



The Mission Trail

Box 99

Guthrie, Okla. 73044

Willie C. Murphey • Frances E. Murphey • Kathleen E. Murphey

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

VOL. 4, NO. 35

PUBLISHED WEEKLY

SEPTEMBER 20, 1968

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations

Radio Broadcast for week of September 15, 1968 (See back page for list of stations.)

. . . and a cheerful greeting to all those tuned to THE MISSION TRAIL broadcast of Guthrie, Oklahoma. This is Willie Murphey coming your way once again with a message from the Word of God. We deeply appreciate those who make this weekly visit and message possible. Thank you for your co-operation and support. It is indeed a pleasure to hear from those who enjoy the messages. We sincerely desire your prayers.

In the 28th chapter of Matthew and the 19th verse we find these words, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:" I want to speak to you of the solemn duty of carrying out this command which was one of the last spoken by our Lord Jesus Christ before he ascended to His Father.

In other words we might say this has to do with missionary work. Now in speaking of the missionaries we at once think of someone crossing the ocean to carry the gospel to those beyond the borders of our own country. And that is indeed true. We need more of those who are willing to go and give their lives as a sacrifice that others may know the saving grace of our Lord.

Listen to this verse from Psalms 2:8 "Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." So you see, there is a need to go and teach the heathen. But wait a moment. I want to show you some thing. Do you think that all the heathen

live overseas? Now, don't misunderstand me. I know there are many overseas who need the gospel and I am wholeheartedly in favor of sending those who are qualified and have the call to go and teach them the ways of the Lord more perfectly. But here is what I want to show you--not all unsaved and unchristianized people live overseas. Did you know that? There are quite a few of them living right around our doors. When lawlessness, rioting, drunkenness, and stealing is so prevalent among us, it is ample evidence that there is a need of the gospel. So you say you want to be a missionary? Fine! That is a good desire. I hope God may give you the desire of your heart. Then let me show you where to start. You see, this is one job where all of God's children can work. No one is excluded.

Begin first in your own home. Live and teach salvation to those of your own family. Our nation is made up of states, counties, cities, and towns. Within the towns and cities there are families and individuals. I believe our duties begin first at home. Then it should

spread to the uttermost parts of the earth. God can not use us in a greater capacity until we have been faithful in the smaller things around us. Listen to these instructions from Deut. 6, beginning with verse 4, "Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God is one Lord: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates."

Now, friends, let us face the facts which we have before us. Somewhere there has been a failure on the part of parents to do what they have been commanded to do. Perhaps they have been too busy with other things while the boys and girls were left unattended to go their own way. The influence of the television programs, shows, and novels have taken their toll of those families who have failed to begin this teaching in their home. Let us not forget this: missionary work begins at home. If you want a tree to grow up to be a tall and straight one, don't bend the twig the wrong way.

Now listen to this scripture from Psa. 78, beginning with verse 5, "For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children: That the generation to come might know them, even the children which

should be born; who should arise and declare them to their children: That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments:"

Here is another verse from Isa. 38:19, "The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I do this day: the father to the children shall make known thy truth."

Here then is another way to be a missionary. In Matt. 5:16 we find these words: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Friends, are you letting the gospel light shine through your life? If the world is going to see Christ in these days it must be through the life of His people. Don't leave it all for the preacher to do. Let your light shine and be an example wherever you live. Listen to what the writer had to say in Psalms 66:16, "Come and hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul." You see, the Lord had done something for him and he was going to tell it.

And in the 40th Psalm he really did tell it. Listen beginning with verse 1, "I waited patiently for the Lord; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry. He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings. And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the Lord."

There are many ways to be a missionary. One might visit the sick having prayer with them. Oftentimes one who is in jail or in trouble is more receptive to the truth than he was before. Many times those who

are given to the habits of drinking or narcotics are covering up something in their lives which the grace of God could remove if someone only told them of the deliverance which is possible through Christ.

It is a sure thing that those who are lying, cheating, and stealing are not happy. Listen to this scripture from Isa. 57:20 and 21, "But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt. There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked."

We might express it in this way with the words of that well-known song by Fanny J. Crosby:

Rescue the perishing, Care for the dying,
Snatch them in pity from sin and the grave;
Weep o'er the erring one, Lift up the fallen,
Tell them of Jesus the mighty to save.

Tho' they are slighting him, Still he is waiting,
Waiting the penitent child to receive,
Plead with them earnestly, Plead with them gently;
He will forgive if they only believe.

Down in the human heart, Crushed by the tempter,
Feelings lie buried that grace can restore:
Touched by a loving heart, Wakened by kindness,
Chords that were broken will vibrate once more.

Rescue the perishing, Duty demands it,
Strength for thy labor the Lord will provide;

Back to the narrow way patiently win them;
Tell the poor wand'rer a Savior has died.

Let us pray.

Our Father,

Awaken each one of thy people to the need of being workers for souls. May we first begin at home and then so faithfully spread thy word until it will reach even unto the uttermost ends of the world bringing light and salvation to the heathen everywhere. This we ask in Jesus name. Amen

Here is a couple of verses I want to leave with you. They are found in Psa. 126:5-6, "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

Then in conclusion,

"We'll girdle the globe with salvation,
And holiness unto the Lord;
Till light shall illumine each nation,
The light from the lamp of his word."

Listen to this song, "I will praise Him."
It is sung by the Carver quartet.

Friends, I hope you will begin the life of a missionary today. Start right where you are. Don't wait for a better time. Listen to this poem,

Now

We shall do so much in the years to come,
But what have we done today?
We shall give our gold in a princely sum,
But what did we give today?

We shall lift the heart, and dry the
tear,
We shall plant a hope, in place of fear,
We shall speak the words of love and
cheer,
But what have we done today?

We shall be so kind in the after while,
But what have we been today?
We shall bring to each lonely life a
smile,
But what have we brought today?
We shall give to truth a grander birth,
And to steadfast faith a deeper worth,
We shall feed the hungering souls of
earth,
But whom have we fed today?

--Selected

This message has been brought your way by THE MISSION TRAIL of Guthrie, Oklahoma. If you would like a printed copy free of charge or if we may be of any help to you be sure to let us know. And now until we meet again this is Willie Murphey saying may God's richest blessing be with each one of you and a very cheerful good-bye!

--o--

From Washington: "I am sorry I have been so slow in writing to you dear saints. I enjoy reading The Mission Trail. It is food to my soul and I enjoy reading testimonies and what God does for other saints. Myself--I am not very well. My knee is so sore, it is hard for me to get around. I trust Jesus but I guess I fall short somewhere. I do pray all the time but what comes, I trust God. Sister Spaur and Sister Stice came twice and pray for me such lovely saints. Sister Spaur is so good. She reads and explains the Bible to me was a help to me. And they left books for me to read. . . May God bless you and family. I miss Patsy but I know she is happy. . . Your sister,"

--Carrie Westrope

Testimonies

From Oregon: ". . . I can report victory in my soul and I thank the Lord for what He has done for my body. The devil keeps holding on, but I am standing on the promises he has given us in His Word--James 5:14-15. I have obeyed that and have done all else I know to do, but stand still and wait on the Lord. In the Psalms it says that they that wait on the Lord will renew their strength. This has been a beautiful day--not too hot or too cold. Yesterday was pretty chilly, was cloudy but the sun shined most of the day today. Corn harvest is in full blast now. Cannery is running 24 hours a day--3 8 hour shifts. Beans are through--running corn and blackberries. Then will can and freeze carrots. They freeze corn too. It is a very busy time of year. Tree fruit was short most all over this year, but my oldest daughter and husband had a good cherry crop. They had 35 tons this year and others didn't. I asked him if he knew why his crop was good and he said "no" and I said "I do. I asked the Lord to give you a good crop and He did and I thank Him." We went to prayer meeting tonight. We had a real good prayer meeting. . . Christian love and prayers,"

--Sis. Emma Busch

--o--

From California: ". . . I have never known anything but the truth. I want to live by it and die by it. So when you pray do remember me and all my unsaved loved ones. I want to be just what the Lord would have me be. I want my life to live on when I am not here. The Lord has promised never to let more come on us than we are able to bear. So I am standing on those words. I will soon be seventy one. So may the good Lord bless you in your work."

--Alpha Daniels

From Missouri: ". . . After so long I am trying to write to let you know we are still saved, sanctified, satisfied. Praise the Lord for his saving and keeping power. We still enjoy the little paper very much. It doesn't come too often for me. . . hardly ever lay it down till I read it all. . . You may already know we have moved. I want to send you our new address, Route 5 Box 54, Neosho, Mo. 64850. We are so glad to be living here on the campground at Monark Springs and so much closer to church that we can be in services more. We got your message on the air yesterday for the first time. . . We trust you all are fine." --Asa and Katie Gibson

--o--

From Louisiana: "I'm thankful to be able to report victory in my soul. The Lord is so good to me and I have no desire to do anything except serve Him. I enjoy your messages so much on the radio, also enjoy The Mission Trail with the pictures of the dear saints. I'm still suffering much in body but haven't given up. I believe the Lord will heal me. Please remember me in prayer. "Cage" was in an auto accident last week and his neck was injured (whiplash) also has some lacerations and bruises. But am so thankful his life was spared. He is home now and improving. Be encouraged and keep up the good work for the Lord. I feel you folks are doing a good work and reaching many souls who otherwise may never hear the truth. A sister in Christ,"

--Viva LaCroix

--o--

From Kentucky: "Dear Saints, Just a word from me. We had a wonderful time at the Monark campmeeting and a nice trip home. I just wish every one could have heard the wonderful messages that went forth. . . the good Lord bless you in your work. Your brother in Christ,"

--John Wilson

From California: "Greetings to all of you. I am very happy to still be getting The Mission Trail. I know it takes much labor and prayer to be able to send it out. I am enclosing my little check and I do pray for all of you and the work that you are doing. Please remember me in your prayers that I will do more for the Lord every day I am spared to be here. Love and prayers for all of you,"

--Edna Murry

--o--

From Wisconsin: "After reading the Mission Trail this week, I felt it would be such an inspiration to the older saints in the rest homes to have it coming to them weekly. We try to visit when we can but it isn't too often since it is quite a distance but they do need encouragement being where they cannot enjoy the fellowship of the saints. . . I visit at both hospital and rest home--they are in the same building--there are 40 people but they are in process of building a third floor. . . We do enjoy The Mission Trail so much--the last issues have been so good. May the Lord bless and supply the needs for this good work."

--Sister Frank Deitrich

--o--

From Arkansas: "I received the printed copy of The Mission Trail. I sure did enjoy reading it. . . I am passing it on for some of my friends to read. It may help them to get a little closer to the Lord, too. And your radio program here on KXOW is a great blessing to me. And please remember me when you pray for I have smothering spells. My doctor said it is a hernia pressing my heart. So I need every prayer that can be said for me and I know my good Lord will help me for he has been so good to me. I have been blessed so many times in so many ways and I know he will hear our prayers. God bless everybody is my prayer today."

--Eva Mae Reaves

From Louisiana: "Greetings of Christian love this morning. We trust this finds you well and encouraged in your work for the Lord. I have been enjoying your series of talks on "He doth not afflict willingly. . ."

--Veva Myers

--o--

From Oklahoma: "I receive The Mission Trail and enjoy reading it very much and pass it on to my sister-in-law and my neighbors. I also have been getting your sermons over KGGF Coffeyville, Kan. Please remember my son and his wife in prayer as they are both sick at this time. . . I live alone and put my trust in the Lord to keep me from harm."

--Pearl M. Goldsberry

--o--

From Tennessee: "Dear Bro. and Sis. Murphey, Was nice to see you again this summer at Monark campmeeting. I was thankful of the opportunity to get better acquainted and be with you more. . . . We trust this finds you well and busy for the Lord. May He ever lead and direct you in the furtherance of his cause while time lasts. There are so many needs all around us, as well as in the world at large. Let us do while it is day, for the night may soon come. May God's blessings and approval be upon you all, as you labor in his vineyard for precious souls. With Christian love,"

--Charles B. Williams

--o--

From Colorado: "Greeting in the name of Jesus our blessed redeemer. I want to report victory in our souls this morning over sin and the devil. God is so good to us. We thank and praise him for it all. The weather here is beginning to turn cool. Hope this finds you all well and enjoying salvation to the full. May God bless you in our prayer. Pray for us. In Christian love,"

--The McEndrees

From South Carolina: ". . . I am doing fine at the present time, praising the good Lord for it. The Lord is so good to me till I can not express it all. Bro. Willie, I do enjoy reading the little Mission Trail paper each week. It brings a lot of good thoughts to my mind in my older days. I want to keep taking them as long as you print them. . . . In the II Cor. 9th chapter and 6-7th verses it reads like this: "But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." May God bless you and your family in this good work. Pray much for me. Your saved brother born into the one family of God,"

--Eddie Driggers

--o--

PAYDAY

I'm looking for a payday
When life on earth is over
Also a heavenly mansion
When I reach the other shore.

I'm working for the master
The ruler on heaven's throne,
I know I'll get my payday
When He returns for His own.

There's going to be a payday,
I know it won't be long.
These old heart aches and sorrows
Then will all be gone.

Beautiful walls of jasper
The streets are purest gold
Don't you want this position
And be on God's payroll?

I'm glad I'm on this payroll
On Jesus' mighty book,
For all the worldly pleasures
Of Satan I forsook.--Sis. Archie Sweat

at press time

we understand:

From Missouri: "Dear Bro. Willie, Greetings of Christian love. Trust all is well with you and yours in the Lord's work. Please announce in The Mission Trail of our coming all-day meeting, Sept. 29, preceded by a few nights' meeting starting Tuesday night, Sept. 24th. Bro. Murphy Allen plans to be with us. We are encouraged in the Lord despite infirmities. Sylvia is sick a bed today, but the Lord is with us. Remember us at the throne of grace." --Bro. Leslie Busbee, Pastor 718 N. Kansas, Springfield, Mo. 65802

--o--

From South Carolina: "Greetings in Jesus name. Just a word of testimony. I thank the dear Lord for his goodness to me. I love him today with all my heart. Please pray for me. . . I know the Lord can. He has healed me before. Praise His dear name. I also have a problem I am asking the saints to help me pray about. Yours in the Lord,"

--Sister Winter

--o--

"We are thankful today for God's rich blessings to us. We are still encouraged in the Lord. We would like to ask the saints to remember us in prayer for the healing of our body. Something abnormal has developed since the birth of our children which causes us nearly constant pain. Our nerves need a healing touch too. We believe the day of miracles is not past as he has healed Carl this past year of a spinal cyst. We desire your prayers too for our dear mother Beatrice Eck who is not well. . ."

--Bernice Miles

"It was real touching to get the half dollar from the [Monark campmeeting] children for the Mexico work. A hearty thank you and God bless you and each of them. . . I still need your prayers. . . . am back on one crutch again."

--Harland Smith

--o--

I request earnest prayer for the healing of my eye. I have only one and it is weak.

--Tempie Crisp

--o--

From Illinois: "I had the pleasure of having Sister Evelyn Gibson visit in our home last Saturday. . . It is encouraging to meet real saints. We live in a very handy place to find so perhaps others will stop in too, as they travel route #51 north through DuQuoin. We live a little north of the "Dog 'N Suds" on the opposite side of the street. . ."

--Thelma Sprague

--o--

From Kentucky: "The meeting in Decatur, Illinois was good. . . It was very encouraging to the dear isolated saints. Mart preached Bro. Boling's funeral while we were there. . . We attended the all-day meeting in Dayton last weekend. We surely did enjoy the services. . . Bro. & Sis. Sam Abbott were with us for our prayer meeting last night. Bro. Abbott gave a good exhortation for us being a witness for the Lord. . . I wish you would request prayer for Bro. Jarvis here in the congregation. He has ulcers and suffers greatly at times with them. We are looking to the Lord to heal him. . ."

--Bro. & Sis. Mart Samons and boys



THE MISSION TRAIL, originating in Guthrie, Okla., is broadcast by radio and published weekly in printed form by Willie and Frances Murphey with the help of others. It is mailed free of charge to those who request it. Its purpose is to reach the hungry hearts of the unsaved everywhere with the gospel which will save them. Its principal support comes from the free will contributions of its listeners and readers. Those who feel directed by the Lord to assist may do so by sending their offering to: THE MISSION TRAIL, Guthrie, Okla. 73044.



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
KGGF	Coffeyville, Kansas	690 kc.	Sunday, 8:00 a. m.
KCKW	Jena, Louisiana	1480 kc.	Sunday, 7:30 a. m.
KCLO	Leavenworth, Kansas	1410 kc.	Sunday, 3:00 p. m.
WFPR	Hammond, Louisiana	1400 kc.	Sunday, 7:45 a. m.
KCIJ	Shreveport, Louisiana	980 kc.	Sunday, 7:30 a. m.
KXOW *	Hot Springs, Arkansas	1420 kc.	Sunday, 7:30 a. m. 7:45
			*Additional broadcast is heard on this station Sunday, 3:30 p. m.

The Mission Trail
Box 99
Guthrie, Okla. 73044

BULK RATE
U. S. POSTAGE
PAID
Guthrie, Okla.
Permit No. 133

Address Correction Requested