LITTLE LETTER

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BEATITUDES OF REVELATION

1, "BLESSED is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand."(Rev.1:3).

2, "BLESSED are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea,saith the Spirit,that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them."(Rev.14:13).

3, "BLESSED is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked,and they see his shame."(Re.16:15)

4, "BLESSED are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God." (Rev. 19:9).

5, "BLESSED and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years." (Rev.20:6).

6, "BEHOLD, I come quickly: BLESSED is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book." (Rev.22:7).

7, "BLESSED are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city." (Rev.22:14).

"BEATITUDE = perfect blessedness or happiness."(AsMAT5)

"LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE"

"Ye are the light of the world." "....and the seven lampstands are seven churches." "Neither do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on the lampstand, and it gives light.." "Let your light so shine before men,that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." (Luchnos=lamp.Luchnia=lampstand.Mat.5+Rev.1) "The spirit of man is the lamp of the Lord-."(Prov.20:27). "-we are more than conquerors through him that loved us."

MARCH-ING NEWS

TIME MARCHES ON. March is on it's last half, and the Spring is showing sprouting so soon. There is much news so here is starting on page 2. Some is sadness; but winter is a part of it all; then we hope for better, and the sunshine.

FROM BRO. & SIS. COUCHMAN, AMARILLO

Mrs. Clyde Lynell Couchman (Sharon)died Feb. 13, 1974, at 26 years of age. She passed away in Bethesda, Maryland, Hospital after a lengthy illness with Lukemia. Sharon was born Jan. 18, 1948, the daughter of Mr. & Mrs.Albert Hearn of Delmar, Del. She passed on six weeks after a bone marrow transplant in her veins. She was buried in Delmar Feb. 16. Besides above named, she leaves in bereavement her husband Clyde Lynell. Perhaps there are others, but not named here.

Bro. Clyde was a graduate of Kim, Colo. High School in 1952, and from Long Beach State College, Calif. in 1959. He has been employed by the U. S. Health Dept. since 1960 and is presently working at Philadelphia. A Brother Larry Couchman teaches in Lincoln, Calif. Schools. Many of us in Calif. know the Couchmans, and we offer our deep sympathy.

A MARRIAGE AND A NEW CHURCH

On Saturday February 16, 1974, Cynthia Marie Bryant, daughter of Bro. & Sister Jim R. Bryant of Klamath Falls, Oregon, was given in marriage at McFarland, Calif. to Carl Leeroy Jordan, of McFarland. They were united in holy wedlock by Brother Don Dabbs from Bellflower, Calif. Mr. Sam Bryant was best man, and Miss Deloris McDonald was maid of honor. Jeff McDonald, ring bearer; Jamie Bryant,flower girl. The newlyweds are now at home, 123 3rd St.McFarland, 93250.

A new Congregation of the Church of Christ now meets for worship in McFarland. Six or seven members assemble in the residence of Brother & Sister Carl Jordan, Jr. at the 123 3rd ST. address. They are young adults and just new in Christ and need encouragement. Turn off Highway #99 onto Sherwood Road. Three blocks off, turn north to the 123 3rd.

Last word from around the Springfield, Eugene, Oregon, it seems that things aren't too good yet, or showing spring. There were two little snows, and wind damage later. Sister Mattie McCAY is able to be at services more.Sister Peavy is with strep throat. Sister Harris had skin spots removed. Bro.Jim Bryant's of Klamath Falls are out near Jasper now.

FURNISH CANYON CHURCH

Brother F.F.Francis of Kenton, Oklahoma, has written that the Furnish Canyon Church have a meeting planned for August 11 through 18. Brother Tom Broadway from Grants Pass, Oregon, will do the preaching. All at Kenton are O.K. Sister Ray T. Francis of Elk City, Oklahoma, has moved to 304 N. Washington in Elk City, 73644.

BELLFLOWER CHURCH

On Sunday March 31 the Bellflower Congregation have an all-day meeting planned. La Habra Church are to not be at La Habra in the evening, but will be at Bellflower for the dinner, singing, and evening services. Some visitors are also expected from the Port Orchard, and other Washington Congregations; and from other places in California.

YUMA, ARIZ. CHURCH

Carol Dye, daughter of Brother & Sister Harry Dye of Parker, Arizona, will be given marriage at Yuma on March 22 to Mike Wilcher, son of Sister La Veta Bolin of Yuma and deceased Brother Kenneth Wilcher. Brother Horace Orendorff of Yuma will perform the wedding. We wish the Brother and Sister Mike Wilcher a happy Christian life.

The two-weeks meeting at the Yuma Church begins Sunday March 31. The new building is located at Avenue "B" and 29th Street; that's just south of the old Hospital Bldg. The first week will have several visiting speakers. The 2nd week Brother Sammy Boen will preach a series of sermons. There will be visitors from far-a-way places, and valuable lessons given, along with much singing and joy in the Lord.

LIST OF MEETINGS GROWING

1, March 31 all day meeting at Bellflower, California.
2, March 31 to April 14 two weeks at Yuma, Arizona.
3, April 7 to 14 at Modesto, Calif. Bro.Al Way,Speaker.
4, June 16-23, Baron, Oklahoma,Bro.Jack Morris,Speaker.
5, Aug.11-18,Furnish Canyon,Okla.Bro.T.BroadwaySpeaker.

LAKESIDE HAPPENINGS

Even with the gasoline shortages, and the old Le Sabre Buick, we two are thankful we could attend services at the closest, Lakeside. God is good to us; and now we may for 2 Sundays try our newer Belle Aire to La Habra & Bellflower.

Many visitors have come to Lakeside lately. Bro. Gary Ferguson and Family from La Habra one Lord's Day. And Mar.3 the active-worker Don Dabbs and family came, and Young Bro. Roy had left his notes home,so Bro.Don was the Speaker.

4. (About Lakeside, continued)
Brother Dabbs read 30 verses of Mat.25 and gave a lesson thereon. Was a rainy day but attendance was very good. AND we are holding rain check for that Roy Dabbs' good lesson. Happy surprises, Mar.10 Dabbses came again; and Bro. Al Dodson and family came too. A big assembly and Bro. Dallas Mickey gave a very enlightening lesson. He read Rev.20 and his subject was, "Many Surprises in Heaven".

Donna, wife of John Lyons, was in the hospital, Mar.10, and Monday Bro.& Sis.John Lyons were papa & mamma, with a son Christopher David; birthdate Mar.11. (So'sWHY Dabbses are back?) Mar.17 Sunday Parents began early, teach by example, "Train up a child.."& all were glad to see them present. Bro. Dick Taylor gave the lesson "Believing God and doing his will in Christ". Bro. John, and also Bro.&Sis.Charles Johnson are down most every Sunday from Bellflower as the two young men are presently working up there.

Mar.21-Note & help from Ventura. Thanks; all well&happy there.

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DIFFICULT SITUATIONS FOR CHRISTIANS?

YES; Christians can fall, too. "-who shall deliver me from this body of death? I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord." "Ye therefore, beloved,.. beware lest ye also fall from your own stedfastness." "And he that overcometh-."

ONE difficult situation: (1 Ki.18,19,21ch.& Rev.2:20) "-thou sufferest that woman Jezebel" (prophetess?) "to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols." ". .this doctrine,. . and the depths of Satan, as they speak;-" (DoANY,now,goonTRIPS?)

She, apparently, talked thus: "You will never be able to conquer sin unless you have become thoroughly acquainted WITH sin. "In order to overcome Satan, you must know him." Or, Christians must learn to know "the deep thingsofSATAN." "By all means go with us, attend the feasts and take a trip . . and still remain a Christian; rather be a better one."

IF some church-members, as at Thyatira, (never mention present day places) can persuade themselves (or others by teaching or example) that this course is right; it'sYET TRUE they cannot deceive the ONE who has eyes "like a flame of fire" "It is Christ..who also maketh intercession for us."

"And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not." "..Except they repent of their deeds."

SARDIS? "He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels."

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