LITTLE LETTER

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GOD BE PRAISED, AMEN

THINGS ARE ON THE UP AND UP;we rejoice to even now say SO. You will be happy too when you read it. But wait here a spell. WE'LL try to keep them in order and go by my little calendar I have kept, and have here before me. Then you decide all of the good ones; and give God "glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. A'-men".

WISH I COULD WRITE EACH OF YOU IN PERSON,but impossible. My Hunt and pick typing even now gets behind my thinking about y'all, so this best can do. And may God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, bless you "with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:" "in heavenly things IN CHRIST." Amen.

NOW THE NEWS

JULY 23, AT LAKESIDE, BROTHER GEORGE B. MORRIS presented a very thoughtful talk to us. For a young preacher he is good, and we hope that he may do more and more, much for the Gospel. Bro. George and family were from Stilwell, Oklahoma, visiting in Lakeside for a week. Retha Gale is the daughter of Bro. and Sister J. D. Johnson; and those three grand children-theirs. All four of the Johnson children were there for the worship on that day and all are members of Christ's Church. Wonderful.

JULY 29, Brother and Sister Chester Kellems came by the Hunts in Oceanside. They had been visiting their daughter and family in Spring Valley near San Diego. Also had recently in Astoria, Oregon, visited relatives. Bro. Chester is gaining in strength since his hospital-ing; so they enjoy those trips. When here they expressed hope to hear Brother Eldred Broadway preach in DELTA, COLO. We haven't heard yet of the good there.

JULY 30, BROTHER J. D. JOHNSON so very well took his turn at Lakeside. Bro. J. D. has improved over the years and gave a good lesson, "Things to do,& things not to do". Long time back he built a room onto his house, and it is the assembly place for the Lakeside Congregation. There are bigger hopes forSAN D.

MUCH MORE
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JULY 31, WISHFUL THINKING FOR CHURCH OF CHRIST? I went to Gopher Canyon to look see; real nice trees and creek andSPRING on 6½ acres- -"asking $80,000.00". YEP; I came on back home. Next day Aug. 1, I went Escondido, and Rancho Santa Fe, and on to La Jolla,tracing to find the Noel Turner family-CLOSEbutNO. If any one in Yuma or Somerton can help locate, appreciated.

AUGUST 1, THAT BUS LOADED AND STARTED for Stilwell, Okla. It originated in Ventura, via Bellflower, and Lakeside, but so far little detail-Brother Don Dabbs was to begin the preaching Sunday morning Aug. 6.- (Please see the good news,later date.)

AUGUST 4, VERY NICE LETTER AND SUPPORT came from Sister L. Shuss of Larned, Kansas. She is a gout patient and part blind. Brother Ken. Baldwin gave me her name and address several yrs. ago. She writes of Sister Nelson's sickness (But she'sHOMEnow.) From letter,I conclude that all those good folks are related. May God comfort and bless them. We are glad to hear Sis.Nelson is home now. May she now be and may continue in better health. Also I've personally written to our Sister Shuss, August 5.

AUGUST 5,LOUISE AND I ATTENDED A WEDDING in Fullerton; it was our son Burleigh's step daughter. They had a large group at the wedding, then an over-flow reception at their home. The couple flew to Honolulu for a ten day holiday honeymoon.

AUGUST 6, BROTHER ALTON DODSON BROUGHT his family and 2 others to Lakeside worship. He gave a very well taken lesson on the Law of Moses vs the New Covenant, giving the scriptures of the comparison of the two. There was a good group present although some went to Stilwell in the bus. Brother Dodson is a well-spoken and well-versed person in his sermons.(While we were at Lakeside we heard that Brother England was in hospital)

AUGUST 10, SISTER BURDETTE TAYLOR TELEPHONED that Brother England at the City of Hope had had surgery Tuesday on his temple. So (Thur. afternoon) we drove up to see him; and he was doing fair. In surgery they cut his temple nerve-a very big risk-but it relieved the heavy pain. We pray that it was a long-lasting gain, and may God ever comfort and bless him.

AUGUST 11,LONG LETTER CAME FROM ANZA(See:7/4note of7/1LL). One quote: "We killed one <u>big</u> rattler on the lower terrace by the lawn one day. It was sleeping under the water sprinkler. They love that." (BUT I don't love <u>them</u>.HA.Read Gen.3:15,ETC.) We hope we can visit THE SMITHS again in Anza-but RESERVATIONS. THEY <u>do</u> have a nice home with trees & canyons & springs.

AUGUST 12, BROTHER HAYSE MORRIS SENT 10 new names and addresses, for which I am thankful indeed. Also a nice letter of comfort, and, above all else, that wonderful report of the big results of the Stilwell meeting; and it's only half over.

STILWELL MEETING HALF OVER

THAT BROTHER DON DABBS IS A DYNAMIC DOER; he gets it DONE. I first remember him about when some of us went over to help him at Peoria. Thanks to those good Ariz. folks, still meeting regularly and growing. Many souls in Phoenix brought to CHRIST. Recently at Ventura Bro. Don went to helping Brother & Sister Gene Edwards and Family; and look at the many results there. THERE'S where that bus load originated to go to Stilwell, Okla. REsults? Only half over, and we get the report of - hold it. The first Sunday eight (8) were baptized "in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins". AND about six who asked for the prayers of the Church. "We are having wonderful crowds so far and he is doing a good job preaching. Pray for us." Quoted. This typing is on Monday August 14; the meeting is supposed to have closed yesterday; the bus is on the way home and perhaps bringing more good news. We wait and pray for safe arrival. AND LET US NOT FORGET to give God "glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. A'-men". God be praised, and we thank Him, for all the Brethren AT STILWELL.

AUGUST 13, BROTHER DICK TAYLOR WAS SPEAKER at Lakeside at the assembly this Sunday. "AND upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them,-" On this first day of the week Bro. Richard gave us good things from the first chapter of James.

AUGUST 14, THE REGULAR GOOD LETTER AND RE. was in the mail from the Harrises of Cottage Grove, Oregon. Many thanks, and God be praised, and may He always bless all such good people. SUGGESTION? If your Doctor Grandson so decides for a little farther south, THIS is it; a place growing very fast, is little cheaper, needs more M. Ds. AND it could be more for Christ.

AUGUST 15, SISTER ROXIE ADAMS OF LA HABRA called Louise via telephone. She was quite sick while in Oklahoma on recent visit there. She reports feeling some better now. It is too bad vacations get spoiled; but it seems "Tha's 'a way it IS".

AUGUST 15, BROTHER & SISTER OLAN TAYLOR gave us a visit from Riviera, and after dinner we took them to see here and there and the Oceanside harbor and the many boats. Both the 2 of them had a birthday the day before. Glad they could come. Burdette is a niece of the late Louie Gibbs, formerly of Eugene.

AUGUST 17, BROTHER ROY SNODERLY MET WITH ACCIDENT while he was on the job in Gardena about three weeks ago. an iron pipe injured the left eye and his head. He was unconscious for several hours and was in the hospital a week. Several stitches were taken. Now home in La Habra; but will be off work awhile. I talked to Bro. Roy this morning via telephone. He was to go to the Doctor again; is doing fair, but must wait-see about the dizziness that is still present, and the eye injury. BRO. ROY! 's tuff luck. But "can't keep a good man down! GOD'S GRACE.

AUGUST 17, WE WENT SPECIAL TRIP TO LAKESIDE to find if that bus had returned with big news. Yes; indeed it had on the day before, so we missed them. BROTHER & SISTER J, D, JOHNSON had left again to visit her sister, the Brother Wisehart Family, so we landed to visit awhile with Sister Georganna Taylor and Sister Gloria Mickey. AND here is that suspended glad tidings.

TWELVE WERE BAPTIZED AND FOURTEEN CAME UP for confession of sins and for prayers of the Church. There surely must be a rejoicing in Heaven. Also for those who went. (Lk.15:3-7, Ro4:7) Let all be glad, and full of joy; just goes to show TRUTH SAVES. You Brethren with ability, W'Y NOT get going behind Bro.Dabbs? Expensive? Worth it? Itcan be done-wasn't it? God is willing. BESIDES THE BUS BULGING, BROTHER BILL Taylor and family and the BROTHER RON. BERRY-(I don't know if were others)-followed them, there and back. Bro. Taylor's also went on to Alabama and back. There were other good Speakers who went too, and we can easily guess that they all at least had part. Must've beenbigREVIVAL.

WISH WE COULD AT THIS TIME HAVE HAD the results to report of the meetings at Yakima, Port Orchard, Delta, and whereelse. There were others, but no reports yet. Things are looking up & up & we are happy. "Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. A'-men." AND via another version, "In union with him you too are being built together with all the others into a house where God lives through his Spirit." "And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him."

THOSE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN ERROR

MY WIFE LOUISE'S UNCLE IN CORVALLIS, OREGON edited and sent us a copy of his 371 page book, The Bible and Science. I believe many wish and are trying to return to "restoration". SO LET'S keep on to "earnestly contend for the faith". (Jude 3). EXAMPLE OF HIS POSITION FORMERLY: "I worked with the Church of Christ until 1936, then I took membership with the Christian Church, - - because I felt I could do a greater work - in the Christian Church." (My space in LLL is so short-sorry to cut.) HIS NEW 1972 BOOK DEFINITELY SHOWS HE'S REVERSING: "When false doctrine is advocated, those who introduce it are responsible, and not those who expose and oppose it." He writes against the "Restructure" which is now heavily advocated by some of them. "I went along (very reluctantly) for a long time, - -.So after much serious thought and many prayers, I said, "Here am I, send me! - Isa.6:8. "Instead of helping support this movement, I hope to spend all that I can opposing it,-". (pp143-146,etc.) "-no one has power to change anything pertaining to the work and worship of his church, except He Himself, and this He has not seen fit to do." We pray for Uncle Edward; I've written to tell him about "all innovations" "In vain they do worship me." MAY GOD HELP ALL HIS PEOPLE TO FOLLOW CHRIST ALL THE WAY.