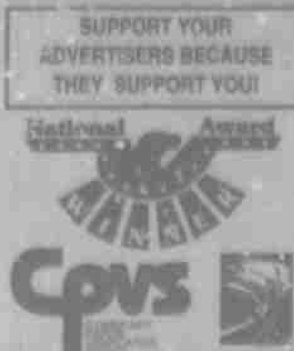


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NATIONAL NEWS

Class Action Lawsuit Seeks Eligible Black Farmers

If you are a Black farmer and farmed between 1983 and 1997, you may be eligible to receive money and loan forgiveness and other benefits from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) as a result of the lawsuit *Pigford v. Glickman*, the Black Farmers' Class Action Lawsuit. Last Aug. 28, Black farmers filed the \$2 billion discrimination lawsuit against the USDA, contending that they have been the victims of racial discrimination after repeatedly being denied loans and other management and technical services by USDA. It also asserted that from 1983 to 1997, the USDA, failed to investigate hundreds of discrimination complaints filed by Black farmers. (A request to have Black farmers discriminated against before 1983 included in the suit was denied). According to the farmers, discrimination took the form of "stretching the review process out many years - or conducting vacuous or ghost investigations - or failing to take action." These practices led to foreclosures, bankruptcies and other serious economic problems for Black farmers, they said. For more information call 800-448-FARM or write to: Pires & Fraas, Lead Counsel, *Pigford v. Glickman*, 1818 N Street, NW, Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20036.

Minorities May Be Key To Reducing Blood Shortages

African Americans and Hispanic Americans are donating blood more often than they did in the beginning of the decade, according to two blood donation surveys. Accelerating this trend can help prevent seasonal blood shortages, said Byron Buhner, president of American's Blood Centers (ABC), the nation's largest network of independent, non-profit community blood centers. "While this news is encouraging, our members are always looking for ways to increase minority participation in their community blood donor programs, especially during the holidays when many blood centers across the country experience shortages," Buhner said. A November 1996 Louis Harris & Associates survey commissioned by American's Blood Centers showed that 37 percent of African Americans and Hispanic Americans had donated blood in their lifetime. Separately, a survey conducted by the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute in 1993 showed that 33 percent of African Americans had donated blood at least once, while 28 percent of Hispanic Americans have donated blood. African Americans and Hispanic Americans are the United States' two largest and fastest growing minorities, according to the 1990 U.S. Census. With populations in excess of 30 million and 22 million respectively, African Americans (12 percent) and Hispanic Americans (nine percent) constitute approximately 21 percent of the population. In contrast, according to the Louis Harris & Associates findings, Caucasians make up about 79 percent of the U.S. population and 53 percent have donated blood in their lifetime.

African American Healthy Heart Month

This February as celebrations focus on African-American contributions to the history of the U.S., health advocates are stressing the need to focus on a healthy body. They point out that Black Americans continue to suffer from heart disease at rates significantly higher than other ethnic groups. Accordingly, WATTS Health Systems, the largest community-based health care system of its kind in the nation serving over 200,000 residents of greater Los Angeles, has designated February African-American Healthy Heart Month. They suggest that African Americans should examine their heart's health and their risk for cardiovascular disease. The death rate from cardiovascular disease among Black men is 47.4 percent and 69.1 percent higher among Black women. African-American men are nearly 94 percent more likely and African-American women are 77 percent more likely to die from stroke. Death from high blood pressure is 36.1 percent higher for Black men and 37 percent higher for Black women.

THE WORD HOLDS OUR HISTORY

Rev. Alfredie Johnson

Without literacy, there is no power. There is no history. There is no freedom.



In an earlier, darker period of American life, slaves and sons of slaves used their ability to comprehend words to propel themselves and those around them to higher levels of self-awareness, responsibility and freedom.

They saw -- despite the blinding cruelty of slavery -- that the key to freedom lay in their ability to read and write the language. They knew, as did all slave owners, that the strongest chains were made, not of steel, but of ignorance.

In 1827 when Hugh Auld learned that his wife Sophia had been teaching a young, nine-year-old slave to read, he exploded in anger.

"If you give a nigger an inch, he will take 45," he admonished his wife. "He should know nothing but the will of his master, and learn to obey it... If you learn him how to read, he'll want to know how to write; and, this accomplished, he'll be running away with himself."

No truer words were spoken. That young slave did learn how to read and then how to write and did certainly run away with himself. That young slave was Frederick Douglass.

Today, a once strong and prosperous American education system lies sick and weak, infected by the alien virus of psychology that has caused all workable methods of teaching to be replaced by those that do not work. Phonics with "whole language"; arithmetic with "new math"; spelling with "invented spelling" and on and on until half the country is completely illiterate or condemned to a lifetime of reading at the 4th and 5th grade levels.

If we are to break the chains of ignorance that bind our children today, we cannot rely on the U.S. public school system. We must take a lesson from our history and take back control of our educational destiny -- of our future -- by arming ourselves with the best tools available. And when it comes to literacy and education, there is one name that stands above all others: L. Ron Hubbard.

Mr. Hubbard was an American writer and philosopher who specialized in one thing: freedom. He was an extraordinary man who embraced men of all races as his brothers and who realized the vital importance of education in the self-determination of any people.

In the 1960's, his research led to major breakthroughs in the field of education,

breakthroughs so simple, so powerful and so fundamental that armed with them, one can master any subject. Today, these breakthroughs are known as L. Ron Hubbard's Study Technology.

In 1992, as portions of Los Angeles lay demolished and burning following the riots, I forged a partnership between other Baptist ministers, community leaders and the Association for Better Living and Education to bring Mr. Hubbard's Study Technology to Compton, CA's gang members, its homeless men and to the young children floundering in its schools. The World Literacy Crusade was born and the results have been miraculous.

I felt it was duty to bring this technology to the inner city because it actually empowers people with the ability to understand. With understanding comes increased responsibility, hope and the ability to create one's future.

For example, when Ronald Brown walked into our program, he had already spent 13 years in prison. He was homeless, unhappy and violent. He had been labeled "learning-disabled" in second grade, a psychiatric designation that had isolated and angered him.

Yet armed with L. Ron Hubbard's Study Technology, our tutors worked with Ronald Brown to dramatically transform this angry, violent, homeless person into an intelligent, understanding man who is now running a fantastic literacy program in a public school in Lynwood, CA. For Ron Brown, the enslaving chains of ignorance have been broken.

There are many more Ron Browns. Violent gang members who have left their gangs and who are now helping others. Children, who were once failing, who are now excelling in school. Men, women and children who have a renewed sense of their self-worth, abilities and future.

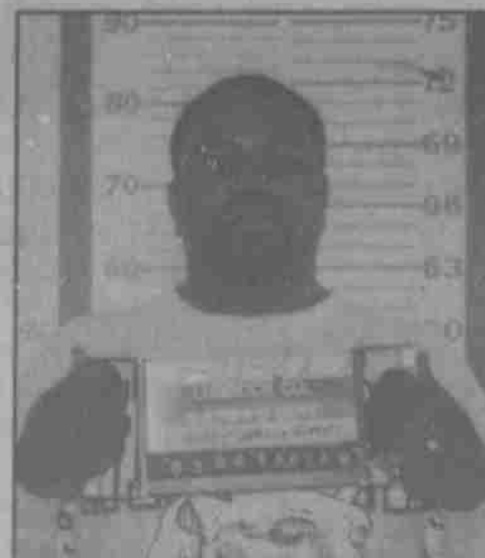
As we approach the 21st century, there is no greater challenge confronting the African American community than the eradication of illiteracy. If we are to know our history and create an even greater history for ourselves, we must know how to read.

That is the road to freedom and we should use the powerful tools left by L. Ron Hubbard to get there.

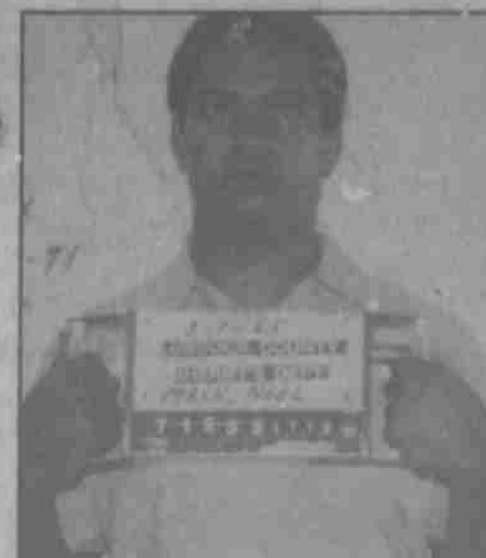
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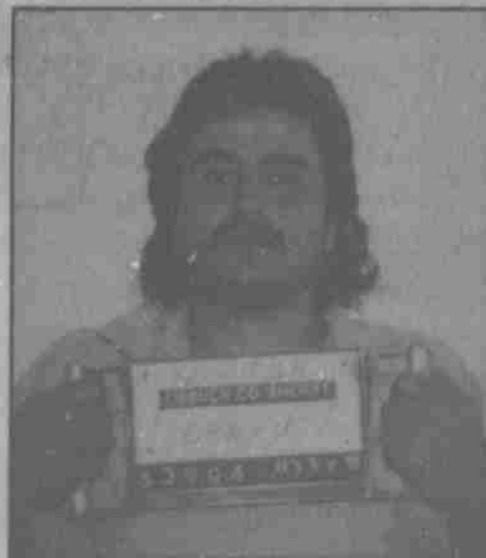
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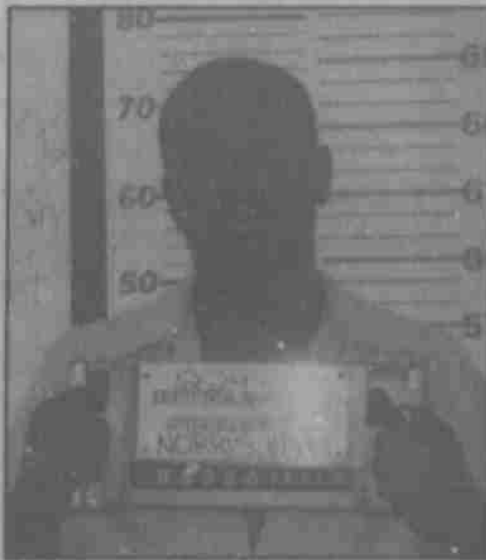
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This is one problem we still have but do not need if we have one alleged drug dealer in our community selling poison to our children that is one too many.

We hope with stepped-up law enforcement, prayer vigils, marches and the formation of a Lubbock Chapter we can slow it down

even more and eventually put a stop to it, especially with our children.

Don't sell, get caught, go to jail, get picture taken and be arraigned and we won't have any picture, like the one's above, to run in the Southwest Digest. "Nuff Said!"

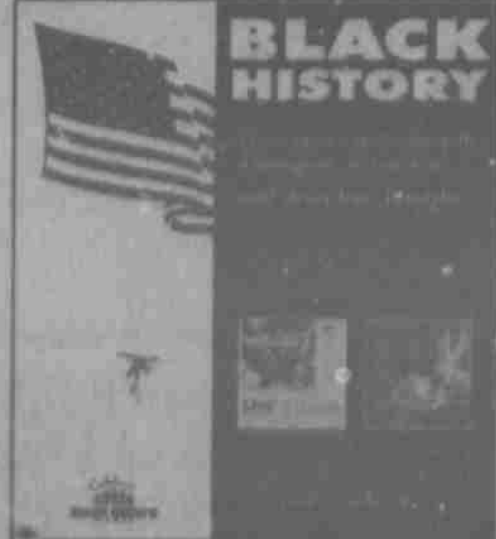
Black History at Manhattan Heights Seventh Day Adventist

The members of the Manhattan Heights Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 1517 East 25th Street, will be celebrating Black History Month on their Community Service Day, Saturday, February 21, 1998 at their church location.

Emphasis will be placed on black women in the "Past,

Present and Future." Services will begin at 9:30 a.m. and continue until 4:30p.m. Lunch will be served at the Mae Simmons Senior Citizens Center at 12:30p.m. Everyone is invited.

Following lunch, everyone will be invited to return to the church for the closing services. You will



need to come early and stay late. All will be looking forward to seeing you.

The program is being sponsored by Sister Viola McKelvy who is the Community Service Director, with the help of the Women's Ministry.



Ms. Neidra Lynn Anderson and Mr. DeShon Griggs announce their engagement. The couple will wed June 20, 1998 at Indiana Avenue Baptist Church.

Ms. Anderson is the daughter of Ms. Juanita Anderson and the late Rev. Leon Anderson, former pastor of Pilgrim Baptist Church of Lubbock, Texas. A graduate of Frenship High

School, she is an employee of Hair Emporium as a licensed cosmetologist.

Griggs is the son of Elder Rover and Sherry Griggs who is the pastor of the True Worshipper COGIC of Lubbock, Texas. DeShon is a graduate of Estacado High School, and is employed at Lubbock State School. He is also continuing his education at South Plains College.

Givens to Speak

On Sunday, February 22nd, local real estate agent and former Texas House of Representatives member, Mr. Ronald Givens, Jr. will serve as guest speaker at the annual Mount Vernon United Methodist Church Huston-Tillotson Day. Mr. Givens received a

B.A. degree from Huston-Tillotson College in Austin, Texas in Government and Political Science and has been an active member of the Lubbock business community for over twenty years.

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Ruby Jay's Corner

The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and the Rev. Billy R. Moton is the proud pastor.

Services began last Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. with Superintendent Henry High at his post of duty in Sunday School. All teachers and members were at their post of duty for 30 minutes of instruction. All reassembled at 10:15 a.m. in the main auditorium singing "Glory To His Name." After the morning prayer, Brother Virgil Johnson of Class No. 1 gave some mighty good points about the morning lesson.

Secretary's Report: Youth Department -- Senior Class won the Attendance Banner while the Kindergarten Class received the Offering Banner. Adult Department: Adult Class No. 4 lost the Offering Banner to Class No. 2 which was the winner with \$206.00 for the Offering Banner.

The morning devotion was conducted by Deacon R.J. Givens, Deacon F.J. Jenkins and Deacon John Howard.

The Senior Choir marched in singing "I Shall Not Be Moved." Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Jeff Brown. Another song, "When We All Get Together" was sung. Scripture was read by Sister Clara Lee Blakemore. Sister Bernetta Cooper gave another prayer. The responsive reading was done with the congregation standing and led by Sister Kenyatta Barnes.

The morning hymn was "Standing In The Need Of Prayer." Pastoral observations were given by Pastor Moton. Another song, "Love Lifted Me." The sermonic hymn of preparation was "Have Thine Own Way."

Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "What To Do When You Don't Know What To Do." His scripture was James 1:5-8. Pastor Moton gave all of us present something to feast on during this week. What a splendid message!

An invitation to discipleship was extended. Announcements were read by Sister Cynthia Crockett. Visitors were welcomed by Brother R.J. Givens.

Sister Ruby Jay is reminding all of her members who were born in the month of August to not forget their obligation for the "August Project Revelation." "I will be looking forward to seeing them next week," says Sister Jay.

Let us not forget our sick and shut citizens. Among them include Brother Ulysses Kelly who is home from the hospital. Sister Joan Y. Ervin is home from the hospital.

Alma Colquitt's nephew was funeralized last week in Hugo, Oklahoma.

Our love and sympathy go out to all those who have lost loved ones. We are still praying for each of you. Brother J.H. Wilson's wife, Sister Maebelle Marie Whitfield Wilson, was funeralized last Saturday afternoon, February 14, 1998 at the Agape Church of God in Christ with Bishop W.H. Watson and Elder Charles Tanner officiating. Ossie Curry Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Final rites were read for Mrs. Louise Sedberry, a longtime resident of Lubbock, at the Messiah Presbyterian Church on Monday morning. Ossie Curry Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



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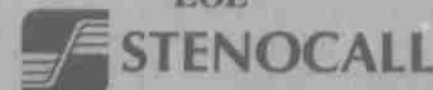
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Our family acknowledges your kind expressions of sympathy; beautiful floral arrangements, food, visits, telephone calls, monetary contributions, prayers, contributions in Harold's name to organizations, your prayers and support during Harold's illness and following his demise.

To the doctors, nurses, and the entire medical staff at St. Mary of the Plains Hospital who provided tender, loving care throughout our loved one's illness, we shall be eternally grateful.

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The Value of Black Buying Power

By James Clingman

To no-one's surprise, the latest data on Black buying power in the United States shows that it continues on an upward spiral. Who knows where or when it will taper off? Now at \$469 billion, Black buying power and the potential economic strength therein, is at an all-time high. So, will someone tell me why we are still crying broke? Why are we begging others to do for us, when we could be doing for ourselves? Why do we continue to languish in economic never-never land, thinking our problems will be solved if only we are accepted, if only we achieve a "color-blind" society or elect more Black politicians?

With \$469 billion -- enough money to be one of the largest nations in the world -- we are a national and international "basket case." And the reprehensible fact is that we continue to spend as much as 95 percent of that \$469 billion with businesses other than our own.

What are our children and grandchildren going to think about our stewardship of their futures? Will they look back and be embarrassed to admit that we were their parents? More importantly, will they be so economically ill-equipped for their futures that sheer survival will be their number one priority? I sincerely hope not.

But hope alone will not take us where we want to go. We must act. Each of us must do what we can to achieve economic empowerment in our families, our communities, and in this country. Sitting around intellectualizing the issue will not do it. Concentrating on social issues will not do it. Focusing solely upon political solutions will not do it. An economic war must be fought with a big economic weapon -- our \$469 billion.

Doesn't it make sense for Black people to pool their resources and work to help one another just as every other group does? Isn't it smart for us to help ourselves first before we concern ourselves with everyone else's problems? To stop being so "inclusive-minded" with everyone other than our own brothers and sisters? I think you would agree that Black people, with our tremendous economic resources, suffer from a col-

lective psychological malady that makes us maintain the economic status quo in the United States.

We virtually boycott our own businesses, we spend 95 percent of our income with non-Black businesses. And, we continue to believe the Rasputin of all myths: The White man's ice is colder and we allow our children to "brand" themselves with logos and names of White mega-millionaires who hold Black people in disdain. That says a great deal about who we are and where we are headed, that is, if we do not change. We must change the way we do business—NOW.

Economic empowerment is the most important issue facing Black people today. Booker T. Washington warned us in 1912; Marcus Garvey followed his lead, and many more brothers and sisters since then have sounded the alarm. If we fail to heed the messages relating to Black economic empowerment, we will surely seal our economic fate in this country and around the world, and it will not be a pretty picture. After you read this article, please make a commitment to get involved with economic empowerment in the Black community, and follow through on that commitment.

If we rise up, as Marcus Garvey exhorted us, resolving to cooperate with one another and do for ourselves, our economic manifesto will be clear. Our struggle will be easier, and the powers we face will concede to our demands. However, if African Americans choose individuality over collectivism, yes a few of us will "make it," but we will go down in history as a paradoxical people; a people who, with all of our wealth and knowledge, acquiesced and continued in economic oppression. And the blame will rest squarely upon our shoulders. The onus is on us. James Clingman is founder and executive director of the Greater Cincinnati African American Chamber of Commerce and author of the new book, "Economic Empowerment or Economic Enslavement—We have a choice." Contact Mr. Clingman at P.O. Box 6722, Cincinnati, OH.; Tel: 513 489 4132, or Lcling@fuse.net.

Howard Payne University Academic Recognition

BROWNWOOD, TEX.—Lubbock natives Rebecca J. Sanders and Jennifer L. O'Neill received academic recognition for the fall semester at Howard Payne University.

Sanders, a sophomore liberal arts major, was named to the Honor Roll. She is the daughter of Danny and Cheryl Sanders.

O'Neill, a junior accounting major, was named to the President's List. She is the daughter of Larry and Andrea O'Neill.

Students must earn a 3.53 to 3.64 GPA and a 4.0 GPA to receive recognition on the Honor Roll and President's List, respectively.

James E. Moore Scholarship Fund Raiser

The public is invited to attend the Rev. James E. Moore Scholarship Fund Raiser at the St. John Baptist Church, 1712 East 29th St., where Rev. Solomon E. Fields is pastor, on Saturday, February 21, 1998 beginning at 7:00p.m.

Special guest will be Ms. Donna Murphy, the Mt. Gillead Baptist Church Choir and the Agape COGIC Chorale.

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THIRD ANNUAL AFRICAN AMERICAN LEGISLATIVE SUMMIT MADE SENSE! THIS N THAT...had an opportunity last Saturday morning to attend a few sessions of the...THIRD ANNUAL AFRICAN AMERICAN LEGISLATIVE SUMMIT...in Austin, Texas where...SCORES OF AFRICAN AMERICANS...who are elected or non-elected officials...were present... A dynamic speaker...JOSHUA I. SMITH...founder, chairman & CEO of Maxima Corporation...let African Americans know more about the...FREE ENTERPRISE SYSTEM...in America... Several hundred young people were present...and he let them know how to..."PREPARE FOR THE 21ST CENTURY"... He did a splendid job... THIS N THAT...would like to say...CONGRATS...to our two...AFRICAN AMERICAN STATE SENATORS...RODNEY ELLIS AND ROYCE WEST...for sponsoring this annual event... This is really good for...TEXAS...

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The Origin Of Black History Studies

by Eddie P. Richardson



Carter G. Woodson was born on December 19, 1875 in New Canton, Virginia, to James

Woodson and Anne Eliza (Riddle) Woodson, former slaves. Woodson was the eldest of nine children and was forced to work at an early age to help his parents make ends meet. This precluded his attending school until he was twenty years old. At twenty, self-educated, he entered Douglas High School in West Virginia part-time, and finished there in 1896. Woodson later attended Berea College in Kentucky and received his bachelors degree in 1903.

After teaching for several years in West Virginia, serving for three years as supervisor of schools in the Philippines (1903-1906), and traveling abroad to Europe, Africa, and Asia, Woodson returned to the United States to finish his studies for a B.A. begun during the summer of 1902 at the University of Chicago. He received his degree in the spring of 1908 and in late summer of the same year, was also awarded an M.A. by the University of Chicago. He completed studies for his Ph.D. at Harvard University in 1912.

Carter Woodson's influence in causing both blacks and whites to reexamine black history through a black historiography justifies his ranking here. Additional measures of Woodson's influence can be seen in his co-founding the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History (1915); his establishment of

the Seminal Journal of Negro History (1916); his incorporation of Associated Publishers to produce black history textbooks and learning materials (1921); his initiation and institutionalization of Negro History Week (1926); and his creation of The Negro History Bulletin (1937) to provide supplementary instructional tools for teaching history in the elementary and secondary grades.

Needless to say, Woodson's positions on the issues, on education in general and on the obligation of the black educated class to "uplift" the black masses in particular, continue to shape contemporary debate among blacks from all walks of life who are committed to liberation of blacks in America and through the world.

A lasting monument to Woodson's influence as a historian-activist is his organizing for the second week of February 1926, the first Negro History Week celebration. Negro History week has now become Black History Month, because in large part, Woodson became his own words to black people and all Americans a person "to inspire us to greater achievements."

Like two of his contemporaries, Marcus Garvey and W.E.B. DuBois, Carter Woodson saw the need for black economic independence as the best and only way for blacks to protect and further their political, social, and cultural interest and to ensure the blessings of "real democracy". He declared prophetically in 1922.

Carter G. Woodson published many more journals, articles, books as well as serving many other worthy causes. He died April 3rd, 1950.

Parents and Teachers Take Schools into Their Own Hands

By Dr. Lenora Fulani



Debbie Lazarus and Sandra Oxford are activists in the charter school movement. They are both co-founders of the Mid-Hudson Advocates for Charter Schools in New York.

Charter schools, currently authorized in about half the states, are schools funded by tax dollars but initiated by parents, teachers, and community activists. Public funds are transferred by the state to the school on a per pupil basis. Charter schools are a critical tool for de-bureaucratizing and improving our school system.

When Debbie Lazarus' daughter was in the 7th grade, she started having difficulty in school. Her grades were dropping and she was bored. Parent meetings with her teacher didn't change the situation. Meanwhile, Lazarus - who is a teacher -- was coordinating a Dual Language program. This is a method of teaching children whose first language is not English: it puts native English-speaking and non-English speaking students in the same class, and both English and the foreign language is taught - so the kids learn each other's languages and no language is subservient. The program was a great success, but the "powers that be" in the district didn't like it, so it was not renewed.

The combination of losing the program because of the school bureaucracy, and her daughter's difficulties in school, convinced Lazarus that parents needed more choice in their children's educa-

tion. She started investigating educational alternatives, and stumbled across the charter school idea, and founded the Mid-Hudson Advocates for Charter Schools, almost 2 years ago. They have held meetings, public forums, and other activities to educate people on this issue.

Lazarus said that her experiences (with her daughter, and her program being shut down) "filled her with frustration." The lack of movement in the bureaucracy, the lack of innovation, the fact that schools were not addressing children's needs meant that kids were not becoming productive members of society. This is a waste of human potential. "Charter schools are not a panacea - but they do give parents the opportunity to make choices."

Sandra Oxford is also a parent of children in the public school system. She works as a mediator, doing conflict and dispute resolution. There are three state penitentiaries in the area where she lives. She said she was shocked by her realization of how much influence the prison system has on the school district. The focus and energy in the schools is on punishing, not educating. She herself was given the Parent of the Year Award by the New York State Association of Bilingual Educators, for her work in trying to organize the community to save the Dual Language Program that Lazarus was coordinating. She said it was "a superb program!" that won a highly competitive grant from the state. It is the only form of bilingual education that doesn't segregate language minorities.

Oxford said that she thought a two-

way language program was seen as dangerous. "It brought together students from different backgrounds. The families of the English-speaking students became big advocates of equitable education for all students."

She said that charter schools "really complement this idea of possibly continuing to provide excellent education to all people. It came at a perfect time."

Since 1991 when a Minnesota law pioneered state charters, charter schools have grown in popularity. There were 252 operating in the 1955-1996 school year, there were 428 by 1997 (in 29 states plus DC). They have an estimated enrollment of 105,000. They are most prevalent in Arizona, which has more than 160, and in California, with 120. States like New York are trying to get the legislature to authorize a charter school program.

Charter schools offer: smaller school size, heavy parent involvement, active hands-on learning (often through the use of technology), longer class periods, innovative ways of gauging student achievement, diverse student enrollments. A relatively high proportion of charter schools - estimated 113 - are geared toward academically gifted-and-talented students. But half deal with at-risk students.

Debbie Lazarus and Sandra Oxford are two parent/educators who are looking for innovative and grassroots programs to improve education and to challenge and develop our children. They and millions more like them will make the charter schools movement a powerful success in the years to come!

IN CINQUE

By Renetta W. Howard



February is Black History Month and it is good to see so many people and organizations interested in Black History. This time of year, schools are bombarded with opportunities for children to write poems and essays that pertain to Black History. There are opportunities to win scholarships, prize money and gifts. The irony of all this is that most children today know about Martin Luther King, Jr and Tupac Shukur. The adults sometimes appear to have a desire to start a new religion

around Dr. King and the children are holding out their hope that Tupac is not dead. He will return.

Now, that sounds very familiar to me. It appears that this statement is in the Bible, but it was discussing Jesus Christ of Nazareth, not Tupac or Dr. King. Our children know very little about Black History and the horrors of slavery or the discrimination of the Jim Crow era and everything to them sounds unbelievable and impossible. If you happen to be old enough to have had any first-hand experience during the expressed Jim Crow Era, children think that you must be hundreds of years old, because nothing that they have heard of could have possibly have happened during the lifetime of

anyone they happen to know. These children need to know what has happened in America. They need to be told by people they know and trust. Few children will believe a teacher, but will put all of their trust in what an older member of their immediate family tell them about their life before Dr. King and Tupac.

Schools skirt Black History and few encourage it in February. Everyone who feel that they have a stake in education, rally around in February to be a part of the celebration of Black History. Everyone wants a poem or essay and they get them on Dr. King and Tupac. It is time that we get 'in cinque' and teach our children who they are and where they came from.

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chased \$2 million worth of sports jackets from TWISM for Pepsi's "stuff" campaign last year and it is currently involved in further negotiations. Canady announced recently that Pepsi had purchased more than \$1-billion from minority and women-owned businesses since its minority vendors program began in 1981.

AESTHETIC REALISM ENDED MY DRUG USE AND MADE ME HAPPY!

by Donna Lamb Aesthetic Realism Consultant



As a person who once felt it was impossible to be really happy and sought a solution through drugs, I want fervently for all people, including very much the readers of the Southwest Digest, to know what enabled me to change, and can enable every person to have real happiness. It is the education, Aesthetic Realism, founded in 1941 the great American philosopher and poet Eli Siegel.

Mr. Siegel defined happiness as "dynamic tranquility" and showed that the way we can feel honestly excited and serene is in going after what Aesthetic Realism describes as the central purpose of our lives: "to like the world on an honest or accurate basis." This includes being fiercely critical of things in the world--like the hideous economic injustice and racial prejudice so prevalent in our country, today--which should be hated and oppose without limit. And Aesthetic Realism describes the greatest cause of unhappiness coming from ourselves: our hope to have contempt, to build ourselves up by "making less of the outside world." Mr. Siegel stated definitively:

"All drug use and addiction arise from insufficient like of the world with a preference for contempt." Growing up there were things I liked--listening to music, dancing, and reading--but not knowing how to make sense of the painful things I saw, like my children I did what Ellen Reiss, Class Chairman of Aesthetic Realism describes in the international periodical, *The Right of Aesthetic Realism to Be Known*:

"People unknowingly think that contempt will make them happy that they'll feel good if they can put aside enough, feel superior enough, have the world serve them enough." This is what I felt. We were a family of five living in a tiny

apartment in a poor neighborhood and from as early as I can remember I was aware of a pervasive sense of struggle, frustration, suspicion. Ever the good things our family got--like the record player my father brought home--seemed isolated incidents in an essentially unfriendly world. In our home there was displeasure and outbursts of anger. My mother seemed changeable--calm one moment, angry the next. My father would call me pet names and then be distant and cold. The world seemed confusing and fearful; felt both agitated and dull much of the time.

Eli Siegel asked this question every child and adult needs to know:

"Is this true? No matter how much of a case one has against the world, its unkindness, its disorder and its ugliness, its meaninglessness--one has to do all one can to like it or one will weaken oneself?"

In time our family became more financially secure, and we moved to a large house in a nice neighborhood but I was no happier. The reason, I learned from Aesthetic Realism, was because the unconscious decision I had made early--to have contempt for a world and people I saw as against me--didn't change.

There were times I felt happy--for instance, when I carefully brought home tadpoles from a pond near our home and watched them slowly change into frogs. And when I read books about Pippi Longstockings or Nancy Drew, I felt peaceful and excited as I found out about other people's feelings.

But like many children, I created a fantasy world that I saw as much better than the world around me. Here things went my way; in my world, my parents didn't puzzle me, and no one told me what to do! I was like many children now who have decided the world can't make them happy and are looking to get away from it--through watching hours of television, playing video games, or even drugs. In my teens, I began altering and getting rid of the world through drugs. Though I felt driven, I was also tearfully ashamed. Years later, in an Aesthetic Realism lesson Mr. Siegel was to say to me:

"In drugs you have a feeling that nothing matters too much, but at the same time you seem to control things to your liking."

I am everlastingly grateful that in 1969 I learned of Aesthetic Realism and my whole life changed. Its sheer, bedrock logic enable me to see that, painful though it was, something in me liked being displeased with things to justify having contempt and feeling superior to everything.

As I learned about the fight in me and in every person between the desire for contempt and to like the world, there was a new pleasure, the thrill of discovery in understanding myself and what drove me. I felt a new sense of composure and energy as I studied what Aesthetic Realism teaches: that the grandeur, mystery, and structure of the world itself--the oneness of opposites--is in every person, including abandon and restraint, the orderly and free. I learned, too, that art puts together the opposites we hope to make one in ourselves. I could learn from dance, for example how to have a beautiful relation of freedom and order, rest and motion in myself.

As I came to see people--including my family--and the world itself more fairly and exactly, I felt happy beyond anything I once thought possible. The pleasure I got using my mind to know and like the world was so much greater than anything I had ever gotten through drugs because--and I can hardly say how important this is--it was pleasure I respected myself for having. Eli Siegel said:

"Man is a person who has to be happy two ways: he wants to have enough pleasure of an immediate kind, and he also wants to like how he gets the pleasure."

Within months I stopped using drugs completely, and with every year my happiness increases as my education continues. This includes my happy marriage to Steven Weiner, who is a computer analyst. Together we study in classes taught by Ellen Reiss. I am proud to be on the faculty of the Aesthetic Realism Foundation, not-for-profit educational foundation, teaching other persons in individual consultations, given in person and by telephone throughout America and the world, and in public seminars at 141 Greene Street, New York, NY 10012. For more information, please call (212) 777-4450, or see our home page on the Internet at <http://www.AestheticRealism.org>

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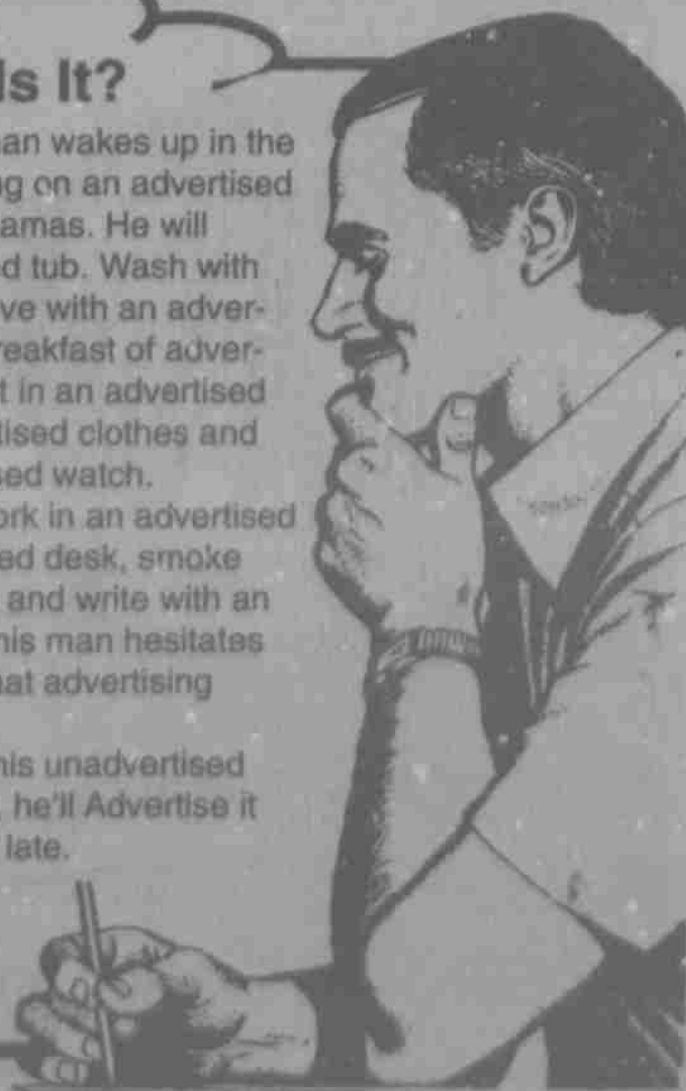
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ISAIAH 58:1, THE LORD SAID, CRY ALOUD, SPARE NOT, LIFT UP THY VOICE LIKE A TRUMPET, AND SHEW (SHOW) MY PEOPLE THEIR TRANSGRESSION.

LORD, AFTER YOU BLESSED AMERICA, AND GAVE HER GREAT WEALTH; SHE HAVE GOTTEN HIGH MINDED; AND THINKING SHE DONE IT BY HERSELF!!!

DEUTERONOMY 8:7, 8, 10, 11a, FOR THE LORD THY GOD BRINGETH THEE INTO A GOOD LAND, A LAND OF BROOKS OF WATER, OF FOUNTAINS AND DEPTHS THAT SPRING OUT OF VALLEYS AND HILLS, A LAND OF WHEAT, AND BARLEY, AND VINES AND FIG TREES AND POMEGRANATES; A LAND OF OIL OLIVES, AND HONEY, WHEN THOU HAST EATEN AND ART FULL, THEN THOU SHALT BLESS THE LORD THY GOD FOR THE GOOD LAND WHICH HE HATH GIVEN THEE. BEWARE THAT THOU FORGET THE LORD THY GOD, IN NOT KEEPING HIS COMMANDMENTS.

BUT AMERICA BECAME LIKE ADAM; HE NO LONGER WANTED TO OBEY THEE; LIKE ADAM; MAN WANTED HIS RIGHTS; HE WANTED TO BE MADE FREE!!!

PROVERB-14-12:--THERE IS A WAY WHICH SEEMETH RIGHT UNTO MAN, BUT THE END THEREOF ARE THE WAYS OF DEATH.

LORD THE SAME STARTED IN THE 60'S; MANKIND AGAIN WANTED TO BE FREE; THEY SAID: THEY THEMSELVES ARE GODS; AND DIDN'T HAVE TO SERVE THEE.

PSALM 2:1-3 WHY DO THE HEATHEN RAGE, AND THE PEOPLE IMAGINE (DREAM) A VAIN THING? THE KINGS OF THE EARTH SET THEMSELVES, AND THE RULERS TAKE COUNSEL TOGETHER, AGAINST THE LORD, AND AGAINST HIS ANOINTED, SAYING, LET US BREAK THEIR BANDS ASUNDER, AND CAST AWAY THEIR CARDS FROM US.

LORD, THE CHURCH FOLLOWED A MAN, WHO SAID I HAVE A DREAM; IT TURNED OUT: IT WAS THE WORK OF THE DEVIL; IT WAS HIS SMOKE SCREEN!!!

JEREMIAH 23:23-26,28, AM I A GOD AT HAND, SAITH THE LORD, AND NOT A GOD AFAR OFF? CAN ANY HIDE HIMSELF IN SECRET PLACE THAT I SHALL NOT SEE HIM? SAITH THE LORD. DO NOT I FILL HEAVEN AND EARTH? SAITH THE LORD. I HAVE HEARD WHAT THE PROPHETS SAID, THAT PROPHECY LIES IN MY NAME, SAYING, I HAVE DREAMED, I HAVE DREAMED, HOW LONG SHALL THIS BE IN THE HEART OF THE PROPHETS THAT PROPHECY LIES? YEA, THEY ARE PROPHETS OF THE DECEIT OF THEIR OWN HEART, THE PROPHET THAT HATH A DREAM, LET HIM TELL A DREAM; AND HE THAT HATH MY WORD, LET HIM SPEAK MY WORD FAITHFULLY (IN TRUTH), WHAT IS THE CHAFF TO THE WHEAT? SAITH THE LORD.

RIGHTS HAVE NOW MADE THIS LAND WILD; IN CHURCH, HOMES, AND SCHOOLS; THE LEADERS ARE THE CAUSE OF THIS RIGHTS LIE; WHO ARE THE FOOLS???

ROMANS 1:21,22, BECAUSE WHEN THEY (THE CHURCH) KNEW GOD, THEY GLORIFIED HIM NOT AS GOD, NEITHER WERE THANKFUL; BUT BECAME VAIN IN THEIR IMAGINATIONS (DREAMS), AND THEIR FOOLISH HEART WAS DARKENED, PROFESSING THEMSELVES TO BE WISE, THEY BECAME FOOLS.

*****WILL THE CHURCH ROB GOD????*****
MANKIND THOUGH HE WAS GETTING HIS RIGHTS; THEY HAVE BECOME HIS WRONGS; AMERICA IS BEING PUNISHED NOW; BACK TO GOD IS WHERE SHE BELONGS!!!

ISAIAH 1:5, WHY SHOULD YE BE STRICKEN ANY MORE? YE WILL REVOLT MORE AND MORE: THE WHOLE HEAD IS SICK, AND THE WHOLE HEART FAINT.

LORD, MANY PEOPLE SAY IT: EL NENYO, THAT IS SHAKING THE LAND; BUT I TELL'EM ITS YOUR PRESENTS; YOU ALLOWED IT, YOU ARE AT HAND!!!

***** SODOM AND AMERICA ITS PRAYING TIME!!!!*****

2 CHRONICLES 7:14, THE LORD SAID, IF MY PEOPLE (THE CHURCH), WHICH ARE CALLED BY MY NAME, SHALL HUMBLE THEMSELVES, AND PRAY, AND SEEK MY FACE, AND TURN FROM THEIR WICKED WAYS; THEN WILL I HEAR FROM HEAVEN, AND WILL FORGIVE THEIR SIN, AND WILL HEAL LAND. WRITTEN BY EVANGELIST BILLY R.J. MORRISON, 111, YOUR BROTHER IS CHRIST JESUS!!!



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

The Gardener and the Branches

In your reading of the 15th chapter of the Gospel of John, you discovered Jesus instructing His disciples on three vital relationships. Disciples are to be rightly related to Jesus, to each other, and to the world.

The first verse of the 15th chapter highlights the vine and the Gardener. Israel was God's choice vine, however, Israel became degenerate and produced rotten fruit. Therefore, what God has intended for Israel was fulfilled in Jesus Christ, the true Vine.

The 2 & 3 verse of the mention chapter are striking: "Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away; and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you."

We can learn three basic things from these verse- the function of a branch, the future of a branch, and the source of cleansing for a branch.

The function. The purpose of the branch is to carry on the characteristics of the life that is inside the vine. The branches are to bear fruit, which is the outer manifestation of the inner life. The branches are to duplicate and demonstrate the life of the vine. As Christians we are to show forth Jesus' lifestyle.

My fellow Christians let us pretend that we are in a botanical laboratory. Let us cut into the vine and get a glimpse of he life that is inside that vine. How else can we tell what kind of fruit we are to be bearing?

The Gospel of John shows us the characteristic of he life in Th. vine. Let the Parson share briefly a few of them. Jesus was the communication of God and was full of grace and truth. As the branches, we are to communicate God. Our communication is to be full of grace and truth. Some persons are full of

truth, but they get very obnoxious about it. They spout the truth but not in a loving way. And then others may express all kinds of love but their communication is not based on the truth of God's Word. Both are needed if we would properly communicate God to the world.

Jesus also was described as the temple of God, the place where the presence of God resided. As the branches, we are to have the presence of God within us and flowing through us. I wonder how many of us Lubbock Christians are displaying the inner characteristics of God as we should.

The future. A branch that does not carry the life of the vine will be cut off and finally will see destruction. The branch does not function as it should and just becomes deadwood to the vine.

While carefully exploring this we note that Jesus was speaking of those who had been united to the vine. He was not talking about those outside of the kingdom. The professed follower of Christ who does not live a life or give testimony or render service that can be recognized as Christian fruit will be removed from the vine.

A branch that is producing fruit is purged by God so it can bear more fruit. This is the process of maturity. The branch is to be continually growing into the likeness of the vine, Jesus.

The cleansing The word purgeth describes the process of clearing away whatever would hinder growth or progress. It is the cutting away out of our lives whatever might be stopping the flow of the life from the vine. Many actions and attitudes can keep the nourishment of the vine from getting to us.

It would do us well to let God clean us of thoughts of self-importance and by church disciple so that we may mature further by continuing to bear fruit. As we grow, the amount of fruit we produce also will grow.

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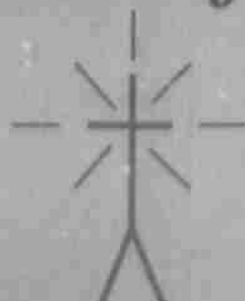


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Who Is The Bride of Christ?

There are many and manifold ideas about the Bride of Christ. There is the Catholic idea, that membership in the Catholic Church, evidenced by baptism and extreme unction, is necessary to become a part of the Bride of Christ.

Then, there is the Pedo-Baptist (Protestant) position that the bride of Christ includes the regenerate of all the various "branches of the true church." Some go back and include Abraham and circumcision, while others start at Pentecost. Many Baptists of modern days, following the helps in Scofield's Bible, have accepted this Pedo-Baptist (Protestant) doctrine.

The Baptist Position

The position of Baptists of days gone by was the New Testament position. Baptists like J. N. Hall, J. R. Graves, Ray, Nunnery, Moody, and many others, rejected in toto the "branch" theory of the true church, which is necessary to accept, in order to believe that those outside of true-Baptist churches compose a part of the Bride of Christ.

Baptists believe that there is but "one body" (Eph. 4:4 and 1:22-23) composed of the regenerate members of true Baptist churches (1 Cor. 12:12). Only people, born again, who have been "bound" (Mt. 16:19) on earth into a local, visible, true Baptist church, and not "loosed on earth" (Mt. 18:18) from that local, visible, true Baptist church, will be a member of that one body in glory.

Let it be remembered that all the born again are going to heaven. Those who have been bound by men into the harlot church of Rome, but who have been born again (Rev. 17:5)

will one day be called to "come out of her," by a voice from heaven (Rev. 18:4), and they will come to the Lord. All the saved in Methodist, Brethren, Presbyterian, and even the born again from the Christian Scientist and Jehovah Witnesses and Seventh Day Adventist, as daughters and granddaughters of old Rome, will come out, attracted by the Omnipotent power of Jesus.

When these saved Pedo-Baptists (Protestants), and others, get to heaven, of course they will be happy, but they will not be any part of the true Bride of Christ. These members of man-made organizations will not share with the Bride of Christ in heaven—that is, they will be no part of the Bride of Christ, and will not share the rewards and blessings given to the true Chaste Virgin, nor experience the supreme happiness of the Bride. They will share a part of heaven, but not the blessings and rewards of heaven, that are showered only on the Bride.

Pedo-Baptists have long recognized that unless they were a part of the true church on earth, they could be no part of the true Bride in heaven. Hence, they invented the "branch-church-theory," to overcome the idea that any one church might be better than some other, or all other man-made churches. Their greatest desire has been to get influential Baptist

preachers and leaders to subscribe to the doctrines that "the church was organized on Pentecost," and "each church is a branch of the true church of Christ."

If one church is as good as another, and no church can trace

its origin back to Christ and the Apostles, then why should not all churches exchange members, recognize one baptism is as good as any other, and the one church practicing restricted communion is a narrow, selfish, egotist? If all churches were of equal origin, then all would be on equality, and one baptism would be as good as any other, and foolish would be the one who would advocate closed communion.

The New Testament, which is our Law Book, teaches clearly, positively that there is only one faith, one body, and many bodies with contradictory faiths, cannot compose the one true church of Christ—or church which belongs to Christ.

All True Baptist Churches Form The One Body of Christ

All thinking people recognize that in contradictory propositions, only one can be right. When the Bible says "one faith" (Eph. 4:5) then only the local churches believing and practicing that one faith, are true churches. With churches, as with propositions, in contradictory faiths, only one can be true. Methodist, Dutch Reformed, and many historians, not Baptists, including Alexander Campbell, have said that "The Baptists can trace their origin to the apostolic times and produce unequivocal testimony of their existence in every century down to the present time." (Campbell-Walker Debate, pg. 262), and similar statements. That rules out all except Baptists.

Jesus said, "On this rock (1 Cor. 10:4) I will build (oikodomeeso) my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it" (Mt. 16:18). If Jesus told the truth, and He did, that church was not only built (not "won") during His personal ministry on earth (Jn. 10:4), but has had an unbroken line of existence through all ages since, and is in the world today. Only Baptists and Catholics claim an existence back to Christ. Surely, all must recognize that when John the Baptist baptized Jesus, in the Jordan (Mt. 3), outwardly he made Him a Baptist, as He already was inwardly. Therefore, being a Baptist outwardly and inwardly, the church Christ started must necessarily have been a Baptist church.

Baptist Churches Compose The Bride of Christ

"For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also (hos kai ho kephalee tees ekkleesias) is the head of the church" (Eph. 5:23). Then, as the woman is the wife of the husband, so the regenerate of the true churches compose the wife of Christ. There is no getting away from that logic. However, True Logic and Scripture agree. Hence, we read in a letter written to a local Baptist church (2 Cor. 1:1) located in Corinth, "I espoused you to one husband, that I might present you as a true virgin to Christ (2 Cor. 11:2). Mary was "espoused" before the wedding (Mt. 1:18). The wedding of Christ and the Regenerate, who have been bound on earth in some true missionary Baptist church has not yet taken place—will not until after Christ returns (1 Thess. 4:13ff) and after the Tribulation (Rev. 4:1; 19:6-8).

Brother, I'm going to that wedding. If you go, and are a part of the Bride, you must get a Baptist church now, to bind you in, otherwise you will just be on the outside looking in.

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By Vivian Owens

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All this is hard for you to understand, because your Eddie has always been obedient and attentive. At home, he's still good, little Eddie. Is it possible that your son's undesirable classroom behavior has roots in other problems—problems he doesn't know

how to solve? Medical problems can sometimes interfere with a child's learning or school performance. But often parents ignore them.

A child complaining of headaches, squinting, rubbing his eyes, getting close up on words, may have vision problems.

Inner ear problems may cause imbalance, causing the child to topple over occasionally.

Recurrent sore throats, breathing through the mouth, recurrent ear infections often indicate tonsil or adenoid problems.

Your bed wetter may not be as lazy as you think. He may have a bladder or kidney infection or a defect in the anatomical develop-

ment of the urinary system.

Has the teacher inquired about your daughter's tiredness? This though she goes to bed at eight o'clock and gets a full 11 hour's sleep? Consider a checkup if this continues. Extreme fatigue can be a sign of a more serious problem.

The above are only a sampling of medical disturbances that may be at the root of a child's learning problems or poor performance.

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