

Obituary

BURRELL EDMUNDSON PIKEVILLE, N. C.—Burrell Edmundson, 81, the father of Mrs. Atha Tunnell of Hertford, died Wednesday. Mr. Edmundson was a retired farmer and merchant, and lived in Pikeville.

Other survivors are his widow, Mrs. Bessie Lancaster Edmundson; three sons, Jim, Roscoe and Henry Edmundson of Pikeville; four other daughters, Mrs. Molly Kirby and Mrs. LaDell Shackelford of Pikeville, Mrs. Bertha Davis of Fremont, Mrs. Lawlos Bland of Winter Park, Fla., Mrs. Ruth Hokum of Swansboro; sister Mrs. Ellen Lancaster of Pikeville; 18 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Thursday at 2:00 at the Antioch Free Will Baptist Church. Burial was in the family cemetery.

VA. GUEST

Mrs. D.A. Carver of Chesapeake, Va. was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Julian White and Mrs. W.M. Divers on Friday.

WEEK-END AT NAGS HEAD

Mr. and Mrs. S.M. Whedbee spent the week-end at their cottage at Nags Head.

FROM WINDSOR

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Elliott of Windsor were guests of their mothers, Mrs. W.A. Elliott and Mrs. W.M. Divers, on Monday.



E. N. (Pete) Manning

E.N. (Pete) Manning of Edenton was one of 11 persons from North Carolina recently appointed as a member of the Steering Committee of the Baptist Communications Center for the N.C. Baptist State Convention.

Manning will represent the Chowan and West Chowan associations which include the following counties in Northeastern North Carolina: Northampton, Hertford, Bertie, Gates, Chowan, Washington, Tyrrell, Hyde, Perquimans, Pasquotank, Camden, Currituck and Dare.

The task of the Steering Committee is to secure funds for equipping the newly established center with professional radio and television equipment.

Manning, a member of Edenton Baptist Church, is a deacon, member of the Personnel Committee, chairman of the Buildings - Grounds Committee, Sunday School worker, and very active in the radio and tape ministry of the church.

A past president and director of Edenton Chamber of Commerce, he is associated with The Chowan Herald and Colonial Funeral Home of Edenton.

The Sunday School Lesson

CHOSEN TO BLESS OTHERS

(Genesis 12:1-3, 7:17:1-8)

Stewart has rightly observed that "Religion consists not so much in joyous feelings as in constant devotedness to God, and laying ourselves out for the good of others." Our lesson for today deals with God's call to Abraham. That call no doubt consisted of a joyous feeling when properly responded to. But it also consisted of a constant devotedness to God, and a laying out of self for the good of others.

In Genesis 12:1-3 we have the account of God's Call to Abram.

The Call to Abram. Genesis 12:1-3

According to the New Testament (Acts 7:2) God's call came to Abram when he lived in Ur of the Chaldees. This was before he lived in Haran. God must have first spoken to Abram while he lived in Ur and then renewed the call as it is recorded in this passage of Scripture. Abram and his family had left Ur of the Chaldees making their way northward to Haran. This was the usual route to the land of Canaan even though Canaan was due west of Ur. Both Ur and Haran were noted for their moon worship.

We have no way of knowing why Abram's father Terah made the decision to stop and "dwell" in Haran. This may represent a lapse in his faith. It could have been necessary because of ill health or something else. We do know that God called Abram to leave Haran and go to a land of which Abram knew nothing.

Abram must step out in faith. God will show him the land. God will bless him and

make of him a great nation. God will make his name great. But this is not all. Abram is to be a blessing. In Abram all families of the earth shall be blessed.

God's call is always like that. Salvation comes to you - on the way to somebody else. God doesn't bless one person and that's the end of the matter. God's love reaches out to all of the world. He does not love one race more than he loves all or any other race. All families of the earth were to be blessed in Abram.

Our next passage tells how Abram conducted himself in response to God's word to him.

The Conduct of Abram Genesis 12:7

Abram now stands on the soil of Canaan. He has gone out in faith, not knowing where he was going. But God knew the exact spot! When Abram arrived in Canaan the Lord appeared unto him. This suggests that Abram had to take God at his word. There is no evidence that God manifested himself to him on the way. We must often walk in God's way when we cannot feel that God is walking with us. To follow his instructions is enough. When God speaks man can trust him and move out even when he doesn't know where his going will lead him.

God now speaks to Abram and tells him that this is the land. God promises to give "this land" to Abram's posterity. Abram responds by an act of worship. There he built an altar unto the Lord. It is sad today that there are so few altars. Altars of personal and private devotions to God are not as

popular and plentiful as they should be. Family altars have given way to a thousand other less important things. In many churches the altar has lost its significance, if it is there at all. We come now to consider God's covenant with Abram.

The Covenant with Abram Genesis 17:1-8

God again appears to Abram when he is ninety-nine years old. God reveals himself to him as the Almighty God. He is told by God to walk before him and be perfect. The word "perfect" here means mature, whole, complete. Abram must not be satisfied with less than he was capable of being. Perfection is to be his goal. It is to be our goal also.

God made a covenant with Abram. Abram was to be the father of many descendants. His name was changed to Abraham. God would make him fruitful. God's covenant would not stop with Abraham. It would be a perpetual (meaning of the word "everlasting" here) covenant. God again promises the land of Canaan to Abram and his descendants. Perhaps the greatest part of the covenant is the last part of verse 8: "and I will be their God." What more does a nation or an individual need than the assurance that God is his Lord.

BIBLE QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What does Genesis 5:22 mean when it says that Enoch walked with God?

ANSWER

This was not a physical walk but this refers to an intimate fellowship between Enoch and God.

The Little Bible, about the size of four postage stamps, will be sent to you free and postpaid if you will simply request it. Write to The Sunday School Lesson, Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, Kentucky 40977. This is not the complete Bible but it contains verses from God's Word on comfort, assurance, and salvation. We would like for you to have this Little Bible as your constant companion.

Revival Services Set For Hertford Baptist

The Hertford Baptist Church will hold revival services, September 8 thru 13. The services will begin at 7:45 each evening. Dr. John E. Lawrence, pastor of Forest Hills Baptist Church, Raleigh, N. C., will be speaker.

Dr. Lawrence has served in many capacities with the Southern Baptist Convention and is currently a Director on the Home Mission Board. He is also active in the North Carolina State Convention having served on the Executive Committee as Chairman of Order of Business Committee, as a member of the Board of Trustees of Campbell College, Gardner Webb College, Mars Hill College and as President of Baptist State Convention of North Carolina 1969-1971.

Dr. Lawrence is a native of Scotland Neck, N. C. He and his wife, Laura have on son, who is completing his residency at Duke University Hospital.

The church invites the public to attend these services.

Wed In Hertford Baptist Church

Miss Peggy Diane Winslow and Kenneth Rountree Stallings Jr. exchanged nuptial vows recently at Hertford Baptist Church. The Rev. Charles L. Brewer performed the double ring ceremony in a candlelight setting of pink, blue and white daisies. Music was played by Donald Downing, organist and sung by Bobby Jones, soloist.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester T. Winslow of Hertford. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rountree Stallings Sr. of Belvidere.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a full length gown of silk organza with a high, sheer neckline, empire bodice and long, full sleeves. The A-line skirt was accented with lace and extended into a full chapel train. Her shoulder length veil was attached to a Juliet cap and trimmed in matching lace. She carried a prayer book topped with a white orchid.

Miss Joyce Winslow, sister of the bride, was maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were: Mrs. Lorette M. Winslow of Tyner, Mrs. Jennifer B. Byrd and Miss Robin Perry of Elizabeth City and Mrs. Margo P. Owens and Mrs. Deborah E. Owens of Hertford.

Maid of honor wore a flower floored, organza gown over pink taffeta and carried a nosegay of daisies. Bridesmaids wore the same gown in blue.

Miss Sandy Lane was flower girl. Tommy Winslow was ring bearer.

Best man was father of the groom. Ushers were Arden Stallings, brother of the groom, Eddie Winslow of Tyner, Billy Stallings, David Harrell and Vincent Stone of Hertford.

Mrs. Arnold Winslow and Mrs. Horace Overman were mistresses of ceremony.

Mother of the bride wore a floor length, yellow chiffon gown and a lavender orchid. Mother of the groom wore a polyester gown and a yellow orchid.

A reception was held in the church social hall.

The couple plans to make their home in Belvidere.

The bride was entertained at a cook out given by Mrs. Margo Owens and Miss Robin Perry. A miscellaneous shower was given by Mrs. Kay Winslow, Mrs. Ann Gregory, Mrs.

Deloras Phillips, Mrs. Ann Berry, Mrs. Lorette Winslow, Mrs. Phyllis Lane, Mrs. Deborah Owens and Mrs. Jean Riddick.

A tea was given by Mrs. Paul Byrum and Mrs. Jennifer Byrd. A bridesmaids luncheon was held at the home of Mrs. Arnold Winslow with Mrs. Horace Overman as co-hostess.

The rehearsal party was given by the groom's parents.



By MARION SWINDELL

Beauty is where you are. The story is told of the man walking through a Scottish moor, examining flowers and blades of grass through his pocket lens. A shepherd, moved by curiosity, drew near and watched with interest.

"Would you like to view this moss cup through my lens?" the man inquired of the shepherd. He eagerly assented. He looked, his eyes filled with astonishment, and asked: "Can this be a moss cup?" Assured that it was, he looked again at the tiny flower through the lens.

"Sir, I wish you had never shown this to me." "Why?" the man asked in surprise. "Because," was the reply. "I tread on thousands of them every day of my life."

Like the shepherd - so many people fail to see the beauty of life that surrounds us all.

OUR THOUGHT TO REMEMBER: "HAPPINESS CAN NOT BE BOUGHT - IT IS EARNED!"

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Anchors Aweigh!

We'd like to hear more about the Bicentennial Barge Foundation's plan to construct and equip a cultural barge to call at ports throughout Eastern North Carolina, and especially, our section.

We feel certain the Albemarle Area will respond favorably to the concept. The possibility of bringing a variety of arts together, for both young and old, is exciting.

The barge idea, can give its audiences a chance for inter-action with the artists. This could have the effect of inspiring young people to consider the arts as vocations.

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