



MT. AIRY NEWS by Violet Locklear

On Sunday morning our church welcomed a lot of visitors. Among some were Mr. and Mrs. Kynis Maynor of Michigan who has been down visiting with family and friends for two weeks. Included were Rev. Glassie Locklear, also Rev. Grady Hunt who brought the morning message taken from Acts, 16:27-30. Subject: "What Must I Do To Be Saved." "For by grace are ye saved through faith."

So sinner friend, all you have to do is take that step to faith. John 3:16 is all you need to believe. After seeing Rev. Hunt in I.C.U. at Southeastern General Hospital this past August and seeing his condition, my heart pondered as to whether or not I would get to hear him preach and sing again. Like I had in the past. After hearing such an inspiring message Sunday I knew God had more work for him to do. We all know there is nothing impossible with God. He can do everything but fail.

The Brotherhood did the special singing Sunday, coming out with some new songs that were really thrilling, with some new voices who recently joined them.

Our Sunday School lesson Sunday was taught by Mrs. Lailure Locklear (our assistant) entitled "God's Steadfast Love." How is it possible to define God's love? When the Word of God speaks of His love, it does not mean the shallow sentiment that Hollywood talks about that is rooted in self gratification and present experience. The Love of God is eternal. Not changeable. Forgiving and Healing. Cleansing to the depths of the emotions and the soul. It turns the negative of today's hurting world into the positive of joy and peace. In 1st Corinthians, Chapter 13, we have a beautiful description of God's Love.

Revival. Beginning this Sunday, Nov. 13-20. Rev. Tommy Hayes of Eure, N.C. will be speaking Monday through Friday. We want to see revival. But God gives it only when we seek for it. Hopefully it will be like our last one.

Sunday School night as usual is Monday night. The pastor wants all classes along with their teachers to sit together that night. So come

everyone and be with us. The pastor will be speaking at New Bethel in Clinton, N.C. this Friday night. He wants all who would love to go to be at the church at 6 p.m.

He has been engaged in Revival this week at Green Pine. Rev. Bobby Dean Locklear is their pastor. We look forward to the Blood Drive which will be held at the Fellowship Hall on Dec. 3 from 10-3. A lot of our ladies will be joining to help out in this event. As a personal note, I know this is a good project because I needed blood myself, and also my son, in order to save our lives in the 50's.

Sick List

We have in the hospital, Mrs. Ernestine Locklear, Mr. Reginald Strickland, and many more in our community that need your prayers and visitation. I, myself stay under the doctor's care. But I have a lot to thank God for because I am not confined.

Deepest Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family of Rev. and Mrs. Charles Maynor and their oldest daughter, Mrs. Edith Taylor & husband and family of Norfolk, Va. They suffered the loss of their only son, Charles Lovell Taylor in a car accident last week.

The Bible says in Psalms 126:5 that they that sow in tears shall reap in joys. Sometimes things happen in our lives that hurt so much only tears can bring us relief. There will be no tears in Heaven. Tears are for down here. Though we don't always understand such things, I believe God allows them to happen. And we can trust Him always to use them in a manner which brings glory to the name of Jesus.

I understand the grandfather, 75 years old, has already gotten saved. What a joy to know that even the time of their grief the Lord was able to claim an eternal soul. Could it be possible that every tear we shed here on earth, a flower of joy will burst into bloom in heaven? According to the young Taylor's testimony they can all meet him again up in Heaven. You know that will be a wonderful time when we all will be united again with our loved ones. Especially the ones we know that their leaving was not in vain.

Reflections

by Alta Nye Oxendine

FINAL FAREWELL

Fall break! Just a year since Wanda Kay and I -- along with many many others--attended a beautiful service at Galilee Baptist Church--our final farewell to a friend we had come to love--Mrs. Lois Carter.

HER STORY

When I met her, in July of 1980, "Miss Lois" eagerly shared with me--as with every new person she met--her new-found faith in God. She and I soon developed a very special Christian friendship. Then, during her last year here with loved ones and friends, she described the experience which started her on the journey of faith with her beloved Lord and Savior. It began in June of 1980 with surgeons at Southeastern General Hospital removing half of her stomach due to cancer.

As she told the story to me, I wrote it down in her own words: "A lot of people in the churches were praying. A lot of nurses were praying. The girl in the next bed was praying."

"After the operation one of the doctors walked into my room. He said: 'I've done all I can. If you leave this hospital, it will be a miracle!'"

"I felt like the world had fallen in on me! I looked out the window, I got to thinking, I could keep the same road I was going. Or I could change."

"Prayer came to my mind. I thought of the thief on the cross. Jesus didn't say tomorrow or next week. He said: 'Today thou will be with me in Paradise.'"

"Then I started to pray. I didn't know how. But the words just came to me--clear. I asked God to forgive me. 'I just said: 'Lord, save me! I'm a sinner! I said it out loud. And it felt like the heaviest load in the world was lifted off from me."

"God was right there. I just went out in the spirit. They tell me I shouted all over that bed. 'I had three bags, a needle in each arm, and a catheter. But not a one of them was misplaced."

"When I came to, I was still praising the Lord."

"A nurse came over and put her arms around me and said: 'He'll never leave you, honey. He'll never leave you.'"

Those of us who knew "Miss Lois" know that He never left her!

In spite of her doctor's prediction that she would not survive her operation, she went back home to live with her family for over two years! About a year before her death, "Miss Lois" told me: "Sometimes when I'm down in the valley--feeling low--having pain--it gives me time to think."

"I thank the Lord for pain, because if it hadn't a-been for my pain, I would never a-gotten saved."

Over and over she told me--as well as her many other visitors--that, in spite of her pain, those last two years were the happiest years of her life. During those two years, she had the Lord with her day and night.

"The only thing I regret," she said sadly, "is that I didn't start serving God when I was younger."

She was thrilled to know that I planned, someday, to share her testimony with the many readers of the Carolina Indian Voice.

Except for her final weeks of tortuous pain, I never saw "Miss Lois" when she did not present her personal story of Christian experience to everyone she met--at her home, her church, the hospitals where she was treated for cancer--wherever she happened to be!

Church News

News from St. Pauls Holiness Church

Pastor is Rev. Norman Caulder.

We praise the Lord for the great service we had Sunday. Jesus really blessed us. The Holy Ghost fell when we went for the altar prayer. Rev. Caulder didn't get to take a text but he preached a wonderful sermon around the altar on getting your eyes off other people. We praise God for the 11 precious young people that came to the altar seeking Christ as their personal Savior. Thank God for the one that accepted Him. Continue praying for the others that their tears won't be wasted. Jesus is still in the saving business.

Rev. Kenny Bryant was our guest speaker Friday night. He preached a wonderful sermon from Ezra 4:21-24 naming his topic, "Don't let Satan hinder you." Rev. Johnny Chavis will be preaching for us Friday night. We invite you to come and worship with us.

The singers attended the Singing at Riverside Independent Baptist, Sunday night. We praise the Lord for

that service. Our regular Ladies Auxiliary will be held Saturday at 6 p.m. We encourage all members to attend.

Some of the singers will be attending the Homecoming next Sunday at Evergreen Holiness Church. Pray for that service.

Rev. Norman Caulder will be preaching in the Revival at Sycamore Hill, Thursday night, November 17. We invite you to that service.

Sunday was our first Sunday for the new year. Five members received their perfect attendance award. Kim Carter, Bro. Norman Caulder, Bro. Brunck Cummings, Bro. Elkins Wilkins and Sis. Sylvia Cummings.

Our Homecoming will be the third Sunday of this month. The Revelators and Pierce Family will be among our guest singers. We invite you and your group to come and participate.

We invite you to come and worship in any or all of our services.

Violet Rose Wilkins

Pentecostal Church of Christ

Pastor is Rev. Larue Barton. Sunday School is every Sunday morning at 9:45. Worship service is at 11 a.m. Pastoral day is the first, third and fourth Sundays. Rev. Jimmy Strickland is every 2nd Sunday.

You have a cordial invitation to come and be with us at any or all of these services. Bible Study is every Wednesday night. Singing is every fifth Sunday evening.

Revival begins tonight at Sister Cara Lee's church, Pentecostal Church of Deliverance at Purvis. The Rev. Larue Barton, Rev. Truman Chavis and Rev. Roger Atkinson will be bringing the message. So come. I'm sure you will get a blessing.

Today was Children's Day at the Pentecostal Church of Christ. The children and teenagers carried out the service. The first song was led by William Locklear, a thirteen year old. The song was entitled "I'm Free Again."

The second song was led by Revia Locklear, a sixteen year old. The song was entitled "Just a Little Talk with Jesus." The scripture was led by acting superintendent Paul Haywood. He read from St. Luke, 18th chapter, verses 10-17. In this scripture it reads that God does not look at the proud but he honors the humble. In the 16th verse He said, suffer little children to come unto me. And forbid them not for such is the Kingdom of God.

Then Perry Brayboy led the next song entitled "We'll Soon Be Done With Troubles and Trials." He is 14 years old. The acting secretaries were Melissa Locklear and Revia Locklear, two 16 year old young ladies at our church. And Melissa Locklear gave the secretary's report.

The church was then led in a congregational song by sister Frances Jones entitled "Fill My Way With Love." Then sister Dolly led a song entitled "Send the Light."

Then it was time for the

Hopewell's Youth sponsor Turkey Shoot

Hopewell's Youth will sponsor a Turkey Shoot each Friday night at 7 p.m. until Christmas. The Shoot will be located at Lumbee Texaco Station located at the intersection of Highway 74 & 710, 3 miles south of Pembroke.

children's program. First was Jimmy Strickland, 5 years of age, who had the welcoming speech, "Welcome." Second, Kelvin Ray Strickland, 9 years of age, played "Fight a Good Fight" on the piano. The young people sang a song, "God's Wonderful People."

Following is a list of names and their poems: Delance Rogers, "Summit"; Rachel Barton, "Hello"; Elizabeth Barton, "God's Flower"; Kelvin Strickland, "Love"; Mary Barton, "God Planned It All"; Chris Haywood, "My Bible and I"; Terry Brayboy, "I'm Glad"; Inez, "Family"; Paul Haywood, "Like Jesus"; Gerry Brayboy, "Our Bible"; Larue Barton, Jr., "God is With Me"; Jermie Locklear, "A Good Feeling"; Revia Locklear, "Something for Jesus"; Perry Brayboy, "Like Us"; Melissa Locklear, "Father, We Thank Thee"; and William Locklear.

Then the small children came forth and sang "Jesus Loves Me," "I'm Going to Run to See My Jesus." The young people then returned and sang "Greater Is He That Is In Me." The young adult class gave their teacher, Bro. Jimmy Strickland a plaque for being such a wonderful teacher.

The pastor then came and read from Ephesians, 6th chapter, verses 1 through 4. This is the first commandment with promise, that our children's life would be longer upon this earth if they obey their parents. Then our pastor's wife came and gave our last selection entitled "Nothing But The Blood."

Then Rev. Jimmy Strickland came and pulled names for Father of the Year and Mother of the Year. The Father was Bro. Gribby Locklear. The Mother was the preacher's wife, Dolly Barton. Bro. Clyde Brayboy was saved one year ago today.

written by Melissa Locklear, Dolly Barton, Revia Locklear

Holiness Methodist Conference convenes

The Lumber River Conference of the Holiness Methodist Church will convene Nov. 11, 12 & 13, 1983 at New Bethel Holiness Methodist Church, located on the old Rowland-Fairmont Road. Worship Service will begin at 9:30 each morning with business sessions following. Special worship or programs will be presented each afternoon. James H. Woods will be the Presiding Bishop.

NATION'S FORD CHURCH OF GOD

by Rose Brooks

Remember you are welcome to come to Nation's Ford Church of God in Charlotte. We have a wonderful pastor, Tom Tatum. We also have some wonderful speakers, Mr. and Mrs. Karen and Jim McGirt, Mr. and Mrs. Diana and Lou Damsa and a lot more. We really do have a wonderful time. It really is good to know that God is in so many young people. But not enough.

I know so many who are lost in sin. My sisters and my children and a lot of friends. Please pray for all those who are lost. Please pray for my father. I wish so much he would turn to Christ.

Please pray for Mr. Hank Calderone and Mr. and Mrs.

R.L. Estes, Mrs. Willie M. LeMaster, Mr. and Mrs. Parker Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ezell who is in and those in the hospital, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Strickland, all of Charlotte.

Don't forget to pray for my close friend Brantly Oxendine of Tillery. It feels like he will never make it to Troy so that I can visit him. Also remember my Aunt Catherine Cummings and Uncle Relford Cummings of Pembroke.

You are always welcome to come over to Kings Drug on Fairview. He has a lot of sales and some good food. He also has one on Eastway. The owner is Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Oxendine. They are nice people to work for. He also has a nice family.

We have a food barrel at our church. If you would like to give, it will all go to a needy family on November 17th. If you have any can goods you would like to give, just contact me. My phone number is 375-8137 or 364-1334 or you can take it to the church.

I really did enjoy myself the last two weekends with my mother in Pembroke. I visited with her at Ever/Green Church Sunday and it made me feel like I was at home. She was my Sunday School teacher and like always, I really do enjoy hearing her.

Please continue to pray for my daughter, Lisa. She was out of school Friday. Thursday night she had a lot of pain in her right foot and knee. She was crying and we prayed for her. Last night she behaved as if nothing was wrong. Praised God. He is so wonderful. Like He said. He can do anything.

Please pray for us all at Nations Ford Church of God.

NEWS FROM EVER GREEN CHURCH

by Mrs. Leacie Brooks

Sunday's lesson was taken from Matthew 12:1-15. The theme was "Teaching of Christ." The subject was "The Authority of Christ." Most people heard of how Christ walked through the corn field with his disciples. They were hungry and began to pluck the ears of corn to eat. This act was in violation to the Jewish laws. When the Pharisees saw what had taken place, they considered pulling of the wheat or barley and the rubbing of the husks together to be an act of harvesting. It is so easy for people who are not living right to try to find fault in others. In our lesson a man had a withered hand. The question was asked: Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath day? These Pharisees tried to trap Jesus. He wanted to know from them if they had one sheep and it fell in apit on the Sabbath would they not take it out.

Dear readers, do we use the same scales to measure another person's actions as

we do for our own actions? God has given Christ authority over all things, even the Sabbath.

Sister Macie's class had the program Sunday. They did great singing.

Little Emily Evans paid her birthday offering to the church.

Rev. Joseph Locklear preached a wonderful sermon taken from II Kings:2 using for a subjects "Ask God For What We Want." Our souls were blessed. My brother-in-law, Billie, received sanctification. What a great day.

Don't forget our home coming day Sunday, Nov. 13. Come worship with us. We're expecting a great time in the Lord.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Do today the things needful. Tomorrow is a day you may never see. Serve God today like it is your last day on earth. Jesus may come today. The Bible says be ye also ready for you know not when the coming of the Lord will be.

Please pray for us at Ever Green.

In Loving Memory



Danny Locklear

"DADDY"

Well, Daddy it has been a year Since the Lord took you away. We all miss your precious face And your tender voice. Daddy, I wish you were here But God knows best. Daddy I pray to God that I'll meet you one day. Our Father knows what's best for us. So why should we complain. We always want the sunshine, But He knows there must be rain. We love the sound of laughter, And the meriment of cheer But our hearts would lose their tenderness, If we never shed a tear. Daddy, We Love You.

Signed by Gladys Locklear & Children

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The youth of New Hope Baptist Church, Bolton, NC are sponsoring a Gospel Sing on Thursday, November 17, 1983 at 7:30 p.m. featuring HEAVEN BOUND of Kingston, NC. Admission is free and everyone is welcome.