LITTLE LOVE LETTER

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ISSUES AND THINGS

MOST ASSUREDLY YOU WANT TO KNOW the things and events of the Bellflower Revival Meeting--and of the golden anniversary of that old couple, El & Lou. Here's my effort of trying to tell much of it all.

FIRST AND FOREMOST THE MEETING, and to our God in Heaven "be glory in the church by Christ Jesus". It even began the week before the preacher arrived, when Brother Al Way and Brother Jerry Perrigen(two together-because of the lady's injured back)baptized in the name of Christ for the remission of sins, our new Sister Evelyn Heim. May God ever keep her in Jesus Christ, and we praise Him in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour, Redeemer, and King.

BROTHER KENNETH BALDWIN BEGAN Sunday morning, April I2, with the subject: "Is Heaven Your Destination?" and continued every night all week with a total of ten very soul-stirring contributions.

Some of his subjects were: "Beware", "Gospel Unto Salvation", "Meditation and Prayer", "A Creed That Needs No Revision", "The Establishment of The Kingdom", "Power of The Word", "In Christ", and "What About Tomorrow?". "THERE IS ONE BODY - One Spirit - One Hope - One Lord - One Faith - One Baptism - One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."For ref.Eph.4:I-6.

All too soon the Meeting was over, April I9, no visible results, but much perceptible GOOD. Bro. & Sister Baldwin go to Phoenix next for Friday.

THE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY?

ALL THOSE FIFTY YEARS, ALSO, have gone by just as rapidly-well, seemingly-as the 3 days, Apr. I7 to I9. Looking back, we can see many many outcomes, results, deeds, that we should never have done. In 50 years they add up; we pray God our merciful Father for all forgiveness of such. IN Christ is our only way OUT.

THE CREATOR OF ALL THE UNIVERSE, God, who made all things, has done it-kept us throughout it all. In Christ for more than fifty years we both have prayed, tried, cried; and He has watched over us in His tender love and care. In Christ's name we give thanks and all glory to our Heavenly Father.

WE HAVE HOPE, MUCHLY MORESO, that along the way we have done perceptible good, even visible results. The wife of my youth, my help-meet, has struggled in sickness and in sorrow and we two are still here, to keep going. All life, as God may so will for us.

About the 3 days, April I7-I9? Excuse, please, the reminiscences. You see-old age does that-a-way.

WE WERE MADE VERY HAPPY, INDEED, through Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and much more, by our many friends and lovedones. Little Love Letter just isn't a bit big enough for us to express our thanks and LOVE.

For a week or more cards and letters and gifts and money and your love have been pouring in, muchly. (Guess U didn't read last LLL or-but we love you.) Bouquets on the floor and cards standing on 5 tables, and gifts and cake remnants on the dining table. AND our hearts flowing over. Not to mention money tree??

LOUISE AND I WENT OUT TO DINNER Friday, the day of April I7. We enjoyed a quiet day-watching that astronaut splash-down◆reading letters and cards.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SON BURLEIGH & FAMILY gave a wonderful Reception and Open House for our many G.G. friends and former colleague teachers. Their home at Fullerton, the cake and beverage-all very wonderful.

THE BELLFLOWER ALL DAY SERVICE SUNDAY and the dinner. Then a table decorated for THAT GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY-the beautiful cake, the loaded money tree---IN DEEP HUMILITY AND OUR LOVE we two, EL and LOU, do thank each and every one in that full house&EVERYONE.

"THE ISSUES OF LIFE"

"BLESSED BE THE LORD, WHO DAILY loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. Selah. He that is our God is the God of our salvation; and unto God the Lord belong THE ISSUES FROM DEATH." Ps 68:20.

"KEEP THY HEART WITH ALL DILIGENCE; for out of it are THE ISSUES OF LIFE." Prov. 4:23.

WE SHOULD NEVER CLOUD THE ISSUES but we should always keep our heart diligently and bless the Lord.

MATERIAL VS THINGS UNSEEN

THINGS ARE NOT ALL MATERIAL, or of solid matter, as the things we possess, nor that can be seen. As I sit here typing I can give many nouns (naming words) that indicate unseen things. Even though I can not see them I can believe they do "exist." For just an example or two: we know air, heat, cold, light, love.

THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO DON'T BELIEVE that there are angels, ministering spirits;"God is a Spirit-". And right now here in my room are many programs and music, and with the proper "equipment" (television) I could pick out the different ones as I may wish.

GOD MADE LIGHT THE FIRST DAY but the sun the fourth day. God is light, love, I AM, our Creator.

WORSHIP IN SPIRIT

"THEN SAITH JESUS UNTO HIM, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve."(M.4:10)

"BUT THE HOUR COMETH, AND NOW IS, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." (Jn.4:23-24).

"BUT WITHOUT FAITH IT IS IMPOSSIBLE to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." (Heb.11:6).

(ANGELS)"ARE THEY NOT ALL MINISTERING SPIRITS, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?" And who is it that shall be heirs?

"THE SPIRIT ITSELF BEARETH WITNESS with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ;--" (Ro.8:16-17) (Please read Gal.4:6-7.)

NEWS IN NEWNESS

GENERALLY PERHAPS YOU ALREADY KNOW more than I elsewhere and everywhere, as we have been very local lately. Besides, much of it all is already on pp1&2. However, we may bring an item or two to newness.

BROTHERS ALLEN NELSON AND BUD DAVIS were here at the Bellflower assembly Thursday night. They were on their way from Somerton, Arizona to attend the Friday and Saturday discussion at Modesto. We were glad to visit the short while;appreciated their help.

ALSO FROM SOMERTON AND YUMA WERE, over Saturday and Sunday: Brother and Sister Earl Broadway,Brother Horace Orendorff. Happy for their help-but time soGO.

MANY FROM POMONA AND LA HABRA were with us and did much to help, in presence, singing, and in joy.

BROTHER AND SISTER DICK TAYLOR, and the little daughter, from San Diego came to the Olan Taylors on Saturday night, and attended at Bellflower Sunday.

BROTHER L.C.ENGLAND HAD SURGERY recently on the right jaw for a malignancy. He wasn't feeling very up to par, but he was present-I think each assembly.

LOUISE AND I WERE VERY HAPPY that our granddaughter, Sharon Cook, drove up to Fullerton from San Diego Saturday to "open house" and brought her two of our three great grand children to be at our GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY. They returned home that evening. Our son Burleigh and family intended a family-reunion, but our family are so scattered. Our third great grand child is at Alameda, Calif. and three of our sons and families live at Roseburg, Oreg. Melody a grand daughter is in Portland-graduating from Hi-school in June. Burleigh and Dorothy were present on Sunday afternoon at Bellflower's"cake & money tree". Donna, Burleigh's daughter, was with us each day. Many of you know THE HUNTS, so we wanted to bring to newness the news of ours on our big ANNIVERSARY.

NOW, AS GOD MAY WILL, WE GO ON & ON in all the things and "issues of life". May we, the two of us and you too, each and every one, be ready with light burning, for that "great & notable day of the Lord".