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HEAD OF THE CORNER

CHRIST PROPHSIED OF:

Psalm 118:22,"The stone which the builder refused is become the head stone of the corner."

Isaiah 28:16,"Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation; he that believeth shall not make haste."

Acts 4:11,"This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner."

Matthew 21:42,"Jesus said unto them, Did ye never read in the scriptures, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?"

Romans 9:33,"As it is written, Behold, I lay in Sion a stumblingstone and rock of offence: and whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed."

Ephesians 2:20-22,"And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit."

1 Peter 2:7-8,"Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner, And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the Word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed."

1 Corinthians 1:23,"But we preach Christ crucified, unto

the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness;"

CHRIST IS ALSO THE HEAD OF HIS CHURCH:

CHRIST ESTABLISHED THE CHURCH.

Matthew 16:18,"And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

Colossians 1:18-24-READ- Verse 18 says-"And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence."

Ephesians 1:22,"And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church."

MASTER BUILDER

1 Corinthians 3:10-11,"According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise master builder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon. For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ."

Mark 12:10-11,"And have ye not read this scripture: The stone which the builders rejected is become the head of the corner: This was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?"

Ephesians 4:4,"There is one body, and one spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;"

Acts 4:11-12,"This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

THE WAY TO THE BUILDING

HEAR- Romans 10:14
FAITH-Hebrews 1:6
REPENT-Acts 2:38
CONFESS-Romans 10:19
BAPTISM-Romans 6:3

RETURN TO THE BUILDING. Jas.5:14-15

In Christian Love,
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Baron Congregation.

"WHY HAVE THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF FAITH?"

1. Lest We Be Condemned: Luke 18:9-14,"And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I possess
And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted."

2. Our Righteousness can't save:Romans 10:1-4,"Bretern, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved. For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.
For Christ is the end of the law for righteouness to every one that believeth."
Also Titus 3:5,"Not by works of righteouness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost."

3. Lest Christ Died In Vain:Galations 2:21,"I do not frustrate the grace of God; for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain."

   Galations 3:11,"But that no man is justifired by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.

4. Others Can't Justify: Galations 2:16,"Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified."
   Also Galations 3:11.

5. Lest We Be Cursed:Galations 3:10,11 & 13,"For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them. But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.(13th) Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written,Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:"

6. It Is Revealed In The Gospel: Romans 1:16 & 17,"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith."

7. It Is Of God: Romans 10:3,"For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to esatablish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God." Also Philippians 3:9.

8. To Lay Hold: READ Philippians 3: 9 through 12.

9. To Be Abraham's Seed:Galations 3:9 & 16,"So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.(16th) Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made, He saith not, and to seeds, as of many; but as of one,And to thy seed, which is Christ."

10. To Have Hope:Galations 5:5,"For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteouness by faith."

11. To Be Blessed:Galations 3:6-9,"Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness. Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham. And the scripture, forseeing that God would justify the heathern through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed with faithful Abraham."

12. To Be Heirs:Romans 4:13-16,"For the promise that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteouness of faith. For if they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect: Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, there is no transgrssion.There-

fore it is of faith, that it might be by grace;to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all."

Also Galations 3:26-29,"For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female; for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."

Submitted in Love,
Your Brother in Christ,
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MEETING DATES

Delta Camp Meeting,August 3-10-Delta,Colorado

Furnish Canyon,Colo.Claud Perigen,Bellflower,Calif.
August 10-17

Springfield,Oregon.Donald Dabbs,Bellflower,Calif.
August 17-24

Only Three meetings left that we have recieved any word of. Did you have a meeting this year? Are you going to have one? It's not to late to plan for a fall meeting. Also start making plans for the coming year.This year we printed more meeting dates than we usually do, but some of you still have not had a meeting, why not plan for 1976 and you will be surprised at the benifit you and your area will recieve from a meeting. There are many speakers available, and they will be glad to help you at any time and any where.

PLAN NOW.....TELL EVERYONE ABOUT IT.....TELL EVERYONE BEFORE AND AFTER IT. MANY WERE BAPTIZED OR RESTORED THIS YEAR DURING MEETINGS,,BUT IF ONLY ONE SOUL WAS IN ANY WAY HELPED, THE MEETING WAS A VERY GOOD ONE.....

CHICO, CALIFORNIA

Dear Brethren;

Howard Mc Cay of Yakima recently held our meeting here at Chico. He brought a series of wonderful lessons which were greatly enjoyed and very strengthing.

We appreciate the support that was given us by the various congregations. We invite any and all who are passing through to meet with us at East 10th Ave. and Laburnum.

In Christian Love
The Chico Congregation.

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GARDENDALE, TEXAS

Dear Brethren;

Will write a few lines or I'll put it off another week. Our meeting closed July 13th. We had some good lessons. But attendance was very poor. One was baptized, Tina Barker, daughter of Brother & Sister Barker. We had some visitors: Bro.& Sis. Earl Atchley from Elk City, Oklahoma and had some of the local people, Raynell Mitchell and son Chuck, from Odessa.

So now we can look to 1976 for our next meeting and hope for a better turn out in attendance and hope we can do a better job getting folks out.

Submitted in Christian Love,
N.E, Bergstrom.

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YAKIMA, WASHINGTON

Brethren:

The doctors have given Brother Lamb a favorable report following his open heart surgery in Portland,Ore. He is home now and doing quite well. His wife, Sister Evelyn Lamb is doing well after surgery the first part of July. They are new grand-parents, their son Jim & his wife have a new boy born July 14th, weighed 8 lbs. 7½ oz. Sorry we did not get the new one's name. Congratulations to them.

Sister Cheryl Roby is engaged to be married later this summer, to Tony Hackert.

We have been working quite extensively on the building here in preparation for our meeting. Brother Jerry Perigen, from Bellflower congregation the guest speaker.

We are thankful for all the visitors who have come our way this spring and invite anyone to meet with us here.

God Bless and be with each of you.

In Christian Love,
Mike McCoy for the Yakima congregation.

(Editors Note: The above letter wasn't received by the typist until the 6th of July, which was after the meeting at Yakima and the last Sunday of Port Orchard's meeting. So we don't have the result of the two meetings yet, do pray to have it by next publication. We only got a very small amount of mail and most of it not until last of July and first of Aug. Please try to send us articles and news as soon as possible. Without your help this publication will soon be nothing. To also help speed up getting news and articles printed quicker, send direct to J.P. Logan 3708 Mission Rd. Stockton, California 95204.)

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SAN PABLO, CALIFORNIA

Dear Brethren in Christ;

The congregation here in San Pablo have been blessed in many ways in the past few weeks. We have had many visitors from near and far, and we are thankful to the Heavenly Father for them, and for anyone who wishes to come and worship with us.

We are especially thankful for Bro. Larry Beaver who came forward last Lord's Day (July 6th) and was baptized the same afternoon. Bro. Larry is dear to all of us who have known him a long time, and we are very happy for him. And I would like to take this opportunity to encourage each and every young person everywhere to take Brother Larry as an example and pattern their lives after him and all the young men and women who have had the courage to take a stand in obeying the Gospel. It is sometimes not an easy decision to make, because you will be ridiculed and scoffed at, but so was our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, He went a step further: He died on the cross for you and me, so we might live. He was rejected by his own people, yet was faithful. So will you be rejected by some, but if you will be faithful to

the end, you will find that God is faithful to keep His promises too.

Sister Freeman also came forward to ask for the prayers of the Church for her and her family. So this is a plea for all your prayers for her in her time of need. We ask for your prayers for all who name the name of Jesus Christ. We need each others prayers in this time and age of the world where young and old alike are being led astray. Please pray for strength and courage for Sister Freeman and for each other.

May God Bless and strengthen all His children.

In Christian Love,
The San Pablo Congregation.

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MODESTO, CALIFORNIA

Brethren:

Our congregation has been having poor attendance, the past few Lord's days, due to illness and summer vacations. Our prayer to God is that everyone on a vacation planned to be in worship at a loyal congregation of the Church of Christ wherever they were or will be.

We were pleased to have some visitors, since last writing, among them Bro. & Sis. Howard Taylor from Oklahoma, Brother Taylor brought us a good lesson on that Lord's day. Other visitors were Brothers Bill Ditch and Dodson from southern California and others; We invite all to return again soon, and anyone passing through or visiting in the area is most welcome. We meet at 10:30 A.M. & 6:30 P.M. Sundays.

Brother and Sister Burris have moved out here from Texas and plan to meet with us, which makes us happy. Sister Burris is the grand-daughter of Sister Lula Way of Modesto.

Sister Jewell Cadwell is feeling much better after quite a seige of illness. Sister Mae Johnson, her sister isn't doing very well. Our prayers are with her and all others in convalscent hospitals and homes.

Brother and Sister Bert Weakley aren't too well. He has been very ill and she waited on him, now she has had a fall and hurt her back, so he is waiting on her. But they both remain fairly cheerful. Their address is 413 Rowland Ave. Modesto, Calif. 95351, for any who wish to send a card or note of cheer.

In closing, remember all throughout the Brotherhood in your prayers and help whenever possible.

Come be with us in our worship.
The congregation at Glenn & Dallas Streets, Modesto, Calif.

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OBITUARY

Brother Ted Loveland suffered a heart attack on the 12th of July at 10:00 A.M. Brother Loveland is survived by his wife Sister Delma Loveland, a son Wayne Loveland and a daughter Mildred Everett, 4 grandchildren and 1 great-grandson. Brother Loveland was the brother of Bro. Elza Loveland. He was a member of the Yakima congregation. Brother Bill McCay Sr. conducted services July 18th at 3:00 P.M.

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When things go wrong as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems uphill,
When the funds are low and debts are high,
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,
When care is pressing you down a bit--
Rest if you must, but don't you quit.

Life is queer with its twists and turns,
As everyone of us sometimes learns,
And many a fellow turns about
When he might have won had he stuck it out.
Don't give up though the pace seems slow--
You may succeed with another blow.

Often the goal is nearer than
It seems to a faint and faltering man;
Often the struggler has given up
When he might have captured the victor's cup;
And he learned too late when the night came down,
How close he was to the golden crown.

Success is failure turned inside out--
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt,
And you never can tell how close you are,
It may be near when it seems afar;
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit--
It's when things seem worst that you mustn't quit.

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PSALMS XXVIII

(7) The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise Him.

NOT EVERYONE THAT SAITH UNTO ME LORD, LORD, SHALL ENTER THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN. Matt. 7:21-23.

"Not every one htat saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in they name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

But says one, I don't understand, for I read in Acts 2:21, that whosoever calleth upon the mane of the Lord shall be saved. Now will you please explain it to me?

Rom. 10:14,(Paul said:)How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? "

Verse 15,"And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!"

St. John 12:49& 50,"For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak."

"And I know that his commandment is life everlasting: whatsoever I speak therefore, even as the Father said unto me, so I speak."(Jesus speaking.)

He spake unto the apostles: then commanded them to teach all nations(That will of God.)
Jesus said in Matt.28:18-20,"..All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all theings whatsoever I have commanded you: and,lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen." So then, we must do all the things that Jesus commanded the apostles to do, in order to be saved.

Deut. 18:18-19, "I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him."

Acts 3:22-26, Peter quotes the words of Moses, "For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A Prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you. And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people." (Verse 24 Peter said,) "Yea, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days."

"Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed."

But he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven: that will is the New Testameny, from Matthew to Revelations. Then we enter the Kingdom of Heaven by doing His Will, and NOT by JUST calling upon the name of the Lord. So then let us find out what His Will says for us to do.

1. We must be taught the Word of God.(the Gospel)Mk. 16:15; Duet. 18:18; Acts 3:22; Matt. 28:18-20; St.Jno. 6:44-45; Every conversion spoken of in the New Testament, was taught by a preacher,?

2. They must all hear the Gospel, or learn of the Father. Duet. 18:19; St. Jno. 6:45; Mk. 16:15-16.

3. We must all believe the Gospel, or have faith in Him. Heb. 11:6; Mk. 16:15-16; Rom. 10:17.

4. We all must repent or reform our lives or perish... Acts 17:30; 2 Pet. 3:9.

5. We must all confess Christ with the mouth before men. Matt. 10:32-33; Rom. 10:8-10; Acts 8:37.

6. We must all be baptized in order to get into the Church, the kingdom or the body of Christ and in order to be saved. Matt. 28:19-20; Acts 2:38; Rom. 6:3-4.

But one said; I believe in baptism, but I think it is the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Eph.4:5 One Lord. Acts 8:35-39; 2 Cor. 5:17; If any man be in Christ, he is a New Creature. 2Pet. 1:5-12.

A reprint of Bro.F.H.Logan's Article. Bro. Logan is deceased.

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Psa. 14:1," The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good."

LATE NEWS

BROKEN BOW, OKLAHOMA

Dear Brethren:

I will report the news here at Broken Bow. We had a good meeting with Brother Charley Burt. One came back to the church and a lot of visitors from some of the other congregations. Preaching was good and we sure did enjoy Brother Charley and family in our midst.

We have some sickness in our midst and would like the prayers of all, for us here.

Will say again that I am ready to hold meetings if any desires my service.

We attended part of the meeting at Baron and enjoyed it, but I have a cold now and guess I will not get to attend any of the Stilwell meeting, but some of the other Brethren aim to be in the last part of it.

We had Brother Don Taylor and family with us a week ago today, sure did enjoy them. We want all who can to come by and visit us.

Sincerely,
Lloyd Treat
13 N. Bock
Broken Bow, Oklahoma
for the Church at Broken Bow.

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MODESTO, CALIFORNIA

Sister Lula Way had an heart attack Second week in August. But she is improved and is able to be out & staying with a relative, until she can return to her own home and wait on herself. Her address for any cards and letters people would want to send, is: Lula Way, 2124 Wylie Dr. Apt. 65, Modesto, Calif. 95350.

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YAKIMA, WASHINGTON

We received word just as we are to close this little paper that Brother Elza Loveland passed away. We have a listing of his Brother's passing in the foregoing pages of this issue. Hope to get information on Bro. Elza Lovelands passing in next issue. He was a member of the Yakima congregation.

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Due to lack of material being sent in, we did not have a paper last month and seemed for a while that this month was not going to be printed, but last minute letters came in and we finally filled it and have one for next issue. Thanks.