FOR THE WORD OF GOD IS QUICK, AND POWERFUL,

AND SHARPER THAN ANY TWOEDGED SWORD...

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A man enlisted in the army during a time of war. After a short time in the heat of battle, he came to realize that he did not like the enemy firing at him. A great idea formed in his mind. He reasoned that if he were to wear his uniform on the top and the enemy's uniform on the bottom, then he would be safe anywhere he went. So he changed his uniform and prodeeded into battle. Within a few seconds he was shot at from both sides.

How often do we put ourselves in this situations? We "enlisted" in the army of the Lord and were comissioned to fight a battle. Do we at times become weary of fighting and reason just as the soldier did? Paul tells us in II Timothy 2:3-4, *"Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier."* Do we ever put on part of the enemy's uniform in hopes of being safe? We are told that we cannot serve two masters. Paul also tells us in Ephesians 6:11, *"Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil."*

These scriptures show us that we cannot serve partially in both armies. We must serve in one or the other. There is only one side that is right. As Joshua states, *"but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."*

In Christian Love,
Bro. Dan Ross

"As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country."
Prov. 25:25

Greetings from the Church at Baron,

We here are doing very well, earnestly contending for the faith that was once delivered unto the saints (Jude 1:3). I would like to mention that we have completed the improvements on our building. We have put in two restrooms and and a ten foot extension at the rear of the building. We now have quite a bit more room. We expect to get our well drilled in the next few days. We would like to especially thank those who donated to the cause and to invite all who can to come to the weeks meeting which starts June 3-10. We will welcome you into our homes and all who want to bring campers or trailers will have ample room for them also. Bro. Horace Orendorff from Yuma, Arizona will be doing the speaking. We also send our prayers with this letter to all the sick and elderly throughout the congregations wherever thay may be

With Brotherly Love,
Bro. James Brown

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I hope this letter finds all well in the congregations. As for us here at Cedaredge, we are all doing fine except for Bro. and Sis. Ken Baldwin. As most of you know, they have been in the hospital in Mexicali, quite ill most of the Spring. At this time they are out of the hospital and doing fairly well. They hope to be home soon. Sister Verlie had two operations and Brother Ken had some extensive tests and also treatment for the pain in his chest. We are all thankful that they are doing better. As soon as they get home, we will give a more complete report on their condition.

We also want to report that the camp meeting is going on as scheduled for July 17-24. Bro. and Sis. Baldwin will not be able to help with it but with the help and prayers of the brotherhood we are sure that it will be a success. Last year I was not much help but I hope to make up for it this year. We are all looking forward to seeing all our brothers and sisters in Christ again so if you can, please come.

I will close for now. I hope that all your meetings will be fruitful and multiply the family of the Lord. Our prayers are with you all. Bod bless you. Please try and make it to our meeting.

In Christian Love,
Lloyd A. Allgood
Cedaredge, Colo.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The church that meets in Yuma had a very good meeting with Bro. Ken Harper preaching. We had one baptized and one restored. Everyone benefitted and we had several guests. We have had good attendance at all services. We meet Sunday at 10:30 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. and Wednesday evening at 8:00. Our new building is located on 2884 Ave. B on State Hiway 95 south of Yuma. There is much interest in the church work here. Some of our older members are in failing health and we ask your prayers for them. Some of the younger members are helping out with the services and we are proud of them. Sister Debbie Nelson is out of the hospital and we pray that she regains her strength. Several members have been to Mexicali, Mexico to see the Baldwins in the hospital there. Come meet with us, it's going to get warm in this area pretty soon. God keeps every one of you and yours is our prayer.

The Yuma congregation

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We pray this message finds all in good health and earnestly striving for Christ. We here at Yakima are thankful for both spiritual and physical health that we all find in the Lord's family. Our prayers have lately been with Sis. Phebe McCay while in the hospital. She is now doing better in a convalescent home. Let us remember the power of prayer in overcoming sickness.

We were recently blessed with three days of fellowship over the Memorial Day weekend. We were all happy and inspired after Christian fellowship with brothers, sisters and visiting friends from Springfield, Oregon; Redmond, Washington; and Port Orchard, Washington. Many who visited expressed a desire to see other brethren at the meeting here in Yakima to be held Saturday, June 25 to Wednesday, July 6. As a reminder to the brethren who plan to attend, food and lodging will be provided. There is also much space for tents, trailers, and campers. We are all looking forward to your arrival.

We are happy to announce the birth of Michael Howard McCay Jr. to

Bro. and Sis. Mike and Paula McCay. Michael was born May 7, weighing 7 pounds, 1 ounce, and is doing fine.

Again we would admonish the brethren to remember the many meetings to be held this summer and support them in any way possible. Peace to all of God's children.

Bro. Kelly McCay
for the congregation
at Yakima

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MEETINGS

Broken Bow, Okla. - June 5-12 - Jack White
Gardendale, Texas - June 5-12 - Earl atchley
Waterford, Calif. - June 12-19 - Guest speakers
Port Orchard, Wash. - June 12-19 - Sammy Boen
Yakima, Wash. - June 25-July 6 - Guest speakers
Bellflower, Calif. - July 10-17 - J.D. Logan
Baron, Okla. - July 3-10 - Horace Orendorff
Delta, Colo. - July 18-25 - Guest speakers
Furnish Canyon, Okla. - July 24-31 - Tom Broadway
Lorenzo, Texas - Aug. 21-28 - Kelley McCay and Greg Staley

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Dear Brethren,

We desperately need more articles and letters for the Courier. We would like to have the paper printed and sent before the first of each month but it is impossible to do if there is nothing to print. Won't you sit down today while it is fresh on your mind and write something? Thank you for your support.

The Editor

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"If you don't feel as close to God as you used to, guess who moved!"