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*"And blessed are they who shall seek to bring forth my Zion at that day,
for they shall have the gift and the power of the Holy Ghost;" I Nephi 3:187*

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*Genuine love
is identified more by
deeds than words,
but both are essential
to love's survival!*

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IT IS NO SECRET

There is an old song by this title, that has a great message for us individually and as a whole. The song goes like this:

The chimes of time ring out the news; another day is through.

Someone slipped and fell, was that someone you?

You may have longed for added strength your courage to renew.

Do not be discouraged, for I bring hope to you.

It is no secret, what God can do. What He's done for others, He'll do for you.

With arms wide open, He'll pardon you.

It is no secret, what God can do.

There is no night, for in His light you'll never walk alone.

Always feel at home wherever you may roam.

There is no power can conquer you, while God is on your side.

Just take Him at His promise, don't run away and hide.

(repeat chorus)

The first line of the song should make us aware of the fact that the things that are now taking place in the world around us, gives us more evidence that the time of the end is drawing near. The prophecies are being fulfilled and we should prepare ourselves for the second return of the saviour.

Yes another day is done or over, have we slipped and fallen or did we long for added strength our courage to renew? Let us not be disheartened for Christ gives to you and I:

For the Lord God will fulfill his covenants which he has made unto his children: and for this cause the prophet has written

these things. Wherefore, they that fight against Zion and the covenant people of the Lord, shall lick up the dust of their feet; And the people of the Lord shall not be ashamed. For the people of the Lord are they who wait for him: for they still wait for the coming of the Messiah. And behold, according to the words of the prophet, the Messiah will set himself again the second time, to recover them; Wherefore, he will manifest himself unto them in power and great glory, unto the destruction of their enemies, when that day cometh when they shall believe in him; And none will he destroy that believe in him.

II Nephi. 5:32-38.

It is no secret what God can do:

"Behold, I am the law, and the light; look unto me, and endure to the end, and ye shall live, for unto him that endureth to the end will I give eternal life." III Nephi 7:10.

The Lord, has given us many wonderful promises, and we can be sure that He will honor them. The song also says: There is no night, for in His light you'll never walk alone, and it reminds me of this scripture:

"That the Messiah should be made manifest unto them in the latter days, in the spirit of power, unto the bringing of them out of darkness unto light; yea, out of hidden darkness and out of captivity unto freedom." II Nephi 2:9.

Don't run away and hide:

"There is nothing which is secret, save it shall be revealed; there is no work of darkness, save it shall be made manifest in the light; and there is nothing which is sealed upon the earth, save it shall be loosed.

"Wherefore, all things which have been revealed unto the children of men, shall at that day be revealed." II Nephi. 12:97,98.

With arms wide open He'll pardon

Guest Editorial . . .

by Priest Aaron Heath

you:

"Believe in God; believe that he is, and that he created all things both in heaven and in earth;

"Believe that he has all wisdom, and all power, both in heaven and in earth;

"Believe that man doth not comprehend all things which the Lord can comprehend.

"And again: Believe that ye must repent of your sins and forsake them, and humble yourselves before God; and ask in sincerity of heart that he would forgive you." Mosiah. 2:13-16.

"Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon." Isaiah. 55:7

In conclusion, I would just say that it is TIME for us to prepare. Not tomorrow or next week. The chimes of time ring out the news, another day is through.

Today is the time to prepare, let not this last day nor hour find us unprepared.

Beware the evils of H a l l o w e e N

by Elder Allen Kauffman

The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the suffering of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed: Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being examples to the flock. And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away. - 1 Peter 5:1-4

I would like to point out before I go on that the ministry is to be examples to the flock over which we are shepherds.

"Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you." (Hebrews 13:17) I would also like to point out that this verse indicates the ministry is to watch out for the flock and have care and concern for their souls. We are the watchmen of the day.

I felt lead of the Spirit to bring a sermon to the people at Collins (Missouri) concerning Halloween. I feel also obligated to share some of that sermon with all the people of the Church of Christ because I have a great concern for the welfare of the people of Christ's Church. Also, I feel it my duty as a minister to bring some things to our attention. I would like to give you the definition of Halloween, according to *Collier's Encyclopedia*: "Associated, through its name, with Allhallow's Eve. Popular secular observance of Halloween, falling on the night of October 31, is

derived from the rites of the Druids celebrating the day of Saman, when the Lord of Death called together the souls of the wicked who had died during the past year." I ask you a question:

Should we, as Christians, be celebrating or be associated with such a holiday?

I would like to bring some scriptures from the word of God (Deuteronomy 18:1-4) and see what it says about such a thing:

"When thou art come into the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations. There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. For all that do these things are an abomination unto the Lord: and because of these abominations the Lord thy God doth drive them out from before thee. Thou shalt be perfect with the Lord thy God. For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto observers of times, and unto diviners: but as for thee, Lord thy God hath not suffered thee so to do."

I would like to give just a couple of definitions found in this reading. **Divinations:** The art or practice that seeks to foresee or foretell future events, or discover hidden knowledge, by the study of omens or by the aid of supernatural powers." **Necromancy:** "the art or practice of conjuring up the spirits of the dead for purposes of magically revealing the future, (sorcery)." These defini-

tions are taken from the Merriam-Webster Dictionary.

The scriptures tell us to avoid the very appearance of evil. Romans 12:1-2, "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." This tells us that we are to be a living sacrifice for God, (not Satan) which is only our duty as a Christian. We have taken upon us the name of Christ, and we are supposed to follow and live the example that Christ layed before us. Would Christ dress up in Halloween costumes that look evil? This scripture says that we are not to be conformed to the ways of this world. We are also told to be a peculiar people, different from those of the world, It also says that we are to be transformed by the renewing of our minds. This has to be done by the study of the scriptures, by the gathering together of the saints to study the word of God, by prayer, and by dedicated work for God, that we may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Is Halloween acceptable to God?

This is a question we as Christians must search out. We start our children out celebrating Halloween as soon as they are big enough to walk, as we probably did when we were little. Do we want to continue in teaching these things to our children? **We have to start correcting somewhere, some day. Let's make it this month!**

TESTIMONY OF THE AMERICAN INDIAN AND THE STICK OF JOSEPH

Compiled by Harvey E. Seibel

"The ingenuity of the chronicler was taxed to find out analogies between the Aztec and Scripture histories both old and new. The migration from Aztlan to Anahuac was typical of the Jewish exodus. The places, where the Mexicans halted on the march, were identified with these in the journey of the Israelites; and the name of Mexico itself was found to be nearly identical with the Hebrew name for the Messiah" (Prescott, *ibid.*, pp. 697-698).

"The word (Hebrew word) from which is derived Christ, 'the anointed,' is still more nearly - not 'precisely,' as Lord Kingsborough states (*Antiquities of Mexico*, vol. 6, p. 186) - identical with that of Mexi, or Mesi, the chief who was said to have led the Aztecs on the plains of Anahuac" (Prescott, *ibid.*, Footnote, p. 698).

The whole history of the Book of Mormon in a nutshell is given by Bancroft.

"At the end of the first age of the world or the 'sun of waters,' as we are told by Ixtlilxochitl, the earth was visited by a flood which covered even the most lofty mountains. After the re-peopling of the earth by the descendants of a few families who escaped destruction, the building of a tower as a protection against a possible future catastrophe of similar nature, and the confusion of tongues and consequent scattering of the population - for all these things were found in the native traditions, as we are informed - seven families speaking the same language kept together in their wanderings for many years; and after crossing broad lands and seas, enduring great hardships, they reached the country of Huehue

Tlapallan, or 'Old' Tlapallan which they found to be fertile and desirable to dwell in. The second age, the 'sun of air,' terminated with a great hurricane which swept away trees, rocks, houses, and people, although many men and women escaped, chiefly such as took refuge in caves which the hurricane could not reach. After several days the survivors came out to find a multitude of apes living in the land; and all this time they were in darkness, seeing neither the sun nor moon. The next event recorded, although Veytia makes it precede the hurricane, is the stopping of the sun for a whole day in his course, as at the command of Joshua as recorded in the Old Testament...

"Next occurred an earthquake which swallowed up and destroyed all the Quinames, or giants - at least all those who lived in the coast regions - together with many of the Toltecs and of their neighbors the Chichimecs. After the destruction of these Philistines, 'being at peace with all this new world, all the wise Toltecs, both the astrologers and those of other arts, assembled in Huehue Tlapallan, the chief city of their dominion, where they treated of many things, the calamities they had suffered and the movements of the heavens since the creation of the world, and of many other things, which on account of their histories having been burned, have not been ascertained further than what has been written here, among which they added the bissextile to regulate the solar year with the equinox, and many other curiosities as will be seen in their tables and arrangement of years, months, weeks, days, signs, and planets as they understood them!

"One hundred and sixteen years after this regulation or invention of the Toltec calendar, 'the sun and moon were eclipsed, the earth shook, and the rocks were rent asunder, and many other things and signs happened, though there was no loss of life. This was in the year Ce Calli, which the chronology being

reduced to our system, proves to be the same date when Christ our Lord suffered.'

"Three hundred and five years later, when the empire had been long at peace, Chalcatzin and Tlacamihtzin, chief descendants of the royal house of the Toltecs, raised a revolt for the purpose of deposing the legitimate successor to the throne. The rebellious chiefs were after long wars driven out of their city Tlachicatzin in Huehue Tlapallan, with all their numerous families and allies. They were pursued by their kindred of the city or country of Tlaxicoluican for sixty leagues, to a place discovered by Cecatzin, which they named Tlapallanconco, 'little' Tlapallan. The struggle by which the rebels were conquered lasted eight years, - for thirteen, according to Veytia - and they were accompanied on their forced migration by five other chiefs. The departure from Huehue Tlapallan seems to have taken place in the fifth or sixth century.

"They remained at Tlapallanconco three years, and towards the end of their stay the seven chieftains assembled to deliberate whether they should remain there permanently or go farther. Then rose a great astrologer, named Hueman, or Huematzin, saying that according to their histories they had suffered great persecutions from heaven, but that these had always been followed by great prosperity; that their persecutions had always occurred in the year Ce Tecpatl, but that year once passed, great blessings ensued; that their trouble was a great evil immediately preceding the dawn of a greater good, and consequently it did not behoove them to remain so near their enemies Th and other things did Hueman counsel, and they seemed good to the seven chiefs; so that after three years were passed, or eleven years from the time when they left Huehue Tlapallan, they started on their migration" (Bancroft, *Native Races*, vol. 5, pp. 209-212)

To be continued . . .

Saturday, August 18, 1990

GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY

Presentation by Apostle Robert H. Jensen

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History of the Buildings on the Temple Lot

This general area was dedicated on August 3, 1831, in accordance with divine Latter Day Revelation as the site of the City of Zion and the spot where the Temple of the Lord should be built, and that it should be held sacred unto the Lord forever. (Outline History of the Church of Christ (Temple Lot), pg 45). Much history has since transpired from the days of the early people until this day. Many dreams in their minds have been for the ultimate benefit of peace and well being for all people everywhere, and a fulfillment of the Scriptural promises given through the ages.

The Church of Christ membership having begun in 1867 to reside in Independence made provision in Conference in 1884 (April 7) in a resolution to "... lay themselves under obligation to fast and pray for a special favor of the Lord in reference to the building of a house of worship. . ." on this site. (Church Record of the Church of Christ, pg 57; Outline History of the Church of Christ (Temple Lot), pg 114).

The first small building was completed during 1889 (see two inset photos on this page).

Just 9 short years later the building was burned on September 4, 1898 by an enemy (W.D.C. Pattyson) to the Church. That same day plans were begun to build on the site, the new building to be considerably

larger than the first because of the growing membership. This building was dedicated to the worship and service of the Lord Jesus Christ on April 6, 1902. (The Evening & Morning Star, Vol 2, No. 11, 3/15/1902).

The second building stood for 88 years until January 1, 1990, also serving as the General Church Headquarters, wherein many people worshipped in sincere spiritual dedication all through the years, and received many blessings from our Heavenly Father through the Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy spirit in fulfillment of the promises of the Holy Scriptures.

It's service was so vividly expressed in verse in the 1930's by Vida E. Smith Yates, whom I knew.

THE WHITE CHURCH
ON THE TEMPLE LOT
*Hushed and Waiting
here you stand; The
beauty of your Site on
every hand. Sturdy and un-
afraid; Your years of ser-
vice not yet done. The
same unbroken silence
unto every one. To you
they come, hope failing, Faith grown
pale; Frightened, baffled, helpless,
hurt May they find here a flame of
hope; A fire for faith that lies on
ashen heap; A sure and steadfast
Light ahead. Courage to live, and try
again because of God's love, And
Where you stand.*



The first building erected on the Temple Lot grounds — 1889-1898. This, according to the First Edition (1953) of "An Outline History of the Church of Christ." — ed.



This version of the first building erected on the Temple Lot grounds is from the Second edition of the same Church History book mentioned beneath the picture above. Whether the first picture or the second (or both) is correct, it was obviously a very small building — smaller than most living rooms of today's modern homes! — ed.

A New Building Planned

The Incident of Requirement:

On that date of January 1, 1990, another enemy to the Church of Christ and to many other churches set fire to the second building, resulting in sufficient destruction to require it's total leveling and removal.

It seems inconceivable that one perverted person can rob many of the Lord's people of a place in which to worship and labor to share the Gospel with all who would be of a mind to listen and obey. When such an act of wicked violence occurs, many human emotions arise in rejection and rebellion of both the motives and the act.

None believe that the Lord caused the fire; but, He allowed it, and it had to have been for a purpose within Himself for the sake of His people. I am reminded of the words of an old hymn:

GOD MOVES IN A MYSTERIOUS WAY

*God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform;*

*He plants His footsteps in the
sea, And rides upon the storm.*

*Deep in unfathomable mines Of
never failing skill,*

*He treasures up His bright
designs, And works His sovereign
will.*

*Ye fearful saints, fresh courage
take! The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy, and shall
break In blessings on your head.*

*Judge not the Lord by feeble
sense, But trust Him for His grace;*

*Behind a frowning Providence He
hides a smiling face.*

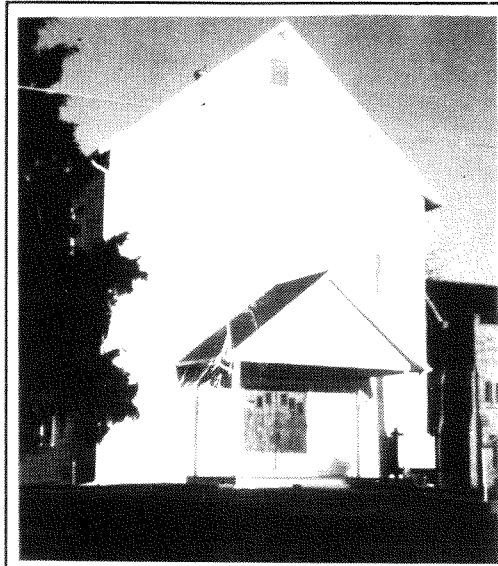
*His purposes will ripen fast, Un-
folding every hour;*

*The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flower.*

*Blind unbelief is sure to err, And
scan His work in vain;*

*God is His own Interpreter, And
He will make it plain.*

The congregations of the Church of Christ had long outgrown the capacity of the former building. Many seemingly viable proposals for modification or rebuilding had been submitted for consideration over a period of many years, but the Conference memberships could not arrive at a decision. The Lord seemingly took away the problem of what to do.



The building that was burned to the ground, January 1, 1990. It was erected circa 1902.

Concerning A Type of Things

From the dawn of history mankind has suffered many things, which has seemed to be the nature of our creation - one of allowing us to prove our dedication and love to God through both good times and difficulties. It is said even of the Lord Jesus, Himself, that: "(He), who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared; Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him." (Heb 5:7-9)

The believers in Christ are of the "Household of God", as declared by

the Apostle Paul. What a blessed and inspiring thought. A household must, of course, have a house, which we are now about to build; but, the most important part of a household are the members of it. May we ever be worthy to occupy the house of God as members of His household.

Now, as many times in losses and disasters, life must go on. We have been given the inherent strength and will to rise from the ashes of destruction around us to renewed and strengthened efforts in the Lord with His Divine assistance.

A 19th Century Christian scholar and hymn writer from Scotland, Horatius Bonar, once wrote: "Sickness (and affliction and disaster also apply - rj) takes us aside and sets us alone with God."

King David boldly declared in the psalms: "Praise ye the Lord. Praise ye the Lord; praise him, O ye servants of the Lord. Ye that stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God. Praise the Lord; for the Lord is good; sing praises unto his name; for it is pleasant. For the Lord hath chosen Jacob unto himself, and Israel for his peculiar treasure. For I know that the Lord is great, and that our Lord is above all gods." (Psalms 135:1 - 5)

Referring to the Apostle Paul's divine writings, he said: "But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances, for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace; And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby; And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh. for though him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father. Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God;" (Eph 2:13 - 19)

We are also reminded of the words of Solomon: "Through wisdom is an house building; and by understanding it is established; And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant (spiritual - rj) riches". (Proverbs 24: 3 - 4)

He also said: There is "... a time to build up;" (Eccl 3:3), and now, once again, this is our time to build!

Provisions for Building

The Church of Christ in General Conference on April 3, 1990 resolved to once again rebuild on the same site; and again, designating that a somewhat larger building should be built to accommodate the present requirements. This building will also serve as a General Church Headquarters, with provision for General Church Offices, Conferences, and worship services, baptism facilities, a kitchen and dining area, and a Visitors' Center.

A great deal of prayerful planning, design, and coordination with the City of Independence has been accomplished.

And now, we have been admonished by the Lord, Himself, to: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts. And all nations shall call you blessed, for ye shall be a delightful land, saith the Lord of hosts." (Mal 3:10 - 12)

There have already been many willing and cheerful givers, contributing generously toward this planned building unto the Lord. To just mention one gift to the Lord as generous

as any can be, it is from a dear little 82 year - old lady in my mission field who has been in the Church almost



Break out the Shovels!

Temple Lot Pastor, Elder Alvin Harris (left foreground); Secretary of the General Bishopric, Elder Leslie Case (center foreground); Secretary of the Council of Apostles, Apostle William Sheldon (right foreground); Saturday morning, 09-18-1990.

60 years, and is now residing in a retirement home - she sent in a check for 20.00; truly a proverbial "widow's mite" (I honestly didn't think she had \$20.00 to her name). She has also sent some of her exquisite needle work to be sold with items from other's in a planned craft sale to benefit the need.

And now, as we shall shortly commence construction, we encourage others to bring forth their gifts, whether it be money, materials, labor and other skills, and love to assist in the building of an house unto the Lord.

We have gathered here today to symbolically break the ground of the site of the former building of this Church, to mark the planning and decision to build anew. It shall be in general conformance with the instructions given to the Church in 1872 (through Granville Hedrick) for the 1st building, which stated in part as follows:

"And as to the building of an house unto the Lord in Independence, the Saints if they are faith-

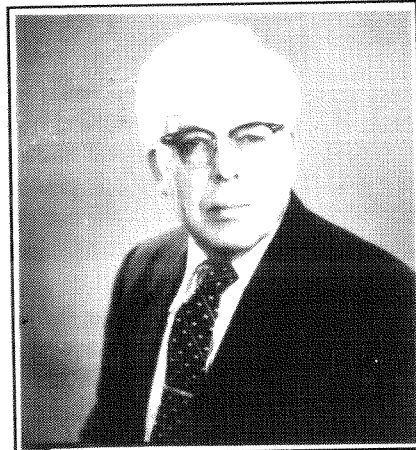
ful shall have power to accomplish it; but let it not be built after the manner of a church, but for a house of business, for the building of the temple draweth nigh; therefore let the first house be a house for business, for store, for printing, and for counsel and also for meeting and worshipping when practical, but not to be built after the manner of a church, but for business as preparatory for that which is to come; let the house be built after the Fall conference, upon the place and of the size as may be decided upon in conference." (Searchlight Oct 1898, Vol 3, No. 9, pg 261)

The new building will not be ornate, but will have a modest beauty of it's own to appropriately blend in with it's surroundings. It shall have easy access to both levels, and even the grade of the land around it will also be in accordance with the current building requirements of the City of Independence.

We must always remember the words of King David in his Psalms: "Behold, bless ye the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord, which by night stand in the house of the Lord." (Psalms 134:1). "Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain

that build it; . . ." (Psalms 127:1)

And again: "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord". (Psalms 122:1)



Apostle Robert Jensen

Once again it shall be our privilege

to rise up anew ... and support this new building with our prayers and gifts unto the Lord. Let us remain ever faithful to our gracious God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

An Appeal For Contributions

By conference action in April 1990, the Church has determined to rebuild upon the Temple Lot, a new structure to replace the headquarters building which was destroyed by fire on January 1, 1990. Approval for the use and control of this new building has been given by the Church at large. Architectural drawings are now complete, a building permit secured, and a construction contractor has been chosen. Hopefully, by the end of September or early October, a start is expected to have been made.

There has been general enthusiasm and financial support in preparation to build, which is deeply appreciated by the Apostles and General Bishopric. The response has been truly remarkable in consideration of the smallness of our numbers. However, the original estimate of approximately \$488,000 to complete the structure, exclusive of internal furnishings, has necessarily been revised upward due to the incorporation of design changes, most of which were by the way of suggestion from members of the Church, and some resulting from an increase in the total area of the building. At this writing, a firm figure to finish construction is not available. This will depend to some extent upon the availability of donated labor by members of the Church, which will be

agreeable to the contractor, and completion of the building may be correspondingly delayed.

The funds necessary to complete the building and to furnish it are not presently available. Therefore, we appeal to those of you who have not contributed heretofore, or perhaps only a little, to give even sacrificially, in order that the general Church of offices may be re-established in a headquarters building. This will also enable us to meet for conferences in expanded facilities to accommodate our increased numbers; in recent years, this has not been possible, and has necessitated the rental of other facilities in the Independence area at some considerable cost. As in the past, the Temple Lot Local Church will meet here on a regular basis and will contribute to the upkeep of the building.

Those who are able, who have made larger gifts of money for this project, are asked to still donate further. Regular offerings by many of us, though relatively small, if continued for a year, would probably finish the job.

In addition to this project, let us not forget our tithes and offerings which are so essential for the regular needs of the Church towards the

poor, and to pursue our all-important missionary programs. In addition, tithes are needed to meet the requirements of the upkeep of the property, Church publications, etc. We are not in the habit of urging the membership toward their temporal responsibilities, as is customary in most sectarian churches; in this, there may be an element of failure on our part.

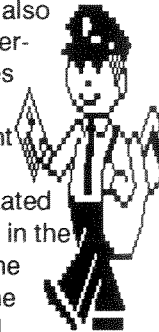
The Lord has commanded His people in tithes and offerings. Will you, then, deny yourselves of some personal desires in order to make a sacrifice offering which we feel will be well-pleasing to our Heavenly Father for the advancement of the kingdom of God? You may be sure that all your offerings will be used in a maximum effort of economy and strictly toward the purpose for which it is given.

William A. Sheldon,
Secretary, Council of Apostles

Leslie P. Case,
Secretary, General Bishopric

Please send your donations ... to the Business Manager as listed on the inside front cover. Mark donations for the new building project as "NEW BUILDING FUND."

Thank you!



TENNESSEE RALLY

All are invited to attend the Tennessee Rally on Saturday and Sunday, October 13-14, 1990, at the Foundry Hill, Church of Christ (Temple Lot), Puryear, TN.

Saturday supper and Sunday noon dinner will be provided. Saturday lunch will be potluck, each family contributing. All other meals will be the responsibility of each family attending.

Primitive camping on the Church grounds will be available. There are also motels available in the area north at Murray, KY, or south at Paris, TN.

Take Highway 641 south out of Murray, KY. At the main intersection at the stoplight (there is only one), turn

right. Just beyond the row of old-town buildings (approximately one city block), turn left. This road winds out through the country for miles. At the "Y" intersection, take the left "Y". Continue on the road for a few more miles. It will go through what looks like a small community. The Church will be on the left. It is a white-frame building that sits back off the road among a grove of trees. Puryear is a small place. The Church is really easy to find.

For further information, contact Glenn Gill, 1761 N. 73rd Terrace, Apt. 4, Kansas City, KS 66112; or call (913) 299-6525.

The Missouri Reunion - 1990

Prayer service Friday morning, August 10, 1990, at 9 a.m., was the first service of the 1990 Missouri Reunion of the Church of Christ. A warm and sincere welcome was given by Elder Jack Martin, who then introduced Elder Loren Bryant. We were admonished by Bro. Bryant of the need for prayer, and that we must follow the example of Christ, and pray as He prayed. Bro. Martin led a season of prayer.

The CMSU Campus in Warrensburg, Missouri was the location for this year's gathering. Smiles of delight and approval shown on many faces upon entering the just recently beautifully redecorated facilities. Greetings of love to one another were exchanged by smiles, hugs, hand-shakes, kisses and words of welcome.

Saturday morning's prayer service was opened by Elder Allen Kaufman. Before Elder Glen Gill led us in a season of prayer, he made the request that we should pray in faith, believing. He stated that prayers are an open channel between us, personally, and God.

God's word was brought to us through his worthy and capable servants in the many sermons that were presented to us during the three days of the Reunion: Apostle Don McIndoo, Elder Nicholas Denham, Elder Robert Eddy, Elder Gary Housknecht, Priest Placido Koyoc M. (from Yucatan, Mexico), Elder George Adams, and Apostle Alvin J. Moser.

The following statements are excerpts taken from the sermons given:

- There are three steps needed to be obedient to God's commandments: a determination to be obedient, a dependence on the Lord, and a commitment to an overt action.
- Our duties and responsibilities to our Heavenly Father are endless in number. We've got to behave ourselves and be obedient, in order to qualify for being in heaven. "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect" (Matt. 5:48). Let's not neglect any of God's com-

mandments because God does expect perfection.

- Let us endure to the end and let us find our direction in Jesus Christ because He is the Son of the Father. This God whom we serve and love is unchangeable.
- "Blessed are they who hunger and thirst after righteousness" (Matt. 5:6). Fasting brings an extra dimension to our prayer of faith. "And if it so be that the children of men keep the commandments of God, he doth nourish them, and strengthen them, and provide means whereby they can accomplish the thing which he has commanded them" (1 Nephi 5:59).
- "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness, ..." (3 Nephi 6:11). We must do an effort to serve our Lord. The way to become perfect is to stop trying to be perfect, and begin to submit to the will of God. Don't waste your time with the things of this world.
- "Blessed are the pure in heart" (Matt. 5:8). "Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it. Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself" (Matthew 22:37-39).

Quietly and in sober attitude, we gathered Sunday morning to renew our covenants, to partake of the sacrament. Apostles Roland Sarratt and Marvin Ely presided over the meeting. Bro. Ely read from John 14:12-15, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye ask anything in my name, I will do it. If ye love me, keep my commandments."

During the Sunday morning service, we were privileged to witness the ordination of our brother, Martin Addie, of Springfield, Missouri, to the office of Priest in the Church of Christ. Administering this ordinance were Elders Smith Brickhouse and Virgil Addie. We extend our congratulations and God's blessings.

Throughout these three days many names needing prayers were submitted, and a special season of prayer was offered for a small child and his family who live in Yucatan.

There were many who asked for and received administration, so many beautiful prayers, voiced and in silence, and such wonderful testimonies, which give us strength and encourage our faith.

Especially enjoyed was the slide presentation on the Netherlands presented and narrated by Elder Leslie Case. Bro. Case and Apostle Wm. Sheldon had visited the saints in that area in June 1990.

Coming for the reunion and subsequent Ministers' Conference was Placido Koyoc M., called by God to be a Priest, serving in his native country, Mexico. In his sermon, Bro. Placido spoke to us about making an effort to serve our Lord and needing fellowship with our brothers and sisters. Accompanying himself on the guitar, this multi-talented young man raised his voice in song, both in Spanish and Mayan.

Each age-group of young people had their time together, some with outside activities, and with the older young people going to the Brantner lake, south of Warrensburg.

We listened to so many beautiful song specials this year, and each complemented so well the sermon that was given in that particular service. I'll always be amazed, but never surprised, at the workings of our Heavenly Father.

At our first preaching service, a women's duet sang "Spirit of God", and truly God's spirit did prevail throughout the reunion. In a song service, "Fill My Cup, Lord" was sung, and indeed our cups were filled. It was sung, "Let Us Pray for One Another", and we offered much prayer. It was sung, "There's a Light", and there certainly is. We were told that "A Life Time is Not Too Long to Live as Friends." And we are admonished to "(Let Us) Go to the House of the Lord," which we did. Lastly, a duet sang "My God, How Wonderful Thou Art", and he truly is.

We extend our thanks and appreciation to all who presented an offering of talent. Most of the locals in Missouri participated. It's an afternoon we all look forward to and enjoy.

Plans and preparations are under way for the Reunion of 1991. That time will be here before we know it! So I pray that God's watchcare will be over each of you — 'til we meet again.

Secretary for the Reunion,
Jeanne Brantner

REFERENDUM RESULTS

The Referendum Committee met on August 27, 1990, to count the vote on the April, 1990, conference referendum bill which covered responsibility for and use of the new headquarters building to be erected on the Temple Lot. This bill was approved by a vote of 379 in favor, with 41 opposed, and is binding upon the Church.

**William A. Sheldon,
Council of Apostles**

OBITUARY

Adeline Elizabeth Neufarth of Newton Iowa, passed from this life on Tuesday, August 21, 1990, at the age of 70 years, 7 months and 27 days.

Adeline, the daughter of Edward Williams and Marjorie Rose Fortner Neufarth, was born December 24, 1919 at Albia, Iowa. She became a member of the Church of Christ (TL) 57 years ago on August 23, 1933, being baptized by Apostle C.W. Morgan.

She was preceded in death by her parents. Those left to honor the memory of Adeline include 2 brothers, a sister in law, a niece, 2 nephews and 8 grand nephews.

The funeral service held at Wallace Pence Funeral Home in Newton, Iowa on Friday, August 24, 1990 was conducted by Elders Isaac Brockman and Charles W. Brantner.

Collins Local News

Since my last writing, many things have transpired. Among those things was our being able to attend the Colorado Reunion to share testimonies and worship with our brothers and sisters in the gospel. Then in August we gathered again to worship at the Missouri Reunion where a special guest and brother in Christ came to meet with us, Brother Placido Koyoc from Yucatan. Brother Placido is traveling with Brothers Don McIndoo and Jay Moser.

Following the reunion, we were privileged to have as our guest speaker in Collins, Brother Placido. After lunch that day Brother Jay Moser spoke to us also. Try as we may, we couldn't detain our visitors any longer, as they were scheduled to meet with our people in the Springfield area that evening, but oh how grateful we are for the time we had!

Other equally welcome guests have been Brother Roland and Sister June Sarratt; my cousins, Marvin Cook and his daughter, Samantha; Tony and Louise Grzincic; Rodger and Martha Bruner; Glen, Margaret, and Donald Gill; Cletus Wiley's sister, Donna and son, Mitch; and Elaina Kelley and two Children, Clint and Malea. Greg and Elaina have moved back to the Preston area from Phoenix, Arizona, and Greg is working at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, as a respiratory therapist. We hope to be seeing them often.

Our sister, Jo Eddy, did some traveling and visiting of friends and relatives in Washington state and also Michigan during the month of July. She and (husband) Bob will be leaving this week for the reunion in Minnesota. I'm sure they won't be gone too long as they have a brand new grandson they won't want to be away from for any length of time. His name is Ethan Perry and was born about the first week of August. His proud parents are Timothy and Athena Eddy. Congratulations to this happy family.

I know we're all probably follow-

ing the crisis in the Persian Gulf area and either have family or know someone who has to be there during this sad time of uncertainty. Our son, Brian, is presently on a ship in the Persian Gulf and has requested prayers for himself and the others there. I know he is afraid. I wrote and reminded him of the two thousand young men who were taught by their mothers to pray and how none were lost when they had to go to battle. I can't even guess what may happen, but I know God is able to do all things when it is in accord with His will. My hope is that He will see fit to dispel this ominous cloud of war.

In closing, I have a few quotes from recent sermons that I hope you will consider:

- My sins are mine, and I can't lay them at anyone else's feet.
- We have to be a fit tool for God to be able to use us. (A quote from a testimony at the Colorado Reunion, used in a sermon here.)
- If you don't fill your mind with the doctrine and words of Christ, Satan is willing and eager to fill your mind with something else.
- Don't let the world give you an illusion. Things are not all they appear.
- Have we been teaching our kids how to argue doctrine or how to save their souls?
- These are not my words. If I came here to give my words, it is nothing, but I came to read these words of the scriptures.
- When you preach the gospel, you are engaged in the cause of Zion.
- Time is running out. Someday you're going to run out of time to make a choice.
- Are you trying to take the scriptures and make them relate to your life or are you taking your life and making it relate to the scriptures?

Let us pray for one another. May God bless us all.

**Your reporter,
Czerna Kauffman**

ZION'S TEMPLE

(The House Of The Lord)

by Apostle Wm. Sheldon

Part Four

In continuing our series designed to focus upon the importance of the building of a temple, we shall now show that a latter day temple is very much a part of God's provision as recorded in the scriptures, some of which has already been noticed. It is not that He needs it, for He needs nothing from us, except that He requires humble, obedient spirits to perform His good will. Are you willing to possibly set aside pre-conceived notions? If not, you may find yourself outside the realm of Zion, and possibly an inheritance with the saints of God. Can you risk this?

How many of our co-religionists in the faith of Christ are satisfied that all they need is Christ in their life; that they only need the Bible as a guide to understanding, and the Spirit of God as a lamp to their feet? But then, how many of these will ultimately find they have limited the gospel of Christ, and also themselves, as acceptable children of God?

By the same token, are there those in the Church of Christ who choose to place limitations upon the fulfillment of ancient prophecies as found in the scriptures? Who choose to limit the written word of God to the Book of Mormon, or, to the Bible and Book of Mormon? Who will not receive any of the prophecies or revelations through Joseph Smith? Could it be that stiff necks and unyielding hearts have caused a withdrawal (at least to some extent) of the spirit of revelation to us today? Can we afford the risk of being found, at last, as unbelievers?

We realize the danger to our souls of following false prophets, of the alluring bait of false teachers, and of thus being led from a straight course to eternal life in the steps of the Master. But in our resistance to the false, let us not be so positive we

are led by the Spirit of truth without due consideration of matters in the full light of revealed truth, and focusing upon the whole Bible and the whole Book of Mormon in their treatment of prophecies and the doctrine of Christ; and even in this, we must realize that God will only give unto us "line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little and there a little" (Isa. 28:10), as we seek for and abide in the Spirit of truth.

So then, what do we find in the scriptures concerning a latter day temple of the Lord? Among the visions given to Ezekiel was one of a magnificent temple of the Lord, and he was shown its measurements and details of its construction very minutely, Then the glory of the Lord filled the house -

"And he said unto me, Son of man, the place of my throne, and the place of the soles of my feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel forever, and my holy name, shall the house of Israel no more defile ... Ezek.. 43:7.

Here Ezekiel was apparently given a view, and made to know that God would dwell in His earthly temple in the future, when Israel would no more defile His name.

And then Malachi 3:1 tells us:

"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before Me; and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to His temple ..."

Now this is to be in the last days, or the day of His great power for -

"Who may abide the day of His coming? and who shall stand when He appeareth? For He is like a refiner's fire, and like fuller's soap." Mal. 3:2.

Some will say that the temple referred to is our bodies, for our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit, but "temple" is singular, not plural. Nor is it only a spiritual reference to the Church, as we shall see.

Going back to Isaiah 2:2-3 which indicates the two places of Zion in the last days (which is the present city of Independence and the present city of Jerusalem), we are told that

the scattered peoples will say:

"Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob (a temple to be sure; and why go?), and He will teach us of his ways ... for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem."

Micah 4:2 verifies this in almost identical language. Is further proof wanting? In Isaiah 4:3-6, referring to Zion of latter days, we are told in verse 6:

"And there shall be a tabernacle for a shadow in the day time from the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain."

A tabernacle is defined as a temple; and here we find it will have physical properties. Did He not speak of His latter day temple, even a literal, physical temple in these words? -

"Also the sons of strangers (gentiles, W.A.S.) that join themselves to the Lord, to serve Him, and to love the name of the Lord, to be His servants ... and taketh hold of My covenant (the gospel covenant, W.A.S.); even them will I bring to My holy mountain (Zion, W.A.S.) and make them joyful in My house of prayer ... for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people." Isa. 56:6-7.

Jesus quoted this as He drove the money changers from the temple at Jerusalem, showing that He honored that which had been dedicated as a temple unto God.

Finally, through Isaiah He said (66:1):

"...Where is the house that ye build unto me?"

After admonishing that He will only look to the man "that is poor of a contrite spirit" (verse 2), and that He will appear to their joy (verse 5). He says this:

"A voice of noises from the city (He is to "roar out of Zion/ Joel 3:16), A VOICE FROM THE TEMPLE, a voice of the Lord that rendereth recompense to His enemies' (verse 6).

Having gathered a portion of Is-

rael, and those of the gentiles who will repent, and they together will have built the holy city of Zion at Independence, Missouri, and also the temple of the Lord, then He shall "suddenly come to His temple", and there -

"He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. And He shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people ... Isa. 2:3.

At this time, He shall stand upon the Mount of Olives, near Jerusalem, and a great earthquake shall devastate not only that area (Zech. 14:3-5), but shall convulse the whole earth, causing the most dreadful calamity. It shall be beyond our wildest imagination. Then, too, shall the whole universe be shaken; the sun darkened, and the moon to become as blood (shall not give its light), together with a tremendous shower of

star, or meteors, and men shall say to the mountains and rocks:

"Fall on us, and hide us from the face of Him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the lamb: For the great day of His wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?"

(Read Rev. 6:12-17 and also Matt. 24:29-30).

The prophet Haggai sums up the whole matter of Jesus Christ coming to a literal temple in the last days, and in such language as to set the question at rest, thus:

"For thus saith the Lord of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land; and I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come (Jesus Christ, W.A.S.): and I will fill this house with glory, saith the Lord of hosts ... the glory of this latter house shall be greater than the former, saith the Lord of hosts: and in this place

will I give peace ..." Haggai 2:6,7,9.

Please bear with me as we turn again to latter day revelation, to D&C 83. Objection is sometimes raised to this section because it includes unacceptable statements relating to the priesthood. But, notice should be taken that it is really in two parts - one given on the 22nd and the other on the 23rd of September, 1832. It is evident that there has been some human interjection, which must be mentally weeded out as not scrip-



tural, while the good is retained. With this explanation, let us examine a portion of the first two paragraphs concerning Zion and the temple.

"... The word of the Lord concerning His church, established in

the last days for the restoration of His people, as He has spoken by the mouth of His prophets, and for the gathering of His saints to stand upon Mount Zion, which shall be the city New Jerusalem; which city shall be built, beginning at the Temple Lot, which is appointed by the finger of the Lord, in the western boundaries of the state of Missouri ... Verily, this is the word of the Lord that the city New Jerusalem shall be built by the gathering of the saints, beginning at this place, even the place of the temple, which temple shall be reared in this generation ..."

Further objection is raised to the using of this, regarding the temple, for it is said that the generation of those living in 1832 has all passed away, and since the temple has not been built, it must be a false revelation. But, how often do men stumble at the word of God because it does not meet their specification, or those

they think God has placed! No wonder that it is said of Christ that He would be a rock of offense and a stumbling stone to the unbelievers!

Now notice that I have emphasized the words, "by the gathering of the saints". Zion has not yet been built, though the early latter day saints were "honored of laying the foundation" (B of C 59:8), and they commenced the gathering. It was not completed, and they were cast out because of transgression; there were "jarrings and contentions, envyings and strifes, and lustful and covetous desires among them" (D&C 98:1-3).

So the Lord was not speaking of that gathering, but of a later time, when the city of Zion shall be built by a righteous gathering of the saints of God; and THAT generation shall build the temple of the Lord! It seems apparent that this gathering and generation began in the 1920's when many of the saints came into the Church of Christ from the RLDS Church. This is not to say that this present generation is all that it must yet become in righteousness and faith and obedience! With this understanding, it harmonizes with the revealed word of God in the Bible, and the Book of Mormon, too, where the Nephite prophets quoted from the words of Isaiah concerning Zion.

This five-part article will be concluded in the December Zion's Advocate, two months from now.

Please note, that while the Z.A. Editorial staff (mainly the decision of your Editor, Elder Gary Housknecht) made the decision to publish this article and one accompanying it when it began in July, 1990, readers must keep in mind that this is done with wide liberty in mind as to the use of references, specifically, the various quotations used herein of purported latter-day revelation not having received an official "stamp of being divine" by the Priesthood of the Church.

Fathers - Can Be

Young minds, through their channels of feeling, smelling, tasting, hearing, and seeing, reach out to see where they can expand into the world about them; To know where they can walk, what they can eat, what they can say, or what other they may devise. They seek limits, and finding these often try to reach beyond. This is the stuff upon which human progress is founded. The limits established help to fix identity and character. They are the flow of maturing.

An axiom in learning is that whatever we generate by our decisions and action at once initiates a responsibility on our part. No less is the experience of originating progeny. And the degree and manner by which we acquit ourselves of this responsibility, in effect, provides us a measure of ourselves, and who and what we

are.

Having progressed thus far in thought we come to the important thing we are writing about: **Fathers!**

Siring a child produces a responsibility for sure. Fathering a child suggests, truly entails, being chargeable for its care and nurture. A man may be both sire and father or just one.



On Father's Day we heard a discussion by our Elder Merlin Eddy placing stress upon the necessity for fathers to be party to communication in the family. Also that children, babes, are not born with values, these are the product of nurture and experience.

Parental nurture, that of a father, affords the child

vicarious experience; experience, or the benefit of it beyond the limits of the young in their elapsing time. Because of this fathering nurture the young may rise higher in mature development, having a broader grasp of self and

society.

The Father is the first extension of the child into society, the first reaching out from the flesh that bore it. Because of it the child is schooled in its reaching, having a platform of sorts from which to reach outward. A platform of imparted discipline giving place and function. This attaches directly to self-felt identity and is the basis for intellectual development.

Achievement in morality and spirituality is intellectual and denotes mental development. It falls directly within the province of a Father to nurture these and thus fortify the character of the child. His communication in word and in action should impart understanding of the qualities of spirituality and morals; To know when and how to apply the forces provided by nature and inherent in being a human being.

In all a Father is quite an institution, and with a big job. A job he can face and do well to the benefit of a family. A great and expanding opportunity.

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This article, taken from "Church of Christ Reporter," written by Elder Thomas Maley, is published at the request of Apostle Robert Jensen



LOOKING AHEAD

“Looking ahead” to the next couple months, please allow much anticipation and prayer for the November Zion’s Advocate which will be another “Special Issue;” this time dedicated to the cause for which we are most willing to hold the banner high: ... “Zion.”

Wisdom would dictate that this coming issue be made a matter of prayer for all of our readership, especially for those that cherish Zion as an achievable reality in this lifetime — a realistic goal! This, after all, is why the General Conference of the Church established the Committee in the first place!

Have you set aside the December issue of Zion’s Advocate the past few years???

I have tried (your Editor, Elder G. A. Housknecht) to provide to you, with the invaluable help of the Associate Editors, an accurate index each December of the articles in the previous 12 months, including the December issue. This can, then, be used as an index for the 12 issues of the calendar year. This is why the December issue each year has been with a green cover sheet – to easily recognize the year-end issue, the one having the Index for the year. Comments, good or bad, are welcome.

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The 1991 Ministers' Conference (general membership) for the Church of Christ will commence Easter Sunday, March 31. The business sessions will start at 9:00 A.M., Monday, April 1. A Solemn Assembly will be held prior to the conference, March 29 and 30.

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