



### The Journey Home

There's a path that leads to a turn in the road,  
 And we each must travel there.  
 Where the Father waits to take us home  
 To the shelter of His care.  
 Where happiness and peace and joy  
 Replace the tears and pain,  
 And our loved ones rest in the arms  
 Of God to sweetly live again.  
 - Author Unknown -

### WHAT CAN I DO FOR THE CHURCH?

Unto the church of our Lord in every locality I am under solemn obligation to the extent of my ability. To my home congregation, I am under a special obligation.

I want this congregation to radiate a wholesome influence in the community. Therefore, I owe it the example of a good life. For it I must live "soberly, righteously, and godly."

I want the strangers who enter the door of the building to feel at home, to learn to love us, to want to return. They are our guests. I owe it to them and to the church to be friendly. I should not stand back and wait for others.

No congregation can make progress without faithful members. Members can make or brake them. I must give them my support and prayers. I must not embarrass them in their work.

This congregation has financial obligations. Whether I give or not, these obligations must be met. If it is right for the congregation to pay its obligations each week, it is right for me to give each week.

The very existence of this congregation depends upon the attendance of its members. In fact, the attendance is the life of the congregation. For this reason I must attend every service that I can.

Of course I want the congregation to grow, to multiply its numbers; therefore, I must set myself to the work of winning souls to Christ.

The church cannot thrive in a frigid atmosphere. I must not let carelessness allow the church to become a place where hearts are chilled. I must make it a place where hearts are warmed. Therefore, I owe it the warmth of my life. I must, with the help of God, play my part in the work of building up the body of Christ which He purchased with His blood.

- B. B. James (deceased), *The Beacon*, Bellview Church of Christ, Pensacola, FL -

*Sin has three parts: Temptation, Hesitation, Participation.*

### News & Notes

**SYMPATHY:** To the family of **Mary Nelson** at her recent passing. Mary was a fine Christian woman. Also to the family of **Ella Beagle** (her four daughters and their families) at her passing. She was a special lady and a faithful Christian. Both of these ladies will be missed. May God comfort the families.

**TODAY'S SPEAKER:** Bill Miller.

**NEW CONVERT CLASS:** Each Sunday a.m. Bible Class in Room 406. This class is for those who were baptized in the last three years.

**CARE & SHARE BEARS:** Canceled for this Tuesday, June 26th. Resumes Tuesday, July 3rd at 9:00 a.m.

**SUMMER LADIES BIBLE STUDY:** Each Thursday, 11:00 a.m. at the Brown's residence. All ladies welcome and invited to join in this study.

**GRADUATION CELEBRATION:** For **Zachary Thompson**, this Saturday, June 30th, 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. at the Multipurpose Building.

**FELLOWSHIP DINNER:** Next Sunday, July 1st about Noon - Fellowship Bldg.

**EARLY SERVICE:** Following our Fellowship Dinner next Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CAMP:** July 9-14 at Tomlinson Run State Park. Sign-up sheet on the desk in the foyer for anyone who will help.

**MEMBER VISITS:** Our Elders and Minister are making visits to get to know the members better. Schedule a visit here at the building or in your home by signing the sheet on the desk, or arrange an appointment by talking to Rico. Otherwise, expect an impromptu visit.

**PANTRY:** Canned peas, lima beans, and beets.

**REQUEST FOR PRAYERS & CARDS:** **Cindy Moore** (Pat Allison's cousin). Her address: 2760 Craig Circle, Fullerton, CA 92835.

**SICK & SHUT-IN: AT HOME:** Pat Allison, Charlie Delong, Bill & Carol Stillwell, Russell Martin, Blondenia Orr, Doris Dunham, Alex Harless. **FOX NURSING HOME:** Mary Jane Bowers (Room 19). **CROSSROADS:** Sarah Miller. **CALCUTTA HEALTH CARE:** Ella Beagle. **AUBURN NURSING HOME, SALEM, OH:** Jim Mick. **IN FLORIDA:** Ilene Rayl.

### God's Powerful Word

The Bible contains about 800,000 words, depending on the translation. This is about four times as many words as are found in a book of average length.

Although the Bible is so long and deals with the greatest themes that can engage the human mind, its vocabulary is singularly limited. It uses only 6,000 different words, a very small number compared to the 20,000 words that Shakespeare employed while writing his plays.

Not only is the Bible's vocabulary limited, but the average word in it contains only five letters. However, many of these short words are full of the deepest meanings and are worthy of earnest study. For example, consider these five-letter words: grace, peace, faith, saved, serve, glory and Jesus.

- Author Unknown -  
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