



# 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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## Let Us Go on Unto Perfection

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. . . and a cheerful greeting to all the listeners of THE MISSION TRAIL broadcast of Guthrie, Oklahoma. It gives us pleasure to present to you once again the holy scriptures which are able to make you wise unto salvation. We have been discussing on some of the recent broadcasts how it is necessary for a person to repent and be born again in order to please God. Many people readily accept this. Thousands of people believe in the new birth. There may be some difference of opinions as to what it will do for you and how to get it and so forth. Some are led to believe that church joining is the answer and it seems as if they think shaking hands with the preacher is sufficient. But I want to declare to you plainly that there is more to salvation than just a mere profession.

First of all, the new birth is a change which takes place in the heart of an individual and he is made a new creature in Christ. Now even here, perhaps, we would not hear too many dissenting opinions. But I want to go another step further than this. I want to speak to you about the second definite work of grace brought about in the heart by the cleansing of the holy spirit. Listen to this scripture from the 6th chapter of Hebrews and beginning with verse 1. "Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment."

Notice especially the part of that first verse which says, "Let us go on unto perfection." This includes more than the new birth and justification by faith in Christ. You see, there is a deeper

work of grace for a child of God who is willing to give all and seek diligently until the holy spirit comes into his life and actually abides within. On the other hand, I believe the reason some people fail and lose out with the Lord is because they do not go on into the deeper things of God. Listen to a few verses of the chapter just preceding this in Hebrews, from the 5th chapter and beginning with verse 12, "For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. For every one that useth milk is unskillful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil."

Now, these people were still babes in Christ. No doubt they had experienced

the new birth, but something was stunting their growth and hindering them from going on into the deeper things of God. In fact, they should have been teachers already and yet it was necessary that one should teach them again. Friends, do you want to always remain just a babe in Christ? Don't you want to grow up and be strong in him? In the 6th chapter of Ephesians beginning with verse 10 we find these words, "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:" Now I think that is some good sound instruction there. Do you think that these folks would just be babes in Christ and be able to do such accomplishments as that?

It sounds to me like it is going to take real men of God to stand against the principalities and the spiritual powers of wickedness coming against the children of God.

Of course, when men are born they are born as a child, but if your child never grows you become alarmed about him.

If he always has to have baby food there is something wrong. Do you know why a child loses his baby teeth? "Why sure", you say, "Because there are some stronger teeth on the way." Yes that is right. Do you know why he gets stronger teeth? "Well", you say, "don't be foolish." Alright, let me explain. He gets stronger teeth in order to chew and digest stronger food. Well, isn't this also true in the spiritual sense? Does the Lord not want his children to grow strong in him?

Then in order to do that you must go on to perfection. Listen to these verses from Romans beginning with 12:1, "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God." Now I would say before you could present your body a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, it would be necessary for you to have an experience already with Christ. This then, is the second work of grace which I am speaking about. From Webster's dictionary we find the meaning of sanctify to be this: "to set apart to a sacred purpose or to religious use: Consecrate". Now that is one meaning of it. It is necessary for a child of God to set himself apart to belong wholly to God thereafter. Here then, is the second definition of sanctify: "to free from sin: Purify". It is God which performs this act in the heart of believers when they have performed the first act of setting themselves apart.

Now isn't this exactly what Peter

taught to the apostles and elders after the Holy Ghost was given to the Gentiles? Listen from Acts the 15th chapter and beginning with verse 7, "And when there had been much disputing, Peter rose up, and said unto them, Men and brethren, ye know how that a good while ago God made choice among us, that the Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe. And God, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as he did unto us; And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith."

You see the disciples were saved before the day of Pentecost, but when the Holy Spirit came they were invigorated with a power which they had never experienced before. In other words, their hearts were purified by faith and they went forth with renewed power to preach the everlasting gospel.

Friends, I am not holding back the truth from you with something in reserve which you cannot know about until later. But we are telling you what God expects and requires of you. He wants a life wholly surrendered to him. Listen to this poem:

He is counting on you,  
 He has need of your life  
 In the thick of the strife;  
 For that weak one may fall  
 If you fail at His call.  
 He is counting on you,  
 If you fail Him--  
 What then?

He is counting on you,  
 On life, money and prayer;  
 And the day shall declare  
 If you let Him have all  
 In response to His call;

Or if He in that day  
 To your sorrow must say,  
 I had counted on you,  
 But you failed me--  
 What then?

He is counting on you,  
 Oh! the wonder and grace,  
 To look Christ in the face  
 And not be ashamed  
 For you gave what He claimed,  
 And you laid down your all  
 For His sake--at His call.  
 He had counted on you,  
 And you failed not,  
 What then?  
 Let us pray,  
 Our father,

We are indeed happy that you not only made provisions for the atonement of our sins through the blood of Christ but thou hast made provision for us to be wholly sanctified as the scriptures say, "for this is the will of God, even your sanctification." Bless those who hear the message today and may they grow up to be strong men and women in God who will hold up the truth and thine shall be the praise through Christ our Lord. Amen

Listen to this song, "What would Jesus do?" The singers are Maybelle Pruitt, Marie Miles, Vernon Miles, Gene and Dora Lela Beisly.

Friends, it has been a pleasure to bring you this short message from the Word of God. We hope that it will be a benefit to you. If we may help you in any way or if you would like a printed copy free of charge, let us know. Address your letter to THE MISSION TRAIL, Guthrie, Okla. And now until we meet again this is Willie Murphey saying may God's richest blessing be with each of you and a very cheerful good-bye!

## Tent Meeting Report



Tent meeting near Vinita, Okla. Sept. 1968

"The revival tent meeting in West Cabin, near Vinita, Okla. is now in history. The interest from the community there was very good. Several souls sought God at an altar of prayer and found deliverance. Five out of one family was a sight of rejoicing when they yielded their hearts to God. Another soul whom we have been burdened for some time gave his heart to the Lord. It was Bro. Clarence Fry's brother. We appreciate the presence of the many saints that came from near and far, adding their support to the meeting. Bro. Curtis Williams and Bro. Kenneth Probst were the ministers in breaking the bread of life. . . We appreciate your effort in bringing the gospel over the air. May God bless the effort in scattering the seeds of life to a lost and hungry world. We are praying for you. We also covet your prayers. Yours in the one true way,"

--Bro. Donald Sharp

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"Just a note to say the Vinita meeting closed on Wednesday night, Sept. 25th with good attendance and interest up till the last. Although several were saved during the meeting there were

those who expressed a need and interest in salvation at the close. We trust the Lord will continue to bless in this community and let the seed that was sown bring forth fruits meet for repentance in the lives of those who have not already yielded to God. Certainly we appreciate the interest, support, and prayers of everyone who helped in any way to make this meeting a success in the salvation of souls. We missed the presence of Bro. Bobby Forbes and family who had so faithfully attended and helped in singing and preaching during the Decatur meeting. Also Bro. Samons felt burdened for some meetings in the East and was unable to attend. He planned to revisit the Cass, West Virginia community where the first tent meeting was held this summer. No definite plans have been established for tent meetings yet this fall as there have been no requests received to date for meetings where the weather would still be suitable."

--Brothers Curtis Williams and Kenneth Probst

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## Come on Down South!

Where the warm Gulf breezes blow. Spend Thanksgiving week at the Hammond, Louisiana assembly meeting. Enjoy eight days and nights in singing the songs of Zion, and listening to the inspired word of God preached by Spirit filled ministers. As in the past, food and lodging will be supplied on the free-will offering plan. We urge you to attend this meeting if at all possible. Come worship with us, we will do thee good. Remember the date: November 24 through December 1, 1968. For further information write or call:

T. H. Coffey, Pastor

P. O. Box 1177

Hammond, Louisiana 70401

Phone: area code 504, 345-2412

## An Evangelistic Trip to the Northwest

"And some days after Paul said unto Barnabas, Let us go again and visit our brethren in every city where we have preached the word of the Lord, and see how they do." --Acts 15:36

It was in the early morning hours before daylight of Sept. 24 when Kathleen and I in our 1962 Oldsmobile began an evangelistic trip which was to take us a distance of more than 4500 miles in 12 states in 12 days. The time was approximately 3:40 a. m. and the weather was rainy. Preparations

had been made at home getting things in order for the time we would be absent. One Mission Trail had been mailed the day before on Monday and another was printed and ready for Frances who had remained at home to mail the following Monday. Willie, 13, and Wayne, 12, were to be her helpers after school hours. Recording tapes also had been prepared for the broadcasting stations in advance. Some letters were left for Frances to answer and others were taken with us on the trip which Kathleen typed while we traveled.



JEFFERSON OREGON CAMPGROUND

On Wednesday night after two days of traveling we were in services with the saints at Bakersfield, California. Indeed it was a pleasure to hear their testimonies of victory and know how God had been blessing them. We really enjoyed the special songs sung by the quartet. One song was especially good --"Salvation has been brought down". The song goes on to say 'tell it today and tell it tomorrow'. That is indeed what we enjoy doing. The next two nights we were in services with the saints at Orland, California where Bro. and Sis. Pat Huskey pastor the work. It was inspiring to meet some very promising young people there, where we had never been in service before. We were in meeting at Jefferson, Ore. on Saturday night and in three services Sunday. Sis. Spaur is the pastor there. On the return trip another service was had in Lamar, Colo. We also visited Bro. Hepler of Kendrick, Ida., Sis. Betty Davis of Plains, Mont., Carl & Bernice Miles of Aurora, Colo., and Virgil & Twila Gail McMillian of the Air Force Academy in Colorado.



Bro. Pat and Sis. Agnes Huskey

## Testimonies

From Texas: "Greeting in the name of our precious Lord. It's been some time since I've wrote. I get so lonesome for the fellowship of the saints. It's a great privilege to be where you can have worship with God's people. I'm so glad for your little Mission Trail and do want it continued on to me. I surely wish I could hear your broadcast some where but I can't get it on my radio. Well I am glad to know every one is fine there and I do love God very much and want to be where I can be of some use in his services. There are so many lost ones in this world, certainly God's people need to be awake and laboring for his cause. Do pray for us. Hope some time you will come to see us. Christian love,"

--Sis. Frances McDonald

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From Mexico: "Dear ones, . . . I was thinking of listing some of our needs and prayer requests in a letter when my mind started to dwell on some scriptures that I had been reading. Namely: II John 5:14, Mark 11:24, and Luke 11:9-10--"Ask anything"--"what things soever ye desire"--"Ask, and it shall be given you." Then the question came to me: Do I know that this is true and does it work? Yes, I know it is true and over the past many weeks I have had the thing that I asked for, almost every time within a week after I started asking. So I am made to realize that if we lack things and the cause of the gospel suffers or if my family has to go without, it is no one's fault but my own as I did not do enough asking. I am thankful that we only have to ask at one place: our headquarters -- Jesus . . .

Yours in His service,"

James Huskey, Box 2262,  
San Ysidro, California 92073

From Kentucky: "Dear saints, Hello in the name of the Lord. I have been receiving The Mission Trail for more than two years and sure do enjoy reading it. . . Pray for me. I have been living for Jesus for 4 years now and am satisfied with my Jesus."

--Mrs. Hubert West

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From Louisiana: "Dear Bro. Willie and family, Greetings in the name of Jesus. We are rejoicing in the saviour's love. It gets sweeter as we draw closer to him and become more detached from the world. Just been reading some of Bro. Orr's advice in "Helps to Holy Living" and that was the thought he was giving--much praying and meditating on heavenly things, and detachment from earthly things. I'm so slow getting my writing done, for I've intended for weeks to write and tell how we enjoy hearing the message each Sun. a. m. over WFPR and reading the Mission Trail paper with its testimonies and pictures and send this little offering. . . We plan to leave Tues. a. m. for a trip to Calif. to see our daughter, Erma, and others. Will stop at Lavern's first as we will come to her place first. May the Lord bless you in the work you are doing for him. Christian love,"

--Angus and Myrtis Flynn

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From Missouri: "Greetings of love. We are thankful to report that Clayton is still improving. He drives me to West Plains now and is working some. His head still hurts some sometimes and his ears bother him some. Ruth isn't doing very good. She acts pretty lifeless at times. She doesn't respond or isn't very alert anymore. Her breathing is labored. They put her under an oxygen tent today. This is hard to bear but we are still pressing and are encouraged in the Lord."

--Clayton and Eva Lou Gaines

From Illinois: "Greetings of love in the dear saviour's name. A little offering for the work of the Master. Do trust all are well and happy in Jesus there, and may God bless every effort and supply every need. Remember me in prayer. I am not very well, am nearing the end of life's journey but so thankful to the dear saviour for saving a wretch like me and healing me so many times. I surely do enjoy The Mission Trail, look forward to getting it. Keep up the good work. I love the truth and do thank God for showing me the truth. I live alone and my children so far away they don't get to come home much, but are good to me. Don't forget to pray for me and my unsaved loved ones. Your sister in Christ,"

--Bertha Gill

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From Kansas: "Greetings in the name of our Lord and saviour. We are thankful we can be the Lord's children. He has been so good to us, our desire is to be faithful and obedient and to please Him in every way. We have been thinking of you and should have written this letter sooner. Sometime in the near future we hope to be able to be with you in Anthony for service there. We wanted to write and tell you that we can now get your messages of The Mission Trail on our radio on the new station you have over Coffeyville. It seems so nice to be able to hear your voices on Sunday morning as we prepare to go to church. We have enjoyed your Mission Trail paper for sometime now but hearing it over the radio is a special pleasure. Also we want to invite you to our fall meeting starting the last Friday in October and extending 10 days. We would welcome all to come that can. Must close for now. Remember us in your prayers, Yours in Christ,"

--Janet, Keith, and Lori Marsh

From Colorado: "Greetings in the blessed name of our Lord and saviour. I still enjoy reading The Mission Trail, the testimonies are an inspiration to me and it's like a letter from friends. I appreciated a visit in your home and being shown your shop and equipment and it proves what can be done with limited equipment and a life dedicated to the Lord's work. I remember your work and labor of love to the Lord as I pray each morning. . . Yours in Christ's service,"

--Fred B. Allen

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From Kentucky: "Dear Bro. Willie, Sis. Frances and the Mission Trail family, Greetings once again in the name of Jesus. I love him today with all my heart and his service is my sweetest delight. We returned home yesterday from a week's visit to the Carolinas. Enjoyed a few days with the saints at Holly Hill, S. Ca. where Bro. O'Neil Pratt is pastor. Godrichly blest his word in every service. The saints from Ridgeville participated in the Holly Hill meeting and seemed to enjoy it so well that we felt led to have one service with them in their chapel. The attendance and interest was good both places. The folks seemed refreshed and encouraged in the Lord. Returning home we visited the saints near Spruce Pine, N. Ca. and had one precious service with them in Bro. & Sis. Biddix's home. We met some new folks and the interest was encouraging. The Lord willing we hope to return soon and have more services with them. We deeply regret that dear Sis. Biddix is ill. The Lord is so good and precious to not let her suffer intensely. She keeps encouraged in the Lord. Bro. Biddix also needs help in his body. Others of that group had unspoken requests. Let us not forget them and pray for us. "

--Bro. and Sis. S. E. Abbott

From Pennsylvania: ". . . Greeting you once more in the sweet name of Jesus. Hope this finds every one out there well. I am still suffering from the lack of breath and sleep, but still holding on to God for my healing. The meeting that Bro. Mart Samons held here in our home from September 18th through the 22nd was very good. Bro. Gordon Humphrey held a meeting here too, in May of this year, and surely the messages from Heaven went forth in both meetings. I am encouraged to press on for the Lord more than ever . . . Christian love and prayers,"

--Sis. Avis Tinsley

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From Kansas: ". . . In the name that is above all other names do I greet you this day. Surely thankful to God for yet being saved and encouraged to 'press the battle on'. I am persuaded above all doubts and fears that the most high God is well able to carry us through if we only 'trust and obey'. . ."

--Sis. Beverly Reed

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From Ohio: ". . . Greetings in the precious name of Jesus. It has been a little while since we have written you but we have had you on our prayer list and trust all is well with you. These few lines leave us very well which we surely do thank the dear Lord for. We do have many sorrows and heart aches but the dear Lord is always near to comfort and bless and to help us through the dark places. Bless his dear name. Dear ones, we do have some burdens we desire you all would earnestly pray with us on. We have a son in hospital now, was operated on last Friday for a bleeding ulcer and he is in much pain, and high fever. . . so much sorrow in this old world. We get so heavily burdened at times we can hardly hold up under the load, but the dear Lord said to bring all our cares to him for he

careth for us. I find that when we do that he lightens the load and we can carry on. Bless his dear name. I surely couldn't get along in this old world without him. . . We want to say we surely do appreciate the little Mission Trail that comes our way. Our souls have been blest many times by reading the good testimonies and reading the good messages of truth you bring forth as we don't get to hear you over the radio. But we can read your message over and over again in the little paper. We trust you won't fail to send it to us. . . We just love all the dear saints every where. We are looking for you to come this way again soon. We do love for the saints to come visit us and to stay as long as you can. I'm sorry I never got to any camp meetings this time. I was afflicted in body and not able to go. But husband went to some of them and he would tell me about how good the meetings were. I do trust the dear Lord will heal my body to where I can go next summer, Lord willing and I am still here. So do pray for me. Well it is about mail time and I want this to go off. So will close for now. With much love and prayers, Your brother and sister,"

--Bro. Bill and Sis. Dovie Abbott

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From Arkansas: "We are thankful for the goodness and mercies the Lord so freely bestows on us from day to day. Truly our desire is to live so our lives will better please him all the time. Trust the Lord is blessing you in every needed way as you labor and work for him. We are praying that through your labors many souls may be strengthened and that the lost and erring ones may be sought out. . . Pray God's richest blessings rest and abide with you is our earnest prayer. With much Christian love," --Mr. & Mrs. E. A. Loftis



# at press time

we understand:



Bro. and Sis. Harry S. Jackson Sr.

Bro. and Sis. Harry S. Jackson Sr. of Hammond, La., recently celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary. They were married Sept. 26, 1901. Born in 1880, Bro. Jackson will be 88 years young Nov. 14, 1968. Born in 1882, Sis. Jackson will be 86 years young Dec. 10, 1968. They have five children: three daughters and two sons, twenty three grandchildren and twenty six great grandchildren. Of this large family, all are still living, not one has died to date. This is quite a record and Bro. and Sis. Jackson give God all the praise, honor, and glory for it.

--T. H. Coffey

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It is reported that Amy Carver of Stone Mountain, Georgia has a broken leg. Also Sister Mildred McIntosh of Conway, Mo. has a broken ankle. We are sorry about this and request that you remember them in your prayers when you pray.

Our sympathy is extended to the relatives and friends of Carl Busch of Jefferson, Ore. who died Sept. 28. He was the son of Sis. Emma Busch.

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"Yesterday afternoon quite a group gathered for the baptismal services held near the West Cabin Community Center (where the tent meeting was held). Ten (that I account for) were baptized."

--Lois Sharp

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Sis. Evodna Marler called by phone to inform us that Bro. and Sis. Ralph Beisly have agreed to again assume responsibility as the secretary and treasurer of the National Missionary fund. Therefore all contributions for the tent meetings and the missionary work of the church on a national level should be sent directly to them: Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Beisly, 407 Eldridge, Coffeyville, Kansas 67337

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From California: ". . . Cliff has been working for his dad some this week. The teaching job at Downey didn't work out satisfactorily so I guess Cliff won't be teaching school this year. . . Last week we went to Pacoima with Chuck and Coquetta. . . In the afternoon we went up to Ostis and Evelyn's home for a little while. . . The weather here has cooled off a lot. The last couple of nights have been almost cold. . . I'm going to miss that colorful autumn weather in Oklahoma. I don't guess these palm trees in front of our house will lose their leaves! With love,"

--Patsy and Clifford Smith



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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."

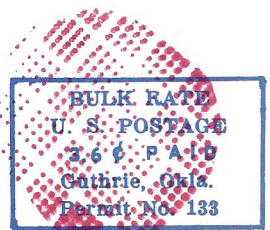
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WFPR	Hammond, Louisiana	1400 kc.	Sunday, 7:45 a. m.
KCIJ	Shreveport, Louisiana	980 kc.	Sunday, 7:30 a. m.
KXOW *	Hot Springs, Arkansas	1420 kc.	Sunday, 7:30 a. m. 7:45

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