LITTLE LETTER

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"ACCORDING TO THE EFFECTUAL WORKING"
(ENERGEIA)

"LET US, THEN, BE UP AND DOING." "-always abounding in the work of the Lord,-". "From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint suplieth,according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself inLOVE!! "And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to usward who believe,according to the working OF HIS MIGHTY POWER,WHICH HE WROUGHT IN CHRIST, when he raised him from the dead,and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,- - And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the headOVER all things to the church, Which is his body,the fulness of him that filleth all in all."

APOSTLE PAUL'S WORK,TOO:(Only by peace-meal here. DO READ all of Col.1, ETC.) 1,"To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ - ". 2,"Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: WHO hath delivered us from the power of darkness,AND hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: IN WHOM we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:-". 3,"And he is the head of the body, the church:-". 4,"AND YOU- "If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel,- - WHEREOF I Paul am made a minister:-". 5,"-which is Christ in you, the hope of glory: WHOM we preach,warning every man,and teaching every man in all wisdom;that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus: WHEREUNTO I also labour, striving according to his working, WHICH worketh in me mightily."

"BUT THANKS BE TO GOD, WHICH GIVETH us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. THEREFORE, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast,unmoveable,always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vainINTHELORD."

"-: LET US THEREFORE CAST OFF THE WORKS OF DARKNESS, & LET US PUT ON THE ARMOUR OF LIGHT." (Continued on p. 4 for some "effectual working in the measure of EVERY PART".)

IT IS ORDAINED OF GOD. IT WAS SANCTIONED AND IT WAS HONORED BY CHRIST JESUS. IT IS EMBLEMATIC OF CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH. THEREFORE IT IS NOT BY ANY, to be entered into lightly or unadvisedly; but reverently, and discretely, and in the fear of God, as His will may be.

IT IS ORDAINED OF GOD: "And the Lord God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him.- -"And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; And the rib, which the Lord God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.- - "Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh." "And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good."

CHRIST SANCTIONED MARRIAGE when he said, "The children of this world marry, and are given in marriage."

CHRIST HONOURED MARRIAGE AT CANA: "AND the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there: And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage."

EMBLEMATIC OF CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH: "For the husband is the head of the wife,even as Christ is the head of the church; and he is the saviour of the body. Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it." (Eph.5;BEAUTIFUL) "For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church: For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. FOR THIS CAUSE shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. THIS is a great mystery:but I speak concerning Christ & the church. "NEVERTHELESS let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband."

AND THE RINGS

WEDDING RINGS, MADE OF UNTARNISHED METAL, gold the type of what is least marred and most enduring; given by each to the other. Tokens given to show how lasting and imperishable the faith they have in each other, and in Christ and his church.

MAY THEY EVER BE THE SEAL of plighted faith, and of mutual affection and fidelity; a memorial of the sacred service and holy bonds of marriage, by which they are bound until death. (This was read as part of the Double Wedding, by E.H.H. P.3)

DOUBLE WEDDINGS

"THE CHAPEL OF THE WEDDING BELLS" in Bellflower was the setting for February 10 afternoon wedding ceremony for two couples. Officiating was Elmer Hunt, minister of the Church of Christ, who gave one service but repeated the vows separately.

THE TWO BRIDES,SISTERS, daughters of Bro.&Sis.Don Dabbs of Bellflower, made their way up the aisle on the arms of their father who gave them in marriage speaking for mother,too.

THE FIRST BRIDE DONNA JEAN DABBS was wed to John Lee Lyons who is the son of Sis. Gene Edwards of Ventura, California.

THE SECOND BRIDE CELESTA RUTH DABBS was united in marriage to Charles Louis Johnson the son of Mr.& Mrs. J.D.Johnson of Lakeside. Beautiful receptions,with two wedding cakes,followed.

BIRTHS

HEY, WORLD! I'VE JUST LANDED on this scene of action at Ventura, Calif. U. S. A. I weighed in at 6 pounds 4¼ ounces. My parents named me Melissa Jean Melander. My mother, Sandy (ne Lyons)Melander missed my Uncle John's wedding because I launched my ship the night before on February 9, 1973. SEE?

OBITUARY

IMOGENE DRAKE, of 1245 Elkay Drive, Eugene, Oreg. passed away Monday, February 19, at the Sacred Heart Hospital after open-heart surgery. She was a native resident of Lane County.

Ima was born at Lone Pine on October 18, 1905, daughter of Mr.& Mrs. W.H.Hunt(now deceased)and the 6th of 9 children. In her early teens she was baptized at the North Jefferson Church of Christ by Brother G. Earl McCay; at the same time with 4 others - Winniebelle & Beulah Hunt,sisters, and Mary and Earnest Addleman. On her eighteenth birthday Imogene was married to Albert Drake, son of the late Brother & Sister Bion Drake, Eugene. To this union were born one son & two daughters. One daughter died in infancy. The son,Leonard,passed away on Oct.7 after heart transplant Aug.22, 1968 at Stanford Clinic. His family, Wanda and daughter & son live near at Eugene.

Survivors also include her husband, Albert; one daughter, Virginia Sebring of Eugene; two sisters, Minnie Detering of Eugene, and Winniebelle Hill of McKinleyville,Calif.; three brothers,Elmer Hunt,Oceanside, Hartwell Hunt,Oakland, Calif. and W.Omer Hunt,Wickenburg, Ariz.; 5 grand-children and 13 nieces & nephews; and others. Funeral Fri.Feb.23 in Eugene.

THIS BELOW=LAST LATE NEWS

WE WERE GLAD TO HEAR: Brother Renick is out of hosp. now. Sister Anna Lee Roberts(Creswell)better & able to be up some. Sister Phoebe McCay(mother of all McCays)had flu bad Feb.10 & we hope better by now. Bro.&Sis.Oren Johnson of Yakima moving west toward Ada's or Robert's. Getting ready to fish,Alaska.

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"TO THE WORK-WE ARE SERVANTS OF GOD-TOILING ON"

HERE ARE SOME PLACES PLANNING: Get "your feet shod" ready to travel; "Come over into MACEDONIA and help-". UP & GO & DO.

BROTHER ROGER BIXLER IS TO GIVE a series of sermons at Yuma "during Easter week" in April. 'R' Y'all anxious & ready to go support? Then a lil postal will surely cheer them up, if U can. Addresses? Harry Dye, 828 Oak Dr. or Horace Orendorff, 1850 W. 14th St. Yuma, Ariz. 85364. (ET AL, but 2 will do.) CRY out loud & LOUDER. BLOW leaflets over all the city. HELP preach GOSPEL, turn everything "upside down", move the congregation to bigger quarters with SOMERTON. HARVEST IS PLENTEOUS; souls to save.

BROTHER HARRY DYE IS SLATED TO SLIDE up Yakima, Wash. way & hold a meeting with them the SECOND WEEK IN JUNE, begin June 10. Many souls up there also to save; "EFFECTUAL WORKING-EVERYPART".

MARCH IS MARCHING, SPRING SPRUNG. Send us more meetings&NEWS.

A LETTER POSTMARKED FROM YUMA, APPARENTLY from someone who reads LLL, came with no name or address. I would appreciate if that someone would write to me again and please give name and address. Also more on how to find Otis Pippin in Bellflower & Elmer Hackworth in Truman, Ark. May God reward you in this.

OUR LETTER FROM BROTHER NELSON, dated Jan. 19, was highly appreciated, but was late for the last LLL. Sister Nelson can walk a little with a cane, but is so weak. Had a cold lately, seems so many have colds. May God help and bless each one.

BROTHER JACK RENICK WAS IN THE HOSPITAL at that time, and we heard just this week that he is still in hosp. and isn't doing so well. Hope all cards may cheer. May every one help in prayer; and we pray God's richest blessings upon him.

AFTER THE BIG DOUBLE WEDDING SATURDAY (Feb. 10) we heard of places some were scattered to for the next day, LORD'S DAY. Some, including one couple, and Brother Melvin Lytle's family from Roll, Ariz. were to worship in Ventura. The other couple and Brother Harry Dye & Family were at Lakeside, and Bro. Dye gave an excellent lesson on Peace vs Worry. Sister Mickey & two children are moving to Aztec with her folks while Brother Dallas is away for several months in the submarine service.

SOME WHO CONTRIBUTE FINANCIALLY wonder if receive it, and I don't blame them. So periodically I'll give a list of names if not informed secretly. I'll wait now until April to give those on the listing. Ever remember, many thanks. GOD BLESS U.

CONFUSION CONTINUALLY??

NO, NO, NO,

CONTINUALLY, CONFUSION CAN CRUMBLE by the Word of God, that sharp two-edged Sword of the Spirit. Christ's Church, HIS BODY, made alive by the Holy Spirit. In the name of the FATHER, & of the SON, & of the HOLY SPIRIT. CONTINUALLY, EVERLASTING LIFE.