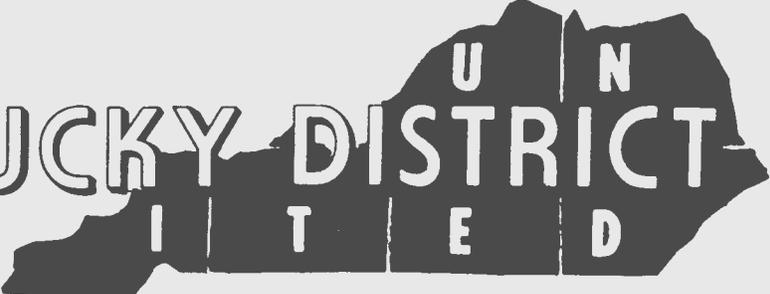


KENTUCKY DISTRICT NEWS



"I WAS ...IN PRISON AND YE VISITED ME NOT!"

(MATT. 25:43)

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Repentance, Baptism in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and the infilling of the Holy Ghost with evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. (Acts 2:38).

The Editors Speak...



LET FREEDOM RING

Though we may criticize, wonder at, and despair of our government, we are convinced that the "good ole'" United States of America is still the best place on earth to be.

She will be two hundred and two years old this month, a young age for such a plucky lady. The Stars and Stripes will proudly wave. The Statue of Liberty still promises shelter to the homeless and needy. All over our land, Americans go about their business without fear with pride in their abilities and accomplishments. On Sunday mornings, church bells ring out their calls to worship. Very openly we invite people to our churches. We gather together to worship, sometimes in the open air — a noisy, joyful worship. Policemen cruise by our large churches as well as the small storefronts, and we smile and wave. They are our friends and our protectors. Yes, thank God for our freedoms — the freedom to advertise — the freedom to worship the Father openly in Spirit and in Truth — the freedom to write literature and to pass out tapes and tracts — the freedom to witness on the street corner, to knock on doors in our communities, and to proclaim Him to those who haven't heard.

God has truly blessed America. However, who can tell what the future holds. There is a scripture that says, "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." Psalms 9:17 Our government is fastly increasing its hold upon the people; sin is rampant in the land. The occult is experiencing a revival, respect for our President and our lawmakers has reached a new low, and the sinner of today has no conscience. In a very recent edition of a newspaper, we read the account of a thirteen year old boy who killed his English teacher before thirty of his classmates. In another account, a young man attacked two policemen with a sharp sword for no apparent reason. An Alabama prison has brought in a young girl of eighteen to await execution for armed robbery and murder. The total count for runaways between ten and seventeen years of age was close to one million for the year of 1977. Seven out of ten runaway girls become involved in some form of prostitution, and in our large cities, it is estimated that as many as 120,000 youngsters under seventeen are involved in some kind of sexual activity for money. This is the generation that America has raised on television — a permissive society. Our future is precarious, but as America faces another year, let us LET FREEDOM RING, for where "... sin

abounded, grace did much more abound:" Romans 5:20. The world is heading for a one-world government — a one-world church — a world dictator — a cashless society. Let us LET FREEDOM RING while the sound of the liberty bell may still be heard.

May God grant us a greater burden; a deeper commitment. It has been said that it is easier to die for Christ than it is to live for Him. American Christian! Rise up! Take upon yourself the yoke of responsibility! Take advantage of your freedoms! Go to the prisons, the rest homes, the street corners. Tell about His love on your job, on the college campuses, in the halls of the high schools. Tell your neighbors about a higher freedom — that of the spirit! Rise up Christian in America's birthday month of 1978, and LET FREEDOM RING!

Kentucky District Sunday School Department

Sunday School is important! We can use it as an arm of the church to spread the Gospel. We are thankful for the blessings of the Lord on our Sunday Schools in Kentucky. Praise God! We are on the move! Our tents are being enlarged and our stakes are being driven deeper. We are a service department. The reason that there is a Sunday School department on the district level is to help the local churches.

Last year, under the direction of Bro. W.C. Puckett, there were several Sunday School Seminars and Rallies in the Kentucky District. We are praying that this year will also be a great year for us. If we all work together, it will be so. The Word of God cries out for unity among God's people. Unity breaks down the walls that the Devil would like to build between us. Let us not lose sight of our target — lost souls. Let us work to increase our Sunday Schools, and we will see a great harvest.

Yours in God's Work,
Bro. Russell McCane
Sunday School Director

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*God made the world out of nothing, and
as long as you think you are something,
He can't make anything out of you.*

From the . . .

DISTRICT

SUPERINTENDENT



Greetings in Jesus' Name!

We have just closed an exciting mothers' Memorial drive, and I believe it will be a record year! The Ladies Auxilliary officers have worked hard, and many of you have given to this worthy cause. May God bless you. As the song goes, "It will be worth it all when we see Jesus."

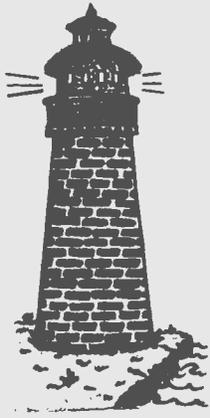
It's not time to quit! There will be Sheaves for Christ Rallies in our sections this month. Our young people are full of zeal and are ready to go after a long, cold winter. Pastors, let's turn them loose to work for S.F.C. The Kilometers for Christ march should help Kentucky to move far ahead of last year's accomplishments.

As you are reading this article, Junior Youth Camp and Family Camp are well underway. We always have a good time at campmeeting. You may as well join us. Junior Camp and Family Camp combined is going on June 25 through June 30, and the Senior Camp is July 2 through July 7.

The Kentucky District Board will be meeting on July 5 and July 6 at the campgrounds. If you need to meet the board for anything, now is the time. If you are applying for license, don't forget — your presbyter must have your completed application in his hands before the board meeting.

We hope that you are enjoying these free copies of the Kentucky District News. Bro. and Sis. Cummins are doing a good job, and we expect our subscriptions to reach one thousand. You will receive one more complimentary copy, and after that, the News will only be sent to subscribers. Why don't you send in your subscription now?

God bless you.
Bro. E.D. Puckett



OUR STORY

It was just a little white building that came along with the property that the Black Hills First United Pentecostal Church had purchased. No one at that time knew the awesome role this seemingly insignificant building would play in shaping hundreds of lives.

In the fall of 1970 Pastor J.H. Yohe's dream of reaching the young people of Rapid City began to unfold. The church decided they could best use the little building as a coffee house to draw young people. Bro. George O'Neal, who was an ex-drugger and had a burden for youth, became the first permanent resident of the home. The little white building was named the Lighthouse and because of its rapid growth, soon had to be remodeled.

At first the Lighthouse was only open to the public certain hours of the day for Bible studies. Soon the Lighthouse opened its 24 hour Youth Emergency Service (Y.E.S.). Rev. Ron Lovins became the first Lighthouse director. The Lighthouse was opened for evening Bible studies. Of course the discussion always turned itself to Bible salvation, and many young people found God through these meetings. Lighthouse cards were printed listing the various services offered by the Lighthouse ministry; spiritual help, friendship, someone to listen, a bed, a meal, and other services. In the first two years, five to ten thousand Lighthouse cards were distributed throughout the community and the world.

When Bro. Lovins left to pioneer a church in Huron, South Dakota, Rev. George Robbins assumed the directorship early in 1972. By then the Lighthouse was a local landmark. Hitch-hikers from all over the world found their way to the Lighthouse. Counseling services, police departments, bus depots, and even other churches would direct young men to the little white house on the corner of First and Kansas City.

The reputation of the Lighthouse in dealing successfully with young men began to spread across the nation. By 1972 many different Pentecostal churches around the nation were begging to send troubled girls to the Lighthouse, but there were no accommodations for them. A large two-story house adjacent to the church was bought and used to house the troubled girls. The house was named the Sheltering Arms and Sis. Linda Shahan became the first house mother.

Soon the Lighthouse and Sheltering Arms were bulging. Many young men and women left, but more always came. It became apparent that larger quarters were needed to house the young residents. Within the next few years the Black Hills Youth Redemption Center shifted its occupants from building to building and house to house trying to make room for the young people who wanted to reside at the center. Conditions became cramped until

there was simply no place to house additional youth. The center struggled financially with the residents supporting nearly all of the costs.

Early in 1975 the church purchased 8 acres one mile north of their downtown location. The Sheltering Arms was moved; and it was not until mid 1976 that it reopened its doors to troubled girls. During the period Sheltering Arms was closed, many of the girls were housed in church members homes.

In only seven years of operation the Black Hills Youth Redemption Center has shown the way to thousands of young people, of which many are working for God in the Rapid City Church. The center has been a refuge to young people from the ghettos of New York City to the prisons of California. Young men and women who had no place to go, no one to turn to, have found a new life in Christ Jesus through the efforts of the Lighthouse ministry. Many of the young people reached through this ministry are now ministers, ministers' wives, faithful saints, and soul winners. Why? Because someone cared!

With the continued prayers of hundreds of concerned supporters and the dynamic leadership of Pastor J.H. Yohe, Sr., the Black Hills Youth Redemption Center will continue to be a hand outstretched to thousands of souls before Jesus comes.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

We have recently heard Bro. Yohe personally deliver his burden. It is a comfort to know that there is a place like the Black Hills Youth Redemption Center where troubled young people can go. They are lovingly cared for while they find themselves and find God. No one is turned away regardless of their condition or situation.

The kids are in need of bunkbeds, chest of drawers, towels, sheets, bedding, and clothing. Some of the young people arrive with only the clothing on their back. The girls need dresses and the boys need everyday clothing plus clothing to wear to church. Their expenses run upward of \$1500.00 per month just to keep things running. Even buying groceries is quite an experience.

Bro. Yohe and the Black Hills Youth Redemption Center are in need of our prayers, and if/or when God lays it upon our hearts — our financial support. Mail any contributions to Partners In Troubled Youth, 1310 North Maple, Rapid City, South Dakota 57701.



Realizing the urgency of the hour, some districts have almost doubled their Harvestime giving. On the Fourth of July, America will be celebrating liberty and independence. Those, around the world, enslaved by sin need an Independence Day! "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." THANKS TO OUR MANY FRIENDS IN RADIO EVANGELISM, THE HARVESTIME STAFF AND OUR NEW SPEAKER, REV. T. F. TENNEY, WE ARE GOING TO REACH MILLIONS THIS YEAR FOR HIS NAME'S SAKE! Won't you consider joining the Harvestime Team this year to prove that F.I.R.E. -- WORKS? For your monthly pledge of \$10 or more, we would like to send you a beautiful framed certificate in appreciation of your becoming a FRIEND IN RADIO EVANGELISM.....

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Drunk On Dreams

AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS IN THE LAST DAYS, SAITH GOD, I WILL POUR OUT OF MY SPIRIT UPON ALL FLESH AND YOUR SONS AND YOUR DAUGHTERS SHALL PROHESY AND YOUR YOUNG MEN SHALL SEE VISIONS AND YOUR OLD MEN SHALL DREAM DREAMS. ACTS 2:17.

"GREATER DREAMERS ARE STANDING IN THE SHADOWS OF THE LAST OF THE BATTLE"

It is said that if you love a cause, your thoughts will evolve around that cause. It will be constantly in your subconscious mind to the degree that you will even dream about it!

Before you reach your goals and before your dreams can become reality, you need to eat, sleep, walk, talk, and live your dreams. You need to be drunk on your dreams!

Your dreams will motivate you into action. Your desires will be intensified by the goals you set. Desire will force the laziness out of you. Positive thoughts and dreams will ring over in the corners of your mind and say "I CAN DO IT! I CAN DO IT! I CAN REACH THE GOALS THAT GOD WANTS ME TO ATTAIN!"

A minister may dream that he had 2,000 in sunday school and church, but if he disclosed this to his friends he would feel they would laugh at him. They may call him a dreamer, but those that may ridicule may be the ones that are full of slothfullness and pride. Dreams will never come true in a life that is full of pride. The pride that brings fear of failure and embarressment will stop your dreams from becoming reality.

If you have a dream about your church, your city, your christian life, **GET DRUNK ON YOUR DREAMS!**

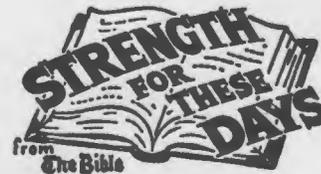
At a funeral recently, I heard a man ask a relative of the deceased, "How much did Sam leave?" I felt like answering, "Everything."

It has been said that the dream will die with the dreamer. Not so in God's kingdom. Our work and influence will remain long after we've disappeared. That's the most beautiful thing about God's work!

Joseph had to take the chance that his brothers would ridicule him. Joseph was a dreamer. When he disclosed his dream to them, they scoffed and laughed. They thought he was insane and had only a foolish desire for power. They hated this dreamer, but his father, Jacob, loved him.

Pentecostal dreamers, dream on and tell the whole world what you've seen. We need to dream of thousands being born into God's kingdom. Our so-called brothers and sisters may laugh loudly when we talk about our dreams. They preach out of the same Bible we do and claim to have the same father as we have, but they don't believe in our dreams. They despise the dreamers. But we know our father loves us just as Jacob loved Joseph. He loved him so much that he gave him a coat of many brilliant colors. Glory to God! That's just exactly what God has done for us. He has given the church that dreams, a coat of many colors! We stand out more than any other movement or religious body. They hate us for our colorful display of lively worship, healings, miracles, and operation of the gifts of the spirit. It makes their programs look dull, dead, and ineffective.

Listen world, here come the Pentecostal dreamers. We will turn the world upside down with Jesus Christ as our leader because He has given us a dream. We are drunk. We are obsessed with our dreams of a sweeping insurge of souls into God's kingdom before the day is ended and we are caught away to the beautiful world God has prepared for us; where dreams come true.

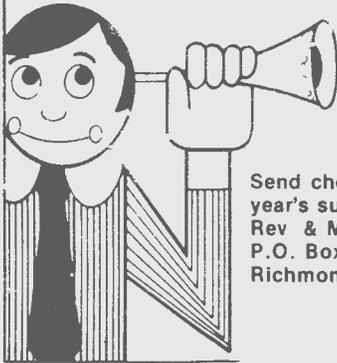


SCRIPTURE FOR THE MONTH

"My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and truth."

1 John 3:18

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Maybe There Is Something To Evolution

Yes — Maybe there is something to this fine idea of Evolution as proposed by Dr. Charles Darwin.

Maybe people did descend from the lower class animals because some church members seem stubborn as mules about church work; sly as a fox about their business deals; busy as a bee in spreading gossip; quiet as a mouse in spreading the gospel; but they have eyes like a hawk to see the moat in their brother's eye. They are eager as a beaver about bar-b-ques but lazy as a dog about prayer meetings, and as mean as snakes when things don't go their way. They are noisy as crows in calling for the church to advance, but slow as snails in inviting the unsaved. Many are night owls on Saturday night, but bedbugs on Sunday morning. They are slippery as eels on Sunday afternoon and scarce as hen's teeth on Sunday night.

ABOUT THE FRONT PAGE

Bars and gates do not keep the Spirit out of prisons. Our prisons are ripe for revival, and revival has come.

A weekly or monthly service at a prison has three-fold results: Those you reach are helped through a real Pentecostal experience. The personal workers are set afire. And every prisoner has a family, many of them near your church. Your church will grow as a result of your work.

LET FREEDOM RING!

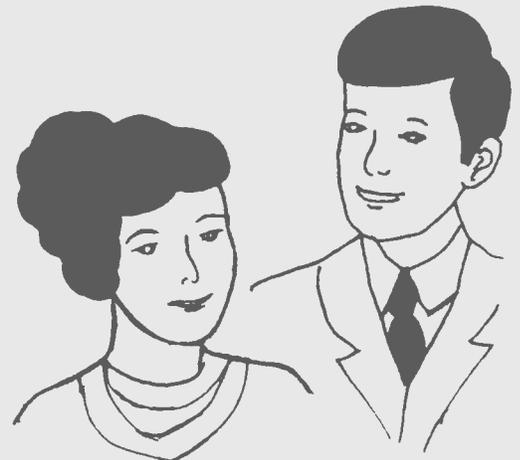


A NOTE FROM THE EDITORS

We welcome any correspondence from the readers of the Kentucky District News. If you have something that you would like to see in print in the August issue, send it to us by JULY FIRST. We cannot print old news, so make sure your contribution is current.

Bro. and Sis. Cummins

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