

Christian Believers

By DONALD LOVE

We speak of christianity knowing that it is a religion. Those of us believing in christian religion, will not accept any other. Many of us do not have any knowledge of other religions. Any other religion mentioned means nothing to most of us. This is also true with people who believes in other religions.

Other religions were found in other countries rather than here in America. Therefore, we here could not, would not and did not accept any of the others. Now that other religions are here with us and so many of the American people are beginning to accept other religions.

I wonder that many of you parents question your own children about the christian religion because that is the only one you know anything about. I wonder, how much is known about that you suppose to know so much about? This would be a very good test for many of you as to how much do you really know.

What has and yet hurting the christian religions are those of us professing to be christians but have failed to live there-by. Our salesmanship proved that we are too far of course, trying things said by many of us.

The christian religion is a missionary religions and so are the others. It has been said that the christian religion was in second place and slipping. All sings point in the direction that the christian religion is not as popular as we might think.

We here in America depends on logic rather than the truth. As long as something sounds good, we feel that is the answer. We cannot and will not listen to the truth but will turn the ear to anything that sounds logical.

I was talking with a young man a few days ago, I gathered from him as we talked, how he was braking away from christian principles and leaning strongly to some other beliefs. In his case, logic was sold him rather than the truth and he was accepting it and trying to defend it. He is young in it now but he will grow then teach others as he is being taught. This is the missionary part being played and executed by these said believers. When we find out about what is going on, we will classify it as an evil but they will call it progress is being made.

Those of us who call ourselves christians, first of all, learn the meaning of the word christian itself then work from there. How can anyone be a christian when they do not know the meaning of the word. How can a preacher preach when he fails to preach christianity, he fails to teach it then fail to live it which is more important than any of the others. How can a deacon to the will of God when he knows nothing about the doings of God.

When Christ was here in the flesh, He picked twelve men to be scholars of His. He first called them Disciples, later He called them Apostles. Christ did the work, they looked on. All they had to do, follow Christ, observe what and how He did things. He permitted them to go out under His authority, giving them power to do things He had done. They did them only by means of the power He gave them.

Walking with Christ day after day, healing the sick, giving sight to the blind and what have you, there was a phase of doubt, there was a ray of mistrust they had. Christ was killed, arose from the dead then returned to His Father and on the DAY OF PENTECOST, when He sent His promise to them; THE HOLY GHOST.

Now they are believing, they are bold enough to go out, preached Christ was with us, you rejected Him and further more, you killed Him. Not only were they bold enough to tell them to their faces, they were willing to die and did.

These apostles were followers of Christ, they believed in His cause and later were called

christians. Would we be too far wrong if we should say, christianity or christians came from the word Christ? We could also say, if it had not been for the coming of Christ, we would not have christians. In a simple way, to be a christian, all that is required, be just like Christ.

Thomas, one of the apostles, who believed not until he could see and feel marks he knew were on the person of Christ. Christ appeared to him, right away he confessed he believed. Christ lost no time letting him know. It took this kind of proof before he would believe. What about those coming after you who did or would not have the privilege you have had, but yet they believe?

There are many we could mention who actually filled this bill. St. Paul, who confessed he knew his Redeemer liveth. There are personal friends I know can make the same claim.

Our faith in Christ should be strong. One could almost feel the presence of God as you are looked upon. The apostles were so engulfed in Christ; by means of the Holy Spirit, when they walked down roads, those who had physical defects, only wished the shadow of the apostles would pass over them, they would be healed, they were.

Union Jr. Boy's Class Conducts March Services

The March Assembly Worship Services are being conducted by the Junior Boys' Class of Union Baptist Sunday School, under the direction of Mesdames Margaret Weathers and Dora J. Miller.

Our March 5th service was centered around the general topic: The Foundation of the Church: Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation, he that believeth shall not make haste. Isaiah 28:6 (KJV).

MUSIC: Softly and Tenderly; The Old Rugged Cross
Reading of Baptist Covenant: Congregation
Solo: Major Edwards-At The Cross
Organist: Miss Ava Darlene Best

Program Chairman: George B. Russ
Directors: S. S. Messers Charles and James Cameron

Last Rites Held For Miss Rachel Smith, 84 of SC

Miss Rachel Smith, resident of Dillon, South Carolina, expired Thursday, February 24, at St. Eugene Hospital. An elderly aunt of Herbert Crawford, she was 84 years of age.

Services were held at St. Stephens Church with interment at St. Mary's Cemetery. Miss Smith had taught Sunday School for many years, and was a member of the adult choir for many years.

Earaches or ear infections never should be taken lightly, according to the Beltone Crusade for Hearing Conservation. Crusade officials stress that such maladies should be called to the immediate attention of the family doctor or a medical ear specialist.

Children suffering from hearing losses often are unusually tense and tired following normal activities, according to the Beltone Crusade for Hearing Conservation. Crusade officials point out that such children may be having to exert an extra effort to hear enough to know what is happening around them.

Canter is short for "Canterbury," and derives from Chaucer's description of the easy gait of the horses ridden by the Canterbury pilgrims.

CHURCH NEWS

Durham Ushers Union Advisory Board Holds Meeting Sunday

The Advisory Board of the Durham Ushers Union met Sunday, March 6, at 4:00 p.m. at the home of David Young, 1105 Carroll St.

The devotional period was conducted by James Goss. Scripture was read by Mrs. Elizabeth Young. Prayer was led by Thomas Strudwick.

The business session was presided over by the chairman, W. M. Grandy. Mr. Grandy asked each member to make a special effort to unite our hearts for more work for the up building of God's Kingdom, to love all ushers and mankind. Mr. Strudwick stated that our annual picnic will be held at Butner Lake the 3rd Saturday in June at 4:00 p.m.

The annual C. B. Noel Award Day will be held at the Mount Zion Baptist Church, Cheek Rd., Sunday, March 19, 1972 at 3:00 p.m. Guest speaker will be the Rev. A. H. Parker. Music will be by the Mount Zion Male Choir and the Mt. Zion Gospel Choir.

On the eve of this annual Award Day we, the advisory Board hold our heads high in honor of a deceased member who dedicated his life to ushering and to help the juniors to work onward to a higher goal in life, Mr. Charlie B. Noell. Mrs. Mary VanHook said thanks to the Advisory Board and the Durham Ushers Union for accepting her plea for Miss Lucy Page, a student from Africa. We, the members of the East Cedar Grove Women Federation will forever be grate-

ful for your acts of kindness at times like this.

The president, Clyde Monroe, Jr. said keep on working and remember that the annual session will be held at Franklin, April 9, 1972.

Mrs. Hattie William served cakes and ice cream to the following members: Mesdames Mary VanHook, Ruby Wilson, Mattie Canty, Marie Baily, Belvin Mitchell, Elizabeth Young David Young, W. M. Grandy, Lee Brown, Lewis Erving, John Plummer, Thomas Strudwick, Lonnie Frazier, James Goss.

A closing prayer was led by John Plummer.

Greater St. Paul Club Notes 19th Anniversary

The Pastor's Aid Society of the Greater St. Paul Baptist Church celebrated their 19th Anniversary on the 4th Sunday of February with the guest speaker Rev. Z.D. Harris of Oakgrove Freewill Baptist Church. The Pastor's Aid originated under the late Rev. Pepper, and it also has been a great aid to our present Pastor Dr. W. T. Biglow, spiritually, mentally and financially. The Pastor's Aid society was able to raise \$456, which will be used for projects as the Pastor deems necessary and worthwhile.

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day morning. Following will be the roll call, Organization, Financial reports will be submitted, and announcements given.

The afternoon session is scheduled for 2:30 with devotions led by Reverends T. M. Brown, and E. E. Worthy. Inspirational Music will be led by Mrs. Kathlene Hemby.

Rev. P. R. Cousin will discuss "Stewardship in the A.M.E. Church"; Rev. N. Gaylord, "Music in the A.M.E. Church"; Dr. M. M. Atkinson, "What Should the church do to bring more young people into the church."

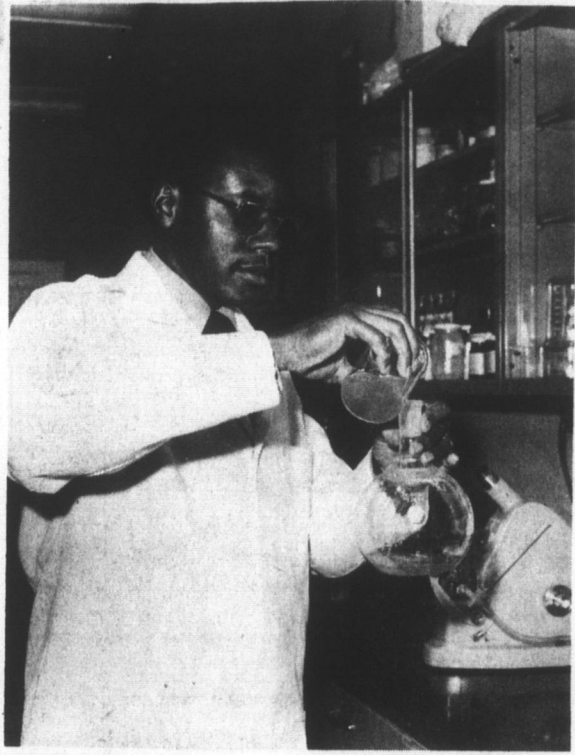
Beginning at 7 o'clock, the Host Church will give its welcome program. Rev. D. L. Morrison, pastor of the St. Matthews Church, Raleigh, will respond to the welcome expressions. Emmanuel A.M.E. Church choir will render music. Evening service commences at 8 o'clock with devotions led by the Reverends P. R. Cousins, N. Gaylord, T. M. Brown and J. N. Sheares. Rev.

Clyde Long will deliver the Annual Sermon, and his church choirs, Hunters Chapel and White Rock of the Cheek's Circuit will render music.

Friday's first session will begin at 9:30 with devotions led by the Reverends D. H. Ford, S. A. Beard, and E. E. Worthy. Minutes of the first day's session will follow.

Rev. Clyde Long will give a report on "The Spiritual Conditions of the Church"; Rev. J. N. Sheares, "The Condition of the Public Schools"; Rev. D. H. Ford, "The Requirements of the Sabbath School"; Dr. L. G. Horton, President of Kittrell College will give a report on "The Progress of Kittrell College."

Noon day meditation will be given by the Rev. Cleveland Hicks. The final session for the conference begins at 3 o'clock. In charge of devotions will be the Reverends A. M. Hall, L. B. Hemby, and E. W. Wilson. Rev. I. J. Irving, pastor of the Lincolnville Circuit, will bring the closing sermon followed by resolutions, the financial report, announcements and the benediction.



RESEARCH ASSISTANT—(Atlanta, Georgia) — Robert L. Brown has been named senior technical research assistant in the Corporate Research Department of The Coca-Cola Co., according to an announcement by Dr. George L. K. Hunter, head of the Flavor Section, Corporate Research Department.

In his new position, Mr. Brown is responsible for assisting the Company's food technologists in product research. A native of Social Circle, Georgia, he attended Savannah State College where he received degree in chemistry Mr. Brown is an Army veteran who joined the Company in 1968 before going into the military.

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Changing Times

by M. E. FULTON
Our world is accelerating. Some people are keeping up, some are dragging and some are way ahead. In this fast moving world with all its modernization, observation will prove that absent-mindedness is also accelerating. WHOOSH!! Super-sonic speed. (Some of my friends and I are living witnesses).

Would you believe that in February, 1972, someone would go into a post office and ask the clerk for ten cents air mail stamps. All very business-like and sincere: "May I have eight ten cent stamps, please." The clerk says, "Ah, yeah, but are you sure that you want ten cent stamps? Would you like air mail stamps?" Again, he gives the customer an odd

look. (Like, Dumb, Dumb) The customer takes her little eight eleven cents stamps and glides out. You feel embarrassed for her, only to realize that while you were minding somebody else's business, you have slapped your stamp on the wrong side of the wrong envelope. SHAME!

When you get home, a friend calls and it goes like this: "I don't know what's wrong with me, I have thrown my last stick of margerine into the hot dish water and put the dish cloth into the refrigerator."

By now, the feeling of insecurity grabs you and you think it would be a great time to pray. Instead, you do the only thing you can at the mo-

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Sunday, March 12, 1972

9:30 A.M. CHURCH SCHOOL
10:55 A.M. WORSHIP
SERMON The Pastor
"Toward Beginning Again!"
(Luke 15, 17, 18, 22, 24)
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