



# 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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## “ - - - He Shall Bring it to Pass ”

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A very cheerful good morning to each and every listener of the broadcast. I am so happy to be coming your way once again. This summer has been a busy one for us. Perhaps it has been so with you too. Seems that summer time is a busy time any way.

This short visit with you may vary a little from the usual routine, but I want to tell you how the Lord has been blessing. First, this scripture:

"Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity. For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb. Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed. Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him, and he shall bring it to pass." Psalms 37:1-5.

Many of you know how we wanted to have Bro. and Sis. Smalling from Jamaica visit us this summer and attend the campmeeting. This became a reality and the Lord brought it to pass. Thanks to every one who had a part and made it possible. Read their testimonies in this issue of the Mission Trail. Frances and I met them in Miami, Florida upon their arrival in the States. They attended the campmeeting in Missouri and enjoyed it. On August 1st they returned home, taking a flight from Kansas City. Then we attended a few days of the Myrtle, Mo. campmeeting. The Lord really blessed in both of these meetings and many good messages went forth on different lines of truth. Souls came seeking and obtaining help.

On the return trip from Myrtle, Mo.

Frances and I stopped by our daughter's home near Harrison, Arkansas who had been waiting for the birth of her second child. We remained overnight and the very next morning the new granddaughter "Janet Lynn" arrived in good condition. How thankful we were!

Frances had planned to stay and help care for the family for a few days. In this way we were able to fulfill our obligations for the summer and take care of this too. We marveled at the Lord's timing of it all!

Furthermore, the '67 used car which we had purchased on June 20, gave good service without trouble, and within seven weeks had been driven more than eight thousand miles. All praises be to the Lord. "Delight thyself also in the

Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him, and he shall bring it to pass."

On our travels this summer we have seen many of the saints from far and near. What an inspiration it is to see the growth of those who give themselves more and more to the Lord to be used as He chooses. As the world conditions worsen and the time of the end draws near, the Lord is causing His true church to shine forth as the light of the world. Jesus said, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Mat. 5:16.

Many there are today who profess to follow the Lord, but in works they deny Him. My memory goes back to a few of those experiences which seem worthy of mentioning at this point: Take for instance the time when the Smallings were giving their thanks to the saints for the trip to this country on the last Sunday of the Monark meeting. He requested that we sing: "Blest Be The Tie". This was done. How appropriate were the words: "Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love: The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above. Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent pray'rs; Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes, Our mutual burdens bear; And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear. When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain; But we shall still be joined in heart and hope to meet again." How our hearts did rejoice in what the Lord had done for us all.

Then there at the Myrtle meeting among

the many saints which came from far and near was Bro. and Sis. Loftis from Prattsville, Arkansas with three of their sons-in-law and their families. How wonderful to have that many in a family saved. The daughters sang several special songs which were much enjoyed. As these young men and their families prepared to leave before the meeting closed our hearts were touched with a love which indeed made it hard for saints to pull away! And these are not necessarily isolated incidents, for the saints do love one another because they have so much in common. It is a love greater than family ties.

Then there were times when the altars at Monark were filled with those seeking pardon, and sanctification. The Lord was faithful to His word. I am reminded of a scripture which says: "Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded." James 4:8. Notice this drawing nigh to God must be done by the individual seeking a closer walk. When that is done God will draw nigh to them.

Well, I am sure I can't tell it all in this one broadcast. Some were present for the first time in the services. Still others had been coming for many years. All and in all it was like the scripture in Isaiah: "And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem." Isa. 2:2-4.

This "Zion" also known as "Mount Zion" is not the literal Jerusalem in Palestine, but the spiritual Jerusalem which is free and the mother of those who have been born again. Here is the scripture for that: "But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all." Gal. 4:26. How wonderful to be free in the spirit and be led by the spirit of God. Did you ever know a man or woman who regretted the time they gave their lives to the Lord. I doubt that you do! But on the other hand how many times have you heard those who were followers of the devil and the pleasures of this world say they regretted bitterly the choice they had made. And as a rule it is the most faithful followers of the devil who regret it most.

I was reading a report of Abraham Lincoln and his compassion for mankind. It said:

"He was a man of compassion. He was very gentle, and was noted for his heart of sympathy for the down-trodden and the poor. No one went to him with a tale of sympathy but he had compassion on them, no matter how far down they were in the scale of society. He always took an interest in the poor...news came that a young soldier had been sleeping at his post. He was court-martialed, and condemned to be shot. The boy wrote to his mother, "I do not want you to think I do not love my country, but it came about in this way: My comrade was sick, and I went out on picket for him. The next night he ought to have come, but being still sick I went out for him again, and without intending it I fell asleep. I did not intend to be disloyal." It was a very touching letter. The mother and father said there was no chance for him, there were to be no more reprieves. But there was a little girl in that home, and she knew that

Abraham Lincoln had a little boy, and how he loved that boy; and she thought if Abraham Lincoln knew how her father and mother loved her brother he would never allow him to be shot. So she took the train to go and plead for her brother. When she got to the president's mansion, the difficulty arose how was she to get past the sentinel. She told her story, and the tears ran down his cheeks, and he let her pass. But the next trouble was how to get past the secretary and the other officials. However, she succeeded in getting, unobstructed, into Lincoln's private room, and there were the senators and ministers busy with state affairs. The president saw the child, and called her to him and said, "My child, what can I do for you?" She told him her story. The big tears rolled down his cheeks. He was a father, and his heart was full; he could not stand it. He treated the girl with kindness, reprieved the boy, gave him thirty days furlough, and sent him home to see his mother. His heart was full of compassion."

Dear ones, let me remind you God's heart is full of compassion for you too. He wants you to be saved and a member of His royal family. We hope you will accept Him this very day. If we may be of some help, be sure to let us know.

You may write us by addressing your letter to The Mission Trail, Guthrie, Okla. Let us pray, Our Father, take the words of the message and bear them to the hearts of those who need them most. Deal tenderly with the hearts of the unsaved and encourage every true child of thine, for we ask it in Jesus name. Amen.

Until we meet again this is Willie Murphey, saying God bless and keep you and a very cheerful goodbye!

## Testimonies

From S. Car.: "This leaves me still in the battle for the Lord. I am still encouraged to press on for God. I still love the little Mission Trail paper. It encourages me to press on. I am still praying for God to bless you in that work and to supply your needs... Brother in the Lord, "

--Eddie Driggers

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From Ore.: "Greetings in the holy name of Jesus. I was given \$2.00 by 2 boys for my birthday so am sending it on to help in the work of spreading the silent gospel truths. Use it as you see fit. I must say you folks have 3 of the most precious grand babies one could wish for. The baby is oh so sweet and good as well as the other two. They are so very good while in services. Bless their dear hearts and also the parents for training them so well... God bless you in your every effort in the work. Very truly, "

--Sis. Allis King

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From Pa.: "Greetings in the precious Name of our wonderful Lord. How precious He is to me each day. I cannot live without Him. When I lie down at night, I have that peace that comes from knowing I am ready to meet Him, should He come or call. Oh! that our world knew Him, too. God so graciously touched my body and now I feel so much better. Was so weak couldn't do much work for a while, but He is supplying the strength for each day's tasks, for which I am so thankful... I do wish I could attend some of the meetings and hear the pure gospel that is going forth. I just cannot go to these divisions of Babylon. I just stay home and read my Bible and pray and God is there, so am not alone. Praise His Name!"

--Sis. Eva Cox

Jehovah-Jireh, The Lord Will Provide

The saints should never be dismay'd,  
Nor sink in hopeless fear;  
For when they least expect his aid,  
The Saviour will appear.

This Abraham found, he rais'd the knife.  
God saw, and said, "Forbear;  
Yon ram shall yield his meager life,  
Behold the victim there."

Once David seem'd Saul's certain prey;  
But hark! the foe's at hand,  
Saul turns his arms another way,  
To save the invaded land.

When Jonah sunk beneath the wave  
He thought to rise no more; (Jonah 1:17)  
But God prepar'd a fish to save,  
And bear him to the shore.

Blest proofs of pow'r and grace divine,  
That meet us in His word!  
May ev'ry deep-felt care of mine  
Be trusted with the Lord?

Wait for his seasonal aid,  
And tho' it tarry wait;  
The promise may be long delay'd,  
But cannot come too late.

--William Cowper

--Sel. by Thelma Sprague

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From Ill.: "Greetings in the name of the Lord, We think of you often but don't get around to writing a letter for I can't write too good, but the Lord knows we love our brothers and sisters in the Lord, and we sure do love to get the Mission Trail. I read all of it while John listens. Well, it is almost time for the camp meeting this week end and we are hoping to get to come down Saturday morning early if it is the Lord's will and I hope it is for we loved being in the one last summer."

--Bro. and Sis. John Matlock

From Ga.: "Dear saints, hope all are fine. As these few lines leave me I am feeling fine in health, thanking the Lord for touching my body. I am praising one I mean to live for, the Lord, and die for." --Sis. Claudia Robinson

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From Ga.: "I am living to live again eternally when my work is finished here. It is not burdensome to me to live for Jesus. I get joy serving the Lord. Keeping the commandments of the Lord is not grievous to me. Thank our God for a true and living God...I am glad and grateful to the Lord how He took care of you on that long trip meeting Bro. and Sister Smalling...when I read your letter I said thank the Lord. I do trust their coming here and the camp meetings will prove a blessing to them. Well, keep me, my loved ones and the work here before the Lord..."

--Sister P. R. Bowers

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From Ore.: "...hope you really had a good meeting at Monark Springs and that many go help to their souls and the sick ones got healing. Do hope Bro. and Sis. Smalling was really blessed. Our meeting was really good. We sure heard lots of good messages to help us move forward but as usual some didn't get the blessing they needed...Christain love and prayer,"

--Sis. Emma Busch

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From Miss.: "Dear loved ones in Christ, wish that we could hear your broadcast, do appreciate your messages, the Mission Trail, your prayers, and words of encouragement. The world grows darker, the up-look grows brighter. Our God is able to keep and deliver all who put their faith and trust in Him. May He bless and lead you all the way, be your present help and strength and a greater blessing day by day."

--Sis. Cressie Hudson

From Okla.: "Beloved in Christ Jesus, Greetings in the lovely name of Jesus. Truly was good to be with the dear saints in Monark camp meeting. Now it is good to be at home to take care of duties of life and fight the good fight of faith. Jesus still tells me 'Have faith in God.' We rejoice greatly because of the bridegroom's voice within us, the Spirit of Christ. The word in Rom 8: 9b Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. Love the prayer of the saints."

--Sister Eva Penner

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From Wisc.: "I'm still praying and going forward in faith believing that God will soon intervene and solve my problems because I firmly believe that God is still in the miracle business. He does not change. So many people are having problems they can't solve without God's help these days. Even the political leaders in this country acknowledge that they are facing problems for which they do not have the answer. In the 10th chapter of Daniel we read where Daniel prayed 21 days for divine intervention on behalf of his people. Then an angel came and told Daniel his prayers had been heard the first day. He had to wait 21 days for the answer...Our prayers are a decisive factor in the affairs of the universe."

--Sis. Myrtle Baerenwald

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From N. Mex.: "Trust you are all well and really enjoying the many blessings of God in all the work there. Thanks so much for every prayer sent up in behalf of Truman my dear companion. He is much better in many ways, doesn't have much pain, so we do thank and praise God for that. He isn't home though, still problems, love still to be remembered and God bless each one of you."

--Sister Ruth Doolittle

"July 31st my dear mother O. K. Myers slipped quietly away to be with Jesus. I have been in such deep grief I have



not been able to write, yet I am rejoicing over the fact she is at rest and has gone to that wonderful paradise of God to join Heaven's family of saints over there.

**Sister O.K. Myers** She was 92 years old the 25th of March. She was loved by all who knew her, especially the children. As long as she was able she would visit those bedfast and read the Bible and pray with them and give what comfort she could and you know how faithful she was in embroidering pillow slips and crotcheting baby booties and selling them to have money to give to the Lord's work. She could see good and heard fairly well to the end of her life. She was only in a wheel chair a few short months. So we were real blest to have our mother so long and most of all she was a godly mother and taught us the ways of God... We called for Bro. Ostis to preach her funeral and since he had known her all his life he could give a good report of her wonderful life and what a precious service it was. The funeral was held in the funeral parlor at LaGrande and she was laid to rest beside my daddy who has been gone 31 years and died in the faith also. Of course I miss her and there is no one can ever fill that void but I do not sorrow as one who has no hope. I expect to see my dear mother again for I am following hard behind her and only hope I can live to be honored as she was by all who knew her and now by the Lord Himself. It has drawn me closer to God than ever before and given me a deeper determination to make heaven my home. I have many treasures over there as so many loved are there." --Sis. Grace Jones, Box 352, Jefferson, Oregon 97352

Just before her departure for Jamaica:

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"Well, the time has come for us to leave you dear ones! We have enjoyed being with you and sister Frances so much. We cannot thank you both enough for your kind treatment to us. Words cannot express. We can only quote "Thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just." Luke 14:14. We pray that God will bless you both and that you will continue with Him until the end of your life on earth. We have enjoyed our stay in the U.S. Our fellowship with the saints has been wonderful. We appreciate all that was done to make us comfortable... God bless you all. Fare-ye-well. Yours in Christ,"

--Sister Olga Smalling

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From Miss.: "Just a few lines to let you know I sure enjoy the paper. May God bless you is my prayer... So many people tell you they have old time religion and when you are around them you know what kind of religion they have and come to find out they have nothing to be religious over... People are looking at our lives. I want you all to pray for me. I want to be ready when he calls me."

--Flora Ruth Pugh

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#### MISSIONARY REPORT

From Mexico--"This summer has been full of activities and of ordinary routine of the missionary life. In July we went over to Ojos Negros to the camp meeting. It was well attended by the saints down here and also some from the USA, and was a very precious meeting. I received much help and blessing to my soul. The saints enjoyed the services very much. The singing was so pretty and the Word went forth with all its beauty and power. There was quite a bit of altar work and at the end of the meeting there were 2 baptized."--Sis. Edith Cole, Box 1425, Calexico, Calif. 92231.

# at press time

we understand:



Bro. Israel and Sis. Olga Smalling

Jamaica--"Thank God we arrived safely at home yesterday at about 8 p.m. (this is night here). On our arrival at the airport at Palisades, we found several of the saints who had come in a van to meet us. Oh, we were all so happy to be reunited again. Well, brother Murphey, words cannot express our gratitude to you and sister Frances and all the saints who made it possible for us to visit there, and made our stay so happy. Our fellowship with the saints has been glorious. We enjoyed every moment spent--at your home, in the various assemblies and the various homes we visited...and at the camp meeting. It makes us happy to have fellowship with saints who "stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel." Our visit over there has strengthened our determination to "earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."...Yours in the one body of Christ."

--Bro. Israel and Sis. Olga Smalling

**REVIVAL ANNOUNCEMENT**  
 Lord willing, conditions permitting, a revival meeting will begin Monday night, August 27 at the Egbert Allen home. This will be an open air meeting if weather permits. The meeting will continue as long as the Lord leads. Location--13 miles southeast of Norwood, Mo. on highway 76. Those coming on U. S. 60 highway to Norwood, turn south on "C" highway, come south to highway 76, turn on highway 76, go 2 miles to the Allen home. We covet the prayers and help of the saints in this meeting. Come help us. This is a Macedonian call. Acts 16:9. For further information write or call Egbert Allen, R. 2, Norwood, Mo. 65717. Phone 417-746-2840.

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From Calif.: "Today is my husband's birthday. He is 95 years old and is able to get around, thanks to our dear Lord."

--Sister Elizabeth Lima

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From Okla.: "I do hope that you and family are well. I am still saved and thanking our Saviour for His great love and mercy toward us. We don't seem to be able to get your program over our station only at times, but we do enjoy the rich word in "Mission Trail". Thank God for it. Pray for us as we do for you."

--Sister Rilla Wadley

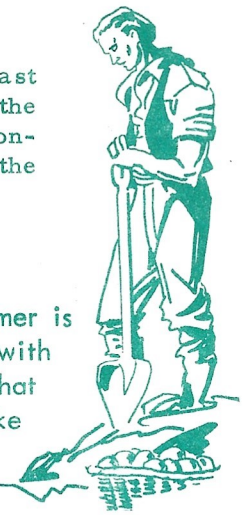
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On August 8 the Lord blessed us with another grandchild. "Janet Lynn" McMurrin weighed 6 pounds and 7 ounces. Parents: Alvin and Kathleen McMurrin, R. 6, Box 361A, Harrison, Ark. 72601



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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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