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THE CHURCH WHICH CHRIST BUILT!

We read in Matt.16:18. In answer to the question which he asked the apostles, verse 13. Who do men say that I the Son of man am? Verse 16 And Simon Peter answered and said, thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus answered and said unto him, blessed art thou Simon Barjona:for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. 18. And I say unto thee, that thou art Peter and upon this rock I will build my church ;and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven;and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven:and whatsoever thou shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. We notice he mentions building his church, and that he is building it upon this rock. Some claim that Peter means "rock",that he is building his church on Peter. But we find by a further study that Christ did not say,upon thee will I build my church. He said upon this rock. The fact that Peter stated,-thou art the Christ the Son of the living God. We learn from 1 Cor. 3:11 For other foundation can no man lay, than that which is laid, which is Christ Jesus. And this refers me to a prophecy. Isaiah 28:16. Therefore saith the Lord, Behold I lay in Zion (The Church) for a foundation a tried stone, a sure foundation:He that believeth shall not make haste. This prophecy is quoted by Peter, 1 Peter 1:2-6. He states in the 4th verse,-To whom coming as unto a living stone(Christ) disallowed of men, but chosen of God and precious, ye also as living stones are built up a spiritual house (the church)(Kingdom) 1 Tim,3:15 The house of God which is the church of the living God. Also Eph.2:19 Now ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens of the saints, and of the household of God, (Family of God),and are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom all the building fitly framed together, groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord. (This lesson by Bro.J.H.Lackey is continued on page two.)

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FROM****GOSPEL EVANGEL
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TO:

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Acts 4:11. Peter rebuking the Jews who had refused to believe in Christ, This is the stone which was set at naught of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. 12. Neither is there salvation in any other:for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved. Read Psalm 118:22.,Matt.21:42. Acts 4:11. Eph.2:20., 1 Peter 2:6,-for further information on Christ the foundation.

We learn from 1 Cor.12:28. That the apostles were the first members placed in the church. Acts 2: we learn that the first converts made by the apostles, verse 47, were added by the Lord daily to the church by the Lord, And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved. Three thousand verse 41. Peter convinced the Jews that they had crucified the Son of God. Verse 37, They cried out men and brethren what shall we do? V-38 Peter said unto them. Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. Verse 41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized; and the same day there was added unto them about three thousand souls. 47, And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved. Why can't I be added to the church Christ adds to, by believing that Christ was crucified for my sins (made atonement) Confessing as they evidently showed that they did, and then be baptized for the remission of my sins,and be added to the church which Christ adds to?

WHAT SHOULD THIS CHURCH BE CALLED?

Paul exhorting the elders of the church at Ephesus Acts 20:28 Take heed to yourselves, and to all the flock over which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God which he hath purchased with his own blood. He purchased it,therefore it belongs to him. Eph.5:25 Husbands love your wives as Christ also loved the church and gave himself for it.,verse 23 Christ is the head of the church, and he is the Saviour of the body. Col.1:18 And he is the head of the body, the church, that in all things he might have the preeminence. Would it not be natural that an institution, bought and paid for, and made the head of, be called by his name? Romans 16:16 The Churches of Christ salute you. 2 Cor.1:1. The Churches of God salute you. 1 Cor.1:2. Unto the church of God which is at Corinth salute you. Acts 11:26 The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch. Hebrews 12:18-26. Speaking of the law given by Christ as the mediator of the New Testament,-Ye are come unto Mt.Sion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,23 to the general assembly and church of the first born (Christ),which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect ,24 And to Jesus the Mediator of the New Testament, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

NOW AN IMPORTANT QUESTION. HOW DOES A PERSON BECOME A MEMBER OF THE CHURCH CHRIST BUILT AND ADDED TO DAILY THE ONES BEING SAVED?

Let us have more on our name 2 Cor.11:2 Speaking to the Corinthians For I am jealous over you with a Godly jealousy, for I have espoused you to ONE husband, that I present you as a chaste virgin to Christ. Eph.5:25 We read that Christ loved the church and gave himself for it. 26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water, by the word, that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle, or any such thing; (Cont'd on page #3)

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But that it should be holy and without blemish. Now let us go to Romans 7. Speaking of the Jews being bound by the law of Moses to God. Verse 4. Wherefore my brethren ye have become dead to the law (of Moses) by the body of Christ;that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God. In Col.2:14 that Christ blotted out the handwriting (law of Moses) of ordinances that was against us,which was contrary to us,and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross. Jer.3:14 mentions that God was married to Israel. Now that law that bound them to God is dead, and can be married to, or joined to Christ. Isaiah 62: God promises them a new name, when the Gentiles should see the righteousness of God. Which took place in Christ, recorded in Acts 10: When the gospel was preached to the household of Cornelius who was a Gentile.,and in the 11th chapter, verse 26,-And the disciples were called Christians first at Antioch. Acts 14:27 Paul states that God has opened the door of faith to the Gentiles. A marriage brings forth fruit after the marriage ceremony. 1 Cor.6:17. He that is joined to the Lord is one spirit. How are we joined to the Lord? Romans 6:3-5. Know ye not that as many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death, that like as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

We go through the likeness of the death, burial and resurrection of Christ, when we are baptized for the remission of our sins, and this is the first mentioned that we do with Christ, we are baptized into Christ and rise with him. Col.3:1 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. 2 Set your affections on things above, and not on things of the earth. Romans 6:17 Says God be thanked, ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine delivered unto you;being then made free from sin ye became servants of righteousness. Obeyed that form of doctrine , went through the likeness of the death, burial and resurrection of Christ, WHEN WE ARE BURIED WITH HIM by baptism into death, raised with him to walk a new life. Joined to the Lord,. Spiritually joined to him. Married to him. A wife usually takes her husband's name. Hebrews 12:23 Tells us we have come to the general assembly, and Church of the First Born,-Christ.

But it takes more than baptism to put us into Christ and the church. Jesus says Except ye believe that I am he (the Christ) ye shall die in your sins. Rom.10:9 We read that-If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. 10.For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness;and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. We are required to believe, For without faith it is impossible to please God, for he that cometh to God must believe that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him,Heb.11:6. John 20:30-31. And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book, but these are written, that you might believe Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God;and that believing ye might have life through his name. Mark 16:15 Just before Christ ascended into heaven he said unto his disciples, Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, but he that believeth not shall be dammed. They began to carry out that command in Acts chapter 2 Peter convinced the Jews that they had crucified the Son of God, they evidently believed, were pricked in their hearts, and cried men and brethren, what shall we do? Peter,verse 38 Said unto them, Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins. 39- For the promise is unto you, and your children, and all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. 40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying. Save yourselves from this untoward generation. 41-Then they that gladly received his word were baptized:and the same there was added unto them about three thousand souls. Vs 47 And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved. Which church did he add them to? They believed, evidently repented, showed that they repented and were baptized for the remission of their sins, were they saved? Acts 8:26-40 Phillip preached Jesus to the Ethiopian, he confessed that he believed it, then Phillip baptized him. Acts 8:5-14. Phillip went down into Samaria and preached Christ unto them. V-12 When they believed Phillip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women. Why can't a person in this day and time do as these did? Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, confess that we believe it, repent of our sins and be baptized for the remission of them? Rev.19:7 The marriage of the Lamb is come-Bride made ready. Rev.22:17 The Spirit and the Bride say, Come, let him that heareth say Come. J.H.Lackey Church of Christ. (Thank you Bro.Lackey.,we appreciate your good lessons and trust you will continue to submit them for publication. Editor J.S.L.Morse....

A Card From Bro.R.H.Peel. Crosbyton, Texas. 2/28/65

Dear Bro.Morse: After some delay I will try to write a few lines.I have been so busy that I haven't taken time to write to any one much. I enjoyed your paper, but I don't have the money to help you out with it right now, may be that I can later, it depends on how much sickness we have. There is lots of sickness in the country, the hospital and the rest home is both full of patients. Now I hope you all are well. Well I guess this will do for mow. P.S. The Lorenzo church is doing some better than we are. Sister Garner passed away, crippled us some. As ever,Your Bro.in Christ. R.H.Peel. Thank you Bro.Peel for your news & write us.

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GIVING

First we give ourselves to God! After we became Christians we assumed many obligations to our God and among those obligations we learn that we must "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in Psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace (favor) in your hearts (minds) to the Lord" Col.3:16. Then we have learned that we must let the WORD of Christ live in us in its fullness,,and in all the wisdom that God grants unto us, we must teach and warn one another of the many dangers confronting Christians and further warn each other to be faithful unto death(Rev.1: 10.) and to teach each other of the many good things God has in store for those that love him and keep his commandments. (John 14:15. Rev.22: 14) This teaching and warning is done through the singing of Psalms and hymns and spiritual songs. Incidently the Psalms are songs which in times past were sung with instrumental music, but we are not allowed to use instrumental music under the law of Christ. The hymns and spiritual songs are merely scriptural sacred songs which we use to teach, to warn ourselves, and to praise our Saviour and our heavenly Father.

According to Eph.5:19. We are speaking to ourselves in Psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in our hearts to the Lord....We are offering spiritual sacrifice which is the fruit of our lips and we are assured this is well pleasing to our God. We are commanded to sing. We are likewise commanded to pray. (1 Thess.5:17) "Pray without ceasing" Thus we are obligated to pray in spirit and in truth, often and regularly. We must make it a daily and a nightly habit to pray. We must pray in faith because it is impossible to please God without faith,Heb.11:6. Are we who are among the preaching brethren commanded to preach? Mark 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. (2 Tim.4:2) Preach the word;be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. Yea, brethren, we are commanded to preach the word everywhere and at all times or seasons..

We are commanded to study God's Word. 2 Tim.2:15. Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. Do you realize that we are obligated to hear God's Word? Acts 15:7. And when there had been much disputing, Peter rose up, and said unto them, Men and brethren ye know how that a good while ago God made choice among us, that the Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe. Now we can see the need of each of us studying the Word of God to gain the spiritual and Godly education that we need and by doing this we show ourselves approved unto God by blotting out our ignorance, (Cont'd on page #5)

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By replacing it with the knowledge and the wisdom of God, and we show ourselves as approved workmen rightly handling the word of truth.YEA,We need to hear the word of the gospel often, and so much the more, every time the church assembles, we need the constant reminders presented by the word of God. Remember Peter wanted to stir up our pure minds and bring to our remembrance the Word that he had taught us, lest we let it slip. Now according to Acts 20:7 Upon the first day of the week we are to assemble together to break the loaf, and of course, you realize we also assemble at the same time to drink the cup, because in 1 Cor.11:23,24,25.,we learn that Jesus instituted his supper which not only includes the bread, but also includes the cup. We then assemble upon the first day of the week to break the loaf and to drink the cup of the Lord. After the giving of thanks, we brake the bread and pass it to the disciples, then after giving thanks for the cup, we pass it to the disciples. Verse 28 tells us to examine ourselves before partaking of the bread, and of the cup to avoid bringing damnation upon ourselves. How Can We Examine Ourselves?

Reply:By asking ourselves these questions? Do I discern our Lord's body a perfect sacrifice? Am I going to eat this bread in remembrance of him? Am I showing forth his death publicly until he come? Am I looking forward to the time when our Lord will return for his saints? If you discern these things, then eat. How can you drink the cup worthily? Discern the Lord's body the second time, that is his blood shed for the remission of our sins. Drink the cup in remembrance of him. Show forth his death until he come. Look forward to the time when he comes for his saints. Now,brethren, is it not the law of Christ to take the collection for the saints? I believe you will agree that it is both lawful and a command of God to do so. Let us read in 1 Cor.16:1. Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the congregations of Galatia, even so do ye. We are to make and take this collection upon the first day of the week. How are we to do this? Let the BOOK answer.,verse 2. Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come. Now let us read in 2 Cor. 9:6-7. But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall also reap bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart(mind), so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity:for God loveth a cheerful giver.

We should not give because it is necessary, neither should we resent giving generously to our Lord,. Then how shall we give? Upon the first day of the week we shall give liberally to our Lord as our Lord has prospered us, and as we purpose in our mind to give. Does God love a person who gives just because he has to do it? NO, our N.T.,plainly states that God loveth a CHEERFUL GIVER! Did not Jesus say-It is more blessed to give then to receive? (Acts 20:35) We must give of a willing mind, generously, not miserly. It is a fact that if we give little, we will receive little in return. Who wants a little reward? It is NOT right to give God pennies, nickels and dimes while we withhold hundreds of dollars to buy things of a temporal value. Is it right to ROB God to buy us worldly things? Is it right to give God 25¢ while we withhold thousands of dollars to build a fine home?

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**********AT REST**********

Brother Jess Langham, 84, of Broken Bow died at 5:30 P.M. At his home. A retired Game Preserve Employee. He was born October 12, 1880 at Granite, Arkansas.,and had been a resident of McCurtain County,Oklahoma for the past 60 years. Survivors include a nephew Bill Hester of Texarkana.,and four nieces;Mrs.Fred Herbert of Shreveport, La.,Mrs.Henry Chester.,and Mrs.F.L.Carroll of El Dorado, Arkansas. He became a member of the Church of Christ,-the 8th month, 20th day of the year 1961. (Editor's note.,we regret the omission of one neice's name, it is not on the obituary submitted to us for publication.)

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BROKEN BOW CHURCH OF CHRIST. 210 N. Park Drive

The Church here in Broken Bow is getting along very nicely. We had 29 at church yesterday (February 14). 15 Members. Bro.Lloyd Treat preached a good sermon. Most everyone is well as common. Bro & Sis.Alvin Alexander have just returned from Nevada, they received news last Saturday week ago their oldest daughter had been killed in a car wreck. The church extends their sympathy to them in their sorrow.

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WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

This is a question, that is very often asked but very few times that the question is answered by the word of God. The thing that we must hear, and anything different from what God's word tells us cannot be the truth. The truth is what saves us today, if we are saved at all. So listen to Romans 10:14 How shall they call on him, in whom they have not believed. And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall he preach, except they be sent?

Hear Rev.3:20. Behold I stand at the door and knock. If any man hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to him and sup with him, and he with me. Now we must believe the gospel. Heb.11:6. For without faith it is impossible to please God, for he that cometh to God, must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. Acts 16:31. And they said believe on the Lord Jesus Christ ,and thou shalt be saved, and thy house. Mark 16:16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. Acts 2: They cried out to Peter and the rest of the apostles, and said, Men and brethren, what must we do? 38. Peter said,-Repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins. Acts 3:19- Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out.

We must confess that Jesus is Christ. Matt.10:32,-Whosoever shall confess me before men, him will I also confess before the Father and the holy angels. Acts 8:37,-And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water, and the eunuch said, see, here is water, what hinders me to be baptized? And Phillip said, if thou believest with all thy heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. Next we find we must be baptized to have our sins remitted. John 3:5,-Here we find that Nicodemus came to Christ by night, and Christ said to him, you must be born again.And Nicodemus said, how can a man be born when he is old. Jesus answered, except a man be born of the water, and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of heaven.,or the Church of Christ.(Cont'd on page 7)

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Judge ye righteous judgment. Would you rob God to build a fine home, or to buy a car, or many other temporal things that will perish like the grass? How little would we feel if we make it to heaven and then find that we are being rewarded according to how little we gave the Lord? How would it feel to receive a small room, meagrely furnished with the barest of necessities to sustain spiritual life, then we inquire why we are being given so little, while our neighbor across the hall has more than he needs, and we are reminded by the Righteous Judge that we are being rewarded according to the little we gave the Lord; Brother how would you feel? I think we would feel like hiding out!

Beloved Brethren and Sisters; think not that we are belittling those that have but little to give:NO, not at all. We are not belittling any one, but we are teaching exactly what the scripture teaches. If we are generous with God, he will be generous with us, if we are stingy with God, he rightfully will be the same with us. Yours in the one faith. Evang.J.S.L.Morse Church of Christ.,Obion, Oklahoma.(Notice, we are now publishing lessons to the church, also lessons to non-members. See the paper policy in the February issue. Editor.)

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WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED? (Cont'd from page 6)

Acts 22:16,-And now why tarriest thou, Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord. Romans 6:4. Therefore we are buried with him by baptism unto death that like as Christ was raised up by the glory of the Father, we should rise to walk in newness of life. This makes us free from our sins.

Now we want to know what to do to stay free, and stay saved? Matt.5:16,-Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Titus 1:11-12 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared unto all men. Heb.10:25-Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as ye see the day approaching. I Cor.16:1-2. Upon the first day of the week, let every one of you lay by him in store as the Lord has prospered him. We hear it said very often that we should give a tenth of all we earn during the week, but friends, titing was back under the OLD law, and not under the new law of grace or the NEW covenant or testament. And the scriptures tell us that whosoever justifieth himself by the law, is FALLEN from grace. 2 Cor.9:7- Every man so as he purposes in his heart, let him give, God loves a cheerful giver.

A Christian must be prayerful and humble at all times. 1 Thess.5:17 Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Jesus Christ. Eph.5:19-Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your hearts to the Lord. There never was any kind of instrumental music used in the church Christ built, by his authority. No place in the New Testament did Christ, the Holy Spirit, or the apostles ever sanction it. But in 2 Tim.3:16-17,-Tells us that the scriptures perfectly furnishes the man of God unto all good works. Then if it does, we can find the authority for it in God's Word, the New Testament. Col.3:17-Tells us that whatever you do in word or deed,do all in the name of the Lord. To do a thing in the Lord's name is to do it by his authority, and we get his authority from the New Testament. (Concluded on page 8) - - - - - - - -

Now friends and brethren everywhere, I do pray and trust that all who are not staying with God's words, will repent and do your first works over. Begin right where you left off, after you become one in God's family, a Christian. May the Lord help all of us to stay with the truth regardless of what the world thinks. We know and so I know that this way of holiness is not popular. May God bless all the faithful in Christ, is my prayer. Written the love of the truth. Willie Doan.Rt#2, Box 129, Broken Bow, Oklahoma. (Thank you Bro.Doan. Write again. Ed.)

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2/17/65 Letter From Bro.W.H.Ayers.....Poolville, Texas.

Dear Bro.Morse: Received your letter and the paper and was glad to receive them. Always glad to hear from any one that will stand up and contend for the faith once delivered unto the saints. No, there is no loyal Church of Christ at Poolville anymore. Wife and I have no place to meet with anyone. I have met several brothers and sisters in Oklahoma. I used to be at Crosbyton, Texas. Bro.W.E.Daniels and Bro.Lloyd Treat have been in my home there and 55 or 56 some of us went to Broken Bow to try to help out in a meeting and we sure enjoyed it so much, but my health got so bad the doctor told me to get back in a lower country. I growed up here and so I came back here, but it sure is not like it used to be. I hope and pray that your paper is a great success as long as you contend for the one faith. I will be glad to help any way I can. We live about 3 miles east of Poolville, and any Brother or Sister coming this way, we would be glad to see them. Your Bro.in Christ. W.H.Ayers. (Thank you Bro.Ayers...Write us again. Editor.....

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2/18/65 Letter From Bro.James A.Stark Rt#7. Higginson, Ark.

Dear Bro & Sis.Morse: I got Gospel Evangel, I just finished reading it, it was so good, well I just had to write and tell you. I got a nice letter from Bro.J.H.Lackey and he would like very much for me to come out there, well I would like to, but I am handicapped and not able to do very much work any more. I have no place to worship, but I been trying to find a place where I could worship. So muddy here, can hardly get around, I can raise a good deal here, but no market for peanuts, okra, sweet potatos, beans, tomatos. When I get a good crop most every one else has. Sweet corn does good here, but the coons get it. I certainly enjoyed the Evangel. Well I will try to send something for the March issue. Well I better close for now, hope to hear from you all soon. With love. Your uncle and brother in the one faith.James A.Stark. Thank you Bro.Stark.,write us again. J.S.L.Morse.,editor.....

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2/23/65 Letter From Bro.Lloyd Treat Broken Bow, Oklahoma.

Dear Bro.Morse: I will answer your letter of a few days ago. I hope this finds you all OK. We are up but don't feel so well, most of us have had the flu and bad throat. Well far as to writing to the paper I will write a few articles as time permits. I work 5½ days a week and I am give out when night comes. I think your paper is good this time and sorry you didn't have more articles to go in it. Well if you are down this way, come and see us. I hope you have a good meeting, who do you have in mind to do the preaching? We here havent decided on a meeting as yet, on account of the expense on the building.So will close for now. Yours in Christ.Lloyd Treat. (Thank you Bro.Treat.,look for your article in this issue, and write us again. Editor.)

TRY YOUR MIND IN THE SOLUTION OF THIS BIBLE RIDDLE

God made Adam out of dust
But thought it best to make me first
So I was made before the man
To answer God's most Holy Plan.
My body God did make complete
But without arms, hands or feet.
My ways and acts He did control
But to my body He gave no soul.
A living being I became
And Adam gave me my name.
I from his presence then withdrew
And more of Adam never knew.
I did my Maker's law obey
Thousands of miles I go in fear
And from them never went astray
But seldom on the earth appear.
For purpose wise which God did see
He put a living soul in me.
A soul from me, my God did claim
And took from me that soul again.
For when from me that soul had fled
I was the same as when first made.
And without hands, feet or soul
I traveled from pole to pole.
(Cont'd at top-right)

I labored hard by day and night
To fallen men I gave great light
Thousands of people both young& old
Will by my death great light behold.
No right or wrong can I concieve
The scriptures I cannot believe
Altho my name therein is found
They are to me an empty sound.
No fear of death doth trouble me
Real happiness I never shall see
To heaven I shall never go
Nor to the grave or hell below.
Now when these lines you slowly read
Go search your Bible with all speed
For that my name's recorded there
I honestly to you declare.

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Submitted by Bro.Lloyd Treat

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NOTICE TO ALL READERS. IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO RECEIVE GOSPEL EVANGEL, NOTIFY US AND WE WILL REMOVE YOU FROM THE MAILING LIST. Editor.

Our weather has been very windy and cold, but today (March 8) it is rather quiet and fairly warm. No snow or rain lately.

As several of our loyal brethren favor our carrying articles to edify the Church, I have decided to amend the policy of Gospel Evangel to admit such lessons on the same terms as applied to articles addressed to aliens:All such articles must not contain controverted doctrinal differences between brethren, for the same reasons stared in the February issue of Gospel Evangel. Submit all articles written to outsiders and or to the church, for consideration, if suitable we will publish them. In all cases we reserve the right to edit any article, lesson, sermon, letter or news items when we deem it necessary, and we reserve the right to reject unsuitable material. We reserve these rights to protect the church, this paper and the brotherhood in general.

Brethren;If you will submit articles written to aliens, and to the Church, plus your church news TWICE PER MONTH I WILL ATTEMPT PUBLISHING GOSPEL EVANGEL -TWICE PER MONTH. Now the opportunity is yours to get your news, lessons, articles,-etc.,published every 2 weeks, if you cooperate, the Lord willing, you will get it:WE MUST have your cooperation to make this paper a success. If the paper fails, don't blame us, just blame yourselves for neglecting a golden opportunity.
We are not offering criticism, just merely stating the consequence, if you fail to support the effort being made. Regardless of whether we publish monthly or twice per month, we need your assistance consisting of articles, letters, news and donations. We have publishing and mailing expenses to meet often. We are just a small loyal congregation consisting of 3 members. Remember Gospel Evangel is being published by a loyal congregation FOR the loyal congregations, and we are making every effort to stand approved in your sight just as we make the efforts to stand approved in the sight of our Lord amd Master Jesus Christ.

We urgently need writers of church news in every loyal congregation, we have a constant need for lesson or article writers, lots of them. We have the space for your articles and news in every issue, and if space grows short, we will add more pages:Do NOT be afraid we won't have space for your writing, we will produce the space.
We need gospel meeting news, plans and dates, and they will be published without cost to you; Address all mail to: J.S.L.MORSE RT#2. Hammon, Oklahoma 73650. Your bro.in Christ J.S.L.Morse.,Editor.

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NEWS ITEM. We of the Obion-Church of Christ are not well at this time, Bro.Morse is recovering from a case of flu and a chest cold. Sis.Morse has flu and a chest cold, she is improving. Son Charles had flu and a cold, but is OK now. No outside attendance Lord's Day March 7.
Our services at 10:30 A.M. each Lord's Day. Everyone welcome!

We extend our thanks to all the brethren who have written us, and especially thank those who have donated lessons:Bro.J.H.Lackey.,Bro. Willie Doam.,and Bro.Lloyd Treat,-and to those who contributed news,- also those who donated cash support, Bro & Sis.Claude Watson $1.00., and Sister Dilla Clements $1.00. We appreciate your letters also... Thank you each and every one. Your editor J.S.L.Morse.

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