

Prophet's Column

"The Effectual Call"

As I stated, no preacher can give a sinner the effectual call to come to Christ. Why not? Every sinner is dead in trespasses and sins, alienated from God. Being dead, only the power of the God of resurrection can make that sinner alive. When the effectual call comes, the sinner is awakened to his lost condition. When the Holy Spirit opens that heart and shows you your lost condition, it is the most startling thing that ever happened to you. You never dreamed of your lost condition. Now you have had some dreams like I did before the Lord awakened me to my lost condition. When I became troubled about my soul the Devil immediately began to work. He gave me dreams of being lost but in the end of the dream he'd have me saved. He gave me many of them. One of them was so real I told one of my school teachers about it and this was her reply: "You don't have to be worried about your little soul." That was from an emissary of Satan. What a trick the Devil was pulling on me. But when God gave me the effectual call, He revealed to me I was lost and had never been saved even though I was most religious and was looked upon as a model boy and leader among the young people. I was talking to a woman there one Sunday after a service and told her I was not saved. Her reply was: "you made profession, didn't you?" I said: "Yes, but I'm not saved." She didn't know what to do with me. When the effectual call comes home to the heart of a sinner in the religious world, the church members, including the pastor, don't know what to do with that "disturbed fellow." Why? You've never been there yourself.

The effectual call comes from the portals of Heaven, and praise the Lord that is so. Salvation is a Divine work of grace wrought in the heart by the Holy Spirit. And when the call comes from on High, you cannot resist it. You will try to get away from it, but the Lord has the hook in your jaws. The more you resist the call, the more you find you cannot. It



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would be so much better if you'd just surrender, you'd get saved quicker. In salvation it is not the voice of the preacher you hear, but the Voice of the Son of God. Have you heard the Effectual Call, preacher? Personal soul winner, so-called, have you heard the Effectual Call? It was a great day when I heard the Effectual Call. I thank the Lord I couldn't resist that call. If I had, I'd be in Hell today. In the Effectual Call the Holy Spirit shines the light of the glorious gospel of Christ into your heart, (II Cor. 4). It is He who gives you life for the very first time. Before this, you didn't know whom you were. You thought you were a Christian, but then you see you are not a Christian. I'm talking about a sinner coming down the Way of Grace to Christ. The reason you are in rebellion and criticizing is because you are a total stranger to the effectual call. But, effectually called you will be or you are going to Hell without warning. Apart from the effectual call you are on the road to Hell without warning. This call is a warning. It is different because it comes from the portals of glory. This effectual or Divine call is the pivot from which

all other blessings flow. Miss the call and you are doomed forever. Now, after the sinner receives the call, what is he to do? Now some earnest religious soul will say: "all a sinner has to do to be saved is 'believe on the Lord Jesus Christ' as Paul told the Philippian jailer. My question to you is; how can a sinner with a hard heart of unbelief believe on the Lord? He cannot. Practically 100 percent of our preachers will tell a sinner who says he is lost; "just trust Christ and you are saved." The blinded preachers don't know that the awakened sinner struggles with a hard heart of unbelief. You don't know that. When the sinner receives the call he is under Holy Spirit conviction. The blessed Holy Spirit reveals to him his heart of unbelief. Have you ever seen and felt the weight of your heart of unbelief? When I was under Holy Spirit conviction I told someone that my hard heart of unbelief was so hard I couldn't dent it with a sledge hammer. Do you know what I'm talking about?

THE CHARLOTTE POST

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Branch & Associates is accepting bids from all subcontractors and vendors associated with the general contract for the Winston-Salem Convention Center Parking Garage. Bids are requested no later than February 25, 1985. Response is specifically solicited and encouraged from minority enterprises. Respond to Branch & Associates, Inc. P.O. Box 8158 Roanoke, Virginia 24014 (703) 989-5215.

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INVITATION TO BID TO FURNISH EQUIPMENT

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Utility Department, City of Charlotte, North Carolina, the "Owner", is soliciting Bids to furnish and deliver the following equipment: COARSE BUBBLE DIFFUSERS

The project contemplated consists of providing 3,000 coarse bubble diffusers for aerating wastewater. Bidders wishing to have their equipment considered are required to submit the Equipment Information Submittal specified herein, with the Bid. Sealed Bids directed to the attention of the Director will be received at the Owner's office located at 5100 Brookshire Boulevard, (Second Floor Conference Room), Charlotte, North Carolina 28216, until 2:00 p.m., local time, on the 20th day of March, 1985, and then will be publicly opened. Bids and all attachments provided for in the Instructions To Bidders shall be submitted, sealed, in the envelope provided by the Owner.

Prices quoted shall remain firm for a period of 120 days, and include delivery f.o.b., destination with freight prepaid and insurance, if applicable prepaid by the successful Bidder to the Owner's site or storage area designated in the contract Documents. Refer to Article "INSURANCE" of the General Conditions for terms of insurance coverage.

Contract documents may be examined in the Owner's Office, 5100 Brookshire Boulevard, Charlotte, NC 28216, or at the Engineer's Office, 200 South Tryon Street, Suite 800, Charlotte NC 28202, or 229 Peachtree Street N.E., Atlanta, GA 30303. A copy of the Contract Documents may be obtained from the Engineer upon deposit of \$25.00 (nonrefundable) for each set of Contract Documents requested.

Checks, money order or other forms of payment shall be made payable to CH2M HILL.

Each Bid must be submitted on the forms provided and accompanied by: cash, cashier's check, a certified check or bid bond executed on the prescribed form, payable to the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, in an amount not less than 10 percent of the amount bid. The successful Bidder will be required to execute the attached Contract and furnish the properly executed Performance Bond and Payment Bond for the faithful completion of the Contract, as set forth in these Contract Documents.

Before a Contract will be awarded for the work contemplated herein, the Owner will conduct such investigation as is necessary to determine the performance record and ability of the apparent low Bidder to perform the size and type of work specified under this contract. Upon request, the Bidder shall submit such additional information not specifically requested herein, as deemed necessary by the Owner to evaluate the Bidder's qualifications.

The right is reserved to reject all Bids or any Bid not conforming to the intent and purpose of the Contract Documents, and to postpone the award of the Contract for a period of time not exceeding 60 days from the bid opening date.

For information regarding this Invitation To Bid, contact J.C. Goldman, Jr., telephone 404-523-0900.

It is called to the attention of the Bidder that the time of completion of the work under this Contract is the essence of the Contract.

Dated this 17th day of February, 1985.

CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG UTILITY DEPARTMENT, CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA
By Joe C. Stowe, Jr.
Director

ADVERTISEMENT, BIDS WANTED: Sealed proposals will be received by the Purchasing Director of the City of Charlotte, N.C., in the Purchasing Department, City Hall Annex Building, until 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 2, 1985, at which time they will be publicly opened and read for the following: "MICROWAVE SYSTEM". Proposal forms and specifications may be obtained at the office of the City Purchasing Director. Each proposal must be accompanied by a deposit equal to 5 percent of the gross price bid. The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals.

NOTE: A Pre-Bid Conference will be held in the Purchasing Department at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 26, 1985.

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652	736	038	214	790
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BIDS WANTED

Sealed proposals will be received by the Director of Charlotte-Mecklenburg Utility Department of Charlotte, North Carolina in the Conference Room of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Utility Department Administrative Offices, 5100 Brookshire Boulevard, until 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 1985 at which time they will be publicly opened and read.

Proposal must be on standard forms furnished by the City and marked "PROPOSAL FOR SANITARY SEWER CONSTRUCTION - SEWER TO SERVE MT. HOLLY HUNTERSVILLE ROAD (HUNTERSVILLE PRISON UNIT)".

Proposal forms, specifications and plans may be obtained at the Office of the Chief Engineer. A deposit totaling \$50.00 must be received prior to issuance of requested plans and specifications. Each proposal must be accompanied by a deposit equal to 5 percent of the gross price bid and in a form acceptable to Utility Department.

All bidders are notified that the laws of North Carolina and applicable regulations of various Licensing Boards, will be observed in receiving bids and awarding contracts.

It is the policy of the City of Charlotte to provide minorities and women equal opportunity for participating in all aspects of the City's contracting and procurement programs, including but not limited to employment, construction development projects, materials-services contracts and/or lease agreements, consistent with the laws of the State of North Carolina. It is further the policy of the City of Charlotte to prohibit discrimination against any person or business in pursuit of these opportunities on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, handicap or veteran's status. It is further the policy of the City of Charlotte to conduct its contracting and procurement programs so as to prevent such discrimination and to resolve any and all claims of such discrimination. Copies of the City M-WBE Plan may be obtained from the Community Relations Committee, 623 East Trade Street, Charlotte, North Carolina, 374-2424. The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals.

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Proposal must be on standard forms furnished by the City and marked accordingly: "ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS TO THE SUGAR CREEK WASTE-WATER TREATMENT PLANT - EPA PROJECT NO. C370337-06"

CONTRACT THREE - HEATING AND VENTILATION WORK

Drawings and Project Manuals will be on file and may be examined at the Office of the Chief Engineer, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Utility Department, the Local A.G.C. Office, the Local Dodge Plan Room, and the Community Relations Committee's M-WBE Plan Room. They may be obtained upon receipt of a \$50.00 deposit payable to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Utility Department, 5100 Brookshire Boulevard. Said deposit shall be refundable only to those individuals and/or companies who have submitted an unsuccessful bid and have returned the drawings and project manuals in good order within ten (10) days after the contract award. Each proposal must be accompanied by a deposit equal to 5 percent of the gross price and in a form acceptable to the Utility Department. All bidders are notified that the laws of North Carolina and applicable regulations of various Licensing Boards, will be observed in receiving bids and awarding contracts.

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Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bid are expected to be funded in part by a grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Neither the United States nor any of its departments, agencies or employees is or will be a party to this invitation for bids or any resulting contract. This procurement will be subject to regulations contained in 40 CFR Part 33, published May 12, 1982.

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INVITATION FOR BIDS

The City of Charlotte will receive sealed bids for Roof Replacement at Methodist Home Park Center until 10:00 a.m. (EST) on the 25th day of March, 1985, in the office of the City-County Purchasing Director, City Hall Annex, 600 E. Trade Street, Charlotte, North Carolina, 28201, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Separate bids will be received for the following work: Roof Replacement

Proposals must be on standard forms furnished by the Architect and must be submitted in a sealed envelope identifying the Contractor submitting the proposal. The envelope must be clearly marked as containing a proposal for a particular contract.

Proposal forms, plans, and specifications may be obtained at the office of the Central Services Division, 441 Beaumont Avenue, Charlotte, N.C. 28204 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Bidders are advised that this contract contains provisions requiring the contractor(s) to document that sufficient good faith efforts have been made to provide equal opportunities for minority and women business enterprises to participate in the subcontracting and material supplier opportunities available under this contract.

Plans and specifications will be on file at the office of the Architect, the office of the Central Services Division, 441 Beaumont Avenue, the local AGC office and the Dodge Plan Room.

All contractors are hereby notified that they must have proper licenses under the State Laws governing their respective trades at the time of submittal bids.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of the City of Charlotte, negotiable U.S. Government bonds (at par value), or satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety, in an amount equal to five percent of the Bid shall be submitted with each bid for the General Construction Work Bid bond shall be retained if successful bidder fails to execute the contract within ten (10) days after award. No bid security will be required with bids for Electrical Work.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the contract documents must be paid on this project, and that the contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

Bids may be held by the City of Charlotte for a period not to exceed Sixty (60) days from the date of the opening of Bids for the purpose of reviewing the Bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders, prior to awarding the Contract.

The City of Charlotte reserves the right to reject any or all Bids and to waive any informalities in the bidding. A pre-bid conference will be held on March 15, 1985 at 9:00 a.m. at the Methodist Home Park Center for the purpose of discussion of questions pertaining to the project. Bidders, prospective bidders, and other interested parties are encouraged to attend. An addendum will be issued subsequent to this meeting for clarification or revision of bid documents as required.

CITY OF CHARLOTTE
O. WENDELL WHITE
CITY MANAGER