

Revival For Our Day

January 19, 1996

Dear precious ones in Revival For Our Day,

We give God the glory, praise and honor through Jesus and for the precious blood; for His sustaining grace; for underneath are the everlasting arms. Mighty is He who has called you who is also able to do it. All things work together for good to those who love God - who are the called according to His purpose; knowing that in due season we shall reap if we faint not.

As I was in meditation some weeks ago, this scripture came to my mind. It is found in Matthew 11:27. Jesus said, "All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him." As I got this insight, I could see that it is only through the revelation of the Father that we know the Son, Jesus Christ. It is only through the Holy Spirit working that Jesus would reveal the Father to any of us. It is quite significant that we only know by the revelation of God who Jesus is, and by the revelation of Jesus who the Father is. This is a significant scripture and a very vital, central and important thought. It is only by the grace and mercy of God that we would know Jesus or our Heavenly Father.

Jesus said, "Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you as though some strange thing happen unto you." We know that the Holy Spirit alone knows how to deliver out of temptation, out of trials, tests, and struggles, storms and hard places.

We received this letter from Kim Gilbert of Parker City, Indiana.

Dear Rev. Helm,

"In the light of love other gifts - they may flower. But love is the only power."

Just a note to say thanks for the love that would endeavor to go, once again, to Israel at nearly 80 years of age. Only the power of love springing up could urge you on.

I'm sorry we couldn't make it to Israel, but like Paul said in I Thessalonians, "But we, brethren, being taken from you for a short time in presence, not in heart, endeavored the more abundantly to see your face with great desire. Where we would have come unto you, once again; but Satan hindered us."

We did our best—we gave it our best shot—that's all that can

be done. There are some lines from a poem by S. E. Kiser entitled "Faith" that say, "Faith is the brave endeavor—the splendid enterprise."

And so, like Paul, the brave endeavor was made. Thanks for letting Janice and I join in this expression of faith. We love you! Kim

P.S. I forgot that I wanted to quote the Phillips translation of I Thessalonians 2:17—"but somehow Satan prevented our coming."

This letter was so encouraging and we were so in debt to Jesus for God's mercy to have helped us even in the midst of this hard situation of the snow and all the endeavor made in borrowing money and saving to make this journey into Israel. Please forgive us for bringing disappointment to you.

I want to share this encouraging letter from Rev. and Mrs. Forrest Richey.

Dear Rev. Helm and Florence,

Greetings in Jesus' precious name. It was so good to be able to share with you on the phone last evening. You are so very dear to Mary Jane and me, our family, and congregation. Words are inadequate to express to you what you have meant to us and still mean to us. God's hand is upon you in a beautiful way.

On Monday, through the evening, I was so burdened concerning you and all that you were facing about the trip; my love for you is great but it was being multiplied during the evening as I tried to pray and lift you to the Lord. I so desired to come and put my arms around you and wash your feet. When I went to bed my heart was heavy, but we are thankful God brought us through in wonderful victory.

Be assured, by God's grace, that we are standing with you 100%. We believe in you and know that you are still the man of God that you have been all these years since January 22, 1933. The Lord is using you in such a wonderful way. The last newsletter was so invigorating, uplifting and encouraging. We glorify God for the way that He continues to anoint you. We want you to know that we believe in you and your calling as much as ever. It is so great, as I have been reading in Galatians recently, how God revealed to the Apostle Paul things not given to him by any man. We have seen this to be true of you through the years - that God in His great love and mercy has revealed to you secrets of the Kingdom that have brought to us life, peace and joy. Thank you for being the man of God you are and allowing God to use you as a channel of revelation to us and the whole world. God is using you and you still have a work to do. Your voice still needs to be heard. May you have abundant strength to do it. I have talked about this different times - who am I or who are we to know you that we would be so privileged out of all the people in the world to have you come across our pathway? We are in debt to Jesus.

The scripture Mary Jane quoted you last night is from Psalm 116, verses six and seven in the New Revised Standard Version. "Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful. Return, oh my soul to your rest for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you." May this scripture be a source of great encouragement to you because God has dealt bountifully with you in a beautiful way - in saving you, keeping you, guiding you, being led of Him to travel over the United States and different countries in the world. God has dealt bountifully with you in guiding you to write A VOICE IN THE WILDERNESS, which has been an untold blessing to thousands of people and will continue to be so in the years to come. As we contemplate this we realize that God has dealt so bountifully and through this many lives have been touched, blessed and helped. Captives have been set free, blind eyes have been opened, prisoners have been released.

May you be encouraged, strengthened and lifted in Jesus' name. Grace and peace be multiplied to you today. Much love flowing from Calvary, Forrest and Mary Jane.

Both of these letters were very encouraging when I was reading them. I felt it would be all right to put them in this newsletter so you could hear what dear ones had to share with us in the midst of this experience which we have not had before. In our 68 crossings of the Atlantic, this is the first time this has occurred.

If we would have been able to arrive in Israel, I was meditating on different scriptures that I might be able to bring to our attention. The first was Matthew 13:44. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field."

This verse was one that I was going to attempt to meditate upon in the services. A treasure is a great value - only this treasure is forever. It has to do with eternity, with lives and doing God's will. When he found this treasure and unearthed it, then he hides it again in the same field and for joy, he sells all that he has and buys the field where he reburied the treasure.

Another is in Luke 7:41, where we find Jesus having a certain experience. "There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell me therefore, which of them will love him most?" Simon answered Jesus in verse 43 and said, "I suppose that he, to whom he forgave most." Jesus said, "Thou hast rightly judged."

Jesus turned to the woman, and said to Simon,

"Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed my feet with tears, and wiped them with the hairs of her head. Thou gavest me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss my feet."

When I thought about this, I thought that this is extremely marvelous and unusual—to see her down on her knees, kissing the feet of the Saviour.

Jesus continues in verse 46, "My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment. Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little." And Jesus said unto the woman, "Thy sins are forgiven." And they that sat at meat with him began to say within themselves, Who is this that forgiveth sins also? And he said to the woman, "Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace."

Another verse that I wanted to speak on is in the fourteenth chapter of St. Luke. This is a very familiar scripture that Bible scholars are well acquainted with. It comes from Luke 14:15-16: "And when one of them that sat at meat with him heard these things, he said unto him, Blessed is he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God. Then said he unto him, a certain man made a great supper, and bade many." (It touched my heart when I read that.) Verse 17 goes on to say, "And he sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready. And they all with one consent began to make excuse."

Now I noticed here, as I was meditating about this scripture, that the servant said to them that were bidden - he didn't say that all were bidden or that all received the invitation.

In verse 18 it continues, "And they all with one consent began to make excuse." All that were invited to this great supper made excuses why they could not come. "The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. So the servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hith-

er the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou has commanded, and yet there is room."

It had already been done. It had already been taken care of before the word came. I marvel at this in verse 22. Verse 23 says, "And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper." This is a tremendous message that Jesus has given us here in the fourteenth chapter of St. Luke.

Verse 25 says, "And there went great multitudes with him: and he (Jesus) turned, and said unto them, If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple." In verse 28, Jesus speaks of the cost of being a disciple. "For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it? Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it, all that behold it begin to mock him, saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish. Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand? Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of peace. So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple."

These were some of the scriptures that I had contemplated to use and speak about during our services in Israel. We want to thank each of you for your prayers, your understanding, and sacrifice. We don't know how to speak or what to say. We are trusting for God to intervene and help us with any refunds that might be possible to make up what we have lost.

We are surely helpless and don't know what to say other than for God to have mercy upon us and to forgive us as sinners. By God's grace are we saved through His precious blood and through Thy mercies are we spared. We pray for each of you and for your separate individual needs; for the heartaches, the hurts, the sufferings, the pain, the

trials, the tests, and the struggles that may be involved in each of your lives. Thank you for your prayers and for continuing to hold us to the Throne as a very needy servant, family and staff. We thank you again for the way the Lord has been merciful and worked through all of you to be gracious, prayerful, helpful, caring, giving, sacrificing, encouraging, lifting to each member of our staff and family. We are extremely in debt to all of you and to God for what has been accomplished.

We are thankful for the way the Lord has given us help and mercy in the midst of our physical needs and battles. We thank you for the continual prayer for deliverance from infections, growths, and onslaught of the enemy. We are also thankful for all the victories. We are trusting Him for intervention through Jesus Christ our Lord.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm
Loran W. Helm

P.S. I want to mention all the work that was involved with John, David, Alan, Lee Ann and the rest of our staff for the preparations that were made for this journey into Israel for our 29th time. I want to thank Marian Smith of Passports International and her staff for all the weeks of hard work; writing tickets and all the arrangements for such a journey. It took much strength, application, vision, and thought. We need to be very thankful for all these people who labored for the preparations. If God would lay it on your heart, you might consider sending a note of appreciation to Marian and her staff for all of their work.

We regret deeply all the disappointment that we brought upon our loved ones here and in Israel. It was a difficult time for all of us. Thank you again for your prayers, compassion and understanding.

We also wish to express our appreciation for all of you who sent us Christmas cards and gifts. They were all very humbling and we felt very much in debt. Many young people sent us pictures along with their cards which we appreciated very much.

Rev. Helm asked that the two following letters be included for God's glory and your encouragement.

Dear Brother Helm and Florence,
The mercies of the Lord endure forever.

We are just unpacking our suitcases from the trip to Israel which had to be called off last night.

I, for one, am very relieved. With your and Florence's health condition, to sit in three airports (Indianapolis, La Guardia, and Kennedy) for all day (with thousands of stranded travelers trying to get on the next plane) is a logistic nightmare for one like me, who has looked after you in your travels about one hundred times. You would have been totally worn out, possibly sick, before the aircraft would even have left the ground at New York City for Tel Aviv.

Only a few people realize the wear and tear it takes out of you to even go on a regular journey without complications.

This is the first time in about 100 travel situations we have accompanied you on, that we did not reach our destination. I believe that this speaks of a remarkable, if not unheard of record of God's faithfulness and of God leading you in the past twelve years. Indeed had we traveled with Paul in the first century this last travel experience would have been more the norm than the exception.

We in Revival For Our Day have been spoiled by perfect travel weather and perfectly smooth flights. If nothing else, these last few days teach us never to take anything for granted again, and perhaps they also prepare us for greater battles ahead, where calmness, love, patience and persevering trust is required.

Marcia and I were recalling some of the things we shared with you last night in reference to your ministry to us. By virtue of my cultural and educational background, I was a very analytical person and therefore was not able to enter the Kingdom of God, which we are born again to possess. But you brought me by example and instruction to the point of deliverance into a life of childlike trust, love, and thoughtfulness to others. With you, my walk with God began and life in reality became thrills romance and adventure.

There is absolutely nothing more that you owe me the rest of your life. You gave me the complete package I needed with no parts missing, for which I am eternally grateful to God and to you. We no longer have questions on how to walk with God, or hear His voice, or how the church is to come to oneness. You've answered all our questions, now it is just a matter of doing all the answers.

Because of this, our marriage has been blessed, and all of our children, and the fingers of your influence is even reaching to our grandchildren. Our church is abounding in the riches of Christ and our ministry is reaching thousands or tens of thousands in Africa through my writings and through radio in central Indiana.

I think these are some of the things we want you to know about for your encouragement. Once again, you owe us nothing - you've given all you could. Of course we hope you can continue to teach us and remind us of the ways of Christ. In the overall, it is now our time to return to you as long as you live. Sincerely, Reimar Schultze.

Dear Precious Parents,

I want you to know Jesus helped us in wonderful ways in New York City. We were all obedient to come and God

blessed us and kept us every day. I am not disappointed for I know God allowed it all. Jesus' message to me was, "Keep sweet and flow with things" and, by God's grace, that's what we did.

Before the blizzard hit, we were able to see the Statue of Liberty, our heart's desire. It was remarkable how the government opened up one day before and how we got on the last boat out and back before the blizzard was in full force. Jesus told me blessing would come if I would go on this trip and things would dry up if I stayed home - so we just went in faith! We left all to go and endeavored to obey. We prayed for people, encouraged people, and even prayed for people with calling on their lives. What a wonderful time we had at the Helmsley Palace Hotel in New York on the 19th floor. It was an experience. Evelyn and I would walk back and forth on several floors praying for you and it was wonderful.

When I returned home, a \$175.00 check had come from our mortgage company and my son-in-law to be had found a job - so already the blessings are flowing. We never did have to sleep in the airport. Jesus provided a lovely place for us every night. One night we stayed at a motel where pilots stay and we were able to pray for pilots.

It was remarkable that we were able to get a return flight in two hours after we called Marian. It seems a flight just showed up and Jesus had prepared it for us. Driving on icy roads and tramping through knee high snow was a delight, for our God was with us. He made the way where there was no way. They told us at the hotel, "You will never be able to get a cab to the airport. No one will drive you there". They laughed at us, but we flagged one down after about 40 minutes and he drove us right there. It was one remarkable situation after another. Every plane was delayed and we couldn't find our luggage, but God helped us to flow and remain sweet.

We saw our God work in one adverse situation after another and just make a way where there was no way. The trip was not a failure. It was for us to learn to bend, to flow, to be adjustable and learn to praise the Lord in disappointment.

God wants to do a deep cleansing in the camp so that revival can come. The camp must be cleansed before He sends the power. We are losing our way and going God's way now. "Strive to enter by the narrow door - force your way through it for many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able." Luke 13:24. Your Utah daughter who loves you, Irene (Bonner).

SPECIAL NOTICE

Rev. Helm will be celebrating his 80th birthday on February 3rd. If you would like to share in the celebration of this special day, cards, greetings and gifts can be sent to his Parker City address.

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WITNESSING

Revival For Our Day

February 7, 1996

Dear Ones of the Lord Jesus,

In Proverbs 11:30, the Bible declares that "He that winneth souls is wise". Jesus said, "Ye shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in Judea, in Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the earth". He has called us to be personal witnesses.

When I was first converted I was trying to get various ones saved. I wanted to tell them of Jesus and how He saved me and changed my life. Jesus said, "If I be lifted up, I will draw all men unto Me". When we personally witness to someone, the Holy Spirit begins to work with their heart. He draws them. He is able to draw them if we will be faithful in witnessing.

I was in a shoe shine parlor and began to talk to a man about the Lord Jesus. As I talked and witnessed to him, the Holy Spirit began to draw him and he repented of his sins and asked Jesus to come into his heart. So many times, we in the church lose our soul burden. Jesus wants us to become soul winners. We are to compel them to come in. This happens through love, witnessing, caution, carefulness, sweetness, wisdom and telling souls how wonderful it is to find Jesus as their personal Savior.

I was in my prayer room many years ago and I realized that it had been some time since I had the privilege to lead a soul to Christ. That very day I was called to go somewhere and get a young person and bring him back to this area. I would have normally gone to the west, but the Lord told me to go east. I went up State Road 1 and when I north of Pennville I picked up a young man who was hitchhiking by the road. As I talked to him about how the Lord saves us if we confess our sins, he found the Lord and gave his heart to Jesus.

This is a great mission to each of us - just to be a soul winner. We need wisdom so that we will not be repulsive, but that we will be winsome. We need to lift up Jesus by testimony and by sharing how He changes our lives. We need to pray, read the word, witness, obey, deny self, take up the cross and follow. It is urgent and expedient that we seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness. This happens through seeking His will and purpose; it includes the winning of souls and bringing in the lost. Two

old songs that come to mind are "Throw Out The Lifeline" and "Bring Them In".

He is able to save to the uttermost. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us of our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. This is the day of salvation.

When we witness for Jesus, we lift Him. He is lifted up by witnessing about His precious blood which was shed for our salvation, His life on the cross, how He can change us. Paul said, "If any man is in Christ Jesus, he is a new creature. Old things pass away. Behold, all things are become new". We seek the Lord while He may be found. Call upon Him while He is near.

It is time for us to personally be wanting to keep on the firing line by prayer, by testimony, by the reading of the Word, by sharing, by witnessing so that the Holy Spirit can work, lead, guide and direct. By our sharing and personal witness, Jesus is lifted up. When He is lifted up, He will draw all men to Himself.

I stopped at a filling station and I began to witness (I was there for quite awhile). As I shared, one young man got back to the Lord on the east side of the filling station.

Jesus said we are to be His witnesses, His followers. It is so easy for us to let things of this world draw us away and cause us to lose our soul burden. We become cold or lukewarm. It is easy for us to come short and so we must press constantly toward the mark of the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. It is not by might, nor by power, but by the Holy Spirit of Jesus.

As I have told you before, I was sharing with the janitor of our condominium. I don't know if he ever had gone to church or not. I began to share with him about how the Lord answered prayer, and how He guided. The Lord began to work in his heart. I asked him if he could feel a drawing and he responded that he could feel it. He followed me in a prayer of repentance and asked Jesus to forgive him of his sins. He found Jesus right there on a bench in front of our condominium. When Jesus is lifted up in testimony and in witnessing, then the Holy Spirit can draw souls to repentance.

We need Jesus as our personal Savior. The time is short - we do not know when He is coming, but the time is at hand. We must be His witnesses. We need to win men, women and young people to the Savior. The Holy Spirit will draw them as we are faithful to witness and follow what God would have us do. It is time to seek the Lord, it is time to win souls.

He is exalted and lifted up as we cry out to Him and give Him everything we have. I confess that I have won too few souls. When He is lifted up by our witnessing and our humility the Holy Spirit will draw hearts to repentance. We must give Him all the glory and praise for what He has done. There is nothing in us. Everything is in Jesus and our Heavenly Father. In Him the fullness of the Godhead bodily dwelleth.

The time to witness is at each opportunity, trusting for wisdom to do it in a Christ-like way. We need to know what to say and what not to say. It needs to be said in a sweet, kind, and gentle way as God would have it. It is easy for us to wait on others to do the soul winning. We need to be personally out witnessing for Christ and winning the souls of the lost.

Be encouraged. Thank you for your prayers, care and love. We give God all the praise for your supplications and sacrifices. We have done so little and God has done everything for us. We are so unworthy of it all.

May you be comforted, strengthened, helped, healed and given encouragement to press on and persevere. We are thankful for the drawing and the work of the Holy Spirit.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm
Loran W. Helm

P.S. One of the great missions of the church is to love all people and to win souls. We want to see souls, by God's grace, cleansed and filled with the Holy Spirit. We want to encourage souls to obey by denying self and taking up the cross daily in order to follow Jesus. A sanctified and Spirit-filled people go forth as lights in the world. Jesus is the light and we are the lights of the world as we follow Him in truth. We know that the time is at hand when we, as the Church, need to pray and be winners of souls. It is expedient and urgent that we seek souls while they are lost and bring

them in. We need to be winner of souls as the Holy Spirit works through the people, the leaders, the laymen in the Church. It is not by might of ours, or power of ours, but by the Holy Spirit that souls can be saved. We need to have a burden for the lost. This is a message of truth. Pray for me that I will be faithful in this area.

Rev. Helm asked to have these letters included for God's glory and your encouragement.

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

Praise the Lord for His loving kindness and for His grace so great. I find His presence more wonderful than my words can express. Just when I need Him most He is there to comfort, strengthen and encourage.

I desperately need His presence, His anointing, His strength, His wisdom, His guidance and His holy love. I am finding Him faithful. O, that I might trust Him and please Him in all things. Our Savior is worthy of our praise, our trust and our true devotion.

May this God so great and so gracious continue to heal you, encourage you and anoint you by His loving presence. May the power of His Holy Spirit continue to be your deliverance and your strength. May this day be special in sweet fellowship with our Lord and may the prayers of so many who have been blessed by your lives open for you the windows of blessing this day.

Yours in Christ, Pastor Rod (Taylor)
Scott Depot, WV

Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

Sorry to hear that the Israel trip was snowed out. However, all things really do work together for good to those that love Him and those who are called according to His purpose. Thank you Jesus.

Though I have not written you lately, I have still been active at the jail. God has continued to work in a marvelous and miraculous way.

I heard, indirectly, that you once suggested that we apologize to our black brothers and sisters for the way our ancestors had treated theirs. Brenda and I have tried to do that on occasion when it seemed appropriate.

Richard Tate, one such person to whom I had made that statement, was saved a few months ago. He was a man with a violent history. Recently, he was taunted in a racial way and consequently was attacked by another inmate. The guards punished Richard the more harshly. I suspect that even they were racially motivated.

When I went to visit Richard in lock-down, he told me that the man had broken his reading glasses. Upon hearing that, I took my reading glasses off and handed them to Richard. As I stretched to reach his hand through the double set of bars, he began to weep. He said, "Jerry, I didn't fight that man because I wanted to be faithful to God and you." I was blessed and thankful.

I find myself being helped in prayer for healing many times. I prayed for a man recently when, I believe, directed by God I asked, "Do you have a wife?" When he answered affirmatively, I began to pray for her. After the prayer, he told me that she had cancer and that he, himself, just that day, had been diagnosed with prostate cancer.

During my most recent visit at the jail, I was not getting much response. Maybe I shouldn't push it, I thought to myself...if I don't get something to go on with this last tour, I'll just go on home early. Well, about half-way down the hall, I passed a man leaning against the bars with his back toward me. As I passed, he turned his head and said, "How are you doing, man?" It wasn't much, but I had something to start with. I greeted him and chatted awhile and eventually said, "Well brother, I'm here to encourage you if I can." He said, (all glory belongs to God for I am truly nothing) "I'm being encouraged by just looking at your face." God came on the scene and helped me to preach (for lack of a better word) to him and another man that had joined in. The first man interrupted me once to say, "This makes me feel good. I don't understand how it could make me feel so good inside." I explained that God was calling him and he repented in bitter tears. Afterwards he told me, "I've never prayed before - I didn't

know how. I was just standing here wishing somebody would come by and tell me about God." Praise the Lord for His guidance!

Rev. Helm, my eyes have been opened, somewhat, to the dangers of sin. People have the idea that a little alcohol, a few drugs, a little dishonesty, occasional sex, will not really endanger them - but, from what I have seen and heard of these men in jail, once they become entrapped, a blindness sets in and a digression begins that we may not be able to stop. May God help us all!

Some of the inmates are wildly insane, due mostly to drugs. Many of These men claim to be Jesus the Christ. I've yet to hear one of them claim to be Elvis Presley, John Lennon or anyone but Jesus. This is another indicator of where and with whom the real battle is against.

Both Brenda and I have noticed that not one inmate has ever called out to Buddha, Mohammed, etc., but unanimously to Jesus while the media and educators tell us that Christianity is but one religion in a mix of many.

Well, I (we) love both of you. Thank you for the contribution you have made into our lives. May God heal you and deliver you.

Sincerely, Jerry Ward
Pigeon Forge, TN

Rev. Helm would like to thank all of those who sent cards, flowers, and rememberances for his birthday.

Revival For Our Day

March 10, 1996

Dear Ones of the Lord Jesus Christ, the followers of the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world; who has given us life, peace, joy, rest, and blessed assurance.

In the first letter to the church at Thessalonica, chapter 5, verse 16, there is something very exciting, informative, helpful, and something that must be in our lives or we backslide. Verse 16 tells us to "Rejoice evermore."

The word rejoice is filled with praise, adoration, and thanksgiving. He said to rejoice **evermore**. This is to Christians, to the church, to the converts, to the person who has walked with Jesus a year or sixty years. Another scripture tells us to rejoice **always**. That means there isn't any place in time that rejoicing is out of order.

Carnality, the flesh, and self are opposed to this. Most educational persons have to die to self quite a bit before they would align with such an instruction. Rejoice evermore means that at all times and at all places rejoicing is in order. Rejoicing in the flesh is dull and doesn't lift or encourage, but rejoicing in the spirit of a broken and yielded heart is always an inspiration even though it may be feeble.

Verse 17 says, "Pray without ceasing". Sometimes we pray five or twenty minutes a day. Sometimes we pray an hour a day. Years ago I was able to pray three hours a day. As you are praying, you first enter into zone one of prayer. Zone one is the zone of praise and thanksgiving. Most people live in zone two which is petition. It is much better to live in zone one because then we have strength, by the help of the Holy Spirit, to press into the petition area.

I was talking to Mrs. Black (her husband and I were at Taylor University together from 1934-1937). She was rather discouraged and I told her to go into a room by herself and begin to praise the Lord and glorify Him with hallelujahs, thanksgiving and praises. I told her that if she could dwell in that zone for 20-30 minutes, she would find that all the darkness she was in would be gone. When I came back and saw her a month later, she told me that what I had said was true. She found out that if she would praise the Lord sufficiently, from the bottom of the heart, then the darkness, gloom, and loneliness would leave.

In the midst of praise, you may get into the third zone of prayer (the holy zone of intercessory prayer). That is where the Holy Spirit lifts us into intercessions. I recall that I was praying many

years ago in the bedroom when we lived with Mother and Dad Spence. It was a gloomy day and it was so hard to pray. I had to persevere, and I sure didn't feel like praying at all. I tried to pray for an hour or two, and I wasn't getting anywhere. After an hour or two of endeavoring to pray, all of a sudden before my mind came the remembrance of where I had been the night before. It was at a little church where F.H. Lacey was in a meeting. He had been talking about different situations and problems and brother Lacey told of a growth in his throat. As I got into meditation and review of this, as I was praying, the Holy Ghost came upon me and lifted me from zone one and two into the third zone of prayer. He brought me, by the grace of God, to the holy zone of intercessory prayer. In this zone we come before the Lord, by the Holy Spirit, in intercession.

He lifted me to this zone and I pled with God, in Jesus' name, that He would go to Floyd H. Lacey right then, and get into the throat and take those growths. I was so blessed by how the Lord helped me to pray. I knew God had heard my prayer. I didn't tell my wife or any one else about this. The following summer we were in Indianapolis for a Youth For Christ rally. Brother Lacey was leading the singing. I went early so we could see Brother Lacey and his wife. When he saw us come in, he left the platform to come down and see me, and his wife came over to love my wife.

I asked him how his throat had been. He responded that some tremendous thing had happened. I asked him to tell me about it. He said that all at once the thing that was in his throat for months just disappeared! I told him that, by God's grace and help, I know the day and hour that it took place!

I confess that I have fallen far short of this command in verse 17. I don't pray without ceasing. I pray, but I don't pray all the time. Without ceasing means all the time. We must persevere. Jesus said, "From the days of John the Baptist until now, the Kingdom of Heaven is preached and every man preseth into it." (Luke 16:16) Presseth means that there is no end to our persevering into this area. That means rejoicing always, praying without ceasing, witnessing, being broken, being cleansed from the carnal nature, being cleansed of our resentments and our own opinions. We have to die daily and forsake all. If we don't forsake all, we cannot be a disciple.

In verse 18, it goes on to say that we are to give thanks in **everything**. What does this mean? The meaning of it is extensive and all-inclusive. It means when things are going hard, we give thanks;

when things are not going the way we want them to, we give thanks; when things are beautiful and wonderful, give thanks; when we are getting blessings and marvelous things, give thanks; when we are in trial, trouble, struggle and we are hurt by some situation, give thanks. It says in **everything** and according to that there is nothing left out. "In everything give thanks: for this **is** the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning **you**." You means you and me; it is all the church, all the ministry, all the clergy, all church boards, all Christian colleges.

Verse 19 reads, "Quench not the Spirit." This word quench is quite an extensive word and covers a lot of territory. Quench not the Spirit means that if we are in a testimony meeting and we are supposed to testify and we don't, we have quenched the spirit. If we get up in a service and talk in the flesh and we don't have the leading of the Holy Spirit, we have quenched the spirit. We quench the spirit by talking about anybody, finding fault with anybody, by doing what we want to do, by living in our own desires and wants. There are many other things, but this is too vast and immense a subject. All I can do is touch the edges of it. If we do not pray as we ought, if we talk out of order, if we talk carnally, if we get angry at home, if we get upset and raise our voices, we have quenched the Holy Spirit. If we yell and scream, if we become mad, if we become aggravated because we haven't died out sufficiently, we have quenched the Holy Spirit.

Verse 20 says, "Despise not prophesying." This intimates that we are not to resent Holy Spirit preaching. There are people who like to speak and talk, but it is not in the Holy Spirit - it is in their own thoughts and ideas. It may be beautifully written and said. It may be wonderful truth, but it does not have its origin in the Holy Spirit. Prophesying is preaching and also fore knowledge of what will take place.

Verse 21 says to prove all things. That verse covers so much territory that it is too vast for me to open the front gate of this truth. We have proving grounds for cars and for certain kinds of equipment. We have different ways of proving things. This verse says prove **all** things. If we are going to prove all things, what do we leave out? Simply test it and see if it is of the Holy Spirit. If it is of the Spirit, there will be love, joy, peace, long suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, temperance, and meekness all through it. If it isn't of the Holy Spirit, it will be without all of these things. It will be with criticism, complaint, and murmurings. It would be a volume if I had time to dwell on this and the Lord would give me wisdom. It is so easy for us in the church (or out of the church) to go ahead with things that are not really in the line of truth or are not in order.

This verse goes on to say that we are to hold fast

to that which is good. What we find to be of the Lord we are to hold fast to. That means we cement it to our hearts and clasp it tightly to the interior life. If we don't pray and obey, before we know it, it is gone. Hold on to that which is good (that which is righteous and in divine order). The more God is in something, the faster it slips away from us.

The next verse says, "Abstain from all appearance of evil." All of these verses are so wonderful that each one could be a text for a sermon, if God were to lead. This verse tells us to abstain from all appearance of evil. That is why I have preached since 1944 that when a man shakes the hand of anyone who is not his wife, daughter, mother or sister, he should not hold on to the hand very long. There is a temptation that can arise and we must abstain from all appearance of evil by our attitude, motives and behavior. I have pled, many, many times, in Waitings Upon God, with all men never to go into a home if the husband is not there. We must have our wife with us, or brother, or assistant, or child, or other Christian worker. Don't go into a home when a woman is there by herself, because this is an appearance of evil and it will swallow us up. It has cause a lot of persons to be severely hurt and they never get over it even though it may be forgiven, it leaves a deep scar in the human experience.

I plead with female persons to be careful how they dress. I have never heard many people lift their voice about how woman dress. They don't do it because they don't want to become unpopular. I have preached for several years that our precious, beautiful woman and girls should have their legs covered at least three or four inches below their knee. If they expose their legs above that, there is something that happens to the normal boy and man. Woman don't realize this, even when they are told. When limbs of a girl or woman are exposed too much, they subject men to temptation. I don't know what will happen at judgment to all the women that have worn dresses that expose their limbs and have subjected men and boys to temptation. I don't know what it will cost them in judgment. It is something to consider.

We need to keep our bodies well covered or before we know it, we have subjected someone to a temptation that could have been averted if we had been obedient and not carnal. Most all carnal people oppose this; they don't believe it and think it is radical, fanatical and out of order. Men of God are to raise their voices against all things that appear to be evil. In some churches, when they get happy, the men and women will love each other. This won't work and will bring catastrophe. A lot of churches have had marriages break up because men and women, who are not married to each other, have loved each other. This isn't preached much by anyone that I know of.

We must abstain from all appearance of evil in our speech. This deals with evil speaking, using curse words, or in slang language. Our behavior with persons, and reactions to people, if it is not pure and holy, has the appearance of evil.

The scripture next says that if we will heed these things in the preceding verses, that, "The very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." This is talking about the second coming. Jesus is coming soon and we don't know when it is. According to the Word, Jesus said, "Will I find any faith on the earth when I come?" This implies that most persons will live in the flesh rather than walk in the Spirit. In Romans 8:14 it says, "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." We cannot be led of the Holy Spirit except by His grace and mercy, by being broken, by being yielded, by being childlike, by being compassionate, by following God's Word.

Thank you for praying for my wife and myself. She had a fall the other night and broke her humerus bone near where the ball fits into the shoulder joint. She needs a lot of help and prayer because she is in a lot of pain. We thank you for remembering us and our staff in your petitions. We thank you for your sacrifice. We were behind financially in February.

In closing I want to mention the importance of making restitution. We need to ask for forgiveness when we talk about or criticize someone. It is helpful if we call or write them immediately and get it forgiven so that our prayers will get through to the throne.

Through the years, I have also spoken of the fact that we, as church leaders, have a great responsibility to our congregations in our prayer life and in our ministering. If we fall into temptation and see some woman that is not our wife and meet on the side there is a tragic aftermath that occurs. It is wise for any church leader that has had any experience such as this to immediately send a letter to the church and church board asking for forgiveness and expressing deep sorrow for such behavior. This helps to alleviate wounds and hurts of the people in the church and community. This especially helps the young people, who have known the pastor all their lives. These wounds can be deep and the scars are hard to deal with. Every church leader needs to know this. This has occurred in churches for hundreds of years. When it takes place, we must respond quickly in restitution.

We must pray for each other to be faithful and true. We are thankful to the Lord for His mercies and we need Him in our hearts. We must serve Him in obedience in order to be ready for the life to come.

*A charge to keep I have,
A God to glorify,
A never dying soul to save,
And fit it for the sky.*

*To serve the present age,
My calling to fulfill;
O may it all my powr's 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.*

If we will make restitution and be in deep sorrow, we are immediately forgiven and we don't have to suffer that in eternity. It is good to know this so that we can keep clear with God and our fellow man in this life.

Thank you again for your prayers and for reading the word. Be sure not to fail in the area of family prayer. Press toward the mark by submission and obedience.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

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Rev. Helm asked to have the following letters included in this newsletter. He specifically mentioned to remember to give God all the glory and praise.

Dear Brother Helm,

Praise the Lord! It was twenty-three years ago yesterday that God revealed that we were for each other. Our lives have been so enriched and fulfilled because you were faithful to call and work with us that this revelation could come to pass. Thank you again and again for your faithfulness to obey.

We so appreciated your newsletter of January 19, 1996. We were happy to be in on some of what you planned to share in Israel. The letters of encouragement were also a great blessing to us.

May God's richest blessings rest upon you and Florence. Our hearts are most grateful and thankful for the day God brought you into our lives. We are grateful for the privilege of having you as our friends. The wonderful truths you have taught us have fed our souls.

Our prayer is that God will strengthen you and heal you and give you many more years to be with the people of God. Your presence in our meetings gives us all strength and courage to press on. The things you have taught us are of eternal value and we prize them highly.

May God continue to sustain you, encourage you and let you know you are highly esteemed by us.

Love in Jesus, Robert and Barbara (Morgan)
Scott Depot, West Virginia

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

I am thankful for "A Voice In The Wilderness" and how God has blessed me with this wonderful writing over and over.

I remember visiting Shedd Aquarium in Chicago after the 1994 Waiting Upon God. My mother and I were at the edge of the whale aquarium where there were two adorable whales in this large pool. I had a copy of your book with me and I opened it up for encouragement. I don't remember where I opened it up to but someone was being healed on the page I began reading.

Then, without warning, God moved upon me from the pages with such a mighty, sweet and beautiful blessing. The whales seemed to take notice of it right away and swam right toward us near the edge of the pool. They both stuck their heads out of the water and one began talking. I don't know what was said, but I am sure it must have been praise to God for His blessing and presence. I was rejoicing over this experience this morning. Praise the Lord!

Yours in grace, Richard P. Sanchez
Holbrook, Arizona

Dear Rev. Helm,

Thank you for the latest newsletter. I had a certain working in my heart as I read it. After reading it through the second time, I sensed a great need to read it from the pulpit. We have got to hear this or perish!

Thank you again. Very truly yours, Michael Neuman
Mentone, Indiana

Dear Brother Helm,

We praise God for His wonderful help on Sunday morning. Our people were so excited about your coming. One of our widows (who has been in Florida the past nearly three months) said, "I felt like God prompted me to come home this week, and I believe that I was to be here when Rev. Helm came."

God was leading you in a wonderful way through the service. Even though you did not get to the scripture you had planned, God got you on the very thoughts our

congregation needed to hear. It seemed to me that this was the most help our people have ever received from your being with us. The message was so practical and appropriate for us all.

As soon as you left the pulpit area and we had begun singing "Just As I Am", the altar filled up. I believe there were probably over twenty there praying. Sunday evening we had around 30 who testified, and this was not all of the people who received help and encouragement. Below, I have listed a number of statements that were given by our people in praise to Jesus for His working in their hearts.

"Rev. Helm said that we were not to discipline our children when we are angry. It spoke to me most about my job and the children I teach (he works with extreme emotionally disturbed children). It has given me a new perspective on how to respond to them."

"Last night I had prayed for patience. I am so thankful to hear this that I would not make this mistake in the future."

"It helped me to hear how people, those near us, may put us in a pit, and how we are not to dig at the walls to get out, caving in the sides. I am encouraged to have patience and let God work it out."

"I am thankful for the insight to try to think of what my wife needs before she asks."

"Rev. Helm said that when God leads, it is eternal. He said that some things will lie dormant for years, and if we wait patiently, God will bring fruit into that situation."

"I am encouraged to be more quiet, not talk too much at work. If we could wait, pray and obey, God could speak to us."

"When we scold someone, it leaves a scar that will never vanish."

One family was encouraged to help their neighbors more. Today they went out and picked up the limbs in their neighbor's yard.

There were many wonderful testimonies, most of them dealing with "letting" patience have its perfect work, waiting and praying to have the wisdom of the Lord, and especially when it concerns witnessing. One person said that they had not realized how we are tempted not to testify.

So many were helped and strengthened to press on, and all were grateful for your coming to Kokomo. One lady rejoiced that we had the privilege to hear such a message for, she said, it is just not being preached anywhere else.

Rev. Helm, what can we say? It was wonderful! It was marvelous!

Thank you for obeying God in coming, and the Lord bless, keep, heal, and restore both you and Florence. You are in our prayers daily, and we all love you dearly!

Love in Jesus, Don Litchfield
Kokomo, Indiana

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Dear beloved of the Lord Jesus Christ who has brought us from the darkness into a marvelous light; who has given us peace and joy; who has given us songs in the night.

We are so thankful to each of you for all your prayers, your petitions, your supplications, your fasting, for staying before the throne, for souls to be saved, for believers to be sanctified. We thank you for all the prayers, the cards and flowers for my wife. We want to give God the praise and glory for His help, direction, revelation and provision.

Here is a message that God gave me recently when sharing in the morning service at Parker City Christ Fellowship on March 24th.

"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. (James 1:5) But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy." (James 3:17)

What would wisdom be without the love of Jesus Christ? How could wisdom operate without love? It would require the love of Jesus for His wisdom to operate in our hearts. Wisdom must have love and prayer. Without prayer, how could we have wisdom. Prayer is the very life of the spiritual walk and wisdom comes from God as we wait upon Him for revelation and direction. God said that if we needed wisdom to ask for it. It shall be given liberally. Praise the Lord for wisdom of God.

"And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord." (Isaiah 11:2) This is one of the great scriptures. We want to sanctify this great word concerning wisdom.

In Matthew 13:54 we read, "And when he was come into his own country, he taught them in their synagogue, insomuch that they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this man this wisdom, and these mighty works?" Oh, how precious it is to be filled with His love and His wisdom! They work together along with prayer and praise. Praise has a lot to do with us receiving wisdom in the life of obedience. God giveth wisdom to those who ask Him.

In Luke 2:40 we read, "And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him." Wisdom - knowing what to say and what not to say; knowing how to behave ourselves, how to walk before Him in submission. In wisdom there is submission, compassion, grace, and gifts of great love. In fact, of the nine gifts, wisdom is the first one. I have been praying for wisdom since 1942 - that I would, by the grace of God, receive from Him wisdom to know what to say and what not to say; how to speak and how to walk before Him.

"But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God." (I Corinthians 1:24) This precious love and wisdom is hidden in Christ. God wants to give and will give it to those who obey Him, follow Him, love Him, and become as little children before Him. Praise the Lord! "In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." (Colossians 2:3) Just think of how many treasures there are in wisdom, but they are hidden.

In the first chapter of the book of James we read, "James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting. My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations." How much wisdom and love does it require to be able to give God the praise and the glory when He instructs us to count it all joy when we fall into divers temptations. This is a deep and tremendous word, and a great and marvelous truth. "Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work." What part of wisdom is patience? How patient is wisdom? How long is wisdom willing to wait and be patient? It comes by love, prayer, petition, supplication, and by crying to God. If we pray for patience, we will get tribulation. But, if we give Him our all and pray until our hearts are sanctified, then He will give us patience without situations. The scripture says, "Let patience have her perfect work."

You have had times in your life when you needed patience. The Bible says, "In your patience, possess ye your souls." (Luke 21:19) With patience we possess our souls, but count it all joy when you fall into divers temptations. How much consecration does it require to rejoice in the midst of these tests and tempta-

tions? Count it all joy when you fall into them! It is a big assignment that requires prayer, obedience, child-likeness, submission, surrender, and His holy word indwelling in us. The abiding of His word is by endurance. "He that endureth to the end shall be saved." (Matthew 10:22) From the days of John the Baptist until now the Kingdom of Heaven is preached and every man preseth into it. What patience, wisdom, knowledge, understanding and pressing is required? We enter into the Kingdom by persecutions and tribulations. We count it all joy when we fall into divers temptations.

"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. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive anything of the Lord. A double minded man is unstable in all his ways. Let the brother of low degree rejoice in that he is exalted." (James 1:5-9) Patience, wisdom, knowledge, perseverance, endurance, prayer and adoration are all contained in this.

"But the rich, in that he is made low: because as the flower of the grass he shall pass away. For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways. Blessed is the man that endureth temptation." (James 1:10-12) Look at the temptations of Saul, Samson, David and St. Paul. Blessed is the man that endureth. The word "endureth" is interesting. Endure means to start, hold fast and never let loose. Enduring has courage and vision in it. Without vision, there is a lot of perishing.

In the word "enduring" is prayer, faith, patience and wisdom. It is wisdom to endure. He that endureth to the end shall be saved. We press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried . . . Remember that in this life of temptation and testing, there is trial and struggle; constant struggling, constant pressing toward the mark in this life of wisdom, submission and following Jesus. When Jesus said, "Follow me," there was endurance. In following there is vision and courage. How much courage does it take to press on when it looks like there is no way through? Take courage brother, take courage sister! Keep pressing! Keep on the firing line! He that endureth to the end shall be saved.

"He shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him." (James 1:12) Love is saturated with wisdom, prayer, praise and adoration. We don't look to the problem - we look to the promise. We don't look at the situation, but to the solution. Jesus is the way, truth and life. He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we could ask or think according to the power that worketh in us. Praise His holy name forever!

Don't be discouraged! Lay aside every weight and sin that would so easily beset us to run with patience the race He has set before us looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith. That with the joy that was set before us, endured the cross, despising the shame and is now set down at the right hand of God interceding for you. He is speaking to God on your behalf and mine. As we come as little children He will not in any way turn us aside. Praise the Lord!

Count it all joy when you fall into temptation. Count it all joy when you have trials and tests. Keep pressing on. Don't look back, for He that is with us is greater than he that is in the world. He is mighty to deliver. He is mighty in wisdom, knowledge and understanding so that we will know what to do and say when tests and trials come.

Be encouraged and strengthened in the might of Christ as you seek for courage, wisdom and strength to endure. Lead on O King Eternal, the day of march has come.

As I came home from church, after preaching this message, it came to me that the mercies of God are so plentiful, yet the wisdom of God cannot abide in a heart that is critical. It is so easy for us to disobey and have our own plan. The Church of God must be led by the Holy Spirit. If our plan is not of the Holy Spirit, then the plan is too wide for the narrow path.

We want to thank Jesus for each of you that are so dear and precious. We are thankful for the staff, our directors of Revival For Our Day, all the assistants and helpers, all the churches, all the people who pray and obey.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

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P.S. I want to thank all of you who have been praying for my wife. We want to give thanks for all of the doctors who have done such a marvelous

job. Dr. Makris was the surgeon who performed the cataract surgery on Mrs. Helm's eye. She didn't have to wear a patch after the surgery and is able to see much better. We give thanks and praise to God for this.

The surgery on her shoulder went well and she is now going through several weeks of physical therapy. The therapist marvels at how well she is progressing. She is now able to lift her arm and is able to play the piano again. We want to thank Dr. Reece and Dr. Combs for making arrangements for my wife to have a private room during her stay in the hospital during this surgery.

I also want to thank Marcia Schultze who came and stayed with my wife in the hospital.

Rev. Helm wanted to share the following letters with you giving all praise and honor to the Lord.

Dear Rev. Helm,

"Bless the Lord O My soul and all that is within me bless His holy name."

I've been planning on sending you a note about the last newsletter, and since I found out today another one is being sent - I better get with it.

Your sharing about witnessing was so good, timely and helpful. I need a lot of help to be a good witness. Most people may not know how shy I am, but I really have to press to step out and say something - sometimes I just don't.

But your letter encouraged me to press into the Kingdom and for that I thank you. So many are running toward the utter horror of hell. If we could grasp that, surely we would get out of ourselves enough to throw out the lifeline.

Hang in there, press on etc... We love you and are believing for the best.

Kim Gilbert (Parker City, IN)

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Helm,

I thank and praise the Lord for your earnest endeavor to get us to be soul winners and encouragers for Christ. Listening to you as you talk about witnessing to different ones has caused a greater stir in my heart to share our Lord Jesus with others.

I do not remember how many months ago it was when I was finishing up my work at the grocery store one morning when I saw a lady looking at the potato chip aisle. She did not look like she needed any help, but I thought I sensed the Lord telling me to offer her help. I asked her if she needed help and she said she was searching for smaller bags of potato chips than the ones on the shelf. The smaller bags were in

the deli section on the other side of the store so I took her over there. On the way there, we saw a display of Ruffles potato chips which showed that with a coupon you could get a large bag at a cheaper price than the smaller bags. She decided she would get those instead.

I took her to the check out to get her the coupon. While there, she saw an advertisement for dinnerware upon buying so many dollars of groceries. She asked if this offer was for free dinnerware. I told her it was just for a discount price. She said she should have known because nothing is free in this world. Then I told her I found something free. I told her how Jesus saved me and gave me joy and peace, and that I am finding Him more wonderful as I continue to surrender to Him.

She said she had surrendered to Him once but became discouraged with following Him. Then I tried to tell her that we must have a continual surrender if we are to follow Jesus and I tried to encourage her and pray for her the best I could. Then she said she believed that God is still watching out for her. She told me that she was contemplating suicide, but now she had changed her mind. Oh I praise and praise and praise the Lord that I could help her out with more than just potato chips! Thank you Jesus!

May the Lord continue to help you encourage us to help others find the Way, the Truth and the Life in Jesus Christ.

In grace, thanksgiving and gladness,
Richard Sanchez (Holbrook, AZ)

Dear Rev. Helm,

We were so happy about your coming! Your visit was so sweet we didn't want it to end. God helped so incredibly in the service. More than one thought the service was just for them. I, of course, thought the same thing. There were so many things that were precisely what we were dealing with. I don't see how it could have been more tailor-made for me. But Jesus knew exactly what we needed.

Oh, Rev. Helm, I'm so thankful. We have been praying God would give you strength to do what He wanted you to do. But I didn't know He would lead you here! Praise the Lord for His love to us.

I had been reading about Joseph and asking God for wisdom. That is exactly what you spoke about. I couldn't write notes fast enough.

You covered so many things from children to marriage to witnessing and more. We were so blessed. We are so thankful Jesus sent you our way.

We are praying for Jesus to help and heal Mrs. Helm. May the Lord bless you and keep you both. Praise the Lord. We love you.

Gina Houk (Kokomo, IN)

Dear Dr. Helm,

Praise the Lord. God is good, all the time. I would like to personally express gratefulness and appreciation for the Lord allowing you the opportunity to come to White Harvest one more time. The Lord was merciful just like He was with the Ninevites when God told Jonah to go and preach.

I was as happy as a rabbit in a clover patch. All the sharing was tremendous, but the instruction that was given about how we are to be at home with our wives was right on. If we husbands aren't careful (when ever there is a problem or controversy) we will pass the buck and say in our heart it is the wife's fault. We'll try to blame others. God has been helping me to know that I'm responsible for myself, my reactions, words, attitudes and motives. I have the choice of either being carnal or like Jesus, regardless of the situation. So that is a good report.

You looked so good and you seemed to be at home. By God's grace, you're accepted, you're loved and you're cherished. The truth that came from your mouth was so great, I was striving with everything within me to get it. I felt love, care, concern and conviction. And like our pastor says whenever I hear your voice (whether on tape or in person) I too just want to be more like Jesus. Thank you for every ounce of energy you used on my behalf. I sure don't want to be like the nine lepers who forgot to thank Jesus for their healing. I have been praying for your body, heart, emotions and nerves.

Sincerely, with care and love
David J. Boswell (Indianapolis, IN)

Dear Brother Helm,

Thank you for the beautiful flowers in response to Marcia's bedside nursing for Florence during her arm surgery.

This morning in our men's prayer meeting at church, which has been going on for eighteen years, I read from A Voice in the Wilderness, page 317:

"A lifetime would not suffice to meditate sufficiently upon the implications and practice of loving one another as He loved us. In fact, all eternity will probably never reach the limits of His love, which we are to embrace to the fullest of our limited capacities, by His grace and help. But this divine love is the binding adhesive between the numberless individuals making up His body on earth. His love flowing from one to another becomes the sinew and fiber which joins finger to hand, wrist to arm, and creates the living organism of His glorious Church."

We were also amazed and blessed at these truths. I have read the Voice dozens of times and don't recall having read this section. It is so remarkable that at each reading, the Holy Spirit highlights certain truths for me while He keeps others hidden for later consumption.

Another sentence that touched my heart very much this morning is also found on page 317. It says:

"As you are reading these final words you are choosing, or are approaching the choice, either to be a true follower of Jesus, or simply a believer in Christian principles."

Oh, what a world of difference there is between us ministers preaching your principles and actually walking with God.

As I was praying for you this morning at home, two doves sat down right close on the railing of our back patio. They stayed there, grooming themselves the whole time I was praying for you. Even though they saw me through the large windows praying and walking about, they were never disturbed.

I continue to find your book a constant source of encouragement, correction, instruction, and blessing. And I still consider it the greatest written contribution to Christianity since the first century.

May the Lord's strength and healing be with you and Florence!

Sincerely in Jesus,
Reimar Schultze (Kokomo, IN)

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

Greetings on this wonderful day God has given us. We are thankful for God's love and mercy another day. Thank you, thank you, thank you, for coming to be with us last Sunday. We know that you came in the Name of the Lord and that God was with you. God shared through you in such a sweet, gentle and anointed way. Words are inadequate to express our deep appreciation for how Jesus spoke to our hearts last Sunday. Our people received so much help and benefit from your being with us. I personally feel very honored, and I know that many others do too, that God would allow us to be with you another time.

We sure love and appreciate you and be assured of our continued prayer, love and support. It is such a joy to write you every week unless we are on vacation and so forth. I want to share something with you from D.L. Moody:

"The beginning of greatness is to be little,
The increase of greatness is to be less,
And the perfection of greatness is to be nothing."

God bless you and Mrs. Helm.

Yours in Calvary Love,
Forrest and Mary Jane (Richey)

Thank you, each one, for your faithful giving through the years to Revival For Our Day. Your generosity and faith has made all the difference.

We would ask for your continued financial support, recognizing that individuals and churches have pressing monetary responsibilities. We pray for your needs to be met and know you will do for Revival For Our Day what you can. We want to be faithful to God and to man.

Revival For Our Day

May 1, 1996

Dear Ones in the Lord Jesus, greetings in Jesus' name.

When my companion came home from therapy a few weeks ago, she sat down at the piano to play. She played so beautifully that Charles Henry began to cry. She enjoyed playing so much that she played a little longer than ordinary. The next morning when she awoke, I heard her in the other room. She was in great distress and pain with severe suffering under the right breast, in the lung. I have been burdened for her lungs for somewhere between twenty and forty years. When I would pray and I would come to her lungs, God would deal with me.

We didn't realize how serious her condition was. A few days later we called an ambulance and had her taken to the hospital. The next evening, when I went to visit her at the hospital, Dr. Combs told me that it was good that we got her to the hospital when we did. Dr. Reece told me that he didn't think that she could have survived more than two days with the lungs in the condition that they were in. It was far more severe than I realized.

Her condition is now better and after more than two weeks in the hospital, she has returned home. During this time, the Lord has comforted me. It is hard when my wife is gone. When she goes to the beauty salon, I can hardly stand

until she gets back because I miss her so much. It is very lonely without your companion. It is not an easy place in life when your companion is suffering.

We want to give God the praise for His mercy and for all our children and dear ones from the church that have assisted us here. We thank Marcia Schultze (she is like a daughter to us) for coming and helping my wife at the hospital.

During this hospital experience, I have had some outstanding times of sharing with some of the nurses. I shared with one very talented nurse two weeks ago and we were in such a

high place. I shared with her how Jesus has led and guided over the years. She had a beautiful

smile and she was so receptive to what I had to say. Marcia Schultze said she thought that the meeting between this nurse and myself was like a Waiting Upon God.

We were also privileged to have prayer with an older black sister. I prayed for her burdens, her cares, her pressures, her disappointments, her hurts, and her loneliness. She was very appreciative.

I got into another meeting that was most remarkable. It was a time that I don't want to forget. There was a precious sister that I shared with. She was a woman of education, ability, and appreciation. This woman not only listened to what I said, but I could tell she was assimilating, heeding and getting into her heart what I was sharing. It seemed like we had been friends for a long time and yet we had never met.

We got on the elevator one evening and three women came in after us. I commented on what a wonderful day the Lord had given us and that we needed to be thankful for everything. One of the young women (I think probably between fourteen to sixteen years old) began to cry. I began to pray for her comfort. The young girl's aunt had just died and she was broken up over it. I had a little opportunity to not only witness about God's blessings to us, but also to be able to pray that this young girl would be comforted and helped.

I have been meditating on the first letter of Peter, chapter three. He said, "Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives." This verse does not mean that the husband is to be dominant. It means they work together and they are thoughtful of each other. If a wife has enough of the Holy Spirit, by brokenness, obedience, and entire sanctification, she can be used of the Holy Ghost to break the hard heart of a husband until he will bend in submission. If we will let the Holy Spirit take over our lives, it will make a difference in our relationship.

"Behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear." (verse 2) As we talk, our conversa-

tion needs to be words of beauty, care, tenderness, sweetness; not words of stabs and thorns. Our conversation reveals if we fear God. Fear and love are intertwined because the love of God and the fear of God go together. We don't fear God because He is going to hurt us; we fear God lest we grieve Him or are disobedient. The more we love God, the more we fear God. Love goes with obedience. We will never obey God more than we love Him. Obedience is from a loving heart; not a resentful, critical, analytical, dominant heart.

The third verse opens by saying, "Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or putting on of apparel." This is speaking of our exterior lives, behavior and the things that so easily attach themselves to us. "But let it be the hidden man of the heart . . ." In other words, within the heart, hidden away, the principles of humility, of kindness, understanding, tenderness, prayerfulness, faith; that these be hidden away within the interior life of the heart. ". . . in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price."

"For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands: even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement." As husbands and wives are together in caution, carefulness, sweetness, understanding and patience, God will help to guide us in our words, thoughts and attitudes. Our attitudes hinge upon the condition of the heart. The attitude comes out of what is in the heart. From the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks.

Verse seven says, "Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them (the wives) according to knowledge. . ." Knowledge is having the information of how a husband needs to behave himself; his attitude and motive. We need to be mindful of little things that could be said or done that would be encouraging and helpful to our wives. ". . . giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life;" We need to give honor unto our wives - never calling her "the old woman" or saying certain remarks. We need to always honor our com-

panion in words of beauty, appreciation, tenderness and love. ". . . that your prayers be not hindered." This indicates that if a husband is hostile, impatient, jealous, angry, or wrathful his prayers will be hindered. If our behavior is not holy, if our manner is not what it should be, then our prayers don't get through.

In verse eight we read, "Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous:" What a shock, what a surprise, what a challenge, what a doorway, what a requirement! Is anyone left out of "all"? It is everyone, the poor and the wealthy, the strong and the weak, the learned and the unlearned. Be ye all of one mind - that is the mind of Christ. In the mind of Christ there are no conflicts, no arguments, no fussing, no murmuring, and no analyzation. The mind of Christ is full of love overflowing with compassion and care.

"Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, *that ye should inherit a blessing.*" We are not to be resentful, retaliate or be critical; but to be helpful and not allow these foreign things to fall into our lives and be hurtful to others. There is not any good thing that He will withhold from them that will walk uprightly. Let us seek to be helpful to others. Let us seek first the Kingdom of God.

"For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile." Here is a recipe for living and there is so much in it. We can see that if we are to see good days and love our life, we must rid ourselves of every evil attitude spoken, every evil motive spoken, every evil idea spoken. Our behavior can bring to us what is ours or shut it off. If we walk humbly before the Lord and justly before our fellow man, we will receive what is ours. If we walk in self-assertiveness, we will never get what was truly arranged for us. We are to speak only what is holy.

"Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it. For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers (*that really touches my heart*), but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil."

As I get into this message, I wish I could bring out more. There are so many hidden truths that need to come to the surface.

Thank you for your prayers and for your concern for us. Our need is greater now than ever before. I have noticed that on television, different ones are making pleas for money. They may need thousands and thousands of dollars for certain projects in various places of the world. We need a lot of prayer for the awareness of where we are financially. (When I say this, my heart hurts) We know that we are unworthy and very needy. I am just a sinner saved by grace.

Thank you for your petitions, prayers and sacrifice. We don't really know how many people read these letters. Some may get them and throw them in the trash can.

May you be lifted (some may be hurting in the head and have a funny feeling through the forehead). Someone has something in the right temple that has either come by a fall, a hurt or an accident. If we would give God all the praise and glory, this person could be healed. Some may be having joint trouble, knee trouble, ankle trouble, hip trouble, stomach trouble, ear trouble, eye trouble, mouth trouble (sore in their mouth or sores on the tongue), difficulty in the throat. God is able to send healing and restoration. He can take care of troubles and conflict. We pray for the poor, the halt, the maimed, the blind, the called, the chosen and the elect.

We pray that the saints will be encouraged and lifted (*it touches my heart on lifted*). The saints are those who deny self, leave all, follow Jesus, pray, love everybody and do not find fault with anyone. The saints are the followers of Jesus.

Thank you for your patience, your endurance, your care and love. Let us remember that Jesus never fails. He is seeking for a people that will die daily and follow.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm
Loran W. Helm

P.S. Rev. Helm asked to have the following letters included for God's glory and your encouragement.

Dear Rev. Helm,

Thank you for being with us in Sunday's worship service. It was a joy just to see you even if you hadn't shared anything.

Your countenance was so beautiful and you looked at us with such love and care, it made me want to cry for joy. I'm so very grateful you haven't given up on us.

We're trusting and praying that you and Mrs. Helm will be completely healed of all your afflictions (body, mind and soul). Our hearts have anguished over your great suffering. We praise God for His help and faithfulness to you.

In Jesus' precious name,
William and Gladys Galbreth (Parker City, IN)

Dear Rev. Helm,

Praise the Lord. We love you.

Thank you for the March 10th newsletter. We appreciate the message from I Thessalonians 5:16-21. The Lord has shown you so much in those few verses. We were particularly touched by your words on praising and rejoicing evermore.

Your sharing on modesty in dress is a vital need in this age. We pray we will hear and heed what God says.

We are praying and fasting for you.

Love,

Michael and Nina Ward (Scott Depot, WV)

Dear Rev. Helm,

Thank you so much for coming today! Praise the Lord!

I don't know if I know how to express what it meant to me for you to be with us in service today. When we walked out to the platform and knelt down to pray, I felt the joy of the Lord come upon me. I was so thrilled in the Holy Spirit that He would allow you to be with us.

The message was right down my alley. If ever I felt like a service was just for me, it was today. The message was of a richness and depth that I believe it could really be reveled in forever!

Love in Christ,

Tyler Garth (Parker City, IN)

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,
Greetings in Jesus' Name.

I wanted to take a moment to simply say how much I appreciate your lives and the wonderful way He has led you through the years. I draw so very much encouragement from your writings, music, testimonies and abounding love. I know that it's by His grace that this could be. On the occasion of this sacred holiday, it seemed appropriate to me that I should write these few words. His sacrifice and glorious resurrection has so affected all things I stand in utter amazement of His power, wisdom and mercy. It was this supreme gift that enabled me to find you back in 1977 and it's God's gift to me to offer you a few words of encouragement.

It was in a time of Waiting On God in June of 1977 that He gave me a glimmer of your ministry and calling. I was so struck and I was so blessed to have Ron Kirk, then of Kansas City, who helped me to see some things. I know that it is His great, great kindness that has privileged me with this knowledge. I still review the tapes of that meeting and am so blessed and instructed. Isn't it an amazing thing that the spoken word so long ago can so bless some 19 years later. To me, that is a testimony of the Holy Spirit. I need to praise Him so very much more for this.

Having never met either of you personally, although I've been in many meetings with you, I want you both to know that I love you dearly. It is almost as if you were a second set of parents, always helpful, always encouraging, always supportive. It is my heart's desire to assist, in whatever way that He enables me, your calling, mission and faithfulness in its fulfillment. As I pray for you, and you especially Mrs. Helm with your recent accident, I am trusting Him to reveal Himself to you as all-sufficient and enabling.

Please rejoice with me, my brethren, in the Victory we celebrate at this time. Know that our fellowship is in Him and that it is complete and altogether worthwhile. May we all be faithful in our perseverance.

In Him,
Jack Leftwich (Winston Salem, NC)

Dear Rev. Helm,
Greetings to you in Jesus our Saviour!

My wife and I were so delighted with your surprise visit to White Harvest on Sunday the 18th. We were anticipating something special when we were told that service would start at 10 a.m. instead of the normal scheduled time. God did not disappoint our expectations!

How special to have you, His servant, with us for one more opportunity to hear what He is saying from His session in heaven! We are benefactors of your walk with God! We will be indebted to you for eternity even though we may never know you as intimately as some of your closest friends do.

We were privileged to hear you in Parker City last August which now seems so long ago, but this meeting on Sunday refreshed our longing to hear you tell the wonders of God in your experience plus to hear you preach the mysteries of the Kingdom of God!

Finally, I wanted to tell you that your message on wisdom from James 1:5 was a treasure to store away and pull out from time to time for inspection, review, and re-examination. One of the things you said that I trust will remain with me was this - "Wisdom can only dwell in a heart hungry for righteousness." What magnitude is in that statement! I know that I will have to get the tape of the entire service to find out what all I have forgotten even this early on. By God's grace, I hope to review it sufficiently enough that the truths will increase in their capacity within my heart!

Sincerely,
David and Amelia Stewart (Indianapolis, IN)

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

We sure are glad you keep sending out newsletters. They are convicting and encouraging at the same time. Our souls are hungry for the kind of food you bring to us.

God has been faithful to us in many ways. He answers prayer for healing and encouragement for our leaders and congregation at Scott Depot. He is helping us to love one another at home. Our 18 year old son prays with his classmates every day and is seeking God's will for his life. The Lord protected Michael a few months ago when he hit a patch of ice and lost control of our truck. He also had mercy and delivered us a few days ago when a wheel fell off the truck on our way to church. The list goes on and on. We are grateful to the Lord.

Also we praise God for the healing and help He continues to bring to the two of you. By God's grace, we will keep praying!

With love,
Rebecca Bowers (Scott Depot, WV)

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

I am praising God for the glory and anointing I am sensing from the tapes of the 1995 October revival services.

In the October 15 service, you preached such an important message on "I beseech you therefore, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." I remember Robert Morgan saying in a sermon that the word beseech is such a strong word, which means I beg you. What mercy Paul saw in this to be begging for it! I am thankful you have the vision of this and are striving to get this across to us. I pray to get it into my heart because I need it so desperately.

I am encouraged to press on. I am so grateful that God has me on this earth so I could know about you and to try to thank Him that I have the privilege to write you letters to the glo of God and His Kingdom.

May you be delivered from diseases, growths, and all the powers of darkness today and days ahead. May God grant you encouragement, strengthening and uplifting in the anointing to the glory of the Lord Almighty.

In grace, love, gladness and thanksgiving,
Richard Sanchez (Holbrook, AZ)

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

We want to remind you that Rev. and Mrs. Helm will be celebrating their 62nd anniversary on May 27th. Cards, flowers or other remembrances can be sent to their Parker City address.

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Revival For Our Day

June 8, 1996

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

The following is a message that Rev. Helm shared at Parker City Christ Fellowship on Sunday, May 12.

It is God's will to have faith. It is impossible to please God without faith. It is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good report. (Hebrews 11:1, 2) Through faith they 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. (Hebrews 11:33-35)

Jesus turned many times to the dear ones with Him and said, "O ye of little faith." (Matthew 6:30, 8:26, 14:31, 16:8; Luke 12:28) "And a certain centurion's servant, who was dear unto him, was sick, and ready to die. And when he heard of Jesus, he sent unto him the elders of the Jews, beseeching him that he would come and heal his servant." (Luke 7:2,3) How much faith did that centurion have?

Verse six begins, "Then Jesus went with them." Jesus changed His program. He left what He was about to do to go with these elders, because a centurion had asked for Jesus to come that his dying servant, who he loved so much, would be kept from death. I don't know how far they had come to find Jesus.

"And when he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to him, saying unto him, Lord, trouble not thyself; for I am not worthy that thou shouldest enter under my roof." During this time, the centurion had something going on in his heart. He had just received the revelation. The revelation was that he was not worthy for Jesus to come into his house.

Verse seven tells us, "Wherefore neither thought I myself worthy to come unto thee: but say in a word, and my servant shall be healed."

How much faith does it require for us to learn we are not worthy? I know that I am not worthy. I have begged at the throne of grace many times, pleading for mercy.

Jesus spoke the word and that very hour that servant was healed! Jesus turned and said to all

the company with Him, "I have not found so great a faith, no, not in Israel." This included all of God's chosen people - all the hundreds and thousands He had been with. He had been with many, but He said that He had not found anyone with the faith of this man. How about your faith?

Is your faith elementary? Is it feeble? Is your faith abounding? How far does your faith reach? What is the hand of faith that you bear? Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. (Hebrews 11:1)

When I went to Israel the first time, one of the greatest desires I had within me was to get to the pool of Salome. One day Jesus met a blind man and He told this man to go to the pool of Salome and wash and he would see. This man was a distance from the pool of Salome, but praise God, he had the faith to believe even though he had never seen light in all of his life. He had never seen his father, his mother, his children, his neighbors, or the buildings of Jerusalem. He had faith and he immediately called out for someone to help him to get to the pool. He couldn't see where he was or where he was going. What was the faith of this blind man? How about your faith?

When the demoniac was healed, he didn't know enough before that to keep his clothes on. He lived in the cemetery and no man could tame him. There was not anyone who could do anything for him. He was a person that could not find the way to right thinking. How far is it to the place of right thinking? When Jesus found the demoniac, He had just come through a storm. Jesus had been on a boat that was full of water. How much faith did Jesus have to have to keep this boat afloat when it should have sunk. The boat was full of water and they were in jeopardy. How much faith is required to keep a ship or boat that is full of water afloat? What is the distance from sinking to floating? This miracle had just happened when He came across the demoniac.

Jesus cast the demons out of the man and made him well. Legions of demons came out of him and went into a herd of hogs, and they all ran into the sea and were drowned. Jesus had this man that didn't know anything at His feet, clothed and in his right mind.

Jesus had just come through a storm with a boat full of water. Where did He have His valise with a change of raiment for the man? How can you be in a boat full of water and keep your clothes dry? Jesus dressed him - He had a clos-

et with Him and dressed the man. The man was clothed and in his right mind sitting at the feet of Jesus. What faith was required? The man Jesus prayed for didn't know anything about faith. All the man knew was that when he saw Jesus, he said, "Thou art the Son of God." This man didn't know anything but he knew who Jesus was! How much faith is that?

The Pharisees thought Jesus was of Satan. The demoniac didn't know anything, but knew that Jesus was the Son of God! The people who were there were so stirred up with Jesus healing this man who was beyond human reach.

Wouldn't you love to be dressed by Jesus? This man didn't know anything and all he had was Jesus. He was clothed, sitting in his right mind, and they were conversing. All the people who saw this marvelous miracle were frightened. The people asked Jesus to leave them. What faith did these people have? Here was one of the great miracles of the New Testament and all the people requested Jesus to leave because they didn't know who He was; yet the man who didn't know anything and was demon possessed knew who Jesus was.

All the people asked Jesus to leave except the one who had been healed. The man asked Jesus to not leave him with these people. He wanted to go with Jesus. How badly would you have wanted to go with the Savior?

Jesus told this man, who had been so marvelously transformed, to go home and tell his people what the Lord has done for him. What faith did it require to give up going with Jesus and go back into a storm; where he had been misunderstood, where he was an upsetter, a cheater, a disturber of the peace? What faith and courage did this man have to have to leave Jesus and go back to where he was not loved or understood? This is bigger than I can realize. I have preached 63 years and I have never seen this before - how this man who didn't know anything was suddenly brought from nothing to such great faith.

Jesus found this man after a storm. Remember that when you are in storms, there may be someone waiting for your witness. When you are in hard places and it looks impossible, there may be someone waiting for you to help them. Will you have the faith to endure? Will you have the faith to press onward? Will you have the faith to keep a song in obedience to God?

The wonder of this story is that this man returned home. I wonder how much welcome his wife had for him? I wonder what his parents and neighbors thought? Wouldn't you like to take a little walk through the corridor of their

thoughts? All they knew was his former life. They didn't know the life that began at the moment Jesus found him. Oh, what faith!

The faith of this man was so sweet, so real, so strong and so inviting that when he came into view he didn't have to say anything. They just looked at him and knew he was brand new. One man's faith and testimony changed the whole community.

Look at the faith of Abraham. He went out not knowing where he was going, but he had faith to believe. He received an inheritance and it is still in existence. The faith of Abraham is still living - still in progress. Look within your heart to see if you have appreciation for faith like this.

As we speak about Biblical faith, I think about the man that met Jesus in the town. The man was born blind and he found out that Jesus was there. He had someone to lead him up to where Jesus was and when he got there he requested that Jesus would pray for his sight. Jesus took him by the hand (Jesus changed His plans again) and left where they were. Jesus took him outside of the town and prayed for him, and the man received his sight. When this man could see, he probably wanted to go back into town as soon as he could so he could see everything in the town he had never seen. Jesus told him that he could not go home through the town - he would have to go home another way. How much faith did this man have to have to believe Jesus? He obeyed immediately, but he couldn't go where he wanted to. He had to do exactly what Jesus said. His faith was immense!

I have always confessed to the Lord that I have very little faith. Many, many times Jesus said, "Ye of little faith." How can faith be measured? Little faith means a very, very small part.

I have asked Jesus many times to grant me faith as that of the centurion or of the Syrophoenician woman when she asked Jesus to heal her demon possessed daughter.

We have been on a tour - the tour of observing faith; to have faith as a child; a living faith, a mature faith, a far-reaching faith, a faith that will not give up.

When I was at Earlham College, I came into the kitchen of the parsonage and my wife said that she wanted to bake a cake. She didn't have any eggs and we didn't have any money. I told my wife that I had seen a White Rock hen scratching in our flower bed for the last 2-3 weeks. I didn't know where she lived or where her roosting place was. I didn't know who her owner was. I figured that she had eaten enough of our things to make one egg and so I asked God to send her to our woodhouse to lay an egg. How do you suppose

my wife looked at me? She didn't have one doubt on her face. She didn't question me one bit.

Those of you who know about hens know that every hen has a particular nest that she lays her egg in every day or every other day. She won't lay it anywhere else. Do you see what a miracle it would be to have the hen change her laying habit? Faith had to reach into the hen's mind and say, you are going to lay your egg in a different place today.

I had to believe that God was going to do it because we needed this egg. I had to pray that she wouldn't stop at the flower bed but make the turn to the woodhouse and go into a door that was never open - only when I went to get wood or coal. The door had never been open when the hen had been there before. I had to believe that she would go through the door and lay that egg. I knew that we would have to be quiet because if we made any noise, she might change her turn. We have to be careful how we make noises in this world because we might cause someone to make a wrong turn that might not happen if we keep quiet. This will help us all.

We waited and waited. In a little bit I told my wife that we had an egg. Most of the time, when a hen drops the egg, she begins to sing. I knew we had the egg by the song. I knew I couldn't rush out there to get the egg because I would frighten the hen. When we have what is ours, we are going to have to wait a little longer. How much faith does it require to wait a little longer?

It is a marvel that this hen would change her laying habits, go into a place that was closed up and had no straw, and lay an egg. Then we had to wait. Do we hop in too soon? Do we go after what we want too quickly? How long do we wait? Faith will tell you. God's Spirit will lead you.

I waited seven minutes to go get the egg. I didn't slam the door. I hurried out to the woodhouse and there was the hen still close to the egg. I went in slowly, carefully, quietly, cautiously and thankfully. How much thankfulness do you think I had in my heart? How much excitement did I have in my heart that this hen was used of God to answer my prayer? I went over and picked up this warm egg - I took it in my hand and returned to the kitchen. I said to my sweetheart, "Here is your egg for the cake that you wanted to bake."

My faith looks up to up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine!

Oh, to have faith like a child, faith like the centurion, faith like the Syrophenician woman, to

have faith to believe, to have to find Christ as our personal Savior and to have faith to pray. It requires faith to pray, to believe and to trust. Trust, faith and love all go together - they are inseparable. How is your faith? Do you believe?

This would be a good time for you, if you do not know Jesus as your personal Savior, to come and say, "Lord forgive me for my sins, my wrongs, my disobedience, all my evils, all my gossip, all the stories that I have told that I shouldn't have, all the things that I have done that were out of order; forgive me of my sins. Blot out my transgressions." If you have faith, He will do it.

In Jesus' Name

Loran W. Helm

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The following letter was sent to the members of Parker City Christ Fellowship recently. Rev. Helm has asked that it be included in this newsletter since the truths are universal.

Dear Precious Christ Fellowship at Parker City,

Greetings in Jesus' Holy Name! How wonderful, how marvelous, how great His faithfulness is! He never fails and He never comes too late; He is always on time and is faithful to those who obey Him and trust Him with all of their heart. Proverbs 3:5 and 6 tells us to "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths."

He has sought for persons through the centuries that would be faithful and sanctified holy, that He might present to Himself a glorious church without spot or wrinkle or any such thing. A glorious church is a church of victory, a church of triumph, a church of trusting, a church of love and compassion, a church of long suffering, a church of gentleness and tenderness, and each individual is truly sanctified and striving to do God's will; leaning upon the everlasting arms and not looking at the weaknesses of others.

We know that the devil is going up and down like a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour. The enemy tries to bring division in homes, families and churches. Jesus spoke of old that the devil will fight until the mother-in-law would be against the daughter-in-law and the son would be against the father. (Luke 12:53) We have to constantly die out to self

or we will have problems, even at home. When Jesus leads, the devil fights. God wants us to have a glorious church.

The glorious church is filled with His holiness, His purity, His righteousness and His truth. It is a church that is together with true harmony and unity. "Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you 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." I Corinthians 1:10.

The carnal church is not like this. The carnal person looks at the weaknesses of others. You can't satisfy the carnal person and they can hardly satisfy themselves. The carnal person falls into criticism or murmuring. The glorious church is a victorious church - not having any spots. It says not having a spot. Spots are controversies or questions or murmurings or finding fault or criticism. A spot is when the garment of the saint has touched something that is not of God. It then puts a spot or blemish on the garment. Wrinkles are caused by pressures. The glorious church is not to put pressure on anyone - but to be compassionate and helpful to the pastor and leaders of the church.

The glorious church must constantly persevere unto the life of true holiness. True holiness is where Jesus is leading and where there is no criticism, no back biting, no fault finding, no looking at the weaknesses of others. The glorious church is to have no blemish. A blemish is caused from within. Spots are caused from without. A blemish comes from the inside of us. We have different things within us that cause blemishes. We have to have Jesus to keep the blemishes from us. What we have inside of us will come out and show up on our outside in discolorment. From this comes discord and tale bearing. The Bible is very, very explicit that sowing discord among the brethren is a great sin. Tale bearing is a tremendous sin. We cannot have this in the true church of Jesus Christ. In the sanctified life there is not any discord sown, any criticism, any fault finding.

We leave the Christian life when we become a tale bearer or when we sow discord among the brethren or doubt among the congregation. We leave the Christian life when we criticize the pastor, the associates, the choir director or even the secretaries. These things come out of the carnal heart. We have to die constantly in order to not be a tale bearer or sowing discord. If any of us have been guilty of these things, we should go and make restitution and get it under the blood, then persevere on to have a sanctified heart. We need to make restitution if we have talked about anyone in the church from the pastor, the associates, the choir director, the choir, the custodian, the secretaries, or anyone

else. If we have put certain reflections on people, we need to make it right as soon as possible. A truly sanctified heart never spreads stories about anybody or sows discord.

To be a tale bearer or to sow discord is of Satan and the carnal nature; it grieves God. All of this occurs in the life that is double-minded. The double-minded man is unstable in his ways. (James 1:8) The double minded man may be fine one day and the next day he is altogether different. It is like a "Dr. Jeckyl and Mr. Hyde" split personality.

We must be cleansed from this or we will be sowing discord and telling this and that about the pastor, or other church people. This is not the manner of the glorious church or its characteristic. The spiritual traits of the glorious church include love, long suffering, gentleness, tenderness and caution about our conversations. We are told in the book of Peter that we are to have holy conversation. We are not to have any question marks about anyone. We are not to discuss anything that the devil puts in our mind. Even the finest saints will have to resist it. We have to rebuke this constantly or we will fall into tale bearing and sowing discord before we know it.

I have tried, throughout my ministry, to get everyone to be faithful to the church - to God first and then to the pastor. This means we are faithful to prayer meeting and all services. We need to get there and don't let anything stop us. We need to be faithful and true.

Tale bearing, sowing discord and not being faithful to services will keep the church from revival. Revival comes when we pay the price, each one dies daily and becomes sanctified. We have such a deceitful heart and wickedness in us and it takes the fire of God to burn it out and the blood of Jesus to cleanse us. It is a constant pressing.

Tale bearing and sowing discord destroy. People who think that they are helping by doing these things are doing great damage. Anyone who tells any tale does great damage to the body - to God, to the pastor, to the leaders. God does not lead anyone to talk about anyone else in a negative way.

God is faithful to deliver us if we will subject ourselves to His cleansing. God wants us to have hearts of purity and true holiness.

We need to be together. We cannot have conflicts or disagreements in the church of Jesus Christ. If we don't get this carnality cleansed out of us we will be a disturber, we won't like this or that, we will stay home and won't come to church - we will make excuses. Jesus said, "And they all with one consent made excuse." If we aren't careful, we will come up with all kinds of excuses and we won't be faithful to services. I am talking to those who are well and able.

I love all of you very much - everyone of you

who reads this letter. Thank you to each one of you who have prayed for me. I am the weakest of all. We thank the Lord for each one of you that have persevered and have been lifters and not leaners; for those of you who have been thoughtful and praying warriors. Thank you for being faithful to our precious pastor and his wife, who have helped us so beautifully, so sincerely and so consistently through the years. They have carried many burdens on my behalf and not laid them on me.

It is so wonderful when God leads. As I went into the Revival For Our Day board meeting last week with our precious pastor, members of the Board and part of our church staff, the Lord's anointing fell on me. It was such a sweet time. God gave us such a great time with all of these dear men and ladies - I wish I could tell you how sweet it was! I want to give God all the praise and glory for how he helped us. I was there for four hours and when I left I wasn't tired.

We trust the Lord for deliverance and for your encouragement as you pray for us and for each other. May the Lord strengthen and touch each of you. Jesus is able to cleanse us for all unrighteousness. May the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, our strength, and our redeemer. (Psalm 19:14)

Through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
Loran W. Helm

Rev. Helm asked to have the following letters included for your encouragement and for God's glory.

Dear Brother Helm,

Thank you for sharing the message about wisdom in the last newsletter. It was so timely and answered many questions that I have been struggling with. I have left the newsletter on my desk and try to meditate on the scriptures of the message.

Being raised in a pastor's home and attending camp-meetings and conventions of all kinds, I cannot recall one message on wisdom. Oh, the importance and how the Holy Spirit helped you to challenge us. In the next to last paragraph you wrote, "Yet the wisdom of God cannot abide in a heart that is critical."

Through your teaching and God's help, I have been able to avoid open (outward, verbal) criticism but the Holy Spirit severely convicted me of the inward critical thoughts that are not heard by anyone but will block the flow of Godly wisdom.

Thank you again for your constant diligence to bring truth, balance and love to our lives.

In Christ Jesus, Gary (Powell)
(Ormond Beach, FL)

Dear Rev. Helm,

I'm so glad you were able to be at Parker City services on Sunday morning. So many times I have started to write to you and Florence because of the love, appreciation and joy for the Voice book. This message just gets so great that I feel I am just going to pop and be scattered through the air in happy little vapors of excitement!

It seems when I start to write, I can't find the words to match my feelings so I just try to turn it all over in prayer for God to help you and Florence!

Ever since I came to Parker Christ Fellowship I have been living in the midst of a miracle! Only God truly knows what my family has been spared from! What little glimpse I have is enough to bowl me over with gratitude! It is greater than what I know.

I love you both lots, Carmen Spice
(Parker City, IN)

Dear Rev. Helm,

John and I enjoyed your message so much this morning - we always get something new out of the old stories.

When Sandra (Whitaker) sang the song, "Sweet Will of God", John showed me his song book and he had also picked that song to sing in case you called on him to sing.

I'm sure you must have enjoyed the children this morning, as we did. There were 41 children up there. Last week there were 40.

Thank you for coming today and sharing with us. We loved it and were happy to see you looking so much better.

Love in Jesus, John and Jane Langdon
(Parker City, IN)

Dear Dr. Helm,

God gave us a wonderful day, Sunday, May 5. This was the day we called "Vision Sunday". Rev. Reimar Schultze was with us, speaking and teaching with love, wisdom and anointing. The message, the revelation God has given you for His church was the focal point as we together sought a vision of God Himself and what He wants for us in His love and will.

Rev. Schultze, through God's Spirit, brought to us the theme of your book and ministry. God challenged us with His program for a true, spiritual, eternal, Holy Ghost mission for the church: "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross daily and follow me" (Luke 9:23). Only by this way may we "know what is the hope of His calling, and what the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His power to usward who believe, according to the working of His mighty power" (Eph. 1:18,19). We were challenged to a renewed vision, a God releasing obedience, and a genuine hope found only in God's way and will.

May God's call which has lovingly reached through you be a voice in the wilderness which truly is heard. May God's blessing which has richly poured through your ministry return upon you in healing, strength and sweet glory this day.

Yours in Christ, Rodney Taylor
(Scott Depot, WV)

Dear Brother Helm,

My thoughts are very much with you on this morning of my 60th birthday.

Looking back to the high school classroom in Germany in 1952, God spoke to me, saying, "I will give you the answers to the questions of origin, purpose, and destiny." Most of this revelation has come through you or because of you.

The call to preach at Scott Depot was good for me. It forced me to refocus and seriously rethink your ministry and message. The result of this research is an astounding confirmation of all you have taught and lived for. If you should leave the earth before I do, be assured of this, I have no other objective nor agenda but to continue to pursue your message until the end of my course. I shall do so in prayer, on radio, in writing, and in speaking.

Most all religious efforts of most all religious leaders are only for self-advancement and self-glorification. The Holy Spirit is grieved. But your emphasis on self-denial is the sure cure which will reconnect the headless body to the leadership, the power, and the glory of the headship, Christ.

So be encouraged - what God has planted in holiness will in due time bring forth fruit unto everlasting life.

Sincerely, His servant and yours, Reimar (Schultze)
(Kokomo, IN)

Dear Rev. Helm,

Your recent sermons here at Parker City have been so encouraging to me. The sermon on faith on May 12 was enlightening and I heard many things I had not heard and/or realized before. I have never heard anyone point out that Jesus clothed the man of the Gadarenes. When Jesus found the man, he was wild and not of a right mind. But Jesus simply said a word and the demons had to flee. Then Jesus clothed the man. I have never seen that before in that passage of scripture. I've not even realized that the man didn't have any clothes there with him even though the scripture clearly says that he was not clothed. Where did the clothes come from? From Jesus, of course. Jesus clothed him. That means Jesus was already prepared to give the man what he needed before the man had even come to Him. Jesus knew ahead of time what the man would need when they met. He took care of the man. That means that Jesus will take care of us too. He will clothe us too. It means that He is already prepared to give what we need before we ever meet Him. It means that Jesus has in His possession what we need when He deliv-

ers us from the enemy. He comes prepared. Hallelujah!

The man had to have a lot of faith to go back to his home and proclaim what God had done for him. Now the Man of the Gadarenes, as far as we know, had not met Jesus before but Jesus did such a work in him that he was able to believe Jesus would be with him when went back home and told them what God's mercy had accomplished. The man was so full of joy, he had to tell others what had happened. Also, others must have noticed an obvious difference in him. He was radically different than what he had been before. That's the kind of difference Jesus makes in a life when He comes into it. The man was so grateful that Jesus had rescued him from the demons, that he wanted to go with Jesus. If anyone will wholly give himself to Jesus, He will wholly come in and that person will want to go with Jesus.

It must have been hard on the man when Jesus told him no, he couldn't go with Jesus, but the man obeyed Jesus nonetheless. That obedience helped him to have the faith to proclaim what God had done for him as Jesus had commanded him. I imagine that as he went proclaiming the word and he found that God went before him, he was greatly encouraged and his faith increased. So it can be with us. As we obey, our faith increases.

Then the sermon on Sunday, May 19, was a great sermon. I was thrilled by your review of your conversion and I thought of my own conversion. I experienced it all over again. I was so thrilled, I was overflowing with joy. God was pouring out His anointing and His presence was so great, it was lifting me to a high plane.

I am praying for you and your wonderful wife. May God's healing and blessing be upon you. I pray that God will touch Mrs. Helm and make her well. I pray for you that God will touch you also and heal your body. I pray that God will continue to encourage you, lift you and protect you from the slings of the enemy.

Thank you for your faithfulness, Audie Whitaker
(Parker City, IN)

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

Praise be to God! Sunday morning's service at Parker City Christ Fellowship was wonderful. My spirit was excited as Pastor McAdams shared scripture from Isaiah on the barren giving birth.

Your words to us on faith to believe God so went with the scripture. The songs the Holy Spirit led to sing all fit. Glory! Thank you.

Oh, to commune with Jesus everyday! Oh, to be cleansed so that we may be given power from on High! Oh, to believe!

The demoniac first talked to Jesus before he went where Jesus told him. The blind man listened to Jesus and obeyed, then he received his sight. Jesus is our source, our help, our hope, our joy, our strength and giver of all wisdom and forgiveness, and discernment. Oh, to be like Him!

With love and appreciation, Maria Yoder
(Parker City, IN)

Revival For Our Day

July 5, 1996

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who taketh away the sins of the world.

I wanted to share with you the message that the Lord helped me to present to the dear ones at Parker City Christ Fellowship on the evening of June 20th.

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not to thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths. (Proverbs 3:5)

Trust. What is it and how is it? Where is it and how does it come to pass? Who is able to embrace it? Who will give it a home in faithfulness?

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart. Where does trust begin? Does it have an ending? How do we obtain it? Where does it come from? How does it exist? Are you acquainted with this wonderful gift of trust?

Are there any questions that exist in trusting? Is trust without question? Is trust in the heart of purity or in the heart of disobedience? Is it possible for trust to exist, except we be clean and pure? "Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? Who shall stand in His holy place? He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully." (Psalm 24:3,4) Is it possible to have a heart of trust with unclean hands? The unclean hand, in part, is using our hands for self-advantage, self-want, self-desire, and self-plan.

Trust in Lord with all thine heart. Is it possible to trust a little or some or a part? Is it possible to trust at all times? Are there times when there is not place for trust? Not at all. Trust must be from the moment of conversion until the crown.

"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." (Isaiah 40:31) There is no fainting in trusting. Could trust exist with a fainting heart?

Do you know where trust dwells? Do you know where to find it? Is it possible for trust to remain in a heart that is not all for trust? No - it cannot. Trust must have full domin-

ion, the full access to the entire being, soul and mind of the personality.

When my wife said to me, in 1934 (we were sitting in front of the old Maple tree at 244 W. Howard St. here in Parker City), "Where are we going to live?" My reply was, "I don't know." What kind of an answer do you think that was to her? Was it uplifting?

Instantly, when I gave her my reply, I saw a light in my heart (it touches me now). The Holy Ghost put a light in my heart and I said to her, "I see our home as a light. I see that if we are faithful, true and obedient to do God's will; give Him all the praise, glory and honor, I can see that someday God will build us a home. God will reveal that He provides today as He did of old."

I began to trust. Trust had its beginnings in my heart concerning a home. What is a home? Do you have a home? Is a home a home without love? How can a home be a home without love, and how can there be love without trust? Trust depends upon love. Love depends upon our obedience. You have as much love of God in you as you have obeyed for, as you have died for. Paul said, "I die daily." We have as much trust and love as we have died for.

I came into this pulpit not knowing what to say or do. I asked God to help me because I am limited, I am feeble, I am needy.

It is impossible to trust without love and to love without trust. Trust is waiting. Trust is anticipating. Can trust stand without faith? No. Faith is the heartbeat, the backbone, the spinal cord of trust. To what degree do you trust in the Lord? To what part do you trust in the Lord with all thine heart?

I began to trust for a home. I didn't know where it would be or how it would be. Only through God could it be. I had nothing and I am nothing. "For if a man thinks himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself." (Galatians 6:3) One of the great things we will learn in trusting is that we are nothing. It wouldn't be possible to trust in the Lord without knowing that we are nothing. How could trust exist in a heart that doesn't know it is nothing? We are in a great place here, aren't we?

Look at the strength, the light and the promise in the word trust. It is exciting and far reaching. It reaches to the ends of time.

Could trust live or dwell in a heart that didn't let God have His way? Trust is in simplicity - not in complexity. Trust is elementary. Trust is a spiritual term. It is not in the vocabulary of the world or of the carnal mind. Trust is so delicate and tender. It is so precious and priceless.

How do we pursue trust? Where do we find it? How do we assume it? How do we care for it? How do we embrace it? How do we walk in it?

I was in prayer with C.C. Field, one of the greatest prayer warriors I have ever prayed with. We would pray together for one to four hours, part of the night, or all night on one occasion. I remember there was one time that I was so weary that I didn't think I could hardly make it to the car. The Lord revealed to me that he and I were to pray when the service ended. When the service was over, I went back to him and told him we needed to pray. I was so weary that I could not pray. All I could do was to lean on the pew and he began to pray. The power began to come into me and I began to pray. I began to call to God in Jesus' name. I was trusting for strength and wisdom to know how to pray. I was trusting for His guidance in prayer. I was trusting for the revelation - not that I knew anything, but that I needed much.

He and I prayed for one hour - he would pray and then I would pray. Finally, we were both praying at the same time. We prayed to the end of the second hour (about 2:15 in the morning) when I began to enter into soul travail. ". . . as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children." (Isaiah 66:8) This took place in 1950. When I was privileged to enter into this holy, sacred place of trusting, it was as a woman in travail for a child. This was travail for God's will to be done in earth as it is in heaven. The travail would come upon me for four to six minutes and then lift; then in five minutes it would be back. We would groan in the spirit, call for His will and for God to move in upon the lost and reveal Himself to them. Soul travail continued for two more hours. At about 4:15 in the morning, He said, "I have heard".

I was trusting for souls, trusting for His will,

trusting for His guidance, trusting for the Kingdom of God. When His kingdom comes in the earth it is beyond all description and comprehension of man.

I remember I finished a sermon one morning in my father's church in 1949. A man by the name of Robert Willis came up to me and asked me to pray for a friend of his. I told him it would take the God of heaven to help me pray. Everyone had left except my father and myself, and maybe my wife. I got down and began to pray in the middle of the altar of the Methodist Church in Shirley, Indiana. I prayed and prayed and prayed and finally God spoke to me and told me that his friend would be saved in one year. Robert Willis never told me who the friend was until years later - it was Dale Milliner. Dale Milliner was saved one year later and in July of 1951, I was privileged to see him called into the ministry. He was chaplain of Parkview Hospital in Ft. Wayne for many years.

I was trusting for a home, trusting for a soul, trusting for a victory, trusting for revival, trusting for God's leading. Trusting - not pressing. What does trust do with pressing? What would pressing do to trust? Would trust be at home with a pressing heart? Would trust be at home with a murmuring heart? Could trust live in a heart of self-assertiveness? Could trust live in a heart of self-pursuit? Could trust live in a heart of self-desire? Could trust live in a heart that is carnal?

What is carnality? Carnality has its roots in inbred sin, into which every man and woman is born. Inbred sin is the core of all church troubles, individual troubles, home troubles, government troubles, school troubles, and marriage troubles. Trust wouldn't be at rest with a carnal heart. A carnal heart is anxious and wants to know why. A carnal heart wants the answers - the trusting heart doesn't seek for the answers, for it is the answer. It comes at God's time. In the life of trust no questions are asked - but in the life of trust all questions are answered - in God's time and in God's way.

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not to thine own understanding.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

Loran W. Helm

P.S. I want to thank each one who has prayed for us. I want to give God the praise and thanks for each person who has fasted and sacrificed for us. We cannot praise God enough for each member of our staff, each member of our Board of Directors and all of you who have carried the burden for our ministry.

We want to thank the Lord for every soul that is drawn in conviction to salvation by repentance and confession of sin. We want to thank the Lord for all of those at Harmony Press who have printed this letter through the years.

We are so thankful for all those who have walked in the light as He is in the light. Thanks to each person who has assisted and given of your life in prayer and obedience.

We pray for the salvation of souls and for the sanctification of believers; that they may be filled with the Holy Spirit; that we may become one as the Father and the Son are one in holy unity and purity.

Rev. Helm asked to have the following letters included for God's glory and your encouragement.

Dear Rev. Helm,

Praise the Lord for all His wonderful help to the children of men! I know (by faith) that He will never leave us nor forsake us - even up to the end of the world . . . that is something so great to know that I can hardly get to the blessing of it. Glory! Glory! Glory!

I just wanted to let you know how good it has been to hear you share the Good News the past few weeks. It has been so wonderful how God has helped you to share.

Sunday was a high state of worship from beginning to end, from the choir numbers to the preaching of the word. I'm sure that this was a far greater privilege than most of us had any idea. God himself was in the place and the great Solomon didn't realize it . . . how much easier for common man to miss the work of God?

May the Lord help you and meet all of your needs. We love you and esteem you very highly in love for the work's sake.

Because He lives, Kim (Gilbert)
Parker City, IN

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

Happy anniversary! May this anniversary be one of your best ever!!

I'm truly thankful for both of you. Thank you for the unconditional love that you both demonstrate so wonderfully! I believe that some of your best days are still ahead of you.

May your hearts be encouraged and lifted in Jesus as you continue to press on the upward way! I love you both because of Jesus.

May His love and tender mercies be with you!

Dana Saliba
Tulsa, OK

Dear Rev. Helm,

My name is Carolyn Marcum. I am an organist for a local church in Greensboro, North Carolina, but I also attend Chimney Lane Christ Fellowship. Oh, how the Lord has blessed me.

In March, a friend of mine gave me a copy of your book "A Voice in the Wilderness". This book has been a great help in my walk. It has helped to shed light on the path that God has set before me. Thank you for your obedience.

When reading about spiritual burdens I felt a presence in the room like I never felt before. It was like I was being held in a set of loving arms just like a Daddy would do. I felt warm, safe, at peace. Suddenly, I wanted to meet you and tell you how you were helping to shed light on some of my confusion. Since I can't meet you at this time, my friend gave me your address so I could write to you.

On May 23rd, I went to Oasis Fellowship to be of support to Pastor Thomas England in a series of meetings. I was privileged to meet your brother Edward. Meeting Edward made parts of your book more special. Now I had a face with the name.

I have heard that Mrs. Helm is not feeling well. I pray the Lord will place His healing hand of mercy upon her and she would regain her strength. I will be praying for you both.

I am not good at writing letters, but I needed to let you know you are helping a struggling warrior for Christ.

In Christ's service, Carolyn Marcum
Greensboro, NC

Dear Brother and Sister Helm,

Your letters have been and are such an encouragement to us, particularly the one from March. You were encouraging us on Peter 3. The same week I received a word on honoring my husband. It all brought conviction upon my heart and I am striving to do better with loving and honoring my husband. Praise God for His sweet conviction in our lives. He never gives up on His children - aren't we glad?

I love you and Mrs. Helm and trusting Jesus for His complete will for your lives.

With lots of love and many prayers, Rebecca Blevins

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Helm,

I thank the Lord for His goodness to us and for the strength He daily gives. I could not make it a day, a moment, without His grace and help. Praise the Lord, I don't have to. I find Him always faithful.

Descartes, a philosopher of the 17th century, once wrote: "I shall be entitled to entertain the highest expectations if I can but discover only one thing that is certain and indubitable." We have found that one thing: Christ and His Kingdom. Your lives have pointed us to, and you have demonstrated, the reality of God's Kingdom.

May God continue to strengthen you. May He make His presence real to you. May He lift you today in a special way to the wonders of His love.

Yours in Christ, Rodney Taylor
Scott Depot, WV

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Helm,

Glory be to God for His mercy on us! He is the One who saved us from ourselves and continues to do so. Thank you Jesus! Every good thing in my life is because of Him. This includes my wife, home, job, church family, pastor, salvation, protection, not necessarily in that order. And the list goes on and on.

I thank the Lord for helping you to deliver your May 12th sermon which was printed for all of us. I am challenged! Oh Lord, have mercy on me! I need serious help in the area of faith, and I didn't quite realize it until the newsletter.

What stuck out to me, in particular the first time I read it, was the part that mentioned storms. "Remember that when you are in storms, there may be someone waiting for your witness." It really hit me. We must stay alert throughout all circumstances. I need so much cleansing, help and faith.

The second time I read through the sermon, what I saw was how your message ties in so well with what Pastor Schultze was recently sharing. He shared that what we need more than revelations of the right spouse, car, home or job is the revelation of who Jesus really is. After the centurion asked Jesus to come to his house, you stated that "He had just received a revelation. The revelation was that he was not worthy for Jesus to come into his house." I believe he also got a revelation of who Jesus was.

The demoniac got a revelation of who Jesus was as well. Your words: "The demoniac didn't know anything, but he knew that Jesus was the Son of God!" How did he know that?

It really all ties together because both messages were of the Kingdom of God. (I Cor. 1:10) We need faith, and we need a revelation of Jesus Christ. The two go together.

Jesus, please heal Sister Helm's back, eyes, heart, joints, and digestive system. And Lord, please heal Rev. Helm's heart, throat, prostate area, digestive system, and nervous system, any other physical needs as well as encouragement and lifting of burdens. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

I love you both! Christopher Hummel
Kokomo, IN

Dear Rev. Helm and Florence,

Greetings on this beautiful spring morning in the holy name of Jesus. We are thankful for Jesus and what He has meant to our lives; we have read God's Word today and "A Voice in the Wilderness". We are excited about the Kingdom and the glorious things of God. Be

assured of our continued remembering you in prayer and lifting you before the throne. We are looking forward to greater things in your ministry. Mrs. Helm, be healed, be well, be whole this day in the name of Jesus!

Your most recent newsletter has been a great help to us and we are thankful God helps you to keep sharing things of Christ with us. The truth contained is so vital for revival in the church, and for the church to become what Christ intends it to be. May God help you to incorporate this truth into our lives.

God bless you and Mrs. Helm and we love you dearly.

Yours in Calvary Love, Forrest and Mary Jane (Richey)
Indianapolis, IN

Dear Brother Helm,

I wish I had the words to tell you how **God is blessing us through your life and ministry**. One of the ways that we have been blessed is through your review. My grandfather repeated children's stories over and over again to me and I never tired of hearing them. When you retell the stories of how the Holy Spirit has led you, you are not trying to entertain, or simply offer a tale of fantasy or a fable. You relate to us real-life, modern-day events, and I know that you are reviewing because the Lord is telling you to do so.

Mental health professionals have observed that one of the main reasons that people take their own lives is that they do not review! Isn't it both remarkable and wonderful to know that review is essential to our very existence?

Interestingly, each time you review, I gain new insights or find new applications. Even if we were not to receive anything new, it would be good enough to simply be reminded of "whatsoever things are lovely."

Our children are changed as a result of your sharing in the church services. This is an answer to prayer! Though we have tried to tell our children about some of your experiences and exhortations, it is even more wonderful, and more convincing (and convicting), to hear these experiences from you.

Imagine being able to sit down with Elijah or Elisha and have them tell personally how God helped them. What a privilege to be present with one who had actually lived through the experiences!

In this day, our children (and we) need godly influences. Our children admire and revere you, as do we. We are thankful that the Lord has helped you to have the strength to be in the services to share with us, exhort us, and encourage us. By God's grace and mercy, we are not trying to "make it by the skin of our teeth," as some people say. We desire the more excellent way, both for us, and for our children. We want to leave this earth (if Jesus does not return in our lifetime) having helped the cause of Christ. We do not want to hold the attitude that it is okay to just "get by". Thank you for pointing us to the more excellent way. This is the way of **responsibility**, but also of **blessing**.

Sincerely, Sandra Whitaker
Parker City, IN

Revival For Our Day

August 1, 1996

Dear beloved of the Lord Jesus Christ,

I wanted to share with you a message that the Lord helped me to preach recently to the dear ones at Parker City Christ Fellowship.

Please turn in your Bibles to the fifteenth chapter of St. Luke. "Then drew near unto Jesus all the publicans and the sinners for to hear him." This is exciting. All the publicans and the sinners came to hear Jesus. Jesus had come and they had to come and hear him. They came and drew near to hear what Jesus had to say. Praise the Lord! This gives us hope, doesn't it? The publicans and sinners came and said, "Lord, tell us a story; tell us what you have for us; tell us of the good news; tell us of the wonders of the grace of God." Hallelujah! They came to hear Jesus. They were welcome to come and hear Jesus.

The Pharisees and Scribes murmured saying that Jesus receives sinners and eats with them. Verse three says, "And he spake this parable unto them saying, 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?"

Here is the Great Shepherd, the Good Shepherd, the Faithful Shepherd, the All-Caring Shepherd, the All-Knowing Shepherd of the sheep. He said, "What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one (or one goes astray) . . ." We stray by not keeping our eyes upon Him. We stray because we look into self and let self make the arrangements. We stray because we try to figure it out; we try to analyze it. We are taught to have an analytical mind and dissect things; trying to find out how come and wherefore. We leave the Good Shepherd by trying to save ourselves; by making our own plans and arrangements. We stray from the fold and the fold is in the wilderness. He left the ninety and nine in the wilderness. We stray because we become cold in spirit and are

prayerless. We stray by disobedience. We stray by the lack of self-denial.

When we are converted the life of self-denial begins immediately. If we do not deny self from morning until night, we will stray away from the will of God and we will go into the pattern of man. We will seek after the worldly things; after what we want; what is attractive; what seems to be helpful.

The sheep that goes astray may stray before it even knows it is away from the fold. The fold is the church. Jesus left the ninety and nine in the wilderness to go find the straying soul. We stray by analyzation, prayerlessness and we stray because we will not deny ourselves.

If only Lot had denied himself. I speak this very cautiously and carefully because I know we are weak and we could do the same thing. If Lot had stayed home and not sought to be with Abraham, there would be a lot less turmoil in the world today. Lot couldn't deny himself of being with Uncle Abraham.

If the demoniac hadn't denied himself, he could have strayed away by disobedience. Jesus told him to go back to his community and give his testimony. The demoniac was willing to deny himself. How much self-denial did it require for him to go back into the storm where people had seen him in an adverse way? He obeyed the Lord and went back to the territory of his home country and told them what Jesus had done and how Jesus had changed his life; how Jesus had taken his burden; how Jesus had cast out all the evils and set him free. He went forth as a light and changed the whole community. After the people heard the testimony of this man who had obeyed, they were all waiting for the return of Jesus.

The wilderness is a desolate place. The wilderness doesn't have very much to offer - just snakes, lizards and all kinds of things that you don't like to run into. The wilderness is an empty place - no food, no crops, no oasis - it is a desolate place. But, the shep-

herd left the ninety and nine in the wilderness to go out to find the straying one.

Look at the love that it required in the Savior, the Great Shepherd. Look at the care, want and desire that He had. It really means something special to go and find someone who is lost. I can remember when Terrance was one or two years old. We lost him one time in Yorktown (perhaps in 1925). My mother was so frightened because we lived within 150 feet of the railroad. The fast trains sometimes came through between 75-80 miles an hour. She was concerned that he might be too close to the track or perhaps that he was straying down to the Cornbread River about a quarter of a mile away. I hope you never lose a child. For a mother or a father, it is an experience that you would never want to have. My mother was not frantic, but was greatly concerned because of her love for this precious child that was lost. Finally, we did find him. He was all wound up in some covers at the foot of the bed. He was close and we couldn't find him. Things are close to us sometimes and we just don't know where they are and how to find them. Look at this mother's heart when she found this lost child. It is an awful feeling to lose someone.

Jesus went out to find one lost soul; a straying heart; one who had forgotten to obey. When we forget to obey, we stray. When we cease to recognize the urgency of obedience, we stray and wander. Usually when we stray, we are looking down and not up.

This lost soul got away somehow; maybe they didn't know they had left. Sometimes we don't know that we come short, but we can ask God to forgive us and He comes to us. He finds us in a place where we are hardly existing. He reaches down for us and pulls us out of the thicket - the thicket of criticism and loneliness. He reaches down and picks up the sheep with tender hands. He brings us out of the awful, thorny place.

Can't you see the sheep looking up at the Shepherd thanking Him for coming to rescue him? The sheep realizes that the Shepherd has come a long way and realizes just how far he has strayed. The Shepherd lifts up the sheep and places him on His shoulder. He

has found the straying sheep! The Great Shepherd reaches down and carries the sheep home. "And when he hath found it, he layeth it upon his shoulders, rejoicing." (Luke 15:5)

*Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian,
Lift up your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs
To Jesus Christ the King!*

Here He comes with His sheep on His shoulder! I want you to see the tenderness, the sweetness, the kindness, and the thoughtfulness. I want you to see the love that is pouring out of the Shepherd. Can you see that line of love and care between the Shepherd and the sheep? He has brought His lost sheep home! He has His hands of tenderness upon him! He holds the sheep and pours His love into the heart of the sheep so that it will never stray again.

May we all recall the love, the care, and the beauty of the death of the Savior to bring us back from the lost world of darkness. I wish Jonny Light was here to sing that song about being back home again.

Jesus brings the sheep back home again. The sheep doesn't have to be in that lonely place anymore where there is no food, desolation, misunderstanding, and no compassion. Praise God that He would be merciful to me, a sinner, to save me and set my feet on the Rock; to bring me out of evil into holiness, purity and truth! I am so thankful as I see the love pouring from the Shepherd into the sheep on His shoulder.

"And when he cometh home, he calleth together his friends and neighbors, saying unto them, Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost." (Luke 15:6) Praise the Lord, he gathered them all in and they had a rejoicing time of praise and adoration. Isn't this a beautiful sight? The sheep was brought home and was given the best. There was rejoicing in the fold!

It seems as though so many in the world have strayed away. So many in the church have grown cold, analytical and critical. This is the natural trait for us. We are in the

wilderness before we know it. The wilderness always trying to get in the fold. The fold is in the wilderness, but we don't want any of the wilderness in the fold. We must pray, obey, trust, and lift up our hands and hearts unto the Lord so that we will be close to Him and not stray away.

They rejoiced together because the Shepherd found the lost sheep. Verse seven concludes this reading, "I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance."

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us of our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (I John 1:9) He sets our feet upon the rock and lets us see that the Lord is good. He comes in with His joy, His love, His peace, and His grace to give us what we need. As we come before the altar of His love, He is there. We need to ask Him to forgive us from our coldness of heart, from analyzation, our secret sins, our evils and wrongs. What victory this is! He gives us this wonderful privilege of knowing that Jesus, the Great Shepherd, cares for you and for me. We come to Him this morning with thanksgiving. We thank Jesus this morning that the Holy Spirit is drawing.

We want to obey the Holy Spirit and persevere until our hearts are purged from this old carnal nature that would take us away from His will. We need to ask God to purge us so that we won't stray or grow cold. We need to submit ourselves to be true sons and daughters of God; to be faithful in His holiness, His love, His care, His purity, and His grace.

And He brought His sheep home again. May the Lord be praised, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

In II Chronicles 7:14, it states, "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." In James 4:10, we find, "Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up."

It has been on my heart in these days to ask to be forgiven for taking my wife out to eat when she fell. The Word says that if we ask for forgiveness when we have erred, when we have failed, when we have come short, or when we have disobeyed, He is faithful and just to forgive us for what we have done wrong.

I have tried so hard for the last 63 years not to fail or disobey. I need to ask for your forgiveness because I should not have taken her out that evening. Jesus said if we forgive one another, He will forgive us. It was on my heart to ask for your forgiveness in this matter.

I heard Dr. E. Stanley Jones say one time that we all disobey God. That is one thing I never wanted to do. I want to be faithful and true in every area. Thank you for your compassion, understanding and forgiveness. I don't want any disobedience in my life. I want to be holy before the Lord. This has been the longing of my heart for 63 years - to do only God's will. I want to be holy unto the Lord and unto all of you people that God has helped me to find.

I thank you for your faithfulness, understanding, love, care, sacrifice and petitions.

In Jesus' Holy Name,

Loran W. Helm

Loran W. Helm

P.S. My wife and I wish to thank all of you who sent flowers and cards for her birthday. The love expressed was so appreciated. Thank you.

I want to also ask that you will remember the Fellowship Youth Camp in your prayers. Please pray for Rev. Daniel Light and those in charge; for their strength, anointing, protection, wisdom and knowledge. We pray that God will help and bless. If God would lay it on your heart, you might send Rev. Light a note of appreciation for all his work with the Youth Camp. This is a big job with probably very little thanks.

I am including a few letters for Jesus' glory.

We are striving to obey the Holy Spirit and be more like Jesus. We love you and sister Helm and pray for you.

Love,

James Snuffer and Family

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

You are in my thoughts and prayers daily. I would like to share a recent experience with you that I thought God could be in.

I go to the Knox Co. jail on most Thursdays and this particular Thursday Jackie Cox had asked me to come early so she and I could share dinner and conversation together. Jackie and I had made plans to meet at her work and when I arrived, we discussed different possibilities of where to dine and somehow ended up at Charlies off I-75 north which was really out of our way.

While eating, Jackie asked me how the jail ministry was going and she said that she had seen on the news where an inmate had been released and I responded to her that I had known this person for several months. The inmate and I had shared often and as these words were coming out of my mouth, a young lady passed our table and I said, "I think I know that young lady."

A couple of minutes later it dawned on me that this was the very person that we were speaking of. When Jackie and I were finished eating, I asked her if she would wait for me at the door while I spoke with this young lady.

The young lady, who was dining with her pastor and another friend, looked like she could have fallen off her chair when she saw me and we all concluded that God must have gotten us in the same place at just that time.

I sure don't know how to put it all together, but it is exciting - P.T.L. God has truly helped me at the jail with not only the inmates, but with other volunteers and guards for which I am very thankful.

Thank you for helping me to find a part of my ministry.

Brenda Ward

As my wife and I listened to Rev. Helm's confession this morning, we were both very touched by the broken and contrite spirit we heard through his voice. I wish you all could have heard what we heard.

Few men in history have ever tried as hard as Brother Helm to do the right and to shun the wrong. Then after our discussion of this matter we both experienced such blessed fellowship in the Holy Spirit as we reviewed the greatness and the mercies of the Lord.

Let us keep this precious couple in our prayers every day, and let us keep up the support. "And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water . . . he shall in no wise lose his reward." Matthew 10:42

Reimar Schultze

When Rev. Helm shared his confession and concern with me and asked if I had any opinion or response, my first inclination was to tell him that I didn't think it necessary nor would I expect anyone else to require it. However, it quickly occurred to me that each of us has to stay clear with their conscience so I encouraged him to share the above. May this not only keep his heart clear, but may someone find encouragement and help through it.

John McAdams

Dear Rev. Helm,

We are thankful for your love and ministry. My 13 year old daughter was recently telling me how much she loved the waitings, and the meetings last August at Parker City. I'm so thankful that my children are excited about the Kingdom of God, and it is because of the reality in your walk with God.

Revival For Our Day

September, 1996

Dear beloved of the Lord Jesus Christ, .

In the writings of Isaiah, chapter 58, verse 1, we find these words, "Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgressions, and the house of Jacob their sins." I came across this verse 50-60 years ago and I have preached a little bit on it over the years. "Cry aloud, spare not, shew my people", (that is the church).

My father was a business man. When people who claimed to be saved or sanctified and did not pay their bills, he was very hurt. The people who claimed to be sanctified hurt him the worst. He didn't believe in sanctification because the people who claimed to be sanctified wouldn't pay their bills.

Anytime we do not pay our bills, it is terribly wrong (a sin). If I borrowed some money from you and I went and bought other things with this money and didn't pay you back, how would you feel when you saw me get a car or some new clothes when I didn't first take care of my obligation with you? When we owe people money, we shouldn't buy anything much at all until we pay our bills first.

He said, "Cry out and spare not and tell my people their transgressions". We must pay our bills and not let them be delinquent. How wrong does a wrong have to be before it becomes sin?

My father used tobacco before I was born. He had a real deep taste for tobacco, but he didn't ever want me to see him smoking a pipe or a cigarette, so he quit. None of his children ever saw him smoke or drink whiskey. My father was a great Christian and he drank a lot of whiskey before he was born again. He told me years ago that when he became a Christian he quit drinking whiskey.

Some fall into gambling. People will play the lottery or other games of gambling. How wrong is this? What kind of a sin is it to gamble? In the eyes of God I am sure that it is very disappointing and grievous.

Jesus said that if a man looks upon a woman and desires to have her, he has already committed adultery in his heart with her, even though he may have never been with her or

touched her. How serious a sin is this? I have preached since 1944 that a minister should never go to any home where a wife is without her husband. Any minister, pastor or servant of God who goes to any room, any house, or any car where the woman is not his wife - how serious a sin is it? If the man desires to be with her without his wife, this is sin.

Whenever any layman, especially a minister or servant of God is with any woman, besides his wife, at any time or place for any length of time, that servant of God should immediately write to the entire church (all the elders and the young people included), and humbly ask for forgiveness. The Word says, "If my people which are called by my name shall humble themselves." How much humility does it take to confess that we have been with some woman who was not our wife? How much brokeness does it require? If we have been with a woman and say we weren't, then we continue to live a lie.

This is so serious and has occurred for hundreds of years. We must get a letter written to the church where we have preached and ask for forgiveness and make restitution.

If any of us as laymen, uphold someone who is guilty of this, won't we be held accountable at the judgment bar of God? It will be a terrible thing at judgment to have to face it and be partaker of their evil deeds. "Cry out, spare not, lift up your voice as a trumpet and tell my people their sins, the house of Jacob their transgressions."

We are under authority of God's Word to cry out against gambling, smoking, drinking, not paying bills, and putting away our wife or husband and marrying another.

If our heart is a little hard and we have been with another woman, we must get a letter to the church as soon as possible and ask for forgiveness. The people of the church have made sacrifices for these servants of God. It is only by the grace of God that any of us would not succumb.

If we are guilty, we need to make confession so we can be forgiven by the people in the church and the community. The young people of the church, where the minister has succumbed to this, will be hurt and wounded because they had confidence in this minister.

The Word says, "He that would offend one of these little ones, that 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." (Matthew 18:6)

If I were to be with another woman without my wife, how offended would all of Revival For Our Day be? By God's grace, I have never been with another woman - but if I was guilty, I would have to immediately get a letter to all of RFOD asking for forgiveness. If I delay, it tells about the hardness of my heart.

Anyone is likely to succumb. If we think we won't, we better take heed lest we fall. There have been ministers who have succumbed and did not write a letter to their church to ask for forgiveness. This has caused great distress, wounds and hurts upon the membership, especially the young people.

And what about the people in the community that stand up for the person who has committed this sin? If I stand up for someone who has sinned, I am a partaker of their evil deeds. What will this cost me at the judgment? The longer we don't admit our sin, the harder our heart becomes and the more God is grieved with us.

We must never get offended with any servant of God that cries out against gambling, tobacco, drinking, adultery or fornication. We must not steal, we must pay our bills, we must consider the effects of tobacco and alcohol on our bodies. This is urgent and expedient. What kind of heart would be offended at this servant who is crying out against these evils?

We are to live holy lives and take good care of that which is another man's property. There are people who will borrow something and keep it for weeks and weeks. We borrow a car and put many miles on it. We don't take care of the oil changes. If we don't take care of this, whether it is a car or a tool, what does this say about us?

"Cry aloud, spare not, lift thy voice like a trumpet and tell my people their transgressions." We need to be careful in all our ways, to be pure in heart. If we have something in our heart that is not of God, we need to repent. We cry aloud against the things of the world. We want to see believers sanctified. We want to see the church encouraged.

May the Lord be praised as each of us take care of those things that have grieved God. "Be

sure your sin will find you out". "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." "For today is the day of salvation." This is the time to repent of our wrong doings and get it under the blood. We need to be holy (pure) and sin not. "Whosoever committeth sin transgresses also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin. Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him. Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil. Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God." (I John 3:4-9)

Unless we are cleansed of the carnal nature we will fall into sin before we know it. Our sins will find us out. We must be pure and holy. We are living in a day when people have the idea they can live together without being married. We must not live in sin. The cost of sin is death, destruction and hell.

Be encouraged to pray, obey, deny self, take up the cross and witness. For as many as are led by the Holy Spirit, they are the sons of God. Anyone who is filled with the Holy Spirit will be guided into all truth. Let us live holy lives. If anyone were to be resentful or critical of these truths, it reveals what kind of a heart they have.

Thank you for praying for us that we might be true and love all people.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

Loran W. Helm

P.S. 1 Thessalonians 5:22 Says to abstain from all appearance of evil. "Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven." We are to be obedient on earth as the saints are up in heaven.

Many years ago, a great man of God, E. Stanley Jones said in one of his books that the

professed church has lost the kingdom of God. 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."

Jeremiah 2:32 says "Can a maid forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? yet my people have forgotten me days without number."

Proverbs 31:10 "Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies."

Thank you all for praying for us.

Rev. Helm asked that the following letters be included for the glory of God.

Dear Rev. Helm,

I want to praise the Lord for all His help and mercy. He has been gracious to us and we are greatly indebted and unworthy of His kindness.

I wanted to let you know that the Lord has helped us as we have made the transition and are now in an adjustment period with regard to the leadership here at White Harvest. The congregation is embracing the change with maturity and grace - a tribute to Forrest and Mary Jane's investment into their lives. Pastor Richey and Mary Jane are making the adjustment well and should be commended for their attitudes and effort in accepting new roles after 48 years of being in senior pastor positions. We are doing our best to grant them all the liberties of ministry without the weight of responsibility. We need the Lord's help to maintain the correct perspective as well as procedure.

Rev. Helm, I also wanted to convey to you that as I am beginning the process of learning how to lead in this capacity, I am very appreciative of the instruction I have received by virtue of being under your ministry for over thirteen years and under your influence for most of my life. I receive some help and inspiration from reading some of the great authors and noteworthy writings which are available, but the power and anointing comes as I contemplate and utilize the teachings which God has given through you. It has become increasingly obvious to me that God, in His sovereignty, placed me under the umbrella of your life and desires me to continue in that tradition. I am delighted to do so. God alone is to be praised.

There are many concepts and statements which we could attribute to your ministry. The one which seems to stand out to me, relevant to my position in the ministry, is found in **A Voice In The Wilderness**. You told us (p. 315) that "the absolute which we in the church must face is the imperative of the cross in the daily life of the believer." Thank you, Rev. Helm, for remaining focused on the essentials and for giving us the Truth.

It is a privilege to continue praying for you and to believe for the awakening which God is going to send in the not too distant future.

Jerry (Keller)
White Harvest Christ Fellowship

P.S. We just received word regarding the Waiting Upon God and we are very thankful for God's guidance. We have maintained a special prayer meeting for you and Mrs. Helm each week and we will continue to do so with renewed emphasis.

Dear Rev. Helm,

When you walked into the sanctuary this morning, I was so surprised and thankful. I was just telling the people how I came with nothing and yet had such anticipation. I was rather encouraged and excited, much more than usual. And to think that just this morning at 5:30 a.m., Vickie asked the Lord to send you our way. Here we both came to church uninspired and needing God's direction and Jesus came our way.

For me to review the message, well, how can it be told? God had you in such areas, several it seems, but not like running rabbit trails or getting sidetracked. You were just going where God was leading and in your gathering there was sufficient for everyone. The banqueting table was spread and we were made aware of each dish and savored every morsel. If that is running rabbit trails, I'm ready to go again. Hallelujah!

It was in the fourth hour of the meeting as we were in a time of testimony that Jim Myers stood to share how he had been hurting in the very areas of his body God had you to pray for earlier and how he was feeling better. When he spoke of his having this thing going on in his chest area, the Lord helped you to know that it was a burden for an earthquake three thousand miles away (pointing southwest) and eleven mile under the surface. God told you He would subdue it. If we had stopped in the 2nd or 3rd hour we would have missed this.

It was all so rich and uplifting, so helpful and encouraging. May we press to hold it to our hearts in review and appreciation. Thank you for bringing Michael Parker with you. He was certainly a blessing to us all.

And thank you, Rev. Helm. Your coming brought me (Michael) back to a place I have been away from for a little while. It's good to be back home again.

With love and much appreciation,
Your Son and Daughter,
Michael and Vickie (Neuman)
Mentone, Indiana

Dear Rev. Helm,

Thank you for coming to our little church this morning and sharing with us once again the wonderful "truths" of this wonderful way! The Lord helped you so much as you shared for over three hours. The time went so quickly. The love that emitted from you was so precious. When you first sat down on the platform I wanted to just come up and sit at your feet, but I knew there were 20-25 others that would want to do the same. It was like sitting at the feet of Jesus as you shared.

Thank you for praying for us even when you are in such dire need yourself. Thank you for encouraging us even when the enemy clamors all around you. We praise the Lord for this day and for both you and Mrs. Helm.

In Jesus,
Pat Kissinger
Mentone, Indiana

Dear Brother Helm,

Just a note to let you know how much God helped you at the Atwood (Mentone) Fellowship last Sunday. When a pastor returns home and finds his people full of joy, praising God, and rejoicing over the help that God gave, it is very, very, very, encouraging.

On Wednesday night prayer meeting, the people were so eager to share what God had done. It is so great. Pastor Michael and Vickie seem to be more encouraged than I have seen them in some time.

So be encouraged, if God can help you in the coming Waiting Upon God as He did Sunday, we have great things ahead for us.

I am trusting that the Waiting Upon God can be a time of oneness, a time of reconciliation of the past hurts and disappointments. I know God will help.

Love,
Thomas Harman

Revival For Our Day

October 1996

Dear Ones of Revival For Our Day,

We greet you in the matchless name of Christ. We confess that we do not know anything, only by the grace of God.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not to your own understanding. Since the fall of Adam, the tendency of all men and women is to lean to our own understanding. By the disobedience of Adam and Eve, we have gone into disobedience and death. Since the fall, man has been in turmoil and upheaval. Men have tried to find solutions to see what they can do to bring peace. There is no peace except the Prince of Peace. The more we try to maneuver and manipulate, the deeper we sink in the mire.

In Deuteronomy, chapter eight, we read, "All the commandments which I command thee this day shall ye observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which the Lord sware unto your fathers."

Our living in God is as we obey. I have heard people say that all you have to do is repent and give your heart to the Lord and trust Him. Trust has to have obedience. If we don't obey in the life of trust, it ceases to be trust and goes into existence. Without obedience, it is impossible to please God.

If we die to self, we live in a spiritual aliveness that brings us into revelation and guidance. If we seek revelation, then we are on the wrong track. We are to seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness. Dr. E. Stanley Jones said many years ago that the Kingdom of God has been lost by the professed church. This is because man reasons and tries to figure instead of following.

The joy of the Lord is our strength and we only have joy as we obey. If we do God's will, love is spontaneous. If we try to figure and analyze then we are off the path. The straight and narrow path is too narrow for any kind of analysis or figuring. It is wide enough for all faith, all holiness, all truth, all love and all trust.

Verse two of chapter eight says, "And thou shalt remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee these forty years in the wilderness . . . " The church is in the wilderness. When the Good Shepherd went out (in Luke, chapter fifteen) to find the one straying, he was straying because he got his ideas and his thoughts on

what he was in. This caused him to stray out of the fold. When we figure and try to work things out ourselves, we get into the wilderness. The thickets in this place are very damaging and leave deep scars and wounds, but Jesus is able to heal as we are able to trust Him.

Everything we encounter is to find out what is in our heart. That is in the second verse of the eighth chapter of Deuteronomy. This is to prove us; to try us to see what is in our heart. We have a reaction to everything we encounter. Is there compassion, criticism, understanding, or long suffering? It is because of the fall of man that we fall into this. The tendency of the human heart is to get our minds on things that we think will solve the problem. There isn't anything that will solve the problem, save the leading of the Holy Spirit indwelling. Jesus knows how to deliver the Godly out of temptation if we will submit with praise.

The tendency of the flesh is to figure. I have to sound the warning from the wall that we will not live the life of self will and self assertiveness. This has been since the fall of Adam. There has to be a prophet on the wall crying for us to press into the Kingdom of God.

The Holy Spirit will guide us into all truth if we will give Him all the praise, all the glory, all the honor and all thanksgiving. When the Holy Spirit is in you and you have paid the price by surrendering and being obedient, you are on fire. If we don't praise Him enough, we are lukewarm and spewed out of His mouth. We are either on fire or we are cold. The only way we can keep on fire is to obey Him and follow as little children. If we cease to obey Him then we have no spiritual victory. When we figure things out, we are off the trail. We have to die to follow.

The only way you can discern the will of God is by the Word of God and the leading of the Holy Spirit in the heart - not in the head. Whenever we let the head lead, we are off the trail. If we don't keep our heart with all diligence, He is grieved with us and we will not receive the revelation. We live by God's grace, mercy and spirit.

I want to leave this and go to I Corinthians 3:13-15. "Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try

every man's work of what sort it is." We usually don't hit this until we have walked with God perhaps 40-50 years. Every man's work will be manifest and will tried by fire. We must trust the Lord with all of our heart and if we do He will bring us through the trial or tribulation (which I have been in for about a year and a half). No one can escape this.

Verse 14 continues, "If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward." He shall receive a reward if the work is on the rock, Christ Jesus. If the work is on our ideas, our thoughts, our figuring, our reasoning then it will be burned up. "If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire." (verse 15)

The church has tried this detour for a long time - it may have started in the first century. I know when there are sharp differences between anyone, it is because of carnality. All of God's true children follow I Corinthians 1:10 - no divisions, all speaking the same thing, perfectly joined together in the same mind and the same judgment. Carnality is only burned out of us by the Holy Spirit and by the blood of Jesus.

Don't be discouraged - just praise the Lord as you read this letter. Your reaction to it will tell God what is in your heart. If we praise Him for it, it is commendable. If we question and ask why, it is the carnal nature.

It is better to know all of this now than to wait until the judgment day. I want to be clear with God and with all of you - my family, my enemies, my persecutors, those who don't understand me - I love them all very much. It is only because of the Holy Spirit. It is very serious to lay a hand on God's anointed. We have to be very careful with Israel and with the anointed that walk with Jesus Christ. Whenever we lay our hand on any servant of God, it is very serious what may happen. I am receiving the burden of cancer when I say this.

When we think we know a lot, we are in a real situation. The greatest thing that we will ever know is that we are nothing. We cannot do anything without the leadership of the Holy Spirit. Revival will come when we least expect it and it will come to the faithful and true - those who have left all and forsaken all.

Next, I direct you to verse 22 of the fourteenth chapter of Acts. I would like to make a whole letter on this, but I do not have the time. "Confirming the souls of the disciples . . ." That means helping them, encouraging them,

strengthening them to obedience. The disciples are those who leave all, forsake all and take up their cross. Unless we die daily, we will not do this. We will lean on our own understanding and we will miss the Kingdom of God. ". . . exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God."

As you read this letter, He is watching our heart's reaction. He is proving us to see what is in our heart.

Thank you for your prayers, supplications, petitions and for your sacrificial giving. Our finances have fallen much because of what is in people's hearts. We cannot get our minds on circumstances. We need to press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. We thank Him for this great love, this peace, and this joy of the Lord. Be encouraged in Him, because when you walk in Him, you are a lifter - not a leaner.

Thank you for allowing me to give you the word of the Lord. We thank our dear ones on our staff that have helped us and all of you who have prayed for us. We give God the praise for His direction and for His blessings.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

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P.S. I wanted to mention something that I seldom stress. If you could, would you pray for our finance. As you read the letter, if you would ask God for direction on how much He might have you share with us. I believe that the Holy Spirit could return one fold or more as you wait before Him. All things are possible to him that believe. Through the years we have not asked for very much. We feel that if we first seek the Kingdom and His righteousness, He will do the adding. I would be very in debt to Jesus and our Heavenly Father for His mercy. May you be blessed for His honor and glory. Thank you for your kind consideration on our behalf.

Rev. Helm requested that the following poem be included in this letter for God's glory.

BROTHER HELM

Praise God for another wonderful day,
Once again God sent Brother Helm our way,
When he came in he was so happy and free,
Every time he comes there is a blessing for me,
In every cubic foot of the earth, His witnesses you are to be
Everything is talking to God, about you and me.
You must be quiet until the Holy Spirit leads the way,
You need to rejoice, and die to self, every hour of the day.
You only get to intercession, if you have clean hands and a pure heart.
"My people have forgotten Me days without number," with Me they never really start.
Your love for God can't reach any higher than the one you love the least,
If you don't know what to do with someone love them, you will be preparing for a feast,
When you start to figure, Jesus you do leave.
The greatest thing you will find out is that you are nothing, for most it is impossible to believe,
Everything is controlled by the every word, that comes from the heart of the man of God.
Is God going to do it, or are you going to work it out, as on this path you trod?
The Holy Ghost fellowship ceases, when your own plans you make,
Only a few have done God's will, and to His heart it brings an ache
All men could have all God has for them if the self they would deny,
Where are you living, witnessing, loving, to do His will, do you try?
If you are doing God's will you will get places you would never think
The devil will try to stop you, most people are just existing, they are missing the main link,
You look what you are, what do men of God see?
If there is a real joy in your heart, strong in the Lord you will be,
If most people were as weak physically as they are spiritually, on a stretcher they would be carried out,
You can do nothing in yourself, of that there is no doubt,
You will lean on your knowing, unless to the self you die,
You are called to die, follow, rejoice, not to wonder why,
To be lead by the Holy Spirit, means everything,
Everything of the world is trying to get your attention, so to the world you will cling,
You must praise God without being offensive, praise not in the spirit others will hurt,
You must be tender with your wife, don't act like an expert,
You learn to love your wife as you spend much time in prayer
If you take care of your husband, he would not look for another somewhere,
Do you make things nice for your husband, so he will want to be there.
Carnality laughs, God wants you to show compassion, show you really care.
You will know you are in Zion, because of God's Presence there
Whenever two people together obey God, He is with that pair,
The less you know, the more God can reveal to you
You never really love until you die, that is what you must do,
You can't fellowship with Jesus in the self, the Holy Spirit must lead the way,
What is hidden in you should startle you, it is not time to play,
You are here because Brother Helm, his obedience led the way
He had to trust God for everything, for nineteen years he had no pay.

The church must be run by the Holy Ghost, that is the cry
The church must get right with God, to do it each man must die,
If you analyze just once, with God you no longer walk,
You are carnal until you are cleansed, the cleansing you can not balk.
Pray for the saints, does not say for the sinner to pray,
One statement in the carnal, the lambs will loose their way,
Those saved in a sick church will be lost,
What are you going to answer for what will be the cost,
He wants you to keep His commandments, to do what is right,
When the power comes no one can resist, no one will put up a fight,
All God's true people are one, no division you will find,
Only a few will find it, to the truth you are so blind.
When you become nothing you have something everyone else is looking for,
Everything that happens is to prove what is in your heart, He already knows the score,
Carnality is sin, of the human heart, what does He see in your heart,
When the Holy Spirit comes, He will show you all things, Him you can not outsmart,
If you only knew how the powers of the earth fight all true men of God,
The demons have possession of most people, they will never walk on Heavenly sod.
A man of God is looking for eyes like Jesus, they bring such rest,
You don't have to try to be like Jesus, you will be, when you pass the test,
His blood must be applied or carnal you will be,
You have to be careful all the time, spend much time on the knee,
What is a disciple, one who everything does forsake,
You will never find it if you analyze, of that there is no mistake,
If you don't confess everything, you will be lost.
The devil wants to keep you in the flesh, great will be the cost,
You must never let anything keep you from God's will
Only move when God leads, otherwise just be still.
It is through much tribulation, you will be called to go,
Most men by-pass the things of God, the way they think they know.
It takes many years of faithful following to get to the Holy place,
You will only make it through, by God's wonderful Grace.
If you don't obey and praise you will never get there.
It is easy if we mind God, spend much time in prayer,
The truth should make you happy, the truth will set you free.
Are you real, are you really real, like He wants you to be?
We seek what we want, people are living in reverse,
Just have the one desire: to follow the only God of the universe.
Of the things of God there is no place to end,
More has been given than my mind is able to comprehend.

Revival For Our Day

November 1996

Dear Ones of Revival For Our Day,

We give God praise for His guidance and for His direction; for He is able to lift the burdens, cares and hurts. We give Him praise and glory for the way He leads. We thank the Lord for His direction and revelation to His people. He makes a way where there seems to be none.

In John 16:13 we read, "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth . . ." The Spirit of truth is the third person of the Trinity. His coming depends upon our surrender and our obedience. Unless we are utterly dependent upon God, the Holy Spirit will not come. The Holy Spirit will come to the person who learns that he is nothing.

The Kingdom of Heaven is hidden like a treasure in a field. The Kingdom of God, the things of God, and the revelations of God are hidden. He has hidden them from the wise and the prudent and has revealed them unto babes.

In the first centuries of the church, there began to be divisions. But in the true church of Jesus Christ there are no divisions; there everyone speaks the same thing and everyone is perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. This is found in I Corinthians 1:10.

The Holy Spirit will reveal God's will to us if we can get quiet and still before Him. The Holy Spirit will guide us into all truth. He will tell us where to go. "All truth" is beyond our knowledge and comprehension.

Those who read this letter may feel like they are under pressure and tension. They don't understand how things are going to work out. They are trying to arrange, in the mind, how to take care of it. But God can guide us into all truth.

When the Holy Spirit comes and reveals all truth, it comes in light and sweetness. It comes as a surprise. We are not worthy of God's guidance and revelation. The work of the Holy Spirit is supernatural. Dr. E. Stanley Jones said many times that Christianity is supernatural. It cannot be explained. "But the natural man receives 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. For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ."

(I Corinthians 2:14-16)

When the Holy Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all truth. He will show you things to come. He who has called you will be faithful to do it.

It has been God's desire to lead the church by revelation. It is so easy for us, in the church, to go by discussion and by analyzation. When we do this, we leave God's will. We need to go by revelation.

The apostles were led to Jerusalem by revelation. We know that the church can only be led and directed by revelation - not by plans, ideas, discussion, or desires.

We don't know how hard our hearts are, except by revelation. We cannot find it out by education or knowledge - only through the Holy Spirit. Unless we obey and become nothing, our hearts become hard and we don't know it.

We thank the Lord for His guidance, blessing, direction, revelation, help, anointing, undergirding, and wisdom. We thank the Lord Jesus for the sacred blood and the work of the Holy Spirit that is able to do marvelous things and lead us into light. He will guide you into all truth. He will reveal what is to come and brings forth what needs to be known.

We trust for those who read this letter that some will be healed - somewhere in the eyes or the brain. There is also a situation in the throat. We ask that God will touch them. We pray for souls that are lonely and depressed. We pray for those who need intervention at their place of work. We pray that dear ones will be kept from accidents.

We praise Jesus for His help to us and for the Holy Spirit. We ask that Jesus would be with those who have wandered away. We ask for a wooing and drawing of the Holy Spirit.

We ask all of these things in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.

In Jesus' Name,

Loran W. Helm

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Rev. Helm asked to have the following letters included for the glory of God.

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

I'm thankful you put that note in the November newsletter about the RFOD finances and how you believed God would return at least one fold back! We have been giving a certain amount to RFOD monthly and during the month of September we didn't have that much to give after the bills - so we waited thinking by the end of the month we may have what we would send to RFOD. September came to an end and still the money wasn't there but we knew in our hearts that we needed to send it anyway. We wrote out the check leaving us with less than \$20.00 and we hadn't yet bought groceries for our family of four. We mailed it in the morning. That afternoon in the mail we received an unexpected check for \$10.00 more than what we sent to you! Praise the Lord! We were delighted! So, as you can see, I was happy to see what you wrote in the newsletter! He gave us a little over one fold in September, one month earlier than your last newsletter. He is faithful!!!

You are true servants of God - this is just a little more evidence to the fact.

Expecting a Harvest! Andrew and Heather Brandt

Dear Rev. and Mrs. Helm,

Just wanted to tell you we love you and are praying for you.

We were so happy when you came to Kokomo a while back. There were two things specifically I was really asking God for help on, and, by God's grace, he helped you to speak on both of those things. I was so happy and excited that He helped. Every time I review my notes I get so excited about it. Praise the Lord!

I praise the Lord for the strength He gave you to get to Kokomo and for Mrs. Helm being able to be here. That was such a miracle. She looked so beautiful and her playing was so "heavenly" to me. May God continue to strengthen you both in your mind, soul and body.

Love in Christ, Gina Houk

Dear Brother Helm,

October is Pastor Appreciation month, so I would like to express appreciation to you from Carl and me. You have been a pastor to the ministers and their wives since we have known you.

A true pastor has a shepherd's heart, and that you have. You have not been a respecter of persons, but have loved us all alike. You have loved the one talent person as much

as you have loved the many talents person. In fact, you have taught us to love and tune in with the "little ones" that may not be so highly trained. We have seen you just as excited about these as more accomplished ones.

We have seen you under great stress and pressure - times when men or situations seemed unreasonable. You have maintained an excellent spirit and have been an example, after which we could pattern our lives. Even though you have never verbalized it, you could surely have said, "Follow me as I follow Christ."

Thank you for preaching this way of the cross - the way of self denial and obedience. You have not let up in preaching - that to disobey God is sin. Its not just the attitude, "Well, I missed it that time" (when we recognize that we missed a leading) and then go on our merry way with no remorse or penitent spirit. We are accountable for every leading God gives us and that our next obedience hinges upon the previous one.

Thank you for lifting up your voice like a trumpet and declaring to God's people their sins. You have been fearless and courageous - not backing down even for those you love dearly. You have not allowed any situation or any person to water down the message! You are a true light for all men. We love you.

Sincerely, Carl and Blanche Rouintree

Dear Brother Helm,

I just thought I'd write a brief note to encourage and lift your heart in the Lord. It has been one of the greatest blessings of my life to have known and loved you for about 26 years. My wife and I are indebted to Jesus for the leadership of the Holy Spirit. So many times over these years you have helped us spiritually by your example and instruction and many times with a temporal gift or encouragement. We hope we have been a blessing to you as well.

We are endeavoring to pray daily for your healing and strength. The enemy has fought you and you have faced so many heartaches and disappointments the last few years, but we want you to know that we love you and we are for you, standing with you, by God's grace. I regard you as Christ's Apostle and I try to follow your example. I don't want to ever be a burden to you in any way.

If my wife and I can ever be of service to you, or if you ever have any leading concerning us, please feel free to share it with us. We believe you are led of the Lord as the Apostles of old were and we will do our best to obey, by God's grace.

In the love of Jesus, Rev. Edgar and Sarah Martin

Dear Ones in the Kingdom,

Praise the Lord who so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son as the Pearl of Great Price to rec-

oncile it unto Himself! Praise Him for the righteousness that did not compromise at the sight nor at the size of the cost to Him for such as "we" to be freed out of damnation unto eternal abundant life!

Praise Him for the only life and the only blood that could and that did make **the** difference between what we are and whose we are! Praise Him that we belong to the One whose name is the Bright and Morning Star, Ebenezer, El Shaddai, Rock of Ages, Fortress to the overcast, a Lord of Hosts that conquers enemy territories, the Alpha and Omega of all that is and will be, the One whose power **can** and whose grace **does** deliver us out of our bed of afflictions, the One who sways the scepter when we come into His presence, the One who never shall leave nor forsake us because it is His good pleasure to give us His Kingdom!

Thank you for a life unto whom God could reveal secrets of His kingdom and for His grace that would, in turn, allow you to share any of them with us. We indeed are blessed!

May He speak the words "It is enough" concerning your sufferings of the body, mind, heart and soul, and may He liberate you unto the last chapter of the book of Job.

With thanksgiving and prayers, Simmone Mossholder

Dear Rev. Helm,

I enjoyed our dinner so much last night. Thank you for having Marilyn (Buddengahen) and me with you and the Schultzes.

It was an education to see you talk to the waiter and to see how he responded more each time he came back to the table to help us.

I appreciate so much your sharing in review about how God has led you to various people. I really enjoyed your sharing about Prince Kabu.

What really struck me this time was his question to Stephen Merrit, "Do you pray?". As I thought about this later, the question hung in the air, "Do you pray?"

Thank you again for your help, example and your teaching. I love you and Florence.

Marilyn Morey

Dear Brother Helm and Florence,

Walking the beach this morning was a special time of praise and thanksgiving to God for the wonderful time of fellowship that we had together with you last evening. I had to ask myself if this was a dream.

As I looked out across the rolling ocean waves, I thought about your sharing last night on Prince Kabu and how he looked out across the same sea and dreamed. He dreamed of going to America to find the man Stephen Merrit who would tell him about the Holy Ghost.

As I continued to meditate about his dream and the wonder of it, I saw it in the distance - golden sun beams glittering. What a beautiful sight to see and to know that

God was speaking as only the Almighty can.

Is it wonderful that not only did Prince Kabu find a man of God, but I did too? A man of God who could teach me about the story of the Holy Spirit.

What a blessing and honor it has been to be with you and Florence. This memory will be a treasure kept near to my heart. Thank you Jesus for letting me experience this dream - the dream of His love. It is larger and deeper than the sea. By God's grace, I plan to keep dreaming His dream.

In Jesus' love, Marilyn Buddenhagen

Dear Brother and Sister Helm,

Praise the Lord for another beautiful morning in south Florida. We were at the beach this morning to take some pictures of the sunrise. It was beautiful!

We are having a wonderful time here with you. Times at the dinner table with you have been so anointed.

We love you and appreciate you very much.

Marcia Schultze

Dear Brother and Sister Helm,

Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus.

I want to thank you for having invited us to be with you in Florida for the thirteenth year. As we shared the Kingdom of God and reviewed what Jesus has done the last few nights, it seemed to be even more precious than thirteen years ago.

I marvel that after 25 years with you, I continue to learn from your walk with God and insights. The fact that you and Florence are in Florida is indeed a great miracle of God's mercies and the prayers of the saints.

May the Lord grant you continued healing, help and anointing.

Love, Reimar (Schultze)

ANNOUNCEMENT

We are thankful that the Lord has granted Rev. and Mrs. Helm the strength which has enabled them to travel to Florida. If you would like to send cards or letters, please direct them to their Florida address.

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