

OLD FORT NEWS

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Personals
Mrs. G. R. Lewis of Columbia, S. C., is spending several weeks with her sister, Misses Frances and Lula Hicks. Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jones of Marion spent last Sunday with Mrs. Jones' aunt, Mrs. C. Laughridge.
Mr. and Mrs. Norman Eugene Bradley and Mrs. Morgan Bradley spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Office Fleming at Arden.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. John at Marion hospital Jan. 1, a daughter, Hope Elaine.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Don- ousher at Marion hospital Dec. 31, a daughter, Don- Jean.

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ing for Texas and New Mex- ico for a ten day vacation.
Mrs. J. A. Moody is ill at her home with the flu.
Mrs. Lenoir Miller is ill at her home with the flu.
Mrs. Gibburn Swann spent last Sunday in Salisbury with her husband who is in V. A. hospital. He is improving.
Mrs. Mintie Tisdale (aunt Mintie), who has been ill at her home for several months, is improving.
Mrs. Mae Porter spent last week end at her home at Kelley, N. C.
Mrs. Geneva Tisdale and Mrs. Nora Setzer accompanied Mrs. Porter to the eastern part of the State. Mrs. Setzer spent the week end with her daughter, Mrs. William McArthur at Chabourne.
Mrs. Tisdale spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Nell McKeithan at Whitesville.
Mrs. S. E. Tison entered Memorial Mission hospital in Asheville last week. She is seriously ill.
The ladies of Old Fort Methodist and Bethel churches gave Mrs. Donald L. Ellis a stork shower last Friday night in the fellowship hall; 35 ladies were present. Mrs. Kermit H. Silver and Mrs. John T. Martin had charge of games. Mrs. Ellis got many beautiful and useful gifts. Mrs. Max J. Hunt and Mrs. Charles H. Stirewalt were in charge of the refreshments. The center piece for the table carried out the color scheme of pink and blue.
The ladies of Ebenezer Methodist church gave Mrs. Jean Hicks a stork shower last Saturday evening in the fellowship hall. A large crowd attended even though it was raining. Mrs. Hicks received many beautiful and useful gifts and delicious refreshments were served.

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by
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THE CONTINUED GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT of this area is reflected in many ways. Being in the telephone business it is only natural that my first yardstick in measuring growth in any section is by the number of telephones gained during the year. At the beginning of 1962 we had a total of 3,817 telephones in the Black Mountain - Swannanoa areas. By the end of 1962 the total had exceeded 4,000. While this may not appear to be of great significance, it becomes more meaningful when we realize that this is about twice the number of telephones in this same area in 1956.

AN EXCELLENT TOOL FOR THE MEASUREMENT OF GROWTH and expansion is the construction of new homes and commercial buildings. According to the article in last week's paper, the Black Mountain office of Asheville Federal Savings and Loan Association made 121 loans for home purchases and construction. There were also 54 loans made for home improvement. According to the report, over \$1,000,000 was loaned in the Black Mountain area in 1962. We extend our congratulations to Mr. W. W. Patton, Local Manager, and to all of his personnel for this very fine record.

SOMETHING NEW HAS BEEN ADDED to the familiar fleet of green trucks and vans driven by your telephone company installer-repairman. The new compact van is a complete service shop on wheels, an important part of the fast, efficient service that's always available when you need it.

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LAKEWOOD BAPTIST

Rev. Thomas R. Gant, pastor
Sunday school, 10 a.m.
Evening worship, 7 p.m.
Wednesday prayer service, 7:30 p.m.
Byrd Road off Cragmont road.

Friendship Presbyterian

Montreat Road
Rev. Joseph H. Armfield, Jr.
Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.;
worship service, 11 a.m.; young
people, 7 p.m.; prayer ser-
vice, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

Homer's Chapel

Free Will Baptist Church
Rev. Johnson White, Minister
Sunday school, 10:00 a.m.;
morning worship, 11:00 a.m.;
young people's league, 6 p.m.;
evening worship, 7:30; Wednes-
day prayer service, 7:30 p.m.

CHRISTMOUNT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

One mile South of Black Mountain at Christmount Assembly grounds. Bible study hour at 9:45 followed by communion service each Sunday.

MONTREAT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Worship, 11:00 a.m.
Prayer meetings, 4:00 p.m. at the Inn and 7:15 p.m. in Gaither Chapel.

VANCE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Franklin Justus, Pastor.
Sunday school at 10:00 a.m.
Morning worship, 11 a.m.
Evening worship, 7:30 p.m.
Prayer service Wednesday at 7:30.

BLACK MOUNTAIN TABERNACLE METHODIST CHURCH

Gordon E. Keeler, Pastor.
Sunday school, 10 a.m.
Preaching service, 11 a.m.
MYF, 6:30.
W. S. C. S., third Tuesday

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST

Rev. E. L. Beachboard, pastor
Sunday school, 10 a.m.
Church service, 11 a.m.
Sunday night service, 7:30.
Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7 p.m.

BLACK MOUNTAIN FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Cor. Church and Connally Sts.
Rev. Bruce Nay, pastor.
Walter Harris, superintendent.
Sunday School, 11 a.m.
Praying service 9:45 a.m.
Evening service 7:30 p.m.

KERLEE BAPTIST CHURCH

Ridgecrest Road
Rev. W. R. Moss, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning worship, 11 a.m.
B.T.U., 6:30 p.m.
Evening Worship, 7:30 p.m.
Prayer service Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

BLUE RIDGE FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

Corner of Blue Ridge Road and Herron St. Rev. Roger B. Christiansen, pastor. Phone NO 9-9751. Church school, 10 a.m.; morning worship, 11; evening worship, 7; youth fellowship, 8 p.m.; mid-week service, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

BLACK MOUNTAIN METHODIST CHURCH

Corner State and Church Sts.
JOHN McWHORTER, Minister.
Church School, 9:45 a.m.;
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
Methodist Youth Fellowship 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; Holy Communion each first Sunday, 9:00 a.m. in the chapel.

CHURCH OF GOD

Lakey Street
C. M. Winstead, pastor.
Sunday school, 10 a.m.
Morning worship 11 a.m.
Evening worship, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday evening prayer meeting, 7:30 p.m.
Young People's meeting Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

417 Vance Ave.—NO 9-7126
Rev. Kenneth Donald, Rector
Sunday: 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 9:45 a.m., Church School & Adult Class; 11 a.m., Family Service 7 p.m., Evensong.

WEEKDAY SERVICES:

10 a.m., Prayer Book Feast Days and Holy Days; Holy Communion. Other services as announced.

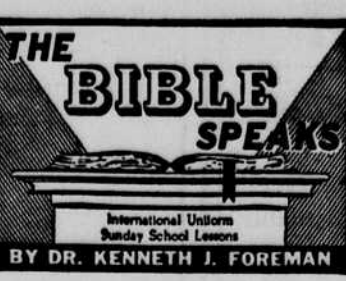
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Montreat Road
A. T. Usher, pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
Training Union, 7:00 p.m.
Evening Worship, 7:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service, 7:45 p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Montreat Rd.—Dial NO 9-5271
Robert W. Gray, Pastor
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.
Worship service, 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday evening 7:30, Prayer meeting.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON and CHURCH DIRECTORY!

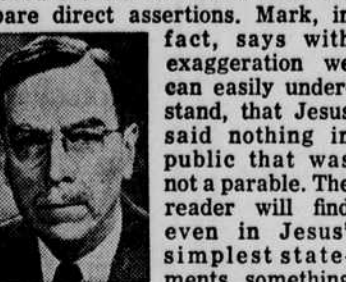


International Union Sunday School Lessons
BY DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

Bible Material: Mark 3:7 through 3:34.
Devotional Reading: John 10:12-13, 25-28.

Truth In Stories

Lesson for January 27, 1963



Dr. Foreman

SOMETIMES Jesus spoke in plain blunt words. At other times He told stories. Of the two forms His teaching took, people have always remembered and loved the stories rather than the bare direct assertions. Mark, in fact, says with exaggeration we can easily understand, that Jesus said nothing in public that was not a parable. The reader will find even in Jesus' simplest statements something of parable and of poetry.

What strikes many a person as odd is not that Jesus told stories as His favorite way of making a point. Many others have used the same method. The odd feature is the reason that Jesus gave, why He used parables so much. Most people would think that putting truth into stories would make it easier to take.

"—at lowly doors"
Now there is some truth in that. There is a patented device for administering medicine, called by the drug company manufacturing it, a "spansule." Everybody has taken capsules; that's a fairly large dose at once. If a patient is allergic to capsules, if a strong medicine makes him sick, or if he has to take several kinds of medicine, then the spansule may be just the thing, for it is filled with various kinds of medicine, and some take much longer to melt than others, so the "spansule" is a neat way of giving medicine half the day or longer, in many doses, but all at once.

Parables are a little like that. The parable is a spansule; it is easily swallowed, and the patient doesn't realize how long it will stick with him. He keeps remembering the parable, and thinking about it, and while it may need some time before the man can absorb the new truth into his sys-

tem, the parable stays there, in his memory, it keeps talking to him, and finally he accepts the truth—indeed it may seem as if he had always known it—which he would have rejected if it had been presented to him (as it were) raw. The poet Tennyson long ago remarked that

"Truth embodied in a tale Shall enter in at lowly doors."

Truth unperceptive Oh, it doesn't always act like that. Some men resist truth no matter how it comes to them. Put the truth bluntly, and they will say NO. Put the truth in a tale, a poem, a parable, and they will say, Nonsense!

But what has all this got to do with Jesus? Simply that He gave an unexpected answer to the question why He used parables; in any one got around to asking Him why. He told stories, He seems to have said, to keep people from understanding what He meant. He "seems to have said," but probably was sarcastic in saying it, that if He did not speak in parables somebody might believe Him! Now we know that Jesus wanted of all things to be taken seriously, to be believed; and we cannot think it like Him to keep people deliberately from knowing the truth that might save them.

And why not? We must recall the conditions under which Jesus taught. There were the immense crowds, always there; and there the few true disciples, and interest others in becoming disciples, and at the same time wear down the curiosity-seeking crowds. The parable would do both. Some would find the stories just silly or childish, and they would lose interest. Some would find those simple tales amazingly fascinating, and would stay around to learn just what Jesus meant.

The question still remains, why do some people listen well, some badly and some not at all? Jesus said it was like a man sowing seed on different kinds of soil. The seed may be always the same; but some sprouts and dies, some never sprouts at all, and some brings forth a great harvest. Truth is a seed, and the harvest can be great . . . or it can be nothing. It depends on the kind of person the listener is. God never makes a person believe. Thought-control is an ambition of dictators and tyrants. God offers truth to all; but only "he that hath an ear" will pay much attention.

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Rev. Ralph Gough, pastor
preaching, 11.
- Chestnut Hill Missionary Baptist Church**
Rev. L. O. Vess, pastor.
Sunday school, 10:00 a.m.
Preaching service 11 a.m.
Evening service, 7:30.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
- Broad River Baptist Ch.**
Rev. Dolph Robinson, pastor
Sunday school, 10 a.m.;
preaching, 11 a.m.; evening
service, 7:30.
- Wilkie Baptist Church**
Ernest W. Craig, pastor.
Sunday school, 10 a.m.
Morning worship, 11 a.m.
Prayer meeting, Wednesday
night at 7:00.
- Catawba Falls Baptist Ch.**
Tull Hollifield, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Church service, 11:00 a.m.
Evening service, 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday prayer service,
7:00 p.m.
- Clear Branch Pentecostal Holiness Church**
Broad River.
Allan Dawson, pastor.
Sunday school, 10 a.m.
Morning worship, 11 a.m.
Lifeline service, 7:30 p.m.
Evening worship, 7:30 p.m.
- OLD FORT Church of God**
Moffitt Hill, Old Fort, N. C.
Rev. Lloyd Camp, pastor.
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Evening service, 7:00 p.m.
- First Baptist Church**
Rev. J. Groce Robinson
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Worship, 11:00 a.m.
B.T.U., 7:00 p.m.
Evening worship, 8 p.m.
- Presbyterian Church**
10:00 a.m. Sunday School.
11:00 a.m. Morning worship.
- Methodist Church**
Sunday school, 10:00 a.m.
Morning worship 11:00 a.m.
M.Y.F., 6:30 p.m.
10 a.m. service, choir practice,
Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., mid-
- Brookside Baptist Church**
Old Fort, N. C.
Clifford Burnett, Pastor
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
7 p.m. Evening Worship; 7
p.m. Wednesday-Prayer Meet-
- Free Will Baptist Church**
Rev. Wilco Melton, pastor.
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning worship, 11 a.m.
Evening worship, 7:30 p.m.
Prayer meeting Thursday,
7:30 p.m.
- OLD FORT CHURCH OF GOD**
Commerce St. Rev. E. H.
Babb, pastor. Sunday school,
10 a.m.; morning worship, 11;
evangelistic service, 7:30 p.m.;
Wednesday prayer, 7:30 p.m.;
young people endeavor,
Saturday, 7:30 p.m.
- ASHEVILLE First Church of Christ, Scientist**
64 N. French Broad Ave.
Asheville, N. C.
Sunday School, 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday service, 8 p.m.
Sunday services, 11:00 a.m.