



# The Mission Trail

GUTHRIE, OKLAHOMA

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

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. . . Greeting once again to all who are in tune with radio station XEG. This is THE MISSION TRAIL Broadcast of Guthrie, Oklahoma with your speaker Willie Murphey. We are glad to be back with you as we are each Friday night at 11:00.

For the message at this time, I have chosen a real missionary challenge which was given to the apostle Paul, and I would like for you to notice the way in which he responded. Then I think we would do well for us to ask ourselves: "Am I doing my best for the cause of Christ in helping to spread the gospel?"

Here then is the challenge. I quote from the scripture: "And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying,

COME OVER INTO MACEDONIA, AND HELP US.

and after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavored to go into Macedonia, assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them." Acts 16:10.

Now just as the apostle felt a solemn obligation to preach the gospel to the "regions beyond", and to those who had not heard before, even so I believe that God's church or people should realize this obligation and debt, both toward God and toward those who are still in darkness. The scriptures teach us that Christ came "to seek and to save that which was lost". Luke 19:10

I wonder if there are not more young people who will hear the call to "come over and help us." The need for consecrated workers are increasing more and more.

A little more than one year ago now, Bro. David Madden felt this call of God to go to Nigeria and help those who were hungry for the truth.

Now Nigeria is said to be the "giant of Africa". It is greater in population than any

other African country. Nigeria is also said to be "the white man's burying ground". This is true because of the tropical diseases which are so prevalent.

But Bro. David Madden gave heed to this call and upon arriving in Nigeria soon found himself surrounded by eager natives asking many questions concerning the truth as taught by the Word of God. Because of other obligations, his stay in Nigeria was short.

But by the time he was ready to return to the states, he left those in Nigeria whose appetites for the truth were far from satisfied. They had only begun to taste of the bountiful supply of refreshing truths of the Word which you and I have the privilege to enjoy so often.

Bro. David was home only a few days until God saw best to call him to his eternal reward, but he had served well to implant in the hearts of those he left behind in Nigeria a deep respect for him and his God.

It is also reported that his name was held with such esteem and respect that he was spoken

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