

Give Witness To Your Beliefs

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TEXT: John 1:23 "I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord.'"
A New York reporter, assigned to the areas of drama and art, was to report on the opening night of the Metropolitan Opera. Knowing the opera and being quite familiar with those playing the leading roles he decided against 'wasting' a whole evening. Instead of going to the opera he retired to his favorite bar and just before the deadline, called in to his paper a glowing description of the performance.

The next morning the editor congratulated him on his brilliant writing. Then he fired the reporter. At the last minute the performance had been cancelled. There hadn't been any opening night!
I often wonder if a lot of people aren't living in that sort of a dream world, facing life not so much as a result of what has happened, but as a result of what they think has happened, the result of pure and simple fantasy.
If there is any doubt, consider this matter of witnessing. In most areas of life, unless we are

completely dishonest, we witness to what we know and believe. In the world of business we believe in the products we produce or sell and we say so! In the world of education we believe in the pursuit of knowledge and we say so! In the world of science we believe in new discoveries, and their benefits, and we say so! In the world of politics we believe in particular principles of government and you can be sure we say so! In any, or in all these areas, wherever we might be involved, beliefs are expressed, declared, witnessed to, usually quite emphatically!
But what about witnessing to the most important factors of life, its beginning, its true value, its future? What is being said, declared, witnessed to, concerning life itself, and the One Who gives it? What are you saying about your life, and about God? Are you giving witness to what you believe about Him?
If we don't speak we are either refusing our calling as Christians, or we don't really believe

what we profess. God's witness is a Son Who came and lived and died and conquered, a Fellowship brought into existence by Him, a Church which is His Body, a people who have encountered Him, who have been redeemed by Him.
It's the reality of a God Who frees life by His presence, Who transforms that life from vessels of evil into vessels of righteousness. It's the reality of a God Who calls all these to "declare the wonderful deeds of Him Who called them out of darkness into His marvelous light."
Do you believe it? Do you believe in Him? Do you believe that He came, that He will come again? If you really do, you will give witness, not only by the way you live, but by what you say. It will be your speaking in clear, forceful, vocal testimony, speaking out against evil and speaking out for the right.
Hughes Warner, writing in "The Presbyterian Record," said this concerning the Christian

witness: "If a person is a socialist or a communist, I will now it in 24 hours; if he is a member of a union or a fraternal group I will know it within a few days; but if he is a member of a Christian church, it may be years before I will ever learn it."
Here again, if there is any doubt as to current situation, and the great, crying need for witness, listen to the editor of "The Tulsa Tribune," Jenki Lloyd Jones. Not long ago he presented a TV program (which was later reprinted) titled "Who's Tampering With the Soul of America?" Concerned the moral fibre of this nation he exposed those problems which confront us all.
Concerning present day movies he said:
"Can anyone deny that movies are dirtier than ever? But they don't call it dirt. They call it 'realism.' Why do we let them fool us? Why do we nod obliviously when they tell us that filth is merely a daring art form, that licentiousness is really social

comment?... Isn't it time we all figure out which way to hang it. And if some beatnik welds together a collection of rusty cogwheels and old corset stays and claims it's a greater sculpture than Michelangelo's 'David,' let's have the courage to say that it looks like junk and probably is. Let's blow the whistle on plays that would bring blushes to an American Legion stag party. Let's not be awed by movie characters with barnyard morals... In short, let's cover up the cesspool and start planting some flowers."
Concerning present day literature:
Compared to some of our modern slush, "Ulysses" reads like the minutes of the Epworth League. "Lady Chatterley's Lover" has been draped with the rattle of art, and is now on sale in the nearest drugstore to your high-school-age son or daughter at 50 cents.
Mr. Jones goes on to make one worthwhile suggestion. Let's have the guts to say that book is dirt if that's what we think of it, or that a painting

may well be a daub if you can't figure out which way to hang it. And if some beatnik welds together a collection of rusty cogwheels and old corset stays and claims it's a greater sculpture than Michelangelo's "David," let's have the courage to say that it looks like junk and probably is. Let's blow the whistle on plays that would bring blushes to an American Legion stag party. Let's not be awed by movie characters with barnyard morals... In short, let's cover up the cesspool and start planting some flowers."
If all this seems remove and far away look at the movie ads in today's paper. See what's available to anyone who has the price of admission and the use of the family car. It is, for the most part, filth!
Or note the vast increase of advertising concerning non-essential businesses which keep their doors open seven days a week. What are we permitting, or aiding, concerning the Lord's Day?
And what does all this have to say concerning the Christian witness? It says that far too long we have failed to speak out for God in everyday life. These are our failures in the face of what He has done for us, what He means to us.
This is not a dream world. It is a world in which God himself is fighting, every day, the evils which have enslaved far too many men, women and children. It's a world into which God came, flesh of our flesh, defeating evil, making possible our transformed freedom, making possible a good and decent world.

Speaking Out

By GEORGE T. MOORE, President Kings Mountain Ministerial Assn.

From all indications our area of the Piedmont is going to have a good year. Industry is busy with increased production and expansion. For the first time in quite a few years labor shortages, rather than work shortages, have become the problem for progressive businesses and industries.
One would be foolish to deplore such economic benefits to individuals and community. I sincerely hope it continues. However, I do have and would like to raise some questions which are worth the asking as we begin this new year of 1965. These questions are prompted when worship, at its appointed, widely accepted hour, is overshadowed by "business-as-usual."
It's quite obvious that we need essential services at all times. It's just as obvious, so I've been told, that certain industries can't afford to shut down operations. It's too expensive! Others have to catch up with the demanding orders which must be filled.
For the present the number of people involved are still in the minority. However, the upsurge of production is changing the picture. More and more people get caught up in the "necessities" of the seven-day work week, or in the shift work which pulls them into Sunday duties.
How can our churches meet and deal with the problem? Surely we can't remain remote and aloof, forgetting those forced to miss the benefits of the community at worship. It's worth the attempt to open our church doors for worship a time never tried before, perhaps one morning during the week. How many would respond?
Basic to the problem, of course, is the certainty of human need. Man, without spiritual food, given in and through the fellowship of the Church, starves. We all need the outpouring of God's Word, preached and administered. Our task is to witness to all men. Let's make the effort!

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Radio, TV Coverage Set For Inaugural

RALEIGH — North Carolina radio and television stations will broadcast special coverage of Gov.-elect Dan K. Moore's inauguration in Raleigh on Friday, (January 8).
Statewide radio coverage will begin at 11:30 a.m. and continue until 2 p.m. Seven television stations will also begin coverage at 11:30 a.m. and continue until the inaugural parade has been completed, approximately 2:30 p.m.
Eight other television stations will present segments of the inaugural proceedings. Generally, their coverage will be from 12 to 1 p.m. The oath of office is expected to be administered during this hour.
Statewide inaugural broadcast networks for both radio and television are being coordinated by the North Carolina Association of Broadcasters.
Most radio stations in the state are expected to broadcast the inaugural events. Three Raleigh stations are cooperating with NCAB to provide radio network coverage. WPTF, Raleigh, will originate the broadcast.
Men and equipment from 13 television stations will cooperate to provide NCAB's inaugural telecast. WUNC-TV, Chapel Hill; WRAL-TV, Raleigh; WNCN-TV, Durham; WNCN-TV, Chapel Hill; WETC and WWAY, Wilmington; WCCB-TV, Charlotte.
Complete inaugural events will be televised by WITN-TV, Tallahassee; WRAL-TV, Raleigh; WTVD, Durham; WUNC-TV, Chapel Hill; WETC and WWAY, Wilmington; WCCB-TV, Charlotte.
Segments of inaugural proceedings will be televised by WLOS-TV, Asheville; WBTV and WSOC-TV, Charlotte; WSJS-TV, Winston-Salem; WGHP-TV, High Point; WFMV-TV, Greensboro; WNCN, Greenville; and WNCN-TV, New Bern.
Richard Mason, General Manager of WPTF, Raleigh, is chairman of NCAB's Inaugural Coverage Committee. Graham Poyner, also of WPTF, is chairman of the radio subcommittee, and John Young, WUNC-TV, Chapel Hill, is chairman of the television subcommittee.
bottom out of his pocket.
Much of what Farm Bureau does, then, has roots in a basic need for bettering the financial lot of the farmer. That need, in a so-called "time of plenty," was never more pronounced.
The effort continues for market expansion and increased sales. But little good is reaped when the cost seepage nullifies and then overtake gains made at the market place.
Prominent among 1965 Farm Bureau policies are statements demanding fiscal responsibility to arrest a rampant inflation spiral. Others demand the elimination of taxes discriminatory against agriculture. Present, too, are those aimed at gearing the farm operation to a greater efficiency of production.

Beam Completes Basic Training

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. — Airman Jerry W. Beam, son of Mrs. Ruth M. Beam of 819 N. Piedmont Ave., Kings Mountain, N. C., has completed his Air Force basic military training at Lackland AFB, Tex.
Airman Beam is being assigned to an Air Defense Command (ADC) unit at Richards-Gebaur, AF B, Mo., for training and duty as a repair specialist. His organization supports the ADC mission of defending the continental U.S. against enemy air attack.
The airman is a 1964 graduate of Kings Mountain high school.

"You," says your God, "You shall be my witnesses," until I return. What will you say, today, tomorrow, tomorrow and tomorrow, for Him?

Into this world He will come again. It will be God's "Advent" of judgment and finality, when all evil will be destroyed. Now, in this generation, God's witness is asking for our witness, we who call ourselves by His Name. He is asking that our voices be raised, loud and clear, in the wilderness of life which surrounds us; that we might say, too, "Make straight the way of the Lord."

God speaks here and now, in this place, to us. He speaks his truth, message and act. To us, we who hear and believe. He calls, that we might go out into our everyday world, and share that truth, message and act, with the whole world. It is God's call to leave the comforts of home and enter into the wildernesses of despairing life, where men need Him.

Agriculture in Action

FARM COSTS UP
The American farmer is caught in the peculiar circumstance of earning more and enjoying it less.
It would be more accurate to say, perhaps, that he is enjoying less of it simply because there's less left over.
Back in 1950, the nation's farmers brought in a gross income of \$32.5 billion. They paid out \$19.3 billion in production costs, and pocketed \$13.2 billion.
During the fourteen-year span which followed, farmers noted a substantial boost in gross proceeds. The 1964 gross tally was a remarkable \$41.9 billion!
But the man of the soil was bleeding from "backward progress" for in 1964 he realized only \$12.1 billion in profit—actually a decrease of some \$900 million below his 1950 net income. His costs, which had risen to \$29.5 billion, were eroding the