of their resources, as I can testify, and even beyond that limit, they begged us most insistently, and on their own initiative, to be allowed to share in this generous service to their fellow-Christians. And their giving surpassed our expectations; for first of all they gave themselves to the Lord and, under God, to us.*

(2 Corinthians 8:1-5 REB)

The Hagues, the Schultzes, and the Richeys have come away from these meetings of both the larger and smaller churches with wonder and amazement at the like-mindedness throughout. The validity of Brother Helm's ministry has been certified over and over again as we have visited these churches—some now as much as seven times.

Recently, Barbara and I were called to Florida to assist Dr. and Mrs. Helm until they could fly back to Indiana. The Revival For Our Day Faith Promise Mission was scheduled during that time at Scott Depot, and Brother Richey and Brother Schultze went right on and held the meeting. I'm told it was the best yet, and it resulted in a giving total of more than \$93,000. Just think, the senior pastor and his wife weren't even there, and yet the Lord took care of everything. In fact, He blessed so marvelously that most persons did not miss me after the first service. Isn't that just like Jesus? Praise the Lord.

All the above is being written to you because the Lord wanted me to do so, especially since suddenly last month, the drop in giving was so severe that Scott Depot and Kokomo made up the \$8,000 shortfall by splitting the difference. We were glad to do it, but we thought that if the rest of the like-minded saints knew about it, they would fill in the gap in the coming months to insure that the needs of the future months and years will be met. We are confident that a number of you would appreciate knowing the contents of this letter, and would prayerfully respond accordingly. Your servant in the Lord, Oliver C. Hogue.

# *Revival For Our Day*

August 7, 1995

Dear Ones, Greetings in Jesus' Name.

As I have been meditating, the following scriptures come to mind, "Be still, and know that I am God:..." (Ps. 46:10) "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." (Is. 40:31)

A Waiting Upon God is a time of inner dying. Paul said, "I die daily." A Waiting Upon God is a time of surrendering our wills over to the will of God, to our heavenly Father, the blessed Jesus, the Christ, who is sitting at the right hand of God, for ever after the order of Melchizedek; that we may be submissive to God's will as Jesus would lead by the Holy Spirit. It is only for the glory of God that we will be led by the Holy Spirit.

A Waiting Upon God is not a time to tell someone something, it is a time to become nothing. "For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself." (Gal. 6:3) A Waiting Upon God is where we begin to learn that we are nothing. This scripture tells me that we must die daily to be cleansed of the carnal nature. This world is in so much upheaval that many people think something must be going on all the time, when what we actually need is to become still and listen. In my early years of prayer, much of my time was spent in listening.

A Waiting Upon God is an endeavor to deny ourselves and submit to God's will. "And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me." (Lk. 9:23) As you look through the Old and New Testaments you will find that very few people have been willing to consistently deny themselves. Instead we want to be assertive and make our own plans and arrangements. A Waiting Upon God is the opposite of that. We are trusting for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Our heavenly Father, Jesus, must have all the honor, praise, and glory. We must deny ourselves to do it, which is a constant pressing toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. "The law and the

prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it." (Lk. 16:16) To press into the Kingdom of God is to deny ourselves, and He operates in my heart now that this is true.

Since the fall of Adam, man has made the choice of the fruit of the knowledge of good and evil. People think the answer is in education and knowledge. "...Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." (Zec. 4:6) "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him." (Jas. 1:5) I need the wisdom of God to know what to say and what not to say.

My father and I were in a meeting in Kimmell, Indiana, years ago, when a man got up and said, "If I was the leader here, I would fill this place. I would really do things in this church." My father and I were in a place where we hardly knew what to do because we knew we were nothing. This man was saying what he could do if he were the leader, and we didn't know what to do. When anyone gets out of order, it makes everything dark as night, or worse. A dear old man was there who could neither read nor write, but we were privileged, through the leadership of the Holy Spirit, to see him saved a short time back. After so long a time he got up and said, "Now you sit down. You've talked enough." He was a new convert and he didn't know what to do, but the Holy Spirit used a babe in Christ to get that situation stopped.

At a Waiting Upon God we must be careful at all times to be in holy order lest we grieve the Holy Spirit. We must be willing to deny ourselves. Lot couldn't deny himself to stay home, and he went with his Uncle Abraham. The cost of that decision is still with us today. Jonah wanted to go to Tarshish, but had to deny himself to go to Nineveh. Another got what he wanted, but if he had denied himself, things might have turned out differently. At a Waiting Upon God we don't know what to say or do until the moment the Holy Spirit reveals what He wants. It is not a time to talk or try to do some-

thing, but rather a time to die out to self and begin to learn to lose our life. I know that we cannot teach people this, for it only comes by the revelation of the Holy Spirit as we seek to become nothing. Unless what we know is of the Holy Spirit, we crush people, which brings darkness, disappointment, and hurt.

A Waiting Upon God is not a place to come to tell us what ought to be done. We must let the Holy Spirit work, and He will take care of everything. A Waiting Upon God is a time of becoming quiet and still, a time to die to self, which is the crucifixion of the interior life. Jesus says in St. John 17:19, "And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth." Jesus is to be the leader, and we don't know whether He will want singing, scripture, exhortation, or healing. At a Waiting Upon God there is no program. We are to trust in the Lord with all of our heart, and not lean to our own understanding. If anyone leans to their own understanding, it brings hurt. It is helpful to know that, "For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it." (Mk. 8:35)

We must become still so that He can teach us how to become nothing. Most people want to be somebody, but the more we know, the more it will control us and the Holy Spirit is crowded out. Jesus is crowded out of our life, and we think we know something and can do something. We can do nothing without His help and guidance, which comes by waiting upon God. We must leave all, forsake all, and let Him lead us. A Waiting upon God is a time of meditating on the scripture, "Be still, and know that I am God:..." I don't know much about this, but I do know that it is by His mercies alone that we can do anything. We must learn to be quiet, and let the Holy Spirit lead, refine, and purge us; cleanse out of us all the plans that we want to bring about. There are no plans at a Waiting Upon God, but just to let Jesus lead as He so wills.

In Mark, chapter eight, we read where Jesus healed the blind man. He didn't heal him in the town, but led him out of the town. Jesus said in verse twenty-six, "Neither go into the town, nor tell it to any in the town." A Waiting Upon God is a time of letting Jesus lead by the Holy Spirit, where we simply say, "Not my will, but Thy will

be done." He said He would guide us into all truth. "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come." (Jn. 16:13)

We want to give God all the praise, for we are not worthy of anything. We must give God, the blessed Jesus all honor, all glory, all praise. Hebrews 12:2 says, "Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God." Without Jesus we make our own arrangements, and it is just chaff which blows away. But what Jesus leads never ends. If we think we know something and want to do something, we grieve the Holy Spirit.

A Waiting Upon God is a place to learn to become nothing, to deny self, and to assume the cross. The natural man wants to bypass the cross, for the heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked. No man on earth knows how wicked and deceitful the human heart is. We must be cleansed of the carnal nature. St. Paul said, "I die daily," and he was a great apostle. At the Waiting Upon God we may begin to learn that we must inwardly die and be slain of the carnal nature, this thing within us that thinks we can do something, plan something, or bring something to pass. Galatians 6:3 says, "For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself."

We give all thanks to Jesus, our heavenly Father, the Holy Spirit, the sacred Comforter. We give all thanksgiving to the Holy Trinity, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. When E. E. Byrum was dying, his dear ones were standing around the bed. They were praying, "Oh, Lord, where will we find someone big enough and who knows enough to receive the mantle of this man." He told them, "It is not a matter of who is big enough, or who has the knowledge and wisdom, but it is a matter of who is small enough, little enough, and who knows he is nothing." We trust that this Waiting Upon God will teach us to seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness. Then, all these things will be added. Isn't that a precious thought? He said if we

would seek first the Kingdom of God, then He would add all that is needed. Romans 14:17 says, "For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost."

We know that we cannot really tell everything there is to know about a Waiting Upon God, for it is too high. Let us read the scripture, "Be still, and know that I am God:..." over and over and over again. Let us lay aside every weight and sin which so easily besets us. Most persons have unseen weights that prevent them from becoming in His likeness. 1 John 4:17 says, "Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world." He is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, and we need Him every second, every breath.

In scripture there is not much said about the multitudes who were with Jesus, only when Zacchaeus climbed a tree and the multitude murmured against Jesus. Zacchaeus wanted to see Jesus so much that he had to die to himself and to the opinions of all the people to climb the tree. These people had different thoughts, and when Jesus stopped under the sycamore tree, and looked up and saw Zacchaeus, this man who denied himself and took the cross to be purged of his own pride, the multitude murmured at Jesus because He said, "Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house." (Lk. 19:5) The next verse says, "And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully." And just as soon as this occurred, we find that all the crowd, the multitude, murmured at Jesus.

When we murmur or find fault with anyone, we leave Jesus and join the multitude. When we find fault, criticize, or judge anyone for anything, we leave Jesus because He said, "Judge not." Verse seven of Luke 19 says, "And when they saw it, they all murmured." We cannot be with Jesus and murmur, dispute, or plan. This multitude murmured because they judged Jesus when He went home to be the guest of Zacchaeus, whom they thought to be a sinner. I've never seen a sinner receive Jesus joyfully. Zacchaeus denied himself and came down, and on the way down he received great joy. According to this scripture

the entire multitude murmured and judged, which is the opposite of what we are to do. Jesus said in St. John 10:27, "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me." His followers do not analyze or try to figure out why. We can only follow Jesus by His help and mercy, and for His glory and honor.

The blessed Jesus is now on the right hand of God interceding for us, and He will soon come back to earth. But He said in Luke 18:8, "...Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" "So then, faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." (Rom. 10:17) "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good report." (Heb. 11:1-2) "Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection:" (Heb. 11:33-35)

If we do something in ourselves it doesn't last, but what He leads never ends. It will live on. We praise the Lord for what He has done, is doing, and will do. We are trusting Jesus for His precious help, for it is through Him we can make it in soul, mind, and body. Jesus is the leader, and we are to follow Him and let Him lead us. We are to become as little children, and if you think about it, this is a great assignment. We are not to make our own plans, but let the Lord lead. It is by His mercy that we can wait on Him for the privilege of His guidance, for without the leadership of the Holy Spirit, it is just a man-made program. We are to praise Him and give Him all the glory and honor. We know that Jesus doeth all things well, and it is by His mercy healing us in soul, mind, and body that we can make it every step of the way.

We are not to get our eyes upon earthly things, but upon the things of God, and love one another. Jesus said in St. John 13:35, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." One to another never

ends. It goes around the world, doesn't it? He said His disciples will be known by His love. We can only be His disciple if we are purged of the carnal nature and all these evils that are in us. This love of God is not in us if we think ourselves to be something. The love of God dwells in us as we are purged of all self-desire. This love only comes by the grace of God, and not by anything we have done. It is through His mercy, His help, and His gifts as we ask Him to forgive us of all of our sins, neglects, inconsistencies, and loves of the world. His disciples are known by their love for everyone. If we talk about anyone, it violates the law of divine love. If we murmur about anyone, we have left Jesus and Zacchaeus and have gone with the multitude.

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal." (1 Cor. 13:1) It doesn't make any difference what we say or do, if we do not have His love for everyone, we are like sounding brass or tinkling cymbals. We are truly in debt to Jesus for all He does for

us, and we glorify and honor Him for everything. We are thankful for your prayers, and for your dying to self. It is not by the might of man, nor by his power, but it is through the Holy Spirit that we can make it. Through Him we have strength. "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." (Eph. 3:8-9) As we trust and obey, He will lead us all the way.

In Jesus' Name,

*Loran W. Helm*

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P.S. We want to thank each one of you who responded in helping Alan and Lori Jacobus financially. Please send directly to them at:

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# *Revival For Our Day*

September 20, 1995

Dear Ones in Christ Jesus, Greetings in His precious name.

The main mission of the church is to strive to win souls and to be sure to obey the Holy Spirit.

We thank the Lord for His great mercy to help us at the Waiting Upon God August 20, 21, 22, and are deeply in debt to Him for His direction, revelation, guidance and blessing. We received a number of letters of appreciation, encouragement and help, for which we thank Jesus, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. I would like to share the following message with you, which the Lord laid upon my heart to preach during this time of waiting upon God together with all of you.

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." (2 Chron. 7:14)

Prayer is not made up of an end. It arises from the heart of a soul who is willing to leave all, forsake all, deny himself, and follow Jesus. Prayer comes from within us. Prince Kabu said that prayer was talking to his Father. Prayer is speaking from the heart to God. This scripture says, "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves..." The word "if" makes this conditional, doesn't it? How do we humble ourselves before God? How does He see us? Does He move upon us as we bend low before Him?

To be willing to yield is a part of humbling ourselves. We must yield everything over to God, and not hold on to any strings of our own desires, wants or likes. One way to humble ourselves is by confession. In 1943, I was preaching in a little church in Texas, when I began to share about confessing our faults. Have you ever tried to pull a wagon when everyone was on it and dragging their heels? I didn't know what I was getting into. Sometimes we have to confess when we talk too much, too little or out of order. Sometimes we seek recognition, which is not humbling ourselves. Seeking

recognition is self-assertive. We must, by God's grace, press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus, through humility and a willingness to give over every part of ourselves to God's will, that He may work His purpose in us and through us.

II Chronicles 7:14 says, "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves..." One minister began to prepare a message on how to get to heaven. He worked on it for a while, and as he thought about it, he decided that the first step to heaven was humility. We come before the Throne, get on our knees, and ask God to forgive us of our meanness, our wickedness, our deceitfulness, our evils and our wrong motives. Unless we humble ourselves and become entirely broken, we will not do that.

"If my people....shall..." is the doorway to prayer, petition, adoration and intercession. As we humble ourselves, by His grace and mercy, He is able to open the door of intercession, and the Holy Spirit will come within our souls to refresh and feed us, to lift us up to a place of victory, great joy and wondrous love. "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves..." Everyone who humbles himself will be lifted. There is always a lift when we humble ourselves. It is unseen, and maybe even unnoticed, but it is real. As we humble ourselves, He gives us strength, joy, love, light and compassion.

There is vision in humility, and when there is vision, the people see, and He reveals what His will is for them. In our humble and lowly walk with Him, He is able to lift the veil and bring us forth, to lift us up onto the rock that is higher than I, giving us joy unspeakable and full of glory. This is something the world is seeking, but it only comes by humility and obedience.

"If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me." (Lk. 9:23) Matthew 18:3 says, "Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." As we yield ourselves and become like little chil-

dren, we are on our way to humility. The way of the cross leads home, and He is mighty to deliver all those who will submit everything to Him. We must humble ourselves and be compassionate, or we will hurt someone. There is no hurt, controversy or disappointment in humility. Instead, we find understanding, interest, vision, submission, compliance and a giving over of our will. Humility is full of "not my will, but Thine be done."

When Jesus gave everything over to go to the cross, He humbled Himself and became obedient, even unto death. "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves..." If only we would be willing to humble ourselves. Ezekiel 22:30 says, "And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none." He could not find one man who would make up the hedge of intercessory prayer and stand in the gap to submit to God's will, to do what the Lord was leading them to do.

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face..." In the word seek is vision and looking unto God. There is compliance, devotion and a full surrender of our will to His. The secret of the Lord is revealed to those who truly fear God. When we seek His face wholeheartedly, we find His will. Deuteronomy 4:29 says, "...thou shalt find him, if thou seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul." If with all of our hearts we truly seek Him, He will reveal Himself and give us the guidance that we urgently need in our interior life.

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray..." Prayer is crying, waiting, praising, looking upward, listening and giving God all the glory. There is so much that could be said about prayer that it is almost endless. We have all had experiences in prayer. We think our prayer time is finished, but many times He will say, "Wait just a minute. I have something else for you to pray about." Prayer is full of surprises, holiness and great possibilities. Prayer has no end. There are no boundaries. It is ever close to us, but far away.

I recall the time I was going out the door of our home. As my hand touched the door knob,

a great burden came upon me. The Lord then revealed to me that one of my loved ones was near death. I prayed and pled with God, and after a long time I got some relief. The next morning, my father was going to a funeral in the north. He preached the funeral, and on the return trip home, a big Hudson hit him head on. It looked as though he could not survive that accident, but God had heard prayer and my father was spared. Prayer changes things. Prayer lifts and lightens. Through prayer, we become new creatures in Christ Jesus. Through prayer, we are sanctified and He gives us new life. As we come before the Throne, crying "Oh, Lord, here am I," He always knows what we need before we ask Him.

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways;..." We must turn from our wicked and selfish ways, the way of criticism and judgment, of hurting people. We must turn from these carnal ways in order to run the race He has set before us, looking unto Jesus, the Author and Finisher of our faith. We must turn from these wicked ways to lay hold upon the promises of God, the joy of the Lord, and the victory that is ours as we press toward the mark, letting loose of the things which are behind. This verse continues, "...then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." Oh, what a message! I am not able to expound on it as I would like, but it is for all of God's people as we go with God and do what He would have us to do, resisting the powers of hell and the devil.

It is God's will that we humble ourselves. It is God's will that we seek His face. It is God's will that we lay aside every weight. We must come to Him in prayer and have these weights removed. We must have divine surgery, for they tend to stick harder than a leech. They hold on and will not let go. We have to pray, believe and have faith. My cry in prayer is, "Oh, Lord, I have so little faith. I need more faith." Hebrews 11:1 says, "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Verses thirty-three through thirty-five read, "Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of the weak-

ness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection."

The Lord said, "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven..." We desperately need to hear from heaven, for Jesus is coming soon. We know not the day nor the hour, but He said in an hour that we think not, the Son of Man cometh. We desperately need Him, for without Him we can do nothing. We plead the precious blood of Jesus, and cry out for mercy, and for His wonderful gifts of love, grace and power to deliver the godly out of temptation, and from the hurts and disappointments of life.

We are thankful for your prayers, petitions, supplications and sacrifice to God on our behalf. Thank you, each one, for your wonderful letters of encouragement and help. We would like to request prayer for our physical needs, as well as for mind and soul. Thank you also for praying that the Lord would touch the hearts of those whom He would have to help us financially. We appreciate everything that has been done for us, and know that it is only by His grace and mercy we are able to make it every step of the way. Thank you, in Jesus' name, for praying.

In Jesus' Name,

*Loran W. Helm*  
Loran W. Helm

p.s. Following are letters we would like to share with you for God's glory, honor and praise.

Dear Rev. Helm and Florence, Praise the Lord once more for the privilege of attending the Waiting On God. We wanted to thank you for extending your strength and health to the fullest to be obedient to God and faithful to us.

What a delight it was to see and hear you, Florence, in your sweet and tender way, playing under great anointing.

We are so thankful for your faithfulness to share the Word as God gives you without fear or favor. I was glad to get some new insights as you shared about the prodigal son, his father and brother... Sincerely, Richard and Mabel Smith.

Dear Rev. & Mrs. Helm, I thank God often for being a part of your ministry. I thank God for your faithfulness (by God's grace only) and lives of holiness. The example you set in this generation gives us hope that we too can live holy lives. I thank God for your gifts and ministries. I don't know how barren my life would have been without your lives and ministries through the years.

I thank God for His help to strengthen, help and heal you. I thank Him for the strength He gave you in the services. It is a miracle of God's grace and love that you can preach for 45 minutes and play the piano so well at your ages.

I was blessed that after your teaching on the sower and the seed, it was followed by Jerry sharing his jail ministry, in which following his interior cross and death, he led 30 people to Jesus in the last year. That illustrated the good seed bringing forth 30 fold or more. The parables are alive and working in our lives now. Praise God!

I'm so thankful for the opportunity to meditate at that gate. That was a real blessing. The air conditioning was greatly appreciated. I can't get over the people who helped in the parking and directing of traffic. In my work I have had opportunity to direct traffic in fairs and special events. Hundreds of cars pass, and I don't ever remember a thank you more than once or twice. I can appreciate how the officers felt with so much expression of appreciation.

I have come home thankful for all the help and answers to prayer God has given in coming to the Waiting On God. I'm thankful for the peace and quiet spirit He has given me in my return. I surely needed to come aside for a few days to wait on God.

The young man who shouts met me when I came in the first session, and greeted me with "Be encouraged." The Lord witnessed, and I was helped immediately. I enjoyed the big screen close-ups as much as the sanctuary. Jesus helped. Prayerfully yours, James W. Bunnell.

Dear Brother Helm, The 1995 Waiting Upon God at Parker City was a tribute to the fact that God still leads His servants as in the days of the prophets. We met at God's bidding, at God's appointed place and time. Seldom in the history of the church has a people of God ever been at the right place at the right time, under the cloud and pillar of God.

But we, well over a thousand of us, camped in at the historic place of your first obedience to God where Jesus said to you on conversion night: "Go to Austin

Holloway's for prayer." And now sixty-three years later you stood before us at that sight for a further fulfillment of a prophecy of God, when He spoke to you in your early years.

And yes, praise the Lord, did God ever use you to help, heal, challenge, comfort and instruct my people...We have closed our Sunday church services every Waiting Upon God for the last eighteen years for all my people to wait with you before the Lord, and has it ever been easy to pastor this people.

Mary Webster, the former secretary to Dr. E. Stanley Jones, told you years ago: "Go and find the people of God and teach them." What a glorious trail of honey and truth, of life abundant and mercy flowing from the Throne of God have you left behind these past many years. It has been so marvelous and wonderful, so much in the Lord that my people would never want to miss a Waiting Upon God.

Now coming to the meetings, your first witness after the prayer of invocation was #153 in The Methodist Hymnal, "Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise;..." This, dear brother, was God's first command in the face of great difficulty to all of His children there. Alleluia! Alleluia! Yes, by praise we shall conquer, through praise we shall find love and strength, for: "God inhabits the praises of Israel."

Note the last song the Holy Spirit witnessed to prior to the last altar call: "Scatter Seeds of Kindness, For Our Reaping By and By," sung by Robert and Esther Morey. To make this a sandwich story, I shall say that the bottom slice of the sandwich was praise, and the top slice seeds of kindness. And how about the meat, mayonnaise, lettuce, tomatoes and cucumbers. Well, as far as the meat is concerned, it is best to sum up the essence of your messages: Prayer and Humility - A Sower Went Forth to Sow - The Lost Sheep - and the Parable of the Prodigal Son.

As to Prayer and Humility, you took us to 2 Chronicles 7:1. You taught us that prayer is as much listening as speaking. You taught us how to form a prayer, and how to end a prayer. You taught us that often when we want to end prayer, we are just at the beginning point of prayer. You taught us that prayer is ineffectual without humility and brokenness. Our ministry does not begin until we come to brokenness, and only brokenness can get us to the doorway of prayer being heard. You taught us that in humility there is no controversy or hurt, but rather surrender, vision and compliance. Humble prayer is crying, waiting, looking up, listening, giving God all the glory, and full of surprises and great possibilities. Humble prayer has no boundaries. Our weights are removed by prayer.

As to the Parable of the Sower, you gave us reality therapy. We may have our dreams, but we must never live in them or be attached to them. Our feet must be

firmly planted in the realities of the Word of God. Our dreams are for all those who receive Jesus to go on unto fruit bearing. But reality tells us that the fowls of the air are ever present to consume unguarded seeds, and to sow doubt and criticism in their place. The fowls of criticism and ravens of judgment are ever about us. The birds not only take away seeds, but they plant seeds as consumed seeds pass through their digestive systems. Some of God's seeds fall on rock and there is no place for root. Others fall amongst thorns and endure for awhile, but they then become unfruitful because the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches soon quench the life out of them. Unless we deny self consistently, we will not bring forth fruit an hundred-fold, sixty-fold or thirty-fold.

As to the Lost Sheep, you shared with us that we can get lost by prayerlessness, talking too much or too little, or by disobedience. You shared with us that when the shepherd finds the sheep that is lost, there is no scolding or reprimand, but tenderness and comfort. (The Lord tells me now: "Hear this.")

Finally, you shared with us about the parable of the Two Sons. The young son asked for his inheritance before it was time to receive it. It is self-desire that took him into the far country, into desolation. What is the distance from plenty to desolation? Then the son comes to himself. Before we can come to God, we must come to ourselves. We must come to grips with the nature and depth of our sin before we can apply the mercy of God to our hearts. Now this son makes another decision. It was a decision that came out of brokenness and yield- edness. He is willing to be a servant in his father's house and he gets on his way. The feast is on.

Well, that is the meat of the sandwich. As for the tomatoes, cucumbers and mayonnaise, there were testimonies, songs that wooed hearts to Jesus, holiness and compassion. There were reports of God working and saving in the prisons and on the mission fields, and there were reviews of how God led in the past.

This Waiting Upon God coincided with my 18th anniversary in Kokomo. Indeed, what an anniversary gift that was to have my people return home reporting of the deepest work done in their hearts in any of the Waitings in the past eighteen years. We in Kokomo are looking forward to the next Waiting Upon God, and we invite you to surprise us any Sunday, the Holy Spirit leading you to come. "Foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests;" but Jesus had no place to lay His head. Be it known to you that there is a place for you at any time with us.

Let us scatter seeds of kindness for our reaping by and by. Sincerely, Reimar (Schultze).

Dear Rev. Helm, This is just a note to thank you for your dedication to the Lord Jesus and your pressing to

obey Him. I know you were very weak at the Waiting Upon God, but marveled at how the Lord helped you to press and preach God's word. The Waiting Upon God was a great time—a refreshing.

The church was lovely and I thank all those who were involved in the hard work, especially with Pastor McAdams and all the volunteers. I also thank the Lord for every leading that He gave during the Waiting Upon God. The Holy Spirit was moving in power. May the Lord give you strength and touch your body with His healing power. Give your wife love from Virginia and me. We pray the Lord will touch her. Because of Calvary, Rev. James and Virginia Wright.

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Dear Grandfather, I would like to take this opportunity to write to you and the entire Revival For Our Day family. It was a great privilege and honor for Parker City Christ Fellowship to host the recent Waiting Upon God. To meet on the very grounds where, through the Holy Spirit, you were first hearing and doing the will of God upon your conversion, was in itself, significant. Then to see that in your 79th year, you continue to hear and obey the Holy Spirit and His leadings makes it all worthwhile.

We have prayed for years, at your request, that you would speak the very words that Jesus would speak if He were here. The sweet, tender and direct way you spoke was evidence that the Lord has heard those prayers. No one could have left in confusion. Thank you for continuing to press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Many people worked together to help make this Waiting Upon God possible. I would like to thank the following people who put in many hours to help us:

**Ushers**-*Jack Miller, Paul Walker, Dick Gilbert, Larry Keen, Frank Rhoades, Jerry Bays, Francis Conwell, Doug Denny, Michael Parker Jr., Lee Browning, Mike Arnold, Clarence Hudson, Tony Cox, Keith Helm, Kim Gilbert, Doug Spradlin, Rick Lichtenberger.*

**Parking Lot Attendants**-*Kim Gilbert, Larry Wright, Doug Spradlin, Doug Ray, Todd Hough, Chris Pruitt, Jason Albertson, Doug Mosier, Ron Weimer, Jeff Caille, Ed Formanek, Fabiano Francios, Andrew Lloyd, Christopher Lloyd, Spencer Lloyd.*

**Evangel Voice Book Room**-*Andrew Lloyd, Mike Arnold, Kay Arnold.*

**Video**-*John Bruffy, Barry Doss, Dwane Bell, Judy Bruffy, Joan Ball.*

**Camera Operators**-*Jonathan Wagner, Nicholas Husson Jr., John de Wolde, Richard Smith Jr., Evan Young.*

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I also want to thank all those who gave financially at the Waiting Upon God. Receipts were \$21,729.28, with expenditures of \$5,857.46. Of the expenditure amount, \$4,526.00 was for the rental of the video equipment. With gratitude, Grandson David (Miller).

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Audio and video recordings of the six services of the Waiting Upon God are now available for order. You may choose 12 Audio (monophonic) C-90 cassette tapes for \$35.00 (includes shipping/handling) or an unusual selection of stereo video tapes for approximately \$20.00 each. The six services have been excellently captured on video by John Bruffy and his wonderful cameramen on 11 T-120 videocassettes. The first service, the dedication of the Parker City Christ Fellowship Church, is complete on one 2-hour tape. Each of the other five services was places on two tapes in order to allow easier management of the sessions. Mr. Bruffy has also personally edited a summary of the inspired musical presentations on 3 T-120 video music tapes with identification of each of the performers, and a summary of the anointed messages on 2 T-120 sermon tapes, with sermon texts highlighted on the screen. Each video tape, or set of video tapes, is accompanied by a detailed index. I was happy to hear the excitement in John's voice as he spoke of the privilege of working with the video again this year. "I believe the video and audio quality is the best we have ever produced," he told me.

Any congregation wishing to view one of the five edited tapes may request a loan copy from EVP. Please include \$4.00 to cover postage and handling of this sample tape. We believe you will be excited and impressed by the quality and the editing. These five specially edited tapes, totaling about \$100.00, will bring most of the essence of the Waiting Upon God to your home or to your congregation. Some families have found it helpful to co-purchase video tapes with one or two other families and share the cost. (My wife and I felt the beauty of our Mother Florence playing the prelude music was worth the whole set!)

Evangel Voice Publications will receive and process your orders as before, but Mr. Bruffy will be in charge of the duplication and filling of the orders for all video tapes. The Order Form follows. The video tapes will be reproduced by a professional duplication house which requires minimum orders. We look forward to getting these excellent audio and video cassettes to you. Please do not send money with your order. You will be billed when your order is processed. Please send all orders to:

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We love and cherish each of you!

Jon Cullum

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# Revival For Our Day

October 25, 1995

To the followers of Jesus the Christ, the obedient, submissive and childlike, Greetings in the Holy Ghost.

There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: The same came to Jesus by night..... (John 3:1, 2)

There was a man of the Pharisees. The Pharisees were religious and dedicated people. They were praying people. They tithed of all they possessed. Do you know of anyone that actually tithes of everything they possess? Do you know anyone who fasts twice a week, regularly? The Pharisees were very strict. They were religious people, praying people, dedicated people, cautious people, courageous people. But Jesus said, "...except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven." (Matt. 5:20) I have often thought of how serious that is. This man was a Pharisee who was a ruler of the Jews. A ruler is a person of authority, a person of integrity, a person of knowing how to proceed in all parts of government. He is well- qualified, a man of station, a man of gifts, a man of abilities, a man of varied thoughts and ideas. He is esteemed by some, admired by others, and not understood by most or some. This particular ruler of the Jews had a thought come to him, and this thought was that he would like to come to Jesus and see him, and he made a choice to come by night.

It is a good thought to come to Jesus. I came to him on the 22nd of January, 1933. I asked him to forgive me of my sins because I was a sinner. It is but by the grace of God that I am saved through His precious blood. This Pharisee thought, "I want to see Jesus." He decided to go after the sun had gone down. Now that's quite an idea, isn't it? Either his schedule was too busy, he had too much going on, he had too much that he had promised to do, or he wanted to see Him unseen. No one knows the answer but the Holy Spirit of God.

This Pharisee had made a decision. I want to bring to your thought that life is made up of decisions. Every business has to make a decision. In the grocery business you have to decide whether you are going to put the beans over there or the peas over here. You have to decide where the fruit is going to be. You have to make a decision, you have to make a choice. Life is filled with decisions. Every person has to decide where he is going, what he is going to do, how long he is going to stay there, when he is going to depart, and what he is going to do on the way. We have to make a decision or a choice. We are either going to serve God or we are going to serve ourselves. There is not any part of life that is not filled with decisions and choices. You choose whether you are going or whether you are staying. You choose whether you are

going to live here or you are going to go there. This man had made a decision. He came to Jesus by night.

Marriage is made up of decisions and choices. If I do not make the right choice, then I bring calamity to my home, I make chaos. To try to have a marriage with carnality in your heart is like trying to drain the oil out of my crankcase and drive for five minutes. What would happen? It would be galled, it would be scarred, it would be worthless. To try to have a marriage without a sanctified heart would be like trying to have a crankcase empty of lubrication. A lot of times, people are trying to have marriages, but they do not know that the trouble is in their heart. They want to do what they want to do. We can choose to have a marriage the way we want it. Most everyone on earth, since Adam, has made his own choice. And that is why we are in chaos. We are trying to have marriages with an unsanctified heart.

John T. Hatfield decided that he would buy himself a cow. She was a pretty good milker. There was just one weakness. When the pail was full, she gave a kick and he would get splattered and he would get angry. He would become upset and he would say a few things. I do not know if he kicked her or not. Carnality will kick. Carnality will contend, carnality will confront, carnality will cause trouble. Did you know that carnality is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be?

John T. Hatfield would go out to milk the cow. If she acted good, he acted good, but if she kicked, he kicked. "Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be." (Rom. 8:7) This anger, this wrath, this wanting to talk about people, judge people, criticize people is enmity and it is carnality. It causes our trouble and our difficulty.

His wife looked out the window, saw him coming and he was upset. This continued day after day, week after week, and month after month. He had prayed and would go to the altar. He would say, "I am sanctified, I got blessed. Hallelujah, I am blessed, I am sanctified!" He would go out to milk the cow and kabang! Before he knew it, he had exploded. He made a choice to buy a cow. He made a choice to milk a cow. He did not know he was going to make a choice to react.

He would say, "I've got the victory! I can milk her now and not get upset." He would go out there, proud, and kabang! He had not been entirely sanctified yet. He had not gotten all the way through yet. You see, if I get upset with anybody, I am carnal and I need to be sanctified.

John T. Hatfield made a choice to buy a cow, but he did not know she was a kicker. When you make a

choice and you get something that you don't want, what are you going to do? Are you going to go on in the unsanctified life? Most all men go on in the unsanctified life! They have never been sanctified and they have never been cleansed and never gone truly to God. They have done exactly what they have wanted to do and go where they wanted to go, since the fall of Adam.

He kept on praying and did not stop. (That is in my heart) Glory to God! He kept praying and kept praying until the glory fell upon his soul. When he got the fire in his soul, his wife looked out the door. He was all splattered with milk, but he had his hat in his hand and he was shouting the glory. She said, "Daddy's got it today! Daddy's got sanctified! He hasn't much left in the pail, but he is praising God."

Before that happened, he decided to cause an old hen that wanted to sit, to sit on some eggs. He went out and said, "If you want to sit, I'll give you some eggs." He put them nicely in the nest and he said, "Sit down", and she came back up. He said, "Sit down." She came back up and before he got through (before he got sanctified) he had part of the feathers out of her and I do not know how many eggs were broken.

We try to get people to sit in our ways, the way we want them to sit. We want a person to do exactly what we want them to do. My dear brother, when you are sanctified, you just give them over to God and say, "Lord, deal with them and speak to them and woo them until they can be wholly given over to Thee."

The tendency of the unsanctified man and woman is to try to straighten the other one out and that is a bad choice. We have to have a real "given over to the Lord" spirit constantly to keep the victory. I have so little of it. I need the Holy Spirit. I need the visitation of His abiding, His precious anointing. I need it more now than in all my nearly eighty years of living. Praise God forever and ever!

Life is filled with all kinds of choices. Just look at what happened to Lot. What was the choice and the decision that Lot made? It was the one that was not God's will. What was the cost of the choice that Lot made to go with Abraham? It has never ended. I do not know whether it has multiplied or not. The longer a choice is made out of the Spirit, the bigger it gets and the more it multiplies. Now if you only get that much out of this sermon, it will be enough.

Lot made the choice to go with Abraham. But who has suffered for it? When you make a choice in your marriage, and you do what you want to do, you put suffering on people, on the children, the grandchildren, the great-grandchildren, and on and on. What was the cost of the great king that looked over a wall? David did more than look over a wall. He chose to put the husband

in the heat of the battle. It means that I have to be careful of my judgment. Life is full of a lot of ideas and decisions. However, there cannot be any part of the spirit of carnality or judgment in a life.

Whenever I become carnal and I make a judgment, what do I do? I invite a temptation of something to come in upon me in days, weeks, months or years. Have you ever thought of it before? If I make a choice in the flesh then I am inviting a temptation. I might do far worse than the great king. His choice divided the kingdom. Out of this union was born one of the wisest men that ever lived, except Jesus. Solomon could almost commune with the birds, the bees and the ants. But did that end justify the means?

Life is made up of choices and decisions. But there cannot be one little, tiny place for carnality. If we are carnal, one thing that happens to us is that we resent, we criticize and we find fault and judge. We can see the situation. We can see that it is not right at all, but we have no right to judge it. If we do, we are in trouble. The cost of the wrong decision, the cost of the carnal mind, the cost of a broken heart and home is so great and immense that it is immeasurable.

What was the cost for Jonah? The earthly part of him chose to go to Tarshish. The Holy Spirit wanted him to go the Nineveh. The cost did not only put a ship full of people in jeopardy, but also that Jonah lived in a whale's belly for three days. How can a man live in a whale's body and survive? What was the cost of the decision of Jonah when he chose to go to Tarshish? How many of us are living at Tarshish instead of Nineveh? Tarshish is a place of self will, the place of self plan. Tarshish is a place of our wants. Where is Nineveh? Nineveh is where you die daily, where you make no decisions.

Jonah chose his own will. How many of us have chosen Tarshish since the fall of Adam? It would be wonderful if God could find a people that would go to Nineveh and stay there and die daily, not ever judge anyone, not ever criticize anyone, not ever pass judgment on anyone. The carnality in us will pass judgment before we even know we have done it. Then we invite upon us in two days, ten years, twenty years, thirty years, sixty years, something that we never dreamed of.

He chose Tarshish and put people in jeopardy. Look at the suffering we bring upon people because of what we say and what we do and what we tell them. We crush so many people because we are quick to speak and quick to judge. (Jesus, encourage every heart, because I love you all.) Tarshish was the wrong choice, the damaging choice, the hurtful choice.

We are so carnal, we are not willing to let God have His way with us. Most all men, since the fall of Adam, are so carnal. We do not harken. If we have not died

sufficiently every second, we will make a judgment before we know it and there is no room for it! After the baptism of the Holy Ghost, God revealed to me that I could not judge anyone to my wife about anything, no matter how bad it was.

Nicodemus made a choice to see Jesus by night. Jonah made a choice to go to Tarshish. Lot made a choice to go with Abraham, the great man of God. If Lot had stayed home, his wife would never have turned into a pillar of salt. We turn a lot of our companions into hard places because of the choice we make. We loose our children because of the choice we make to talk about somebody or to judge someone.

Nicodemus was a great man. He said, "You are a teacher come from God. No man could do the things you do except God be with him." (John 3:2) He made a certain judgment that was right. Jesus was a teacher, but He was more than a teacher. He was the Savior, He was the Christ, He was the Son of the Living God that came to save us. He said, "Marvel not that I say unto thee, ye must be born again." (John 3:7) He made a choice to come to Jesus by night.

We make a choice either to go to Nineveh or to Tarshish. We make a choice either to stay home or go with Uncle Abraham. Uncle Abraham was one of the great men of all time; a man of faith. But it was not God's will for Lot to join him. Most all people are doing their own will rather than the will of God.

A dear brother said to me, "I want you to pray for me. I need to know whether I am to go to Nebraska, Indiana and build a home." I told him I did not know. He said, "God may tell you." I will never have another revelation, except by the mercies of God. Later that day, when I left the bedroom and went into the kitchen, I began to pray. In the kitchen was something this man had given me. The Holy Spirit told me that my revelation was about him. I prayed and asked Jesus if this precious brother was to go to Nebraska, Indiana and cut down the beautiful trees to build a home or if he was to stay in the Anderson area.

The Lord revealed to me that he was to stay in the Anderson area. This man looked for a home in the area, but after three days found nothing. The Lord showed me that if he had looked for eleven more days, he would have found a home. He chose to go to Nebraska and build a home. A few years later, he was rounding a curve on the way to Madison and was killed.

We make the choice to go to Nineveh or to Tarshish. We make the choice to either go with Uncle Abraham or stay home. We make the choice about ideas, theories, philosophies, and ideologies. The choice that we have to make is whether we are going to live in a carnal state or a spiritual state. We are either going to live in the Holy Spirit, as He leads us, or we are going to live in that

which we would like; that which would be the better for us, that which we have chosen. The cost of our choices, our ideas and appraisals does not end at sundown, at the end of the week, or at the end of the year. The choice that we make today may follow onward. In the case of Lot, it did not end with his choice to go with Abraham. He brought calamity upon his wife, among other things.

Everyone who is carnal finds fault with people. I know that we are all carnal, born in sin. Unless we have this carnality cleansed out of us, by the blood and truth of Jesus, we will make the choice of Lot going with Abraham. We will make the choice for Tarshish. We will make the choice to look over the wall and put Uriah in the heat of the battle. We will make a judgment before we think it through. Many a time we have made a judgment and we have brought calamity upon a person. They would have never had it, if we had waited just a little while to find out what God said to do.

Are you a tender and gentle person? Are you a compassionate person, or are you a person who is quick to make judgments. What will be the cost of my quickness to think what I think ought to be done in going to Tarshish instead of Nineveh? I have never heard a sermon like this. I have never preached a sermon like this in sixty-two and a half years.

People that are carnal get upset with people. The Bible tells us that, "Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them." (Psalm 119:165) Why do we get upset with people and want our own way? Carnality cannot be pleased by anybody or anything. Carnality is not pleased with itself or anything else. When can God send a revival? (The strongest dealing all morning) It will be when men and women make their restitutions and ask one another's forgiveness for a quick judgment, that they talked about each other, that they found fault with one another.

"If my people which are called by my name shall humble themselves." In your life, have you ever known where a man humbled himself? It has seldom been.

It would be wonderful if God could find men and women who would be willing to pay the price. They want their own way, pass judgment, and pass ideas and theories. Life is full of decisions, but there cannot be one spot or speck of carnality in us. There cannot be one tiny bit of judgment in my heart. If there is, I disobey the will of God and grieve Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God who taketh away the sins of the world.

Jesus said, "Except ye be born again, ye shall not enter the kingdom of heaven." (John 3:3) If you are not born again, you cannot see it. A lot of people want to do things, but they want to be the chief, they want to be the number one. We have to be willing to be nothing. We have to be willing to be the least. If we could only find a few people

who would do this. A lot of peoples' lives have been stopped because they want to be the chief. They lost their station in life because they wanted to be with Uncle Abraham. Jesus said, "Would ye also go away?"

Jonah chose to go to Tarshish. Lot chose to go with Abraham, the great man. It looked reasonable and feasible. Where can we find a people anywhere in the world that will not judge people in their weakness, their frailty and in their shortcomings. Jonah chose Tarshish instead of Nineveh. David chose to look over the wall at a beautiful woman. He chose to put Uriah in the heat of the battle.

I think I have a friend, and they go along with me for a while and then they are gone. I have great fellowship with them and they are gone. They will not stay with it. It is by the mercies of God that we do not choose to go with Abraham or go to Tarshish, that we do not choose to look over a wall; that we do not choose to go to the place of a broken marriage or a torn-up home. We have so many torn-up homes. We have so many critical people. We have so many precious people, but they are critical.

Do you think that criticism is of the Holy Spirit? We get offended with people when they are doing the best they can. I do not want to offend anyone. "But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea." (Matt. 18:6) I do not want to be an offender.

Life is full of choices. But we cannot have one spirit, or one iota of carnality or judgment, or we bring calamity, hardships, sicknesses, diseases, or cancers upon ourselves after awhile. (He is talking to me about cancers.)

Oh, that the Holy Spirit could find men that would be broken enough to repent. Women who would be broken enough to repent to their husbands and say, "I nag too much, I press too much." Did you know that there are a lot of wonderful husbands that will not talk to their wives much at all, but they will talk to strangers. Wives will tell things to others that they will not tell their husbands.

Nicodemus made a good choice by coming to Jesus. Jesus said, "Except a man is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Nicodemus said, "How can these things be? When he is old, can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered and said, "Verily, verily I say unto thee, except ye be born of the water unto the Spirit, you cannot enter into the kingdom of God." (John 3:4,5)

"That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, that ye must be born again." (John 3:6,7) What does it tell you if you are offended with this message. Does that tell how hard the heart is?

I want you to be encouraged. I do not want this to be a discouraging message. I want it to be a lifting message. A message of hope, joy, victory, and overcoming. A message of marvel and help, strength to overcome our carnality.

What is the cost of a choice? What is the cost of a judgment out of Divine Order? What is the cost of going with Abraham? What is the cost of going down to my will? What is the cost of doing what I want to do rather than what God wants me to do? What is the cost of a marriage when carnality is the gears without the lubricant? It causes the motor to burn up. If the husband and wife are both sanctified, they would be talking, loving, helping, encouraging. There would not be a complaint or murmur. They would just say, "This is not quite right; we will make it a little better."

There is a lot that I do not know, but I do know that Lot was not supposed to go with Abraham. Jonah chose to go to Tarshish. David chose to look over a wall. What is your choice? Have you chosen to judge people? Have you chosen to find fault with people? How much room is there for judgment? What happens to me if I judge you for doing wrong?

He wants us steadfast. I know I cannot do that except by help of the Holy Spirit. I need Him so desperately. Always remember that we do not want to be offended at people.

Uncle Buddy Robinson was preaching and a man came up to him and lined him up. After awhile, the man told Uncle Buddy that he did not even have the sense to be offended. Uncle Buddy responded, "God bless you brother. Were you trying to offend me?"

Another man got through preaching. A man jumped up and came up into the pulpit and filled (or maybe partially filled) both ears with tobacco juice. Carnality acts like that. We are not tobacco spitters, but we are some other kind of spitters. I trust that you are not offended with me. I always feel so grateful for everyone that is going to Nineveh. I am so thankful for those who are willing to stay at home and not go with Abraham. I am thankful for those who are willing not to judge anyone about anything.

"The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but cannot tell from whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit" (John 3:8). They that are born of the Spirit are unpredictable. You never know where they are going. They do not even know themselves. They do not know what they are going to say. They do not know where they are going to go. You cannot depend on everybody. But the soul that will obey God; the Holy Ghost will work, lead, guide, and direct them.

The carnal mind is constantly getting hold of the controls that control. God gave that to me in the last twenty-four hours. Most all carnal people are doing this. All

self-assertive people are getting a hold of these controls. Carnality will do it and we do not know we are doing it. This is a tremendous thought. In all my sixty-two years of preaching, I never saw that before. This has been true ever since the fall of Adam. Adam was reaching for the control when he took the fruit, the control of death, the control of his own will. You will have to review this message maybe five, ten, fifteen or twenty times before you will get this in your heart. The harder your heart is, the longer it takes to get it and the more you resent it. If you have talked about anybody or found fault with anybody this week, you will have to review this message.

Please pray for me. I need it more than you know. When Steven Reinhardt saw the battle I was in, it frightened him so badly he did not know what to do. He has never gotten over it.

I do not want to fail God. I do not want to fail the Holy Spirit. I do not want to make my own choice. I do not want to go to Tarshish. I want to be faithful.

I am thankful for all your prayers, petitions and fasting.

In Jesus' Name,

*Loran W. Helm*

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p.s. I would like to make a request, if I may, that everyone on the mailing list would write or call Dr. Ron Wine for comfort and encouragement. He is leaving Indiana to take a pastorate in Tennessee and has meant a great deal to all of us at Revival For Our Day and Parker City Christ Fellowship. We have been helped by his presence and his commitment prayer. Thank you for your generous consideration in this.

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I would like to share the following letters with you, to God's glory, giving Him all the praise.

Dear Rev. Helm, Thank you very much for writing "The Voice In The Wilderness", and putting it into a more understandable level. I am only thirteen years old, but I am reading it for the ninth time. I have read it so much that it is in quite a few different sections. I pray for you and your wife every day. It helps and encourages me when you kiss and love your wife. Sincerely, Emily Arnold.

Dear Daddy and Mommy Helm, Thank you for being

such caring persons. I just wanted to let you know once again how much I love you both. There is no one else quite like you. You are true and faithful servants of the Lord Jesus Christ. Thank you for your love gifts every two weeks. Your Ever-Loving Daughter, Mary (Davis).

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Rev. Helm, I really appreciate you and I thank God for you and your ministry. You have been a great help to me and I really enjoy reading "A Voice In The Wilderness". Praise the Lord. In Christ Jesus, Sheryl Hillman.

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Dear Dr. and Mrs. Helm, We want you to know of our love and appreciation for the example of how you have walked before us. It encourages us and keeps us going when times seem hard. It seems as we look around us as Peter exhorted "perilous days" have come upon us. All the more, we need to keep our eyes on Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith. It helps us to know we can do it because of the examples the Lord has sent before us. Thank you for your faithfulness, even in the storms. Dave and Beverly Allen.

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Dear Rev. Helm, Praise the Lord for these meetings. They have been refreshing to my heart. They have added lots of fuel to my fire. I would like to share with you something that really got into my heart.

On Tuesday, the 17th of October, you shared about getting right with all men and that we would be held accountable. I have heard this many times, but last night it really got into my heart. Jesus showed me how critical and judgmental I have been. This morning at work, I asked some of the people that I work with for forgiveness. In return, they asked me to forgive them. I give God all the glory!

Jesus also showed me that I have had this spirit at many Waitings, but tonight I sat down and wrote a letter to the churches in RFOD asking for forgiveness. It was very hard for me to do this, but I knew it was what I must do. I am seeking a perfect heart.

I love you and Florence very much. What a high honor to be under your ministry. Praise the Lord. Love, M.S.

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Dear Rev. Helm, Greetings in Jesus' Precious Name. As I sat on the platform last night, and as I observed you in your teaching under such anointing of the Holy Spirit, it was very inspiring and uplifting. There is no way to express in words what I feel about the way God uses you to help us to know how to properly walk with God.

You are a blessing to all of us in Revival For Our Day and the world in total. We have been greatly benefited by being in the services the last two nights. By God's grace, you can count on White Harvest continuing to support Revival For Our Day and your ministry. It is a great privilege and honor to do so. God bless you and Mrs. Helm is our prayer. Yours in Calvary Love, Forrest and Mary Jane (Richey).

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Dear Rev. Helm, I am so thankful that you are able to get out among the people on Sunday this past week. I know it helps you so much. Your strength is renewed as you feed us. Reports are coming in to us about the meetings and how much they are helping the people; how they have been so encouraging, uplifting. God is truly being faithful. We owe it all to Jesus and the work of the Holy Spirit. Yours in Christ, E.A.

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Dear Rev. Helm, Thank you for your life of obediences of which I first heard in 1976. During that same year, I was privileged to read "A Voice In The Wilderness". As I read the book, I saw (and still do) your life paralleling that of some of the Biblical men and I hungered to know more about the kind of life you led, and to endeavor to live such a life myself.

As a result of your life and work of the Holy Spirit through you, your life and messages have continued to inspire, convict and encourage me.

May God grant abundant strength, quickening, deliverance, and a "peace that passeth understanding". With love and honor, Barbara Yarborough.

#### **NEWSLETTER ALERT**

We are still endeavoring to update our newsletter mailing list. If we do not have an accurate address for those who wish to be on the mailing list, the letter is not forwarded by the postal service. Please let us know if you need to update your address. If you are not presently receiving the newsletter by direct mail, please let us know and we would be glad to add you to the mailing list. Please send changes or additions to:

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Dear Rev. Helm, God be praised and glorified! Oh what joy and blessing to be with you in these services! Our whole family has been helped! What a wonderful work Jesus has been doing in my heart! Thank you for preaching the truth! The message God has given to you is what I need. I have been endeavoring to cry out to God that I might be faithful to Him, by His grace and mercy.

It seems too much has happened to even begin to share. I see God leading you in ways that the flesh could never attain to. It is truly a supernatural work of God in our midst.

Thank you for obeying God to have these meetings. Our whole family loves you dearly. Thank you for loving us. I truly am in debt to Jesus for your hearing God's voice to send Barry (Doss) to Kansas! Hallelujah! Love in Jesus, Don Litchfield.

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Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm, Words cannot express how God has helped me during these meetings in Parker City. Instruction on being tender and gentle with our children, submissive to our husbands, and the revelation on how we are to dress, has been a great value! Praise the Lord for His mercy.

My heart feels scrubbed clean and I am thankful and rejoicing, thanking you for being obedient and paying the price. In Jesus' Name, K.L.

#### **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Holy Spirit has revealed that we will be returning to Israel January 8 - 14, 1996. The cost of the trip will be somewhere between \$1800.00 - \$1950.00 from New York. If you have the finance and are led to join us, please contact Marian Smith at Passports International, 5060 E. 62nd Street, Suite 116, Indianapolis, IN 46220, (317) 257-2342. Please make sure that your passport is current. We will pass along more details as we know them.

Rev. and Mrs. Helm have asked specifically for prayer for their strength and healing. Rev. Helm has also requested that any who are able, would fast one meal per day for the next three weeks for healing and safety for the Israel trip.

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#### **TAPES OF SPECIAL MEETINGS IN PARKER CITY**

We have had requests for tapes of the special meetings held in Parker City October 9-22, 1995. The Lord helped and blessed in a wonderful way. We will include ordering information for these tapes in the next newsletter.

# *Revival For Our Day*

November 6, 1995

Dear Ones in Christ Jesus,

This is the time to give thanks unto God for His many blessings, provisions and guidances. I read in the sixth chapter of Ephesians, "Honor thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise; that it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth." (verses 2 and 3). This causes me to meditate on what my parents, my brothers, my companion and family have done for me in my lifetime.

When I was at Taylor University, my mother would prepare a little pasteboard box with food and provisions that would last me for several days. Because of the thoughtfulness and sacrifice of my father and mother, I was able to get my education.

I want to give thanksgiving to the Lord for the precious gift of my brothers who have been so helpful to me through these many years. In the book of Matthew, we read that the last shall be first, so I will begin with my youngest brother Edward and his wife Jackie.

When we did not have much furniture, Edward bought us a beautiful rocking chair. When we moved to this home, we did not have any beds for our twins. Edward and Jackie bought twin beds and a dresser for our each of our daughters. They bought us a washer and dryer that worked for over eighteen years.

Edward has helped me many times by leading me singing in revival services. In 1951, we were in the second week of meetings in Shirley, Indiana. He leaned over to me while the offering was being taken and asked if he could begin the RAM Fund. It began with only sixteen dollars and a few cents. God used my baby brother Edward to begin the fund that made it possible to start our home after waiting almost twenty years.

Edward, along with twelve to fourteen other families, worked so hard to get us a car. It was a blue Packard Clipper which rode so much easier and made my body more comfortable.

Edward and Jackie have helped us so much here at home and at our condominium in Florida. They have carried in many meals when we were in need. They, along with Richard and Mary Moore, painted the rooms in our condominium. They have done so many errands for us while we were in Florida. They have cleaned our condominium and washed our car over and over and over again.

Edward has been such a blessing and encouragement. We have had such wonderful times together and we want to give thanks and honor to him and his wife for the assistance they have given to us for over forty years. I have only shared a very few things of all that they have done. I cannot thank them enough. They have gone the third and fourth mile in doing things on our behalf.

Edward is such a lifter and encourager. When we are in Israel, he has a special ministry that hardly anyone could assume. Unto God be praise for the love and care of my parents, my brothers, my companion and my family.

Thanksgiving is a special time of the year when it is appropriate and in order to speak of those things that we so many times forget. "Can a maid forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? Yet my people have forgotten me days without number." (Jeremiah 2:32)

As I have thought about all the wonderful things that my parents and brothers have done for me, I felt it urgently appropriate to let them know of my deep, sincere appreciation and gratitude for all their thoughtful ways. They have all been so helpful to bear my burdens in many ways that I cannot express to all of you.

I think of my brother Edwin (Edward's twin brother) and the wonderful things he has done to help me. He, along with Edward, Terrance, Richard and Warren, spent hundreds of hours of labor on our home. Edwin has helped us so much in meetings. His wonderful spirit has encouraged me over and over. He has sacrificed and has gone beyond to help assist me in the

things I needed. I cannot give God enough thanks and praise for the thoughtfulness and tenderness of my two baby brothers.

My brother Terrance has spent many, many hours boring through the white oak studs of this house in order to install all the electric wiring. He saved me hundreds of dollars in electrical work. He worked faithfully for weeks and months each evening and on Saturdays. Many times his wife, Martha, would bring my breakfast in to me. They have been so thoughtful in their sacrifices for us.

All of my brothers have made great contributions to my ministry. All of our children love each of them dearly.

My brother Warren spent hours here helping Uncle Carl plumb the home. He helped put in the duct work for the heating. I can remember when he was eighteen years old, we were so close that he would tell me that he wanted to give me everything he had. He was so giving, as are all my brothers.

My brother Richard was the head builder of our home. He spent weeks and months building this home for me and my family.

It is appropriate to give thanks and to express appreciation to my family and my doctors, my helpers and my assistants; those who have been so thoughtful of us. This is true of all of you who are on the mailing list. You have over and over made provisions for us to be able buy clothes and have nice automobiles. If it were not for you in Revival For Our Day, we would not be able to have such beautiful things and helpful provisions. We give God the praise and do not want to forget all the things that have been done. Our Board of Directors has labored for thirty-three years to make it possible for us and our staff along with Rev. Morgan and his precious wife.

I think of Dr. Richard Spaulding when I was in Jerusalem. As I leaned over to put on my stockings, the bottom vertebrate in my back came out of place. I was suffering terribly. He worked for hours to get it back into place. He was so kind to me, and we shared wonderful fellowship. I want to give God thanks for the

many times he has helped me with back trouble. He has sacrificed many times in order to go to Israel with me. He could have made much money if he had stayed home. I want to express thanks for this love and care that Dr. Spaulding and his precious, loving wife Jackie have given to us. We have had such precious times in their home when Jesus would meet with us. It brings me to tears as I review all of this.

I want to give thanks and appreciation to Dr. Scott Reece and Dr. Kent Bullis for how much they have helped us. They have been such a blessing to our community. One old man in Perry Township said that one of the greatest contributions that has ever been made to the township was when they began their practice. We want to express appreciation for their ministering to the sick, the ailing and the hurting.

I want to thank Dr. Richard Blanchard for helping us in Florida. He has helped us over and over. His sister Michelle would call us at the condominium and check to see if we were all right. The times of fellowship in the Holy Spirit with all of these doctors have been sacred times.

Dr. Gerald Strauss has helped us so much. He speaks fourteen languages. His patients have included Elizabeth Taylor, Burt Reynolds, Tom Sellick and Dinah Shore. He has ministered to us over and over. He worked so hard on my wife's back so she would not have to be paralyzed.

Florence has been such a sweetheart to me. By the help and skills of all our physicians, I still have my helper, my sweetheart and my great lover with me. Her playing and singing have been such a wonderful help and blessing to me these past sixty-two years.

I cannot give my family enough love and thanks for all they have done for us. Our daughter Joyce and her husband Jack have been so sweet and have helped us so much. Jack helps us so much in Israel and in Waitings as he looks after people and helps in whatever way he can. Jon, Martha and Nancy help us by getting groceries and preparing our meals. Dear ones in our church have prepared such wonderful meals for us week after week. I want to thank Richard and Jo Ann Gilbert, Doug and Debbie Wright, Kim and Janice Gilbert, Steven and Ann Curtis,

Timothy and Ruth Walker, Robert and Karen Weber, Roderick and Shirley Abraham. These couples have done such much for us. I may be leaving out some, but I am thankful.

We are thankful for all our secretaries and office staff. What great contributions John and Janet McAdams have made to this community and this church. John has worked so hard to pastor this flock for many years. The McAdams children have been such a blessing with their musical presentations in Israel and in our home church services.

When we get into the area of thanksgiving, our hearts are thankful in proportion to our obedience and vision. Where there is no vision, the people perish. We need to have a vision of care and helpfulness for our families, our secretaries and our staff. Our board members have driven hundreds of miles through these years to help us. Rev. Emory Reece, who began Revival For Our Day, and his wife Marilyn have sacrificed for us over and over.

I am far behind in my thanksgiving, my appreciation and my gratitude to all my brothers, my parents, my wife, my children, my grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

I also wish to thank Richard and Mabel Smith who have paid the insurance on our condominium for the last nineteen years. The Lord might lay it on your heart to send them a note of thanks and gratitude for this sacrifice.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smith  
17169 Rocky Pine Rd.  
Jupiter, Florida 33478

I know I am leaving out many who have made contributions to us. I feel that this letter is expedient and urgent so that you will know that I have not forgotten all who have helped. You have made life much easier for us and it is a great blessing. I want to present back to you in a small way that I am thankful at this Thanksgiving time. He has blessed me in abundance. I am in debt to all of you.

I praise God, for our Heavenly Father has made every breath possible. We do not live by bread alone, but by the every word that comes

out of our precious Heavenly Father's mouth. He guides us into all truth.

Thank you for your prayers, your petitions, your supplications and your fasting in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

In Jesus' Name

*Loran W. Helm*

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P.S. We give thanks to all of the Board of Directors, to each of our staff and all of what they have done for us through these 33 years.

And for God our Heavenly Father and His giving of the Blessed Christ His only begotten Son for his death on the cross. His shedding of His precious blood for our salvation. Of the precious gift of the Holy Spirit our comforter and guide who leadeth us into all truth, who will never leave us or forsake us. We praise them now and always. We give thanks for all your many prayers and love which we desperately need and we are extremely thankful for all your devotion unto God and us. May your thanksgiving time be enjoyable and victorious through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thank You,

*Loran W. Helm*

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We share the following letters with you, giving thanks, honor and praise to Jesus.

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm, Just a note to tell you that we are so glad that you have had a break through in your health and in the darkness that was affecting you in the summer. We have trusted that the Lord would bring you out of this "place" that you were in. We are thankful that God sees our hearts and that we can resist anything that is negative. Your letter to your own daughters (years ago) has been circulated to many of us and has helped us tremendously to resist anything negative. Not so much denying that anything negative ever happens, but just not dwelling on it. I believe that it will mean health and strength to resist the buffeting that comes; strength to obey and press at the right times and physical healing. I claim all of that for you and yours and hope that it will stay with you. We also hope that you can come see us at Scott Depot soon.

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My wife and daughter went to Parker for the special meetings and just loved them. I know your strength has been limited, yet God is able to revive your body like He has your spirit. So be it Lord.

We love and admire you both! Sincerely in Him, Rob, Johanna, Maria and Lydia Keister.

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Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm, Thank you for your example to the rest of us! Thank you for not going with Uncle Abraham. Thank you for not looking over the wall at Bathsheba. Thank you for going to Nineveh instead of Tarshish. Thank you for holding steady in time of heart ache. We love you, Charles and Norma Jean Hughes.

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Rev. Helm, I give God all praise, glory, and thanksgiving for all He has done. I am thankful for God calling you and then you obeying. It is so wonderful how God has taught you of this way down through the years.

I used to go to different churches for years because I was brought up to go to church. I went home empty, having no helping hand for the things of this life. How good God is, that He sent His son to die for our sins. All that He holds for us is in our obedience, in denying self and doing His will daily. He has a beautiful table set for us. Our inheritance is better than any silver, gold, or any earthly thing there is.

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Continue on Rev. Helm for we need help—God's help. The truth will set us free. Love, Sister Mary Lou Neal.

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Dear Brother Helm, Do you remember your first trip to Pearisburg? Brother Morgan was our interim pastor. We knew then that you were special in God's kingdom and we still believe that. You have taught us so much about becoming a little child, taking up our cross and having a pure heart.

Thank you for making the way so simple and plain. God bless you and your wife. We pray that your happiest days are yet to come. God loves you and so do we.

In Christian love, Waldo and Lorraine Williams.

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Dear Brother and Sister Helm, Glory! Glory! Glory! What other words can I use to describe what all the Lord has been doing in these services. I believe that it is beyond anything I have ever experienced. The pinpoint accuracy in which the Lord is leading you is almost unbelievable. When has the Lord led for so many healings, revelations, and calming of storms?

The Lord is really helping David in the early parts of the service, too. On Friday night his prayer encouraged everyone that was encouragable. Then Rodney Dunn also prayed a dynamic prayer. We were all helped, blessed and encouraged.

Your messages have been so helpful, challenging, convicting and uplifting. I always marvel how the Lord helps you to remember all the stories.

Of course, the special songs have always been helpful and encouraging. I've never heard our men's ensemble sound like they did the first night they sang. I had hear the words of the songs many times before but not like that night. They fit in so perfectly with the things that had just been said, just as the songs from the White Harvest Choir did.

Thank you again for teaching us the truth, and for loving each one of us the same. We sure love and appreciate all of you. Sincerely, Marica Schultze.

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#### ISRAEL TRIP UPDATE

The Lord has revealed that we will be returning to Israel January 8-14, 1996. We will be in Jerusalem for the entire time and there will be no touring. There will be two meetings each day (1:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.). The cost from New York is \$1900.00. The only additional information that we have deals with add-on airfares from your point of departure to New York. At this time, we only have confirmed prices for two cities: Indianapolis, IN-\$190.00 and Charleston, WV-\$255.00. Please contact Marian Smith at Passports International (317-257-2342) if you have the finance and feel led to be on the trip. We also encourage you to take care of your passport needs as soon as possible.

# *Revival For Our Day*

December 6, 1995

Dear beloved of the Lord Jesus Christ, who has brought us from the darkness into a marvelous light, given us peace and joy, gladness, songs in the night as we trust and obey and press toward the mark of the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Forgetting those things which are behind, we press upward and onward in faith, giving praise unto the Lord for all your prayers.

I thank you for praying for the Israel trip. The revelation for this trip came while the Parker City Choir was singing "Ye shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem." We will be going to the land where the Lord walked. It was not my plan to go. When you do God's will you do not do what you want to do. At the time, I did not realize that January of 1996 begins the celebration of the time that King David took Jerusalem back from the Jebusites. The Lord protecting, we will be there at the time that the 3,000th anniversary begins. It is significant and exciting to know that the Holy Spirit witnessed that we were to be in Jerusalem as this year-long celebration begins. Have you truly prayed concerning your going with us? It may be one of the most significant times or the most significant of any of the twenty-eight journeys to Israel. Who knows but what we are come to the Kingdom of God for such a time as this?

We have been praying that the air currents and the travel on the eighth and the fourteenth of January will be good to excellent. When we get there, only God knows how to lead; no man knows what to do except the Holy Spirit lead. We are not going just to be going. We are going this time to become one, as God and Jesus are one. We are going by the grace, protection, direction, help, revelation, and healing of God. We give praise to Jesus for all of you who can go to Jerusalem with us. There has been very little response to this trip. I believe that it is the least response that we have had in the last twenty years. It appears that the urgency of the vision of going to Israel has subsided since the night of the revelation. We need much prayer and pressing toward the mark.

Your prayers and petitions for me have brought

great consolation, comfort, strength, hope and undergirding. It has been a prayer covering for me beyond what I am able to express. Only the Holy Ghost can reveal to you what these hours of prayer from all the fellowships of Christ's people have meant to us in these days.

We find in the book of James, chapter five, verse seven, "Be patient therefore, brethren unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman (that is God) waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh". The first time that the Lord gave me the revelation that Jesus' coming was soon was in October of 1942 when I was walking down a Knoxville, Tennessee street. As He gave me that revelation, He also witnessed in the heart of Rev. Pumphrey that the coming of Jesus was at hand. We do not know the date or the hour. The Son does not know, the angels do not know—only the Father. He is coming soon—as the lightning out of the east to the west, as a thief in the night.

We must constantly keep on the firing line or we will drift and grow cold or lukewarm in our experience. It is a constant pressing toward the mark. It is a constant praying and praising the Lord in obedience. We know that obedience is better than sacrifice—harkening than the fat of rams. In the days of old, God called, "Oh, that there were such a heart in them that they would fear me and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them and with their children forever." This indicated (in the subjunctive mood) that they really did not have that kind of heart that was willing to fear God and keep all of His commandments always.

We know that only as we have the vision, we are able to press on toward the mark. The god of this world is trying to blind our eyes lest we see the light of the glorious gospel of the vision that we need to deny ourselves and to obey the Holy Spirit. It cannot be emphasized enough to remember that the only way we are really going to follow Jesus is by denying ourselves. It is a

constant unseen battle. Unless we are prompted constantly, we will wander into the self-assertive life and not be aware that we are living in the plan and the arrangement of self.

I see that it is easy for us to wander and to leave the will of God and enter into our own design; our own religious, beautiful plans. The nature of man, since the fall of Adam, is to do his own will and not be aware of it. This will happen unless there is a cry in the wilderness.

Jesus said, "And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth". This is a striking prayer in the petition of the seventeenth chapter of St. John, when Jesus says, "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world". But they needed to be sanctified. "Therefore I sanctify myself that they also might be sanctified through the truth, thy word is truth." The word "might" is significant. It is according to the condition of the heart and the mind whether we are really going to press toward the mark; whether we might be sanctified. This indicates that it is going to take a lot of pressing and a lot of dying and denying or we will go on in a form of religion and not really become a sanctified people. A truly sanctified people are one; they all speak the same thing as in the first chapter and tenth verse of Corinthians. He told the church of Corinth that they should all speak the same thing, that there be no divisions among them, but that they be perfectly joined together in the same mind and the same judgment.

Only in the sanctified life is this reality and truth. Seldom has this occurred through the ages. There is nothing in the self life that will allow this to happen. It is God's will that we become one as God and Jesus are one. This is in holy harmony and holy unity. The urgency is so great and where the people have no vision of this, they are perishing.

The unsanctified heart is the heart of resentment and of carnal reaction. The unsanctified heart wants to be pleased. Carnality has been the problem since Adam fell. Any one unsanctified cannot be pleased. The unsanctified heart feels that it is right and knows what is best. The unsanctified heart is the problem and is the very essence of preventing oneness in the church of Jesus Christ.

The sanctified heart is the cleansed heart. It is made pure through the precious blood to the purging of the Holy Ghost and the cross. Without the cross, the heart is unsanctified. The unsanctified heart is a spiritual cancer growing in the body. Only as we are on the cross and accepting the cross will we truly be a sanctified people. Many fine people have never gotten to the cross.

The tendency from the beginning, since the fall of Adam, has been to not follow God's will. Unless the voice of the Lord speaks through some prophet or servant, we will be unaware of the fact that we are to be one as God and Jesus are one.

I thank you for your prayers, supplications and sacrifice. Each one who has prayed for us has helped us greatly. I cannot express what this has meant, for it has been such a help and blessing. It cannot be conveyed, in earthly language, what this prayer support has meant.

When we left all, we went to find the people that were willing to do God's will. Isaiah and Jeremiah were calling for someone to do God's will. As we read and study, we find that there are so few of us who are willing to make the crossover into self denial. Only as we hear the voice crying will we press to die daily, to deny self in order to obey what the Holy Spirit leads. Only a few will find this way. "He that will lose his life for my sake and the gospel will find it". Since the fall of Adam, man has been busy with saving himself. "He that will save his life, shall lose it." We save our lives by making our own plans, thoughts and ideas.

We want to thank you again, and we give God the glory and praise for your sacrifice, your prayers and letters. We cannot praise the Lord enough for your thoughtfulness. We know that it is through God's mercies, grace and your prayers that we are able to make it each day.

If I have ever talked negatively about anyone or put anyone in a bad light, I ask your forgiveness. I ask that Jesus would put it under the blood so that I can be clear before the throne of God.

As we enter this Christmas season, we want to give God all praise and glory for giving us His only begotten Son that, through his precious blood, we might have life everlasting. Jesus is

the mighty gift of God to all mankind. We wish each one a very deep and sincere celebration of this gift of great salvation to our hearts; this gift that redeems us from the devil and sin; from evil and iniquity unto holiness and purity.

Thank you for your Christmas cards last year. I believe that there was about one out of every five on the mailing list that was able to send us a little word.

In Jesus' Name,

*Loran W. Helm*

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P.S. We would like to share some letters with you that have been a great encouragement, giving God all the glory and praise.

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm, May we praise God always and give thanks to His name forever.

How thrilled I am to receive another word from you in your November 6th newsletter. I thought the October 25th epistle was so marvelous and now another one so soon. I found it to be a feast—a Thanksgiving feast.

Once again you have given us the importance of giving thanks to God and I praise the Lord for it. By watching your life and endeavoring to follow you as you follow Jesus, Ephesians 5:4 has become more alive, dynamic and crucial to me. I'm finding more meaning in Paul's words when he says that we should not speak in "foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks".

I'm learning from you that thanksgiving and expressing appreciation lifts and encourages people. I'm also learning that foolishness and jesting are damaging and discouraging. to the glory of God, your example has helped me be more thankful than I ever have been, by God's grace and mercy.

May the Lord grant you guidance, deliverance, protection, healing and may He help us all to pray for you in the Spirit. In grace, thanksgiving, gratitude and appreciation, Richard P. Sanchez.

Dear Loran and Florence, Love and greetings in the Name and Holiness of Jesus, the Risen Son of Almighty God, the Beloved of the Father, the child of the manger but destined to be the Prince of Peace who would sit upon an eternal throne!

Loran and Florence, you are loved, admired, and appreciated for your faithfulness to Jesus, to do only as He has led and guided. Our treasures are filled and overflowing because a seminary student discerned that it was better, yea, best, to follow an unknown path, walking hand in hand with the Almighty, than it was to follow the path well-trod with known hills, bends, bumps, and end life still lacking for the soul's truest and only fulfillment. Yours has been the lonely road, for few have walked it; yet, in reality, it is the only path where real and perfect fellowship exists, for he who would follow God's track never walks alone. Walk on, pilgrim! There are many who have caught sight of you ahead and have also deemed it best to follow. Oh, how we love you!

At times, we seem to lose sight of you, seemingly at such a far distance. Oh, but great joy to see your footprint, as well as that of Jesus, where they have together fallen in the soft grass or in a dusty place. Don't look back! By God's grace, we're still coming. Although there seems to be so few of us, at times; yet, in my heart, I sense that there are many more than can be seen with the eye: souls pressing through the valleys up ahead and behind, around some bend of uncertainty or unexpected blessing, crossing some river or stream of trial, climbing cliffs of difficulty, rejoicing in the waterfalls and brooks of God's peace, love, and joy given to those who follow—many pilgrims, listening intently for your sweet voice urging on, "*...but he who will lose his life for Christ's sake, the same shall find it!*"

We love you and are grateful that you have never given up on us. By faith, we follow on. In trust, we look to Jesus and say, "Lead on, O King Eternal." To you we say, "Press on, O servant of the Eternal King. Although the battle is long, it is not forever. Press on! Press on! Press on!" In Christ's love, Don Litchfield.

Dear Brother and Sister Helm, Our love and greetings to both of you in Jesus' name! It was a tremendous blessing to be with you in Parker City recently. We were encouraged by the messages that the Lord helped you to share, and the music the Holy Spirit led for was very encouraging and uplifting. As always, it is a treat to hear Sister Helm play the piano. The Lord really helped her in a special and wonderful way.

The Lord willing, we will be leaving this coming Saturday, November 11, to take more books to Mexico. We are trusting to take from 480 to 540 copies. While there, we will get to visit Dr. John and Lucia Cook for a few days. Our oldest daughter, Sarah, has been down at the Cooks since August, and we will pick her up to bring her home during this trip. Gary and Diane Krlin's son, Ryan, is also there. He will be coming home with us too. The Krlin family will be traveling with us on this trip as well as Pastor and Sister Ryan. We would appreciate your prayers for us as we make this journey.

One place we are going to visit again is the city of Leon. We have already left over two hundred copies of the book in this city, and there has been much interest and response to its message. In June, we had the opportunity of visiting with a number of pastors that have been encouraged and helped through the book. We also were able to video tape some of their testimonies and trust to be able to send you some of them after we get them dubbed into English. One pastor in particular, named Julio Garcia, whom we have mentioned in our newsletter, has been helped tremendously. We don't think we would be exaggerating in the least to say that his life and ministry have been transformed by Jesus through *A Voice in the Wilderness*. Not too long ago Pastor Julio asked me to communicate to you that if the Holy Spirit would ever lead you to come to Leon and spend a little time with them, they would be thankful. He said that there were several pastors who would really like to get together with you. We told him we would share this with you, and he knows that by God's grace, you only try to go where the Holy Spirit leads you. We just encouraged them to pray and trust, which they are happy to do.

We have translated some material from a couple of letters that have come to us recently. We believe that they will be encouraging to your heart. We give Jesus all the praise for these wonderful reports. The first one comes from a lady in Mexico, in fact, from the city of Leon. Her name is Maria, and she is 49 years old. We hope to meet her when we get there in a couple of weeks. She writes:

"I have only known about the Lord for a short while. When I began to read the book, *A Voice in the Wilderness*, I felt a spiritual hunger stir within me such as I have never sensed with any other book. By the time I finished it, I was filled with an incredible joy like I have never known before. This book has helped me to understand that God really is working in my life. Since reading it, I have sensed a deliverance from all the oppression, frustrations, and discouragements in my life, which has been very difficult. There have even been changes in my husband and children, and we all feel like we have begun a new life in Christ. I am thankful with all my heart for this book, which has caused many burdens and depressions to be removed from my life. May the Lord greatly bless Loran W. Helm, for God has used him to bring strength to such a needy person like myself. May God also bless all those who work with him."

The second letter just arrived a few days ago from Havana, Cuba. This young lady of 22 years of age writes the following:

"The purpose of writing this letter is first of all to say thank you for the book *A Voice in the Wilderness*, which has helped me tremendously during a time of trial through which I have recently passed. Reading the book has clarified some key concepts to me such as trusting in God and waiting upon the Lord. I sensed the presence of the Lord many times during my reading. One thing the book has been teaching me is to be patient and wait on

the Lord, knowing that He will never fall short in the way He deals with me. Something else the Lord showed me through the book was that He wants us to die out to just living a 'religious life' in the church but rather that He desires to lead us by His Spirit. Often we are busy in the 'work of the Lord,' but without the direction of the Holy Spirit. At times while reading I felt the presence of the Lord so strongly that I would weep. Thank you very much, dear brethren, for the blessing that has been given to me through this book. I thank the Lord for you all."

We thought that these letters were very encouraging. We hope that they will bless your hearts also.

Before closing, we would like to thank you for the financial help that has been coming our way from Revival For Our Day these past months. We appreciate it very much. We are also thankful for the finances that were shared with us at the meetings in Parker City this past month. Thank you also for praying for us. We love you both and try to pray for you daily. Praise the Lord! Brother and Sister Kintsel.

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Dear Dr. and Mrs. Helm, Greetings in the name of the Lamb of God who taketh away the sins of the world and whose coming is imminent.

My palate is still enjoying the sweet tasting savor of the Parker City meetings. They were a balm to a road-weary pilgrim, an oasis in the wilderness, a rope to a Joseph in the pit, and a sling with five shiny stones for a strapping David.

You presented us with more spiritual truth in those 18 sessions (I was there for 7) than one would get in 3 years of seminary. How Jesus raised you and Florence up for those two weeks was confounding to the skeptics and encouraging to the faithful.

For at least the third time in my life (there may have been more), I received healing from your prayers. When you prayed for cancers, I felt something come up out of me like a big root. My wife, Mary, also experienced healing from that same prayer and acknowledged it. Twelve in all were healed at one time. Praise the Lord forever!

But, Jesus did not stop there. Then, you began praying for those on the platform beginning with Jerry Kissinger. You prayed for his knee which he had had trouble with for a long time. Then, you prayed for Guy William Young in the lungs and other areas. This was followed by prayer for Frank Rhoades as you started to leave and then came back. There was one other on the platform, but I cannot remember who this was whom you prayed for.

The gifts within you were in operation like I can recall back in the late '70's and '80's. I felt like you were try-

g to pull a freight train by yourself and I felt so lonely for you and your closest friends.

As we consider the upcoming trip to Israel, did you know that the entire year of 1996 is to be called Jerusalem 3000 celebrating 3,000 years since David conquered Jerusalem from the Jebusites, and we will be getting there for the beginning of it? There should be people there from all over the world.

That is the way it was at Pentecost. And, Jesus told them to tarry in Jerusalem; not to go out through the countryside until they be indued with power from on high. (I just thought of that)

May the blessings and comfort of the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob be yours this week. Your son in the gospel, Tony Wood.

Dear Brother Helm, Greetings in Jesus' Name from Clare Christ Fellowship.

Our mid-week service last Wednesday (October 25) was a time of much rejoicing as many "wonderful stories of love" were shared. Not only were those who had been able to attend the meetings in Parker testifying of answers to prayer, healings, cleansing, and deliverances; but those who were unable to be in Parker also experienced the bountiful help, mercy, and blessings of our Lord. They got in on the overflow!

Pastor Gary asked me to write and tell you of the three healings which involved members of our congregation while they were present in the services: 1. The night that Don Mussell sat on the platform, you said that someone had a tumor and indicated the area of the back where it was located, and you prayed for healing. About five weeks ago, Don had learned of the presence of a tumor in his back. He returned to the doctor last Wednesday and the doctor was unable to find the tumor! He said, "Where is it?" Hallelujah! 2. Joan Mowat had stepped in a hole last spring and badly sprained her ankle. Since then she has had what appeared to be a sac of fluid on the back of her ankle. She would have pain when she stood for a period of time. During the one service that Joan was able to attend, you prayed for the foot and she felt a coolness go across her foot. She didn't even think about her ankle, but the next day she discovered that the sac was gone and so was the pain! Praise the Lord! 3. The second or third night you said, "Someone has pain in the back, right here," indicating the lower left side of the back. You prayed for healing and as you did, I felt the pain leave that area of my back—it seemed to depart through my side! Glory!

So there was much rejoicing as we reviewed these healings and other works of Jesus in our midst. It is because of your faithful ministry, led and empowered by the Holy Spirit, that we have these wonderful reports.

We thank you. We pray that God will show Himself strong in your behalf, that He will strengthen you, help you, and uphold you with the right hand of His righteousness—that you and Sister Helm will prosper in body, mind, and spirit.

We love you and are so thankful to be workers together with Jesus and you in these last days. In loving appreciation, Barbara McDaniel.

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## SPECIAL NOTICE

For those of you who would like to send Rev. and Mrs. Helm Christmas cards, gifts and greetings, please mail them to their Parker City address. Thank you for they very much enjoy hearing from each of you.

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## TAPES OF SPECIAL MEETINGS IN PARKER CITY

We would like to announce that audio cassettes of the special meetings at Parker City Christ Fellowship October 8-22, 1995, are now available. They may be ordered as a set (56 cassettes) or by session. The price for the entire set of meetings is \$175.00, plus postage and state tax where applicable. Individual sessions contain 3-5 tapes depending on which session you choose. They are available at the price of \$4.00 per tape, plus postage and state tax where applicable.

You may place your order by return mail to Evangel Voice Publications, P.O. Box 494, Parker City, IN 47368. Please specify whether you prefer the entire set or individual sessions. An invoice will accompany your order. Thank you.

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## ISRAEL TRIP UPDATE

Rev. Helm has asked that each one pray about going on this trip. If you have the finance and are able to go, please let Marion Smith at Passports International know as soon as possible. Please make sure that your passport is in order and up to date.