



# The Mission Trail

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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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## God's Promises Are Conditional

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. . . Friends, I am happy to be coming your way again by means of radio to bring you a message from the Word of God. The thing which is needed today is a greater interest in the things of the Lord. It is time that we as the people of God lay aside the weights which hinder us from being all that is required of us. There are many promises made in His word, but they are upon condition. Listen to this one from II Chronicles 7:14. "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."

Before we go any further I want you to listen to "The Echoes of Calvary" by Kenneth and Lois Abbott.

Dear ones, I'm glad for Calvary, aren't you--not for the suffering which our Saviour endured there but the fact that He brought redemption to those who will accept Him. Now God's people are those who hear and do the will of the Father, so there is no need to call ourselves by his name if we are unwilling to keep His commandments.

Notice then a few things connected with this promise which I read a few moments ago. First he said "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves." I consider humility one of the first steps in approaching God.

A verse in I Peter 5:6 says, "Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time." So really in God's sight, the way up is the way of humility. Then

in Colossians 3:12, "Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering."

But here is what happens when one fails to humble himself. In James 4:6, "But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble." Then here is another verse in Isaiah 57:15. "For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones." Don't you like that verse?

The second thing which our text tells us to do is to pray. When Jonah did his preaching in Ninevah and told of the destruction which God had promised to send upon them, the king proclaimed a fast and told the people to "cry mightily unto God: yea, let them turn everyone

from his evil way, and from the violence that is in their hands." You see, it is a good thing to pray.

But along with the praying another thing is necessary--that is a turning away from that which is evil. You may pray ever so much, but if you are unwilling to turn away from the evil, it will profit you very little. Some seem to think they can live about any way they wish as long as they go to church and pray. Listen, friends, you may go to church all the days of your life, and if you do not turn away from the evil, you will be lost in the end. You must be willing to follow the instructions which the Lord has left in His Word if you would be saved.

I heard about a man in the mines, and he was told to go to a light which was shining there and around a certain point. He thought it was not necessary to go the long way around and so he took what he thought was a short-cut. But just before he stepped into a shaft of several hundred feet deep, a bucket passed in front of him, and then he realized the danger he was in. A few more steps, and it would have been disastrous. Friends, let us leave the short-cuts for others to follow. We are told that there is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

In the 33rd chapter of Ezekiel and verse 11 we find these words: "As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?" Then the 15th verse says, "If the wicked restore the pledge, give again that he had robbed, walk in the statutes of life, without committing

iniquity; he shall surely live, he shall not die." Isn't that fair enough?

Then here is the promise which is upon condition. "Then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins, and will heal their land." Many problems would be completely eliminated if people would repent and turn from their evil ways. Instead of rioting and drunkenness along with many other evils such as cheating, lying, murdering, and stealing, there would be peace and contentment. Listen to this poem.

### HOW WILL WE MEET GOD AT THE END OF THE LANE?

By Pauline Brown

The pathway be rugged, and dust on our feet,

Through valley, o'er mountain, a monster we meet.

Can we go rejoicing and victories gain?  
Just how will we meet God at the end of the lane?

While up on the mountain, we leap with great joy,

And glance o'er the valley, there is no decoy.

With shouts so triumphant, we rest without pain,

Just how will we meet God at the end of the lane?

Then life's narrow pathway has thorns in the way,

That pierce and are bleeding, our feet bruised stay.

But looking to Jesus with minds that are sane,

Just how will we meet God at the end of the lane?

Will we be victorious, o'er sin, death, and shame,

And live for our master without any blame?

He is our salvation, for us he was slain,  
Just how will we meet God at the end of  
the lane?

At the end of life's journey when travel-  
ling is o'er,  
Our hands are then folded and duties no  
more.

Have our footsteps been steady, no sin  
there remain,  
Just how will we meet God at the end of  
the lane?

Let us pray.

Our Father,

Our hearts go out for those who are  
living in sin without the personal know-  
ledge of a Saviour who loved them so  
much that He gave his life for their  
redemption. Bless the words of the  
message today to those who are hungry  
for the truth and awaken those who have  
an honest heart to walk in the light,  
and to thee we will give the praise  
through Christ our Saviour. Amen

Friends, this message has been  
brought your way today by THE MISSION  
TRAIL of Guthrie, Oklahoma. My name  
is Willie Murphey. If you would like a  
printed copy of the message today free  
of charge without any obligation to you,  
be sure to let us know. We would be  
glad to send you one as the Lord pro-  
vides the means to keep the Word going  
over the air and in the mail. We are  
trusting Him by faith to see that the  
needs are supplied. We do appreciate  
your prayers and co-operation.

Here now is a song, "What Will It  
Be to be There".

Friends, if you have enjoyed the  
message today, we would be glad to  
hear from you. Address your letter  
to The Mission Trail, Guthrie, Okla.

Be with us again next Sunday at this  
same time for another broadcast. Until  
then this is Willie Murphey saying may  
God's richest blessings be with each of  
you and a very cheerful good-bye!

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## Testimonies

From Colorado: "Dear Bro. Willie,  
Sis. Frances and children, Greetings  
in the name of Jesus, our precious  
redeemer. Hope this finds all well  
with you dear ones. Wife and I are both  
doing well now. We had the flu in Jan.  
Wife was sick for about five weeks,  
but the Lord has undertaken for her,  
and she is feeling pretty good now.  
Bro. Willie, we see where you are  
traveling some in services. We would  
be glad for you to come this way again  
when you can. Our door is always open  
to you. Sunday school and children's  
meetings are coming fine. Thirteen  
were in S. S. last Sunday. . . Pray for  
us. . ." --Ed and Addie McEndree

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From California: ". . . Greetings  
in Jesus' precious name. I am still  
saved and living for God to all I know  
and understand. Oh, how I enjoy read-  
ing my little paper. I was reading in  
the Bible how Solomon asked God for  
an understanding heart. You know it  
means something to ask God for and  
then have Him grant it unto you. In the  
March paper you had the same thought  
I have been reading, I Kings 3:9. It  
really did encourage me. I am asking  
God to help me to be the vessel he can  
use to his glory. The Lord surely has  
blessed me. He has spoken to me con-  
cerning a work to do, and I ask you all  
to pray earnestly for me that I'll be  
faithful to Him. We plan to go to Ala-  
bama next month. We need your  
prayers that we will give our time and  
talent to Him. Your sister,"

--Mattie Francisco

From Arkansas: ". . . Greetings in the name of our dear Saviour Jesus Christ. I am so thankful to be in the great family of God and one with all the saints. I have so much to thank God for. It has been about four years now since I came out of the so-called church of God into the real Church of God that Paul was talking about in Ephesians 3:14-21. He said: 'For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named. . .'

". . . When God called me out I was in misery and distress. I wanted to stay, and I wanted to come out and tried to think I was all right where I was and I went on like that until so much worldliness began to creep in, and one night I just cried and prayed. . . but that wasn't the answer. God showed me I had done all I could where I was, and the wonderful light shone on my pathway--'Come out of her my people, and I will receive you', and I came out to Mount Zion and to the City of the Heavenly Jerusalem where our names are enrolled in Heaven." --Nellie West

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From Oregon: ". . . I know who rules everything, and all of my worries are in vain, because I am living by faith, and I know every day is the day the Lord hath made. Bro. Doolittle is still here. He is helping to get the new restrooms and showers built for the campmeeting. . . I'm so glad how the Lord protected you and those when the accident happened. We know that God has power for all things. We're so thankful for his goodness and mercy to you and all.

"Well, Bro. Darius Gibson has gone to his reward. He has won his crown, and it's up to us to win ours. He has laid down his banner, but we trust someone will pick it up and carry on."

--Margaret Cable

From Missouri: "Warm greetings to my new-found Christian friends. It was such a joy meeting you dear people. What a warm fellowship we enjoyed together for a couple of hours! Sis. Adams said she was so overjoyed she could hardly talk. Yes, our little Johnnie is very precious to all of us. Was sorry to hear of your accident. Thankful no one was killed. We have had four in one of our families killed at two different times. Four drowned at two separate times--three young teen-age nieces, nephew and brother. Then the day after you people were here, the following Wednesday evening, my only brother passed away with a heart attack. Oh, what a shock! He has been such a blessing to me since my husband passed away. I called them at 8 p. m., and he was fine. Then at 11 p. m. he went suddenly.

". . . So dear folks, will you hold us up to God in your prayers? My health is not good, and these shocks are hard to bear. Only our God's love and care helps make these burdens lighter. . .

"Again may I say we hope sometime we can meet again, and do pray for us that our desires may always be what God wills for us. Sis. Adams and Johnnie send their love and warm greetings. If any of the saints are living near St. Louis, please let us know. . . With much Christian love,"

--Mrs. J. Edward Leach

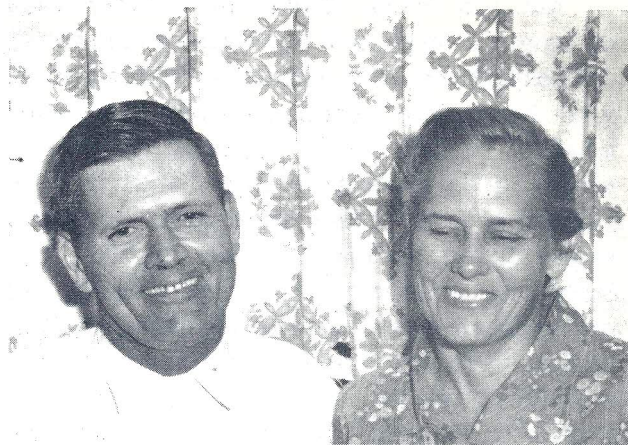
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From Tennessee: ". . . May your love for the truth, your sacrifices and disappointments be compensated by the sure knowledge that your efforts have been helpful to many souls along the way. We are thankful for the Bible and the beautiful church that Jesus built and gave himself for. It contains all saved people, and the Lord (not man) takes us in. Your brother in Christ,"

--Charles B. Williams

## Thirteen Duties

1. My soul, when you come to serve the Lord, prepare yourself for trials.
2. Be sincere of heart and steadfast, undisturbed in time of adversity.
3. Cling to Him, forsake Him not; thus will your future be great.
4. Accept whatever befalls you, in crushing misfortune be patient.
5. Fine gold is tested, and worthy men in the crucible of humiliation.
6. Trust God, and He will help you. Make straight your ways and hope in Him.
7. You who fear the Lord, wait for his mercy, turn not away lest you fall.
8. You who fear the Lord, trust Him and your reward will not be lost.
9. You who fear the Lord, hope for good things, for lasting joy and mercy.
10. Study the generations long past and understand; has anyone hoped in the Lord and been disappointed? Has anyone persevered in his fear and been forsaken? Has anyone called upon Him and been rebuffed?
11. Compassionate and merciful is the Lord. He forgives sins, and he saves in time of trouble.
12. Those who fear the Lord seek to please Him. Those who love Him are filled with his laws.
13. Those who fear the Lord prepare their hearts and humble themselves before Him. --Selected



Bro. Auston and Sis. Idabelle McMillian

Seeing the need for someone to be living on the National Campground at Monark Springs, Missouri, Auston and Idabelle McMillian have moved into the trailer where they are now close by to look after the buildings and equipment. They felt the Lord impressed them to do this at least on a temporary basis. Frances and I had the pleasure of visiting with them and part of their family the past weekend. We were grateful that Bro. Auston found time in his busy schedule to help get our Oldsmobile back in condition after the accident which we had in Illinois on April 10. With the help of David Cole some body and fender work was done and several coats of blue paint was put on the car.

--Willie and Frances

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From Arkansas: ". . . I received the Mission Trail paper that my Aunt Dolly Williams from Shawnee, Okla. had sent to me. I enjoy reading it, but I don't live close to where I can tune in on your broadcast station. . . In 1954, Dec. 12, on my mother's birthday, I walked down the aisle and accepted the Lord as my Saviour, but I have grown weak, and I need your prayers. All of you that know God pray for me that I get back close to the Lord. . ."

--Esther Fletcher

Mexico Baja Mission: "Greetings of love through God the Father who made us partakers with Christ! 'Today if ye will hear His voice, harden not your hearts.' Heb. 3:15. God wants to lead us on to do greater things for Him. As I often tell the ones here that there are many false spirits in the world, but only one true spirit to lead us on to more faith and love for God and for lost souls. We are so thankful to have had a little part in the meeting here in Rosarito Beach. The big tent was filled for almost every service. We had seekers at the altar of prayer, and at one service the long altar was filled with seekers. Some testified of glorious victory, and Sister Manuel said that the Lord blessed her greatly at the altar.

"We had good services the last Sun. here. Then at 3:00 p.m. we met for worship with the saints in La Mission. The services were well attended and good testimonies were heard.

"Sister Ramona is still faithful in the Lord's work here. She had a ringing testimony in each service Sunday. She is going through some trials now and needs your prayers. Ramona is improving much in the teaching of the children's classes on Saturday. We are thankful for the good group of children coming to this class. . .

"Some still meet for prayer here every night. We have young people's meeting on Friday nights. Remember us when you pray. Your sister in Christ," --Carrie Sheppard, P. O. Box 2262, San Ysidro, Calif. 92073

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From California: "I am saved tonight and still pressing on. I mean by God's grace to press on until He calls me from labor to my reward. I am still enjoying the Mission Trail. . . I need your prayers. . . Yours in Christian love," --Sister Lucinda Chiles

"If ye know these things,

*happy are ye*

if ye do them."--John 13:17.

From California: ". . . I send warm Christian love and greetings in Jesus' dear name. I want to add my testimony to the rest of the dear saints and fellow travelers in this straight and narrow and beautiful way of Holiness. I love the Lord and am willing to go God's way and not my own way for God's way is best. So many are choosing only just what they want to believe in and practice of the word of God. Some will accept the bread and wine and what it represents but will reject the washing of the saints' feet. They are like the one spoken of in St. John 10:1-4. Jesus set this example before us and said in verse 16 that there should be one fold and one shepherd. . . In St. John 13:4-5 Peter didn't understand, but Jesus told him he would understand later. Be sure to read verse 17 and verse 21. He let them know the one that wasn't clean and that was Judas, the one that was to betray Him. . . The rest of them were clean in heart. God is teaching us through his Word and Spirit all the time if we will keep an open and honest heart to eat or assimilate the Word of God. . . That will make us strong soldiers in this great warfare against sin of all kinds and make us able to bear with the weak, to endure with patience and suffer with them. Rom. 15:1. Now let us all be faithful and run this race with patience for it is well worth running. I solicit your prayers as I pray for all of God's children with tears and want to share in your prayers and burdens and trials and battles and victories and joys. May God bless you Bro. Willie and family, for your labors. . . . Yours in full fellowship and labor for Christ," --Georgia Zinn

# at press time

we understand:



Sister Lillie Mae Beisly

Our deep sympathy is extended to Bro. Ralph Beisly of Coffeyville, Kan. and Bro. Rufus Beisly of Welch, Okla. along with eight other brothers and sisters in the loss of their mother Sis. Lillie Mae Beisly who died Saturday, May 4. Her life was outstanding, and she has been a wonderful mother. Funeral service was scheduled for Tuesday afternoon in Nowata.

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Congratulations to Dawayne and Carol Lasiter of Kansas City on the birth of their son last week.

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Services are being held nightly this week at Phillips and 3rd St. in Okla. City.

When Frances and I were in Tulsa one day last week, we went by and visited a few minutes with Bro. and Sister Sam Barton. Bro. Barton who is seriously afflicted had not rested well the night before, but it was an inspiration to talk to him and see that his faith was steadfast in the Lord and his promises. Sister Frances Perkins was staying with them and assisting with the duties of the home. In speaking with Bro. Barton, he pointed out that it is the clouds which help to make a beautiful sunset, and so it is with the life of a child of God. It is often the afflictions and trials which add the color as the love of God shines through them.

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Little Ruth Gaines has been moved to West Plains, Missouri but is not showing satisfactory signs of recovery but rather seems worse. Continue to remember her in your prayers.

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We were glad to be back in services last Sun. in Anthony, Kansas. Several were present and even though Sister Lavina Martens did not make it out to church, she is much improved in body and is grateful for the prayers of the saints.

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From Kansas: ". . . Darius has won the race, no more sorrow, no more suffering. How precious it is to live for God. I'm determined to live a pleasing life to God although it takes much prayer on my part."

--Mamie Norcutt



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For some it will come true: "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." Jer. 8:20. Let us hasten with the message which Jesus gave: "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls."

## Broadcast Schedule

Listen for THE MISSION TRAIL weekly on one of the following stations:

RADIO STATION	LOCATION	DIAL SETTING	TIME
KXOW	Hot Springs, Ark.	1420 kc.	Sunday, 7:15 a.m.
KCLO	Leavenworth, Kans.	1410 kc.	Sunday, 3:00 p.m.
WFPR	Hammond, La.	1400 kc.	Sunday, 7:45 a.m.
KCKW	Jena, La.	1480 kc.	Sunday, 7:30 a.m.
KCIJ	Shreveport, La.	980 kc.	Sunday, 7:30 a.m.

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