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State Rep Ron Givens Reports

BUDGET CUTS RESULTS THE LAY OFFS—State Representative Ron Givens, a member of the Historical/Cultural Committee, reports that Congressional cutbacks have caused the Texas Historical Commission to eliminate 13 federally funded staff positions.

This action, which took effect February 3, was necessitated by drastic funding cuts at the federal level. The initial allocation signed by the Secretary of the Interior provided only 21 percent of expected federal funds to the THC. The THC uses these funds to carry out surveys and nominations to the National Register of Historic Places, as well as review and act on rehabilitation projects.

As well as possible federal cuts due to the Gramm-Rudman bill, makes it impossible to continue to staff these federal positions. The positions included personnel involved in archeology, architecture, computer encoding, and clerical work. As a result of the reduced work force, services to the general public will also have to be re-evaluated, said Givens.

"The principal operating difficulty is that the THC is increasing workload and decreasing resources," he explained. "Public demand for the services of this agency have doubled and yet, THC is faced with a 16 percent decrease in budget during this biennium. A deterioration in quantity and quality of the productivity of this agency is probably inevitable."



Ron Givens

Jarvis Christian Alumni Meets

All alumni and ex-students (one semester of attendance) of Jarvis Christian College, which is located in Hawkins, Texas, will hold an organizational meeting on Saturday, March 1, 1986, at 5:00 p.m. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Cook at 2114 - 65th Place.

Dr. Charles Berry, President of Jarvis and Ms. Annie Walker, coordinator of Alumni Affairs will be present at this meeting to



CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS—Pictured above are the members of the Lubbock City Council, first council ever elected by the single member district. They are, from left to right (back row), Bob Nash, District 4; E. J. Brown, District 5; Joan Baker, District 6; and T. J. Patterson, District 2.

Sitting, from left right: Maggie Trejo, District 1; Mayor Alan Henry; and George Carpenter, District 3. Councilman Brown will not seek re-election. Councilperson Carpenter and Trejo are seeking re-election in the April 5th election.

(Photo by Vaughn Hendrix)

Lubbock Mothers Club To Hold Career Conference

The Lubbock Mothers Club is sponsoring a career conference on Saturday, March 1, 1986. The conference will be held at Atkins Junior High School from 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

We are inviting you and your children to attend. Because of the length and structure of the conference, we are asking that participants be junior high age or older.

The Lubbock Mothers Club's main purpose is to provide social and cultural activities for children. This conference will do just that! Our speakers include a physician, an attorney, an accountant, an engineering student, an x-ray technician, and the list goes on!

The children will have an opportunity to hear these professionals discuss their occupations, education, any training involved, and to see equipment used by these professionals as they perform

their jobs. They will also have opportunity to ask questions.

This promises to be an exciting, fun-filled event.

In addition to having fun, your child will be exposed to a wealth of information that could possibly help in selecting a career. We look forward to having you at our conferences on Saturday, March 1. Club members are available for questions if you have any. Ms. Shirley Green is the Career Conference Chair.

Patterson Named Chairman

T. J. Patterson has been named by Secretary of State Myra A. McDaniel as Chairman of the Election Night Returns Advisory Task Force.

Other members are John Cranfill, Dallas Morning News; Mr. Olga Compos, KRIV-TV; James Craddock, Andrews County Clerk;

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NAACP Luncheon A Success

The Lubbock Branch NAACP wishes to express its sincere thanks to everyone who attended and supported the Building Fund Luncheon which was held on last Saturday at The University City

Club of Lubbock. Special thanks are in store for Drs. Grandberry and McKenzie for the gracious hospitality extended to the Lubbock Branch NAACP and Dr. Hooks, the Executive Director of

the national organization; to Travis Ware and Fulton Berry for providing security and transportation for Dr. Hooks; to the Committee for its untiring efforts on behalf of the fund-raiser; and all the members and friends who patronized our efforts; the ministers of Lubbock who pooled their resources to present a most

welcomed donation to the cause. Rev. Kado Lang made the ministerial presentation. In addition, Dr. Hooks lifted an offering of \$1300, making the total amount which was sent to the national organization, \$2500, toward the building fund, from Lubbock.

Dr. Hooks urged Blacks and Whites to work together to improve our country. He also urged our ministers to emphasize moral improvement of our youngsters in the churches today, which will improve our family images. He spoke of the necessity to eliminate hatred as it destroys the one who hates, not the hated, and can run your blood pressure

up and cause other illnesses. He further emphasized that we should not think that freedom has been won and be lulled to sleep, for there is still much to fight for, as there are a minute number of Blacks in key industries, businesses, government or professions. We have come a long way, he said, but have even

further to go. The luncheon was a success in every way. The chef, L.E. and his crew served a splendid meal which was enjoyed by all in attendance. Dr. Hooks inspired everyone to do more toward working for freedom for our country, and the world. It just felt good to have been there.

Mayor Alan Henry, Councilman T. J. Patterson and State Representative Ron Givens gave a few welcoming words at the opening of the program. Rev. R.L. Caro gave the opening prayer and Rev. S.C. Nash introduced the speaker, Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks. Mrs. Renetta W. Howard introduced the candidates for political office who were in attendance and Mrs. Bessie Cox read a poem, written by Hope Oberhelman, which was dedicated to Dr. Hooks. The chef L. E. presented Dr. Hooks with a 'cowboy' hat which gave him an authentic Texas look. Mrs. Rose K. Wilson, the local branch president, presented a plaque to *The Southwest Digest* for its continuous press support of the NAACP. Rev. D. A. Smith gave the benediction which signaled the end to a heartwarming occasion.

Rev. Phenix Seeks Mayor's Post



Rev. P. B. Phenix

The Rev. P. B. Phenix says that it is time for a change! Rev. Phenix is a candidate for Mayor of Lubbock Texas. He said, "I just want to see that each citizen of Lubbock gets a fair share—jobs, housing, education, grants, equal job opportunities (wherein more Blacks will have offices (in government) with the City of Lubbock."

Rev. Phenix stated that he is a 1960 high school graduate of Wilson White High School in Rosebud, Tx. and has several degrees in different fields and is currently a college student in a Texas school. He is the Director of YORC Christian College, Pastor of the First Church of God in Christ in Slaton, Tx., owner of Phenix Adv. and Phenix Adv. Sales.

Rev. Phenix listed the following as his job references: 1960-1973; employed by Underwood's Frozen Food-titles Assistant Manager, while employed part-time at Oakwood Lanes Bowling Alley for 8 years as a machine operator.

From 1973-1979, Rev. Phenix was employed with White Swan Inst. Foods as a truck driver and from 1979-1983, he was a salesperson with Onn Crow Chevrolet and was top salesman of the year several times.

Since 1983, Rev. Phenix has been self-employed in Phenix Advertising and Phenix Sales and is a successful businessman as well as a church pastor. He feels that he is qualified to be Mayor of Lubbock, Tx. Rev. Phenix stated that he is very sincere about this commitment, and solicits the support of the citizens of Lubbock.

Carter G. Woodson "Father of Black History"

Many people call Dr. Carter G. Woodson the "Father of Negro History." They believe he has done more than any other individual to prevent the obliteration (doing away with) of Black history.

It is because of Dr. Woodson's hard work that we observe Black History Month each year.

Carter G. Woodson was born on December 19, 1875 in New Canton, Virginia. His parents were former slaves.

As a boy, Woodson was not able to attend school regularly because his parents needed him to help with the work on the farm. Woodson's family was large and very poor.

Young Carter Woodson did not let anything keep him from learning. He went to school when he could. When he had to stay home and work on the farm, he taught himself. When he was seventeen, he knew the subjects that were taught in public school. He was mostly self-taught.

Woodson wanted more education. He worked as a coal miner in Kentucky to pay for his higher education. Later when he was qualified, he taught grade school and later, high school students. During his summer vacations Woodson continued his education.

Carter Woodson was a good student. He was educated at Berea College in Kentucky. He later went to the University of Chicago where he earned his B.A. or Bachelor of Arts degree in 1907 and his M.A. or Master of Arts degree in 1908. He earned his Ph.D. or Doctor of Philosophy degree at Harvard University



in 1912. He also studied at the Sorbonne in Paris.

In 1922 after teaching for ten years, Woodson decided to devote all of his time to study and writing on the subject of Black history.

Dr. Woodson's studies and his experiences as a teacher made him decide that someone had to carefully gather the

information and then write an accurate history of the Negro.

In those days White historians wrote books on American history which either left out the achievements of the Negro or which spread untruths and myths about the Negro. White historians said the Black man had no history.

(More to come next week)

Coronation Set For Dunbar-Struggs

An air of excitement is filling the halls of Dunbar-Struggs High School. The event: the selection of Mr. and Miss Dunbar.

The final voting was held on Monday and the results will be announced at the Coronation, Thursday night in the auditorium. The selection of Mr. and Miss Dunbar is the most prestigious event of the entire year. This is because the selection is made by the student body.

Following the Coronation, the Coronation Ball will be held in the Dunbar Cafeteria.

The following students are finalists: Mr. Dunbar: Stacy Jones, Mark Wilson and Jimmy Harvaiz; Miss Dunbar: Shella Curtis, Blanca Rodriguez and Cheryl Smith.

Camp Fire Council Sets Party

Camp Fire Council of Lubbock invites you to the Spring membership recruitment "Funky Punk Party" on Saturday March 1, from 2p.m. to 4p.m. at Buddy Holly Park. Some scheduled events are Bubble Gum Bubble Contests, Pop Corn Catch, Hair Do Contest and Punk Dress Contest. You don't have to be a Camp Fire member to enter the contest. Music will be provided by Mugsy Escobedo's Music Machine-Peyton Fullington will do his magic show along with "No No the Hobo" Floyd Cox.

A Camp Fire exhibit along with information about Camp Fire will be set up. Now is the time to see what Camp Fire has to offer to youths and adults. To become a Camp Fire member you can join for \$5.00 or join as a family for \$20.00. Come and enjoy a fun filled day with us!

A.M.E. bishop says 'young blacks are into everything but church'

By LYNN BULMAHN
Tribune-Herald staff writer

God is asking Black America, in much the same way he asked Moses, "What hast Thou in Thy hand?" a visiting African Methodist Episcopal church bishop told Paul Quinn College supporters Wednesday.

Speaking at the Founders Day observance at George B. Young Auditorium, Bishop Frederick C. James, who presides over the A.M.E.'s Seventh Episcopal District in South Carolina, said God has given black Americans gifts that may be passing through their hands.

"There are three aspects to which I believe God is calling our black attention to," James said. "He is asking 'What is now passing through our hands?' and 'What was delivered into our hands?' He has called us to realize who holds us in the hollow of his hand."

The bishop said despite earlier strides, he fears blacks have experienced some setbacks — things passing through their hands, much like an athlete losing the ball during a game.

"I fear we have retreated in the area of religion," he said. "Young blacks are into everything but church — from drugs to discord, but not church."

"The church all over America is in middle-age despair," James said. "God has got to be the answer to apartheid in South Africa, to the racial problems causing trouble in the Middle East and to the political tyranny we find all around us."

James said he fears blacks are

facing economic setbacks.

"I think black Americans today, considering that which has passed through our hands, should sound the alarm," he said. "We've been selling the prosperity they gave us, and we're even giving it away."

He cited statistics which said that during 1984 black Americans had a total income of \$172 billion.

"We earned it. We received it — and it passed right through our hands," James said. "Not a single dollar circulated three times through the black community."

He said studies have shown that the black dollar "spends four hours in the black community, then leaves and never returns. Blacks spend less than 7 percent of their income in the black community and the rest is spent outside the black community."

The bishop said black families had 22 percent less purchasing power in 1984 than in 1980, and that 33.8 percent of all black people are poor. More than half — 51.1 percent — of black children are raised in poverty, he said.

"If this trend continues, there'll be no future Founders Days," James told the crowd. "You can't founder anything when you're losing everything."

James said he was concerned about education. "Instead of letting us better ourselves through education and be able to get good jobs, we're letting the Far East corners, Vietnamese and Koreans come over and we're trying to get jobs held by them," he said.

Citing a National Urban League study, the bishop said 41.6 percent

of black teen-agers are unemployed. The 1986 study also showed that unemployment among all blacks was 14.9 percent, compared to 7.9 percent for the rest of Americans.

James said he was concerned about another setback, the stability of black life.

The study found that 40 percent of black families are headed by a single parent, usually the mother. "The role of the black man in the family has been transferred to female hands because of the conditions we live in in this country," James said.

The bishop said 24.6 percent of black births were to teen-age mothers "unable to support the black babies they're bringing into the world. They're starting off behind and they can't catch up in life."

"God says to black America, 'I freed you, and after all these years, what have you done with it. You wouldn't understand that America is the land of opportunity and of freedom. Instead, you are crab-like in your actions,'" James said.

James called on the audience to use "what was delivered into our hands" by God.

"What was delivered into our hands?" he asked. "You can answer with thanksgiving and pride. God gave us so much in the art of survival. Black people are a walking ethnic survival kit."

Recalling how black Americans came to this continent in the cargo holds of slave ships, the bishop said only the strong survived the journey from Africa.

"Every black person in America is a descendant of a superman and a superwoman," he said. "The weak ones didn't make it."

He said blacks are among the most patriotic of Americans and the trait stems from the culture of Africa that stressed loyalty and honor.

"We're not traitors," James said. "You don't read of black folks selling secrets to the Russians or selling their country out."

Saying that black Americans descended from African royalty, "our history of loyalty (for African kings and princes) has come down the line and translated into patriotism," he said. "Blacks were there forging the fiery metal that made this country."

James told of unsung black heroes who fought and died for their country. "You hear of Pancho Villa but you do not hear the names of the black men who took San Juan Hill" with Teddy Roosevelt's Rough Riders, he said.

The bishop said the example of native Wacoan Doris Miller is typical of black patriots.

Because he was black, he said, "Doris Miller was not given an opportunity to learn to shoot a gun" while he served in the Navy on the eve of World War II.

"After he prepared the dinners as a chef, Doris learned to shoot simply by watching how (whites in the Navy) shot the guns."

Yet, during the Pearl Harbor attack, when Japanese planes zeroed in on his ship, "it was Doris Miller who took the gun, and stood on deck and shot until they shot him



Staff photo — Mike James

Bishop L.C. James speaks to Paul Quinn supporters

down," the bishop said.

He said conditions are improving for blacks in some areas. In 1984, 79 percent of blacks graduated from high school, up from 53 percent in 1970.

Today, there are 286 black mayors, and 10.3 million blacks voted in the 1984 election. Even so,

"politics will not do it without God," James warned.

He recommended that black Americans return to church. "We can not go forward until we can look upward," James said. "We cannot make it and we cannot advance until we start packing these churches again."

RUBY JAY'S CORNER



New Hope Baptist Church's Sunday School began at 9:30 a.m. on last Sunday with Supt. Deacon Swain presiding. The morning worship service devotion was led by Deacon R. J. Givens and Deacon Robert Clark. The combined choirs made up of the Senior and Young Adult members sang. The announcements were made by Ms. Anita Henry. The altar call prayer was given by Rev. Richardson and the sermon by Pastor S. C. Nash. The title was "Behind This Business of Tithing, WHY TITHE?" Pastor Nash's thought for the day was: "He who is too big to help an individual is too small to serve the masses."

The Federation of Choirs met at Lyons Chapel Church, Sunday, at 2:30. St. James Church was the host. Rev. Kado Lang is the proud pastor of St. James. The Holy Spirit was there! The devil could not find a place to ease in.

Keep praying and visit our sick and shut-ins. Mrs. Vertena Chandler is still a patient in Highland Hospital.

Those of you who missed the West Texas State Mini Congress which was held at New Hope last week really missed something. Dr. U. S. Cornelius is President of the Congress. He is from Dallas, Tx. The team consisted of Rev. W. E. Gibbs from Houston, Tx., Rev. V. Bailey from Marshall, Tx., Mrs. H. D. Gatewood from Houston, Tx. and Rev. M. L. Bailey from Ft. Worth, Tx. How sweet to hear

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Task Force

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Bob Roge, KENS-TV, and Clay Robinson who will serve as Vice-Chairman.

First meeting is set for Tuesday, March 4, 1986 in Austin. Secretary McDaniel is also a member of the task force.

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1:15-8:30 Continuous Entertainment Review	8:00 Texas Fantasia Ballet	8:30 Grand Finale to Entertainment Review
1:30 Boy Scouts Sesquicentennial Awards	Retiring of Flags	Special Guest
2:00 Girl Scouts Sesquicentennial Awards	for Closing Ceremony will be Vice President George Bush.	
2:30 Duo Pianos		
3:00 Official Presentation of Flags and Remembrances of the Alamo		
4:00 Handbells — Praise Puppets		
4:45 Outdoor Exhibits Closing — Balloon Sculpture Released		

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EDITORIALS • COMMENTS • OPINIONS

A Look At Our Past!

by
Eddie P. Richardson

(Continued from last week). This is a reprint from "In Freedom's Footsteps: From The African Background to the Civil War," International Library of Negro Life and History, by Charles H. Wesley.

Sympathetic whites, especially among the Quakers, joined with the Blacks to work for the abolition of these two evils. The formal rise of abolition as a movement did not occur until the 1830's, when other reform movements took root in American life, even though the slave trade had been legally abolished in 1808. The controversy over whether the Negro should remain enslaved, be freed and accorded the rights of citizenship or freed and colonized in some distant land was never far from the minds of the country's leaders from the very beginning of the nation's history until the Civil War.

The black slaves who labored on the southern plantations did not sit idly by and wait for the shackles of bondage to be broken. They revolted, ran away, committed suicide to escape the system, and a few even poisoned their masters. One of the great mysteries of the "peculiar institution" was the network of communication that ran from plantation to plantation, carrying the plans of Negroes for escape or possible insurrection. Gabriel Prosser, Denmark Vessey and Nat Turner are examples of the hundreds of slaves who planned and carried out insurrections on a small scale in their particular areas. The beginnings of the Underground Railroad came as a result of the activity carried on for years by slaves escaping southern bondage.

The history of the black man, as described in this volume, shows the irony of the entire tragic racial pattern in this country. While America grew and developed economically—in large part through slave labor—a steady stream of free black men followed the same pattern of advancement. But always they progressed with the extra burden of their enslaved brothers, whom they sought to free through the democratic processes established by the Constitution.

The liberal use of illustrations (are made) so that people of today may better perceive the history of the black man as he trod in freedom's footsteps.

Conclusions: With regards to the African background, it seems to have been proven beyond a doubt that the standard racist picture of Africa as a barbarous land filled with cannibals, head hunters and ignorant, superstitious natives is untrue and unfair. When the Portuguese, and later, the English and Dutch, first came to Africa, they found people with whom they could deal on equal terms; they also found political and social structures that they could understand. They found a people who were largely urbanized, who had considerable commercial and industrial experience. They found a people with a sophisticated religious life and well-developed national and tribal consciousness.

In order to understand modern American racial problems, it makes sense to search for their sources in the colonial era. In the first confrontation between black and white, attitudes and values formed that ultimately influenced the present situation. It is clear that there is a fundamental connection between our knowledge of the past and our ability to understand the present. It is inevitable, therefore, that the literature on this question will grow as American historians attempt to understand the roots of present problems.



WHY ARGUE? THE FACTS ARE HERE!

CHILD WATCH

by
Marian Wright Edelman



A Few Cautions About Teen Pregnancy

As I have written many times before, I believe we all must do what we can, as soon as we can, to help prevent teen pregnancy. But before we act, we must think hard about the complexities of this sensitive issue.

First, we must remember that when we talk about teen pregnancy prevention, we are not talking about reaching one group of young people, but many. Different groups may need different messages. For example, children younger than age fifteen are under different pressures than older teens. Boys, often a neglected part of the problem, require a special approach. Our more well-off youngsters may respond to messages that mean little to our very poorest children.

Second, we must all try to be sensitive and open in discussing this issue. This does not mean abandoning our values. Nor does it mean seeking to impose them on others. Some of us support sex education in the schools. Some of us think parents should do this job. Whatever our belief, we should not make our teenagers into the battleground for our old adult wars. Nothing will be solved if we let our efforts to prevent teen pregnancy bog down in these differences.

Instead, we should search for common ground, issues and approaches that unite rather than divide us. We can all agree, for example, that we can help prevent our youth from becoming parents too young by offering them hope and opportunities for a better future.

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Speaker #3: "Gospel music is not the only kind of music that Black people are famous for. Marian Anderson is famous for her classical music. She was the first Black singer to appear at the Metropolitan Opera in New York City. She has one of the finest contralto voices in America. Many concert stages were once closed to her in America because of her color. The Daughters of the American Revolution would not let her give an Easter Sunday concert at Constitution Hall in Washington, D.C. Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt gave up her membership in that organization. She arranged for Marian Anderson to sing on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial. More than 75,000 people heard her sing."

(The Senior Choir sings "His Eye Is on the Sparrow.")

Speaker #4: "Listening to all this information about famous Black Americans makes me realize that we can also make contributions to our society. William Cullen Brown said it all when he said, 'We must dig our hooves deeper than the rest, because we are a people of color. It just isn't enough to be good, you gotta be the best!' Only God can help us."

(The Youth Choir sings "No Other Help I Know.")

Speaker #4: "We now have Black leaders in every field. Black mayors, state senators, federal and state representatives, commissioners, lawyers, doctors, judges, presidents of colleges, heads of civic and religious organizations. Some of the greatest ministers are Black spirit-filled men and women dedicated and consecrated to



their calling."

(The congregation sings "Lift Every Voice and Sing.")

Speaker #6: We must remember to include Dr. Martin Luther King in our program. He won the Peace Prize in 1964 for his work in achieving equal rights for Black Americans. He organized many peaceful demonstrations in the 1950's and 1960's. He was put in jail more than 30 times. Until the day he was killed, he continued to tell his followers: 'Don't let anyone drag you so low as to hate.' He once said: "From my Christian background, I gained my ideals; and from Ghandi, I gained my techniques." In 1963, Time magazine selected Dr.

King as "Man of the Year." What a man! He lives on in the hearts of Black people everywhere. Of Dr. King, we can say, 'He's free at last, free at last—Thank God Almighty—he's free at last.'

(The congregation sings "Free at Last.")

Speaker #1: "I thank each of you for your contributions. You are all so enthusiastic. I know this occasion will be a great success. Let's pray that God's presence will remain with us."

[Here you should mention Black men and women who have made contributions to your local community.]



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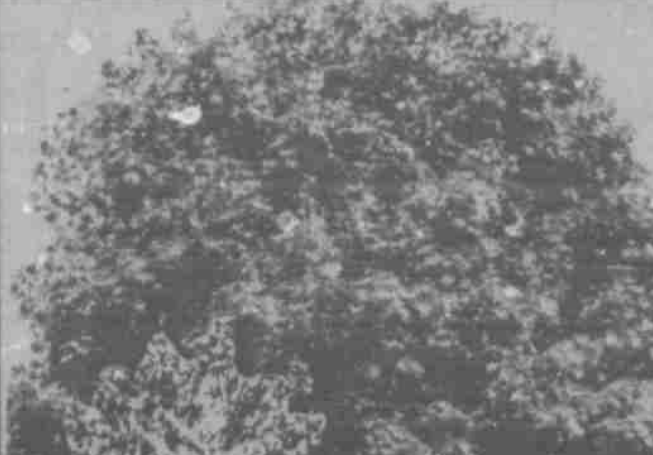
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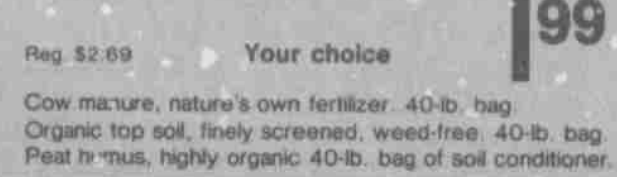


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If God Is For Us, Who Can
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Last week as I sat at the N.A.A.P. Luncheon listening to Dr. Benjamin Hook, as he spoke profusely about the plight of Blacks in America, and especially about young Black Americans the scriptures, Romans 8:31-32 "If God be for us, who can be against us?" and Jeremiah 16:17 "For mine eyes are upon all their ways: they are not hid from my face, neither is their iniquity hid from mine eyes," flashed across my mind. As I listened to the speech, I was able to answer the apostle Paul's question. There are many people who can be against us. This answer is relevant to Black Americans today. However, no one can be against us successfully if God is for us. Is God for us? Black America, the eyes of the Lord are upon you and your iniquities are not hid from him. Take a good look at yourself. You have turned away from the God of your salvation. You have put your trust in self, the "powers that be," your monetary holding and your limited success. You no longer believe that you are sick and need the Great Physician. You are like the ancient children of Israel. You have turned to the pagan dieties and have drunk from the cup of Bsal (drugs, babies with babies, prostitution, etc.). You no longer deem it necessary to attend church and praise the God of your fathers. You no longer look to Him who has been your "bridge over troubled waters." You no longer hear that voice who spoke saying, "Go down Black Preacher into Egypt land and tell Pharaoh to let my people go." "If God be for us, who can be against us?" Black America, we can be against ourselves. How are we against ourselves? We are not heading to the MORAL LAW. Why not return today, to God. It would be a terrible thing for God to hide his face from us!

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Isaiah 1:4 - The Lord said, ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: They have forsaken the Lord, they have provoked the Holy one of Israel unto anger, they have gone away backward.

Lord, I listened to all of satan's lies
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Lord, the more I listened, the more my sins got me down. I keep looking for something, to life me from the ground.

Lord, the devil had me trying, everything under the sun. After trying it, peace and happiness I found none.

Lord, then a voice inside of me said: this is all wrong, you won't raised that way, & you know where you belong.

Revelation 3:20 - Jesus said; 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 will sup (live) with him, and he with me.

Lord, I heard you call me, to turn around. Thanks for salvation, it put my feet on solid ground. Lord, you gave me what I needed most, when you filled me with your precious Holy Ghost.

Isaiah 13:12a - The Lord said: I will make man more precious than fina gold. Lord, I can now sing and I can now shout. I want to run and tell, what you're all about.

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Luk's 10:2,3 - Jesus said, the harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest. Go your ways: behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves.

Lord, its my faith, I'm sharing with others of you dying for all sins, fathers, mothers, sisters & brothers. Lord this world's sin sick, trying anecdotes of all kind. The world's so call peace is "blowing their minds."

John 3:16:8:32 - Jesus said, God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him (Jesus) should not perish, but have everlasting life. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Lord, use me a nobody, to tell somebody, about your dying and resurrection body, for everybody. God is now through with us yet. Let's pray for one another always. Amen.

Directed/Arranged/Produced & Guided by, My Lord Jesus Christ
Written by Billy (B.J.) Morrison III
Your brother in Christ Jesus, always

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast met in the home of the President, Juanita Sowell on Saturday, February 22, 1986, at 9:00 a.m. Everyone took part in the opening devotion. The morning scripture lesson was given by Rev. Roy P. Davis, from the Word of Truth Church. The scripture was Matthew 21:12,26,40 and Mark 16:15. And Jesus went into the temple of God and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the money changers, and the seats of them that sold doves. And he cometh unto the disciples and found them asleep, and saith unto Peter, what could ye not watch with me one hour? And he said unto them; go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature.

PLEASANT HOME NEWS

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Pleasant Home Church is once again happy to greet you in the name of our Lord, who makes every day and keeps us. Our church's motto is: The Church Where Everybody Is Somebody.

This past Sunday, our lesson was: Bear Your Cross. The scripture was Mark 9:33-37; 10:35-45. The key verse - Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me, from Mark 8:34.

The lesson was inspiring and very beautiful. Attendance was good and everyone was at their post of duty.

Devotion worship was led by Deacon and Sister Burlison along with Sister Wynn, who read John 14:1-6. Altar prayer gave us new life as Pastor Kelly prayed for us, to our Master.

This Biblebelieving God-called minister, said that his greatest wish is that the whole body of Christ come together, and that every miracle that Jesus performed was between prayer.

Ignorance is the lack of knowledge. We are God's mouthpieces. If we do not do it, it will not be done. When we try to bring saian's system into God's kingdom, Christ rejects it. He had every right to cast out the moneychangers. He said that his house is a house of prayer and holiness. The heart has fox holes and the enemy works out of it. He said that the Lord will come as a thief and a robber. There are differences as the thief will come at night, but a robber will rob you in the heart of the day.

"Listen, before you can be healed, you must be cleansed before healing will come." He closed on these words. "Could you not watch just one hour?"

Rev. Davis, we thank you so very much for coming our way. We know it was the Lord who sent you. We love you.

Thought for the day. We shall know the truth and the truth shall set us free. Think about it.

All kinds of breakfast goodies were served to all. Come friends, "You are welcome and this is for real."

The Youth and Senior Choirs sang songs of praise to our Master. God is still in His Holy Temple here. The morning message was delivered by Pastor Kelly from the book of Revelation 21:4-7. His subject was: "We Shall Overcome." He truly preached a spiritual sermon.

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Our guest list included R. Henderson, Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Peoples, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Abbott, Rev. Roy P. Davis, Daniel W. Abbott, Janet L. Harris, C. L. Morris and Earl Wheeler. We do hope you will come again. Let us pray and study God's word together. We are walking by faith and not by sight!

We want all of the sick and shut-in to know that "You can make it." From 3 John 12, "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."

Our sick are Mr. Chris Bogus, who is in Methodist Hospital, Hattie Henry, Sis. Sadler and Sis. Blevands. Pray for them.

Let Us Pray
God of mercy, thank you for your healing power that flows through your son Jesus, as it is ours for the asking. Thank you Lord, that many will wake to total health and happiness, because you care Lord. In the precious name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

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If you feel led to do so, write to us: **Prayer Outreach Breakfast, P. O. Box 1223, Lubock, Texas 79408, or call 747-7326 or 762-3347.**

Our closing prayer was given by Rev. Roy L. Davis. Our President is Juanita Sowell; Vice-President is C. Burlison; Acting Secretary, Annie Johnson and your reporter is Dorothy Hood.

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Cancer — The End Result

Certainly the citizens of this country as well as many other countries have been in recent days made aware of the danger of cancer. Our beloved, able, and courageous President underwent surgery on July 13, 1985, and some twenty-four inches of his colon was removed because of cancer. Health authorities tell us only heart disease causes more deaths than cancer.

Webster's Dictionary defines cancer as — "a mass of tissue cells possessed of potentially unlimited growth that serves no useful function in the body, robs the host of nutrients necessary for survival, expands locally by invasion, and systemically by transmission of cells along lymphatic and blood pathways, and unless recognized early and removed, it kills the host and that is usually considered due to a combination of carcinogens and predisposing factors (as heredity, age, trauma, or chronic irritation), cancer itself never being directly inherited though a predisposition to certain forms may be heritable."

The key to survival is early recognition and surgical procedure or chemotherapy. Sometimes both methods are necessary. In some cases nothing is successful. With all the wisdom and skill God has given to doctors they are limited in what they can accomplish. God has given medical science the ability to save people from much suffering and to prolong life for a limited time but final results are in God's all-wise, all-powerful hands. He is God and beside Him there is none else. "For thus saith the Lord that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the Lord; and there is none else" (Isa. 45:18).

Remember it is written — "See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal; neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand" (Deut. 32:39). Again, "The Lord killeth, and maketh alive: he bringeth down to the grave, and bringeth up" (1 Sam. 2:6).

He gives and sustains physical life. He also has given ways by which we can enjoy a great measure of health and strength by proper diet, exercise, rest, and care for our bodies. If we abuse or misuse them we suffer the consequences. But because of sin and its affect upon all creation the best of care and attention will not always keep one from sickness and diseases of different kinds. And then there is the aging process. So eventually people die, even those who have been the most healthy and lived longer than average.

"The wages of sin is death (both spiritual and physical); but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Rom. 6:23). To those who go on in their sin, their unbelief and rejection of the gift of God — the Lord Jesus Christ — "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" (Heb. 9:27).

If there is cancer in one's body the key to survival is prompt discovery and surgery or chemotherapy. We believe cancer illustrates the nature of sin. There is this difference. Not everyone has cancer though many do and it is a threat to physical life to all who have or will become infected with it.

However every member of the human race is infected with sin. "For there is no difference: for all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Rom. 3:22,23). "For there is not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not" (Ecc. 7:20). "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned" (Rom. 5:12). Sin is an act, the violation of, or want of obedience to the revealed will of God; a state, absence of righteousness; a nature, enmity toward God. "The wages of sin is death." The moment the first man, Adam, sinned he died spiritually. He was separated from God. Nine hundred thirty years later he died physically — Gen. 5:5. Physical death is the separation of the soul and spirit, from the body — James 2:26.

Man is a trinity — spirit, soul, and body. When a person believes on the Lord Jesus Christ to the saving of the soul they have the assurance given in 1 Thess. 5:23-24 — "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly, and your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it."

The early detection and treatment of cancer is vitally important if one is to be cured. So the sooner a person comes to know the reality of sin in their heart and life the greater the opportunity to be saved. The longer the delay in accepting God's remedy the greater the danger of dying in your sin and going out into eternity without God. In fact into the lake of fire and brimstone where the Devil, Antichrist, and the false prophet are along with all the unsaved of all ages.

Just as no one can know when they may discover cancer in their body, no one can know for certain just when they may die and go out into eternity. "Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation" (II Cor. 6:2). There are thousands of cancer victims while there are multitudes dying in their sin. There are some forms of cancer to which there is no known cure.

But there is a sure and certain cure for every kind of sin. It is the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ shed at Calvary. "Forasmuch as you know that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation (manner of life) received by tradition from your fathers; but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you" (I Pet. 1:18-20). "In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace" (Eph. 1:7).

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THIS N THAT

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like to encourage all TEXANS to celebrate this **SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION** for 150 years will begin in our community **SUNDAY AFTERNOON** with a **GIANT BIRTHDAY PARTY** in the **LUBBOCK MEMORIAL CIVIC CENTER**. It all begins at 1:00 P.M. and continues with **GEORGE BUSH** Vice President of the United States in attendance and will address the gathering that evening. **BE THERE!** **D. C. KINER THE BARBER SAYS: "WHY** worry about **NO PASS** **NO PLAY** when that was the **WAY** it was? **SPEAKING OF D. C. KINER!** THIS N THAT has learned from him **WHO IS OUR FRIEND BARBER** has moved his **BARBER BUSINESS** in a location he once was located **THE ESTACADO BARBER SHOP** 704 East 4th Street. Go by and see him and also with **RALPH ALEXANDER** **H. C. KINER** Even as they to **TRIM YOUR WIG!**

A LOTTA OF TALK! Since **REV. P. B. PNERIX** has announced for **MAYOR OF LUBBOCK** there has been a **LOTTA OF TALK** in the **BLACK COMMUNITY** THIS N THAT hopes he's **VERY SINCERE** about

this new effort. In talking to him last Sunday morning **HE ADMITS** HE IS VERY **SINCERE**

HOPE BLACK PASTORS & MINISTERS HEARD LOUD AND CLEAR THIS N THAT hopes those **PASTORS & MINISTERS** in attendance of the speech made by **DR. BENJAMIN L. HOOKS** heard loud and clear that the **BLACK CHURCH** must take a **STAND** and see that our **BLACK PEOPLE** come back to the **CHURCH** so something can be done about **OUR BLACK BABIES HAVING BABIES**. Remember in the past **THE BLACK CHURCH** was in the forefront when it came to **FAMILY ISSUES**. Somehow **SOMETHING** happened on the way in future times. Maybe the **NEWLY ORGANIZED MINISTERIAL AL-**

LANCE with more than **TWENTY FIVE (25) BLACK PASTORS & MINISTERS** will be addressing these problems and many others. Let's pray to **ODD** for this to happen. Everything of worth came out of the **BLACK CHURCH** **COCHRAN, DR. L. S. GRAVES** THIS N THAT would like to say **CONGRATULATIONS** to **DR. L. S. GRAVES** founder & principal of **MARY & MAC PRIVATE SCHOOL** 902 East 29th Street for her recent **THIRTY YEAR PIN** from the Girl Scouts. **STAY IN THERE** and continue to **HELP** our young

BLACK GIRLS Dr. Graves **SHOULD HAVE BEEN THERE!** Residents of **DISTRICT TWO** did something different last week in their monthly meeting at **MAE GORDON COMMUNITY CENTER** when these present **DECIDED** to begin doing something about **BLACK BOYS & GIRLS** of **DISTRICT TWO**. A committee **HAS BEEN ORGANIZED** to bring study the problem and bring info back to the **DISTRICT TWO**. Stay with it on this **JUST MAYBE** something is in the wing for our young people. **PRAY FOR US!**

THANKS, TIM ASHFORD THIS N THAT received a **LETTER** from **TIM ALFORD** about the alleged problems in the **LUBBOCK DAY CARE FACILITIES**. Especially the one which was once named **CARVER HEIGHTS DAY**

Child Watch
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Third, we should avoid moralizing, and be moral. Pointing judgmental fingers at our young people will not help them avoid teen pregnancy. But providing them with positive adult examples and constructive alternatives might.

Finally, we must recognize that there is no magic answer to the teen pregnancy problem. We must be patient and test a range of approaches until we hit upon the ones that do work for different groups. We should be suspicious of political quick fixes, ideas that have not been tested, or over-simplified responses. Finding effective solutions will require a long-term commitment.

We can solve the teen pregnancy problem, but only if we are creative, committed — and patient.

MURCERY Perhaps someday the real **PROBLEM** will come out and the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** of the Lubbock Day Care Association will have to deal with it.

Pleasant Home
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This week's shut-ins include those whom we shall not forget as well as those in their homes who are too numerous to mention. Patients in Golden Plains Care Center are Sisters Lizzie Mill, Sirloma Steel and Brothers Harry Trueblood and Nehaniel Wilson. At Twin Cedars Nursing Home is Sister Lela M. Patterson. Let us pray that they all have speedy recoveries. Yes, pray for another, always and keep smiling.

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Institute, as the National organization, is composed of students from both schools. Mark your calendar. Jarvis and SCI alumni and ex-students: BE at The Cook Home on Saturday, MARCH 1.

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