LITTLE love LETTER

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"-ON, SAIL ON, & ON"

"SO SO SOON-1970-IS GONE", very very many perhaps are thinking and do express at present. "As the FLOWER FALLETH;" "But the word of the Lord endureth FOREVER AND,"-Their works do follow them." SO;as 1970 fades?

BUT MANY OF THE ABOVE WORDS I now copied from the Little Love Letter at the closing of year 1969. So soon-1971-gone? What works of 1970 will follow us, if any? LET'S work harder,& much much more, 1971. Quite often have I spoken of TIME flying by and how by and by will soon be now. All of which REFLECT the thoughts that transpire in my own individual mind. "Reflect": strikes and bends right back and casts a light image. "Transpire": passes through, passes on out, passes off as a vapor of insensibility. BUT, so much so,in my own thoughts,it transpierces heavily.

IT IS SURELY TRUE FOR 1970, and for attempts in other years gone by, all "faithful men" have done a little good. Perhaps partly as came handily, or as per opportunity fitting into the given concurrence of circumstances. Perhaps we took a vacation-FORFUN. Did we really sacrifice anything? Is it hurting us??

"I BESEECH YOU THEREFORE, BRETHREN,

"BY THE MERCIES OF GOD, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice,holy,acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."

"BY HIM THEREFORE LET US OFFER the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is,the fruit of our lips giving thanks to His name. BUT to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased." "Preach the WORD;be instant-."

SUCH URGENT EARNEST EMPHASIS sharply penetrates & trans-pierces my heart always;somewhat as was the predicament the Apostle Paul ascribed to himself: "-woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel." Is a necessity laid upon each of us today? AND willingly? Verily. "Faithful men";able servants;and that we might gain the more(PEOPLE).(Ro.12:1-Heb.13:15-I Cor.9)

SOWING SOME SEEDS

"THE SEED IS THE WORD OF GOD." "Behold",-SEE,LO. "Behold, a sower went forth to sow,-" The WORD,seed. "And when he sowed, some seeds fell by the way side- "Some fell upon stony places,-And some fell among thorns;-But other fell into good ground,-"

"WHEN ANY ONE HEARETH THE WORD of the kingdom,& understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked ONE, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. "This is he which received seed by the way side."

"BUT HE THAT RECEIVETH THE SEED into stonyPLACES, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it; Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for awhile: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended."("But whoso shall offend one of these-")

"HE ALSO THAT RECEIVED SEED among the thorns is he that heareth the word;and the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word,and he becometh unfruitful."("-the tree is known byFRUIT")

"BUT HE THAT RECEIVED SEED into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth,--"

PARABLE OF THE TARES

"DECLARE UNTO US THE PARABLE of the tares of the field. He answered and said unto them,

"HE THAT SOWETH THE GOOD SEEDis the Son of MAN;
"THE FIELD IS THE WORLD:
"THE GOOD SEED ARE THE CHILDREN OF THE KINGDOM;
"BUT THE TARESare the children of the WICKEDONE:
"THE ENEMY THAT SOWED THEM is the devil;
"THE HARVEST IS THE END of the world;
"AND THE REAPERS are the angels."(See MT.13:24 &)

THE WISDOM & THE FRUIT

"AND THE FRUIT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS is sown in PEACE of them that make peace."

"BUT THE WISDOM THAT IS FROM ABOVE is first PURE, THEN peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy."

SOW BOUNTIFULLY

APOSTLE PAUL EXHORTETH:"But this I say,He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap alsoBOUNTIFULLY!

SOUL STIRRING SONGS 'N SERMON

SUNDAY AT BOTH ASSEMBLIES we listened and tried to sing in some soul stirring songs. They were good: "Iwant to be a worker for the Lord;"I want to sing and pray, and be busy every day, in the vineyard of the Lord." "While we do His good will,He abides with us still,"-"What He says we will do, where He sends we will go--never fear, only trust and obey."

"WHILE WE WALK THE PILGRIM PATHWAY,clouds will over-spread the sky;BUT when traveling days areOVER, not a shadow, not a sigh." "Earth holds no treasures but perish with using,-Heaven holds all to me." WHY? "Lord,I care not for riches,neither silver nor GOLD; I would make sure of Heaven,I would enter the fold;"

HERE IS ANOTHER,didn't get in this time,BUTCUTS: "O land of rest, for thee I sigh, when will the MOMENT come, when I shall lay my armour by, and dwell in peace at home?" "We'll work till Jesus comes,-"

THAT EVENING,OUR BROTHER SNODERLY,over from La Habra, gave a very good sermon. He worked hard at that sermon. Had a very good outline. I do believe it was the best EVER;and he has had some good'ns. His subject was, "SEARCHING THE SCRIPTURES".

S	SOBERLY	
E	EARNESTLY	
A	ACCURATELY	(AM SORRY I CAN'T)
R	REVERENTLY	(GIVE WHAT HE GAVE)
C	CONSTANTLY	(ON EACH-AND REFER)
H	HUMBLY	(ENCES. AS FOR ME,)
I	IMPARTIALLY	(LET'S SAIL ON&ON.)
N	NOBLY	
G	GLADLY	

NO, I'M NOT BEGGING ANY ONE,nor am I trying to rule any one. This is to tell my brethren, faithful men, able servants,ALL BUSY. "yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain the more".

TO BE SURE,ALL OF US would agree that some have done some good works. Repeating from last L. L. L. "Can anyone say they have suffered more utterly than Christ the Redeemer?" Please consider what HE said: "But when He saw the multitude, He was moved with compassion on them,because they fainted,-"(wereTIRED and lay down). "Then saith HE unto His disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest."

THEY KEEP TELLING ME,I'm getting old. Yes, I am. Big reason I best hurry harder. TRY 'TIL I DIE.

THUS FAR, HERE WE ARE

AS A SERVANT OF GOD IN THE CHURCH BY CHRIST JESUS, my dear sweet wife at my side helping, we've TRIED. The Hunts'll keep doing, in old age; LLL helping some.

AS GOD MAY WILL, AND IN CHRIST'S NAME, let's PRAY many more men members may give "WORDS OF LIFE"; IN '71. Preach it & live it. BEST EVER, 1971. LOVE & GAIN SOULS.

HAVE YOU HEARD? (NEWS)

BUT I MUST TELL EVERYONE, I got a letter from Bro. Hayse Morris telling: "about the good meeting we had at Baron, Okla. Church in Nov. "We had 13 services with 13 different speakers;" (here names given-(short) BROTHERS-Paul Auslam-Paul Ferguson-Gerald Buckner-Ralph Rhodes-Hayse Morris-Sammy Bowen-Lloyd Treat-Jim Brown-J.L.Jared-VesBrown-Lloyd Allgood-Geo.Morris, Jr. Earl Atchley" AND they had 10 come into FELLOWSHIP. "Happy happy time-God be praised. Everyone said 'the best meeting yet' and I agree, wonderful singing, wonderful preaching, wonderful fellowship."
Y'SEE, "some have done some good works." (re from P3) 'Y NOT? "ALL BUSY" And there are others busy, too.

WE HAVE MANY PERSONAL LETTERS & CARDS-& thank you.

BUT WE DO GET SOME LETTERS RETURNED, 4 this time, one forwarded Wash. State to Wash. D.C. yet a "returned". PLEASE keep me posted if moved and still want LLL.

MUST PLEAD FOR OUR SISTER SCOTT of Lorenzo, Texas; her eyes have failed her and she can not read L.L.L. For the time being I hesitate to discontinue sending it until someone may write me they will read to her.

LETTER FROM BRO. J. D. JOHNSON, "We here at Lakeside are doing pretty well. Bro. Bill Taylor and his wife were here this last Lordsday. Sure was good to see them." (Keep it up, Lakeside, faithful workers.)

AT THE BELLFLOWER CONGREGATION (to give a few more)
Bro. Claud Perigen, Dec. 10, "Heart-Felt Religion" AND: Intellect thinks, believes, understands; Emotion desires, loves, trusts; WILL intends, purposes, obeys.
Bro. Gordon Evans from Pomona, Dec. 13, gave much (vs) gainst Xmas. Why we should not observe it. WHY?
Bro. Snoderly gave that good lesson that evening, P3.
Bro. Don Dabbs, Dec. 20, "There Is a Way".
Bro. Jerry Perigen, Dec. 23 & also 27, gives lively talks.
Others, inc. myself, take their turns also. (space OUT)

SO THAT'S TH'WAY 'TIS. "That which we have seen & heard declare we unto you,-" "And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and THAT life is IN HIS SON" "UNTO THE GLORY & PRAISE OF GOD."