

CHURCH

Sharing Good News

By DOROTHY FILLINGAME

The good news from the Word of God for this week comes from Matthew 4:11 and James 4:7.

After Jesus was baptized in Jordan and the anointing of the Holy Ghost came upon Him, He went into the wilderness to fast and pray.

We know from God's Word how Satan came to tempt the Son of God. He wanted Jesus to sin and bow down to him. Jesus Christ did not rail out at the devil; nor did He run from Satan. But He gave Satan the Word and answered each temptation with, "It is written."

The Lord has given us the strength we need to stand firm before Satan, too, through the power of the anointing of the Holy Ghost on our lives.

He has given us the power of His Word, the sword of truth, to use against the enemy during every battle.

The Word tells us to resist the devil and he would flee from us. Jesus taught us how to resist the enemy. Jesus Christ was victorious over the wiles of Satan in the wilderness because He resisted the enemy with the authority of the Word of God.

Jesus used the Word to combat temptations all during His ministry here on earth. The Pharisees tried to entangle Him in his teachings and also sent a lawyer to question Him; trying to tempt Him, Jesus answered them with the Word. On one occasion He told the Sadducers, "Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God."

We, as Christians, must learn the Word of God, that powerful weapon, and learn to use it effectively.

Are we losing battles because we lack the anointing of the Holy Ghost and the knowledge of His Holy Word?

We must have the weapons, if we expect to win the battles.

Don't Lose Your Influence

By REBA MITCHELL

Along the path way of life, all we do has an influence on someone, they are watching you and me.

Don't fret and worry when things go wrong. Your actions show what you are in times of trial. Acts 16: 25-34. Only God's peace can keep you. Col. 3:15.

No matter when or what the situation, stand for the right and you will be strengthened. Anyone can go with the crowd, each time you fail to stand, you'll find it harder to rise and stand like a man Rom. 5:2, 1 Cor. 16:13, Eph. 6:13, Col. 4:12.

Take the cup of salvation Ps. 116:13, and let the joy of God's love shine in you . Rom. 14:17, 15:13.

Lift your eyes unto the Hills, look up. Ps. 121. Open wide your heart to receive what God has for you. Share your blessing to help strengthen others. Lk. 22:32. Everytime you share you are blessed. Act. 20:35.

You are what your master has made you, as you yielded yourself to Him. The good in you came from God. Jas. 1:17. Overcome the temptation of life for thy fellowman as well as thy self. Ro. 12:21. Use every opportunity to reveal the goodness of God, Gal. 1:16. Reaching out with arms of love to show the pressed that God really cares. II P. 3:9.

Incline your ears to the words of others. Never point a finger but lend a hand to lift them up where they can see the pure sunshine.

Friendships are formed when we show ourselves to be friendly. Love is an ingredient placed in man by God. It shows at all times. United with God this great love will touch a heart, and yearn to help him.

Encourage the weak and lift them up to prayer and deeds. Never turn a deaf ear to their needs. Cheery smiles will brighten the way.

Every eye around is watching you. Your life is an influence to someone. The influence will never die. How will your life affect others?

Hopefully there will be more articles soon of "Bible on Trial."

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Mrs. Barbara Shackelford

Mother - Daughter Banquet

Macedonia F. W. B. Ladies Auxiliary held its annual Mother-Daughter Banquet on May 1st in the Fellowship Hall of the church. There were approximately 100 ladies in attendance. Doris Shackelford, president, welcomed members and guests after which each one present was introduced. The theme of the banquet was "Daisies Do Tell". Several poems and skits were given honoring mothers and

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News



Johnathan Allen Lewis at 2½ weeks old

Birth Announcements

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Lewis of Rt. 3, Box 280, Vanceboro would like to announce that they are the proud parents of another baby boy, Johnathan Allen Lewis, born on April 2, 1984, weight - 6 lb, 14 oz. Mrs. Lewis is the former Glenda Faye Anderson employed at Children and Youth Services at Craven County Health Department.

We would like to thank each and every one for flowers and presents that have been sent for this special occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory William Jamieson of Vanceboro announce the birth of a daughter, Erin Marie, at Craven County Hospital, May 1, 1984. Mrs. Jamieson is the former Terri Nicely of Goldsboro.

Obituary

RALEIGH MURPHY

VANCEBORO — Deacon Raleigh Murphy of the Piney Grove and Eppsworth communities, Vanceboro R-2, died Saturday at Craven County Hospital. Funeral will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at Piney Grove Free Will Baptist Church with Elder E.L. Garner officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

He is survived by his widow, Emma Moore Murphy of the home; his daughter, Yvonne Murphy, a mis-

tionary in Liberia, West Africa; his brother, Roosevelt Murphy of Ayden R-2; three sisters, Minnie M. Barrett and Makeva M. King, both of Greenville, and Rosa Lee Deeds of Oakland, Calif.

He was a member of Piney Grove Free Will Baptist Church, the Deacon Board Piney Grove male chorus, gospel chorus, senior choir, senior citizen choir and a member of the Vanceboro Odd Fellows Lodge.

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