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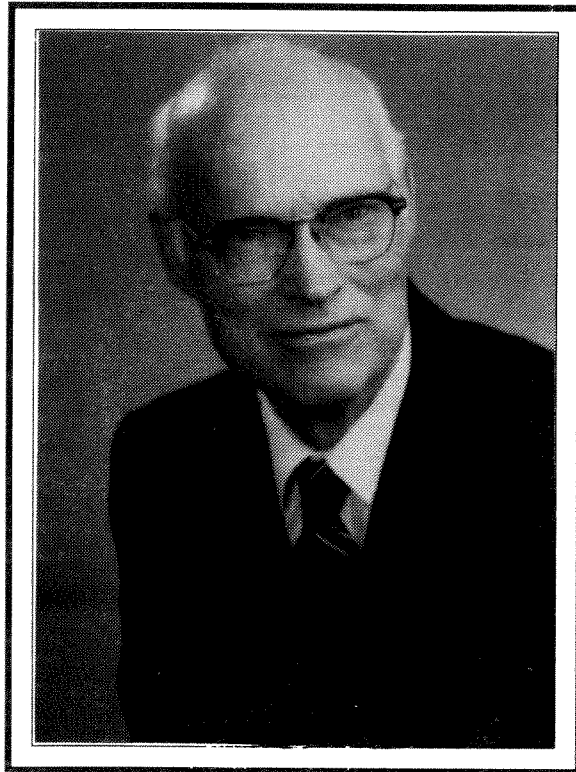
*"And blessed are they who shall seek to bring forth my Zion at that day,  
for they shall have the gift and the power of the Holy Ghost;"*

1 Nephi 3:187

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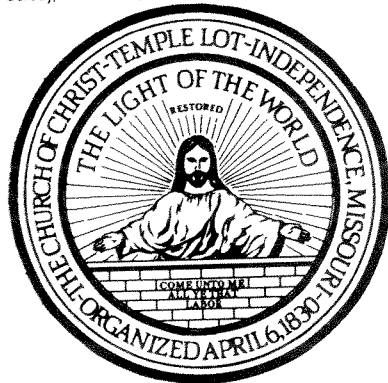
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 To promote His Teachings & His Church, the Church of Christ  
 To be a voice of warning to His people; to be Zion's advocate.

**DIVINE CALLING**



# The Callings Of Apostles

The 1998 April Ministers' Conference brought both sorrow and joy to the body of the Church of Christ. The unexpected death of one of our beloved apostles only six days before the convening of the conference was a shock to us all. Yet the Lord in His own divine way brought us blessings of comfort and assurance that He had called our beloved Brother and Apostle Marvin E. Ely home.

The Council of Apostles had been earnestly petitioning

the Lord that we might receive calls of those of His choosing to be apostles. In mid-afternoon on Saturday, March 28, 1998, we were in meeting taking care of a few items of business. The subject of the need of additional apostles came up again. While we were discussing our concerns, the callings of Brothers Brian McIndoo, Michael McGhee, Placido Koyoc Yam, Frank Fann and Placido Koyoc Matu to be apostles came through Apostle Marvin Ely. Also the calling of Brother Joel

Yates came through Apostle Alvin Moser. The Spirit of God came upon us all and gave us witness to the calls. We had a season of prayer and dismissed for the evening.

Monday morning, March 30th, we came together in fasting and prayer. About mid-morning we knelt in a season of prayer and poured out our hearts to the Lord. After arising Brother Ely spoke the names again one by one testifying of the calls. When he finished he suddenly asked for ad-

ministration. Within a short time he was taken home to his reward.

The surviving members of the Council of Apostles were met with several important decisions, but the Spirit that we had experienced at the time of the calls guided us through each decision. As we contemplated the events as they occurred we realized that it was the will of God that six calls were made when at the time of the calls there were only five vacancies.

Apostle Robert Jensen was absent from our Council meetings due to illness. He also gave witness to each of those called by the use of a speaker phone which allowed all of us present to hear his witness.

An account of the calls was prepared and presented to the church at the sacrament service on Sunday, April 5th. Witnesses to the calls were given at that meeting. Each of the four men present who were called humbly stated their witness and acceptance to their calls.

The apostles and elders met on Tuesday afternoon, April 7th, to consider the calls and brought to the conference on Wednesday morning their statement of approval of the calls. The conference body gave its approval and plans were made for the ordination service that evening.

It was an event to be remembered as the four brothers were seated before the congregation and received the laying on of hands in ordination as

apostles. Brother Frank Fann was ordained by Apostle William Sheldon, assisted by Apostle Smith Brickhouse. Brother Michael McGhee was ordained by Apostle Alvin Moser, assisted by Apostle Smith Brickhouse. Brother Brian McIndoo was ordained by Apostle Roland Sarratt, assisted by Apostle Donald McIndoo. Brother Joel Yates was ordained by Apostle Donald McIndoo, assisted by Apostle Roland Sarratt. The congregation was then invited to come forward and greet the newly ordained apostles and their wives.

Apostles Michael McGhee and Frank Fann live in Independence, Missouri, and Apostles Brian McIndoo and Joel Yates live in Phoenix, Arizona. Brothers Placido Koyoc Yam and Placido Koyoc Matu live in Yucatan, Mexico, and were not present at the time their calls were given. They have been notified of their calls and provisions for their ordinations will be made upon their acceptance of the calls.

Apostle Marvin Ely's service as an apostle in the Church of Christ was short of just a few days of being thirty-two years. Typical of him was the fact that he was doing work for the Lord and for the church right to the very last.

He is greatly missed by his brethren in the Council of Apostles who were serving with him at the time of his passing. His general knowledge of church business and happenings and his orderly system of filing and

maintaining records has been an example to each of us. Most of all his spiritual and moral integrity has had a lasting influence of good to each of us that will never be forgotten. Although the ministry of Apostle Marvin Ely will be greatly missed in his field of appointment and elsewhere in the church, as well as in the local churches where he has served as pastor, it is our hope that others will be able to follow his example and fulfill the needs of the people.

It has been stated that the 1998 April Ministers' Conference has been an exceptionally spiritual experience for most of us who have had the privilege of attending it.

Although we still have many spiritual needs we are hopeful that we can move forward with renewed zeal in serving our Lord Jesus Christ this coming year. Let us pray for one another that God's will be done and His purposes be accomplished through each of us.

*For the Council of Apostles,  
Apostle Roland L. Sarratt*

# *A Call to* **HOSPITALITY**

By Apostle Brian E. McIndoo

**“Let brotherly love continue. Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares”**  
*Heb. 13:1, 2.*

Here the writer of Hebrews is directing us to show brotherly love, kindness, and respect to each person we encounter in this life. Similarly were the teachings of King Benjamin when he said:

**“And ye will not have a mind to injure one another, but to live peaceably, and to render to every man according to that which is his due”**  
*Mosiah 2:24 .*

The writer of Hebrews uses as an illustration the familiar story of Abraham when visited by angel messengers who came to inform him that he would be blessed with a son.

In the days of Abraham, lifestyles were much different, free from all the modern conveniences we have become accustomed to.

Abraham and his family dwelt in the desert, a tent for a

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home. He had to harvest his grain as well as raise herds for meat. Water had to be located then drawn by hand. Grain was ground by hand and cooked upon a hot rock over an open fire. Life was anything but simple and carefree.

As Abraham was sitting in the door of his tent, two strangers approached. He was aware that these men were God's messengers. Abraham took the opportunity to invite the strangers in. He provided them a bath, bread and meat, some of a nomad's most precious resources. He refers to them as *Lord*, not an acknowledgment of them being from God, but rather as placing himself in servitude to them, by attending to all their temporal needs. This certainly is an extraordinary example of what we call hospitality. Such actions were necessary in Abraham's days with dif-

ficult travel and few inns available to provide shelter, but the spirit of modern hospitality should remain the same.

Paul wrote in his epistle to the Galatians; **“As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men....”** Just as with Abraham, the opportunity may arise for you to entertain angels unaware. Jesus said, **“Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me....”**

Even as we have much direction to render respect to all men, Paul expounds upon the responsibility in Galatians 6:10, and writes, **“especially unto them who are of the household of faith.”**

When Paul addressed the Romans he told them that their lives must be a sacrifice, and part of their Christian duty is, **“distributing to the necessities of the saints; given to hospitality.”**

As Paul wrote about the qualifications of those that would be Elders in the church, he said that those men must be a **“...lover of hospitality.”**

Peter wrote about Chris-

tian conduct in the light of the times in which we live. He says in his first epistle,

...Often the hardest time to provide hospitality and contribute to the needs of a saint is when they may need it the most.

**"But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer. And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins. Use hospitality one to another without grudging" 1 Pet 4:7-9.**

As we have examined these verses of scripture, it would seem that this requirement of hospitality towards one another is a very important point to our Christian walk and our fellowship with each other. Unfortunately, often the hardest time to provide hospitality and contribute to the needs of a saint is when they may need it the most. In their times of trial, complications, discouragements, and sin, we may neglect our responsibility because we feel uncomfortable and clumsy; thus, we leave them to flounder in their situation, alone and without assistance from the saints.

If we live in this mortal

body one thing is for certain, there will be times of trial. So often we look to our own reasoning, understanding, and wisdom to resolve our difficulties. When our decisions are contrary to the word of God, we find ourselves in transgression. How often our circumstances cause us to be caught up in a fault and to be in disobedience to God.

For this reason Paul told the Galatians:

**"Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted. Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ" Gal. 6:1, 2.**

A spiritual person who has been given the responsibility to restore such a person is one who allows the Spirit to lead them, and provides counsel from the word of God. Never can it be a person with a pious attitude or one of self righteousness whose sole desire is to point out one's faults. **"Him that is weak in the faith receive ye, but not to doubtful disputations" Romans 14:1.** The call is to restore the transgressor.

The word *restore* is the same word used when the fishermen came in from a night of fishing. They anchored their boats in the shallows and restored their nets. This would be by re-weaving and webbing new line into the holes, mending

them to a state of completeness, making them whole once again.

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mend and repair the spiritual damage, bringing one with fault into repentance and back into obedience of God's word. Paul said the way to do that very thing is to **"Bear ye one another's burdens...."** As Paul addressed the brethren at Colosse about his concern for them, his spiritual advise was, **"that there hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love...."** Again we see the restoring and mending effect of love for one another. Hospitality is assisting and caring for the needs of the saints.

So why would I teach hospitality? Mosiah 9:53 tells us, **"Yea, even he commanded them that they should preach nothing save it were repentance and faith on the Lord, who hath redeemed his people."** But Alma continued on with this directive to the newly ordained ministry he was speaking to:

**"And he commanded them that there should be**

no contention one with another, but that they should look forward with one eye, having one faith

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and one baptism; having their hearts **knit together in unity and in love, one towards another**" Vs. 54.

Unity is almost synonymous with knit together. The root word of unity (*sun*) denotes; union, together, and completeness. This brings to my mind the fishermen mending their nets by the sea side, restoring them to completeness.

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments; As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore" *Psalm 133*.

The concept of Zion may be defined as living together in unity. The Church of Christ has a belief that a city will be built called New Jerusalem. This city will be built upon this land, and in the middle of that city will be a center place of worship, a temple erected unto the Lord. This city wherein the followers of the Lord will in the future gather into is known to us as the Temple Lot. For hundreds and thousand of years people have looked in anticipation and hope to dwelling in Zion. It is quite possible that some of us today will have the great privilege to see that city with these mortal eyes.

But much more must be done than merely rolling up our sleeves, grasping a hammer and saw, and building houses in the area. It requires an attitude and a fulfillment of the *cause of Zion* in our midst today.

**"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; And if they endure unto the end, they shall be lifted up at the last day, and shall be saved in the everlasting kingdom of the Lamb; Yea, whoso shall publish peace, that shall publish tidings of great joy, how beautiful upon the mountains shall they be" 1 Ne. 3:187-189.**

Zion will require a sacrifice. The sacrifice must begin with you, then your family, and then your local. Where there are con-

tentions and divisions, unity can not exist. We are called to sacrifice and to put away self

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seeking attitudes. The challenge and instructions are laid before us to knit ourselves together in love as a single unity with our head being Jesus Christ. With hospitality, as we serve one another, we serve our Lord.

**"I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, With all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love; Endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" Eph. 4:1-3.**

# Statement for the 1998 Solemn Assembly

The Council of Apostles recommends the return of the original purpose of the Solemn Assembly as given at the time that it was established in 1967:

**Whereas**, By numerous prophecies we know that the day of the Lord is nigh at hand, and

**Whereas**, We know that great destruction will come upon all people before the great and dreadful day of the Lord, and

**Whereas**, The Lord commands the Church of Christ today, as recorded in Joel 2:15-17, "Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly: gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth out of his chamber, and the

bride out of her closet. Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them; wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?"

**Therefore, Resolved**, That the whole membership of the Church of Christ, from the youngest child to the oldest member, be called to a solemn assembly, that a period of fasting may be sanctified unto our God.

**Resolved**, That this period of fasting and prayer be held on the Temple Lot.

**Resolved**, That we seek to lay hold on the promise recorded in Joel 2:32, "And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name

of the Lord shall be delivered: for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the Lord hath said, and in the remnant whom the Lord shall call."

**Resolved**, That all members of the Church of Christ, who are hindered by circumstances beyond their control from assembling on the Temple Lot, will dedicate the same period to fasting and prayer in their locals or in their homes, that the whole church may be united in one heart and one mind, that the guidance of the Lord may be made known to us, and that the power of Pentecost may cover us as the waters cover the sea, that the servants of the Lord might go forth in boldness and power and speak the word without fear unto the utmost ends of the earth.



# CAREFUL IN ADMINISTRATION

Some years ago I was living in a branch where I noticed a hesitancy on the part of some of the elders when called upon to administer to those whose illness was not apparent. Especially was this disposition in evidence if called upon in such cases more than once.

It did not appeal to me as being right, for it was to the sick the command was given to call for the elders of the church, hence the sick must be the judge of when their illness is sufficient to call the elders, and if a mistake is made in calling without sufficient reason, they, not the elders, will be responsible. I finally besought the Lord to show me how He looked on the matter. In answer I had the following dream.

I was in a distant city where I saw a faithful Lamanite Sister who was suffering physically, but her dark skin did not show pallor, and her fleshy body did not suggest sickness. She was considering what she should do. She soliloquized thus: "I must have help. If I call for the doctor I will have to take his treatment for some time, and I will need his personal attention frequently. If I call for the elders,

I have not faith to believe I will be healed at once, but should I call them as often as I should have to call the doctor, I believe I would receive more benefit."

She then decided to place her case in the hands of the Lord, and she sent for two elders. They came gladly and administered to her in fullness of faith. She received a great blessing, and the elders went home rejoicing.

Some little time later her affliction again asserted itself, and again she sent for the elders, trusting that she would receive a blessing such as she had received before. But this time the elders came hesitantly, administered to her doubtfully, and she received *no* blessing. After they were gone she gave vent to her feelings of humiliation and indignation by beating her hands and exclaiming: "They didn't want to administer to me; they thought I wasn't sick enough. I shall never call for them again! Never!"

The scene changed. In my dream I saw a young man standing with a glass of whiskey in his hand. The Lamanite sister came up to him with a world of appeal in her eyes and said:

"Oh, give me some." Promptly he handed it to her. She drank it greedily, then sat down, and taking a pipe from her pocket began to smoke. I stepped to her side and exclaimed "Oh, Sister—how did you ever come to this?" With trembling voice she replied, "I had to get relief some way, and the elders would not administer to me willingly." As I stood looking, sadly at this crushed and troubled sister, I distinctly heard a voice from above saying: "I will hold mine elders responsible for the sins this woman is committing."

I awoke, realizing the Lord had heard and answered my prayer. Last winter I visited a friend in the city where the Lamanite sister lived and made inquiry regarding her. My friend replied, "She does not come to church any more." I then related to her my dream. Before I finished my friend reached her hand toward me and exclaimed, "Sister MacGregor, you are telling me in detail what actually occurred in that sister's life."

*Margaret MacGregor*

—From the *Zion's Advocate*,  
April, 1926

MISSIONARY APPOINTMENTS

# Appointments for this Conference Year

(Revised from Conference Packet—Item #27)

The Council of Apostles recommends for adoption the following missionary fields of appointment for the conference year 1998-99:

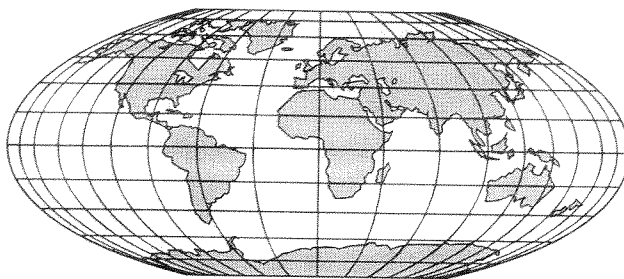
The Council of Apostles to be appointed all mission fields not yet developed.

Apostle William A. Sheldon to be appointed as General Church Representative in the office, to be assisted by Evangelist Marvin Case, Elder Leslie Case and Elder Charles Brantner.

Apostle Robert H. Jensen to be appointed in joint charge with Apostle Frank Fann of North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Nebraska and Iowa.

Apostle Roland L. Sarratt to be appointed in joint charge with Apostle Michael E. McGhee of Missouri. Also, to be appointed in joint charge with Apostle Frank Fann of Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Louisiana, Kansas, Illinois, and Indiana.

Apostle Frank Fann to be appointed in joint charge with Apostle Robert H. Jensen of North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Nebraska and Iowa.



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Apostle Michael E. McGhee to be appointed in joint charge with Apostle Roland L. Sarratt of Missouri. Also to be appointed in joint charge with Apostle Smith N. Brickhouse of Wisconsin, Michigan, Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, and South Carolina; the provinces of Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec, Canada and the Maritime Provinces.

Apostle Smith N. Brickhouse to be appointed in joint charge with Apostle Michael E. McGhee of Wisconsin, Michi-

gan, Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia,

Florida, North Carolina, and South Carolina; the provinces of Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec, Canada and the Maritime Provinces.

Apostle Joel A. Yates to be appointed in joint charge with Apostle Brian E. McIndoo of Montana, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, Alaska, and western Canada, west of a line between Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

Apostle Brian E. McIndoo to be appointed in joint charge with Apostle Joel A. Yates of Montana, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, Alaska, and western Canada, west of a line between Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

Apostle Donald E. McIndoo to be appointed in joint charge with Apostle Alvin J. Moser of Arizona, California, Nevada, New Mexico, the Republic of Mexico and Central America.

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Apostles Frank Fann and Brian E. McIndoo to be appointed joint charge of Hawaii.



**A**postle Smith N. Brickhouse and Alvin J. Moser to be appointed to Missionary Outreach to Youth.

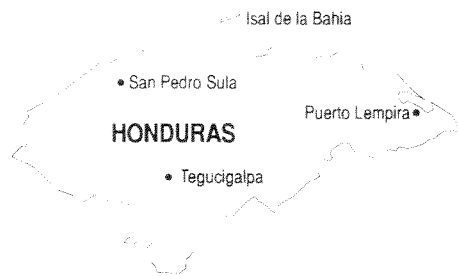
Evangelist Hubert E. Yates to be appointed full time under the supervision of Apostles Smith N. Brickhouse and Michael E. McGhee in the provinces of Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec, Canada, the Maritime Provinces, New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine. To be available upon request in any field.

Evangelist Marvin Case to be appointed full time to labor in Alaska, Colorado, Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Missouri, Arkansas, Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi under the supervision of the respective missionary in charge and to be available upon request in any field.

Evangelist Vicente Poot to

be appointed to labor full time under the supervision of Apostles Donald E. McIndoo and Alvin J. Moser in the Republic of Mexico and Central America.

Evangelist Placido Koyoc Yam to be appointed to labor full time under the supervision of Apostles Donald E. McIndoo and Alvin J. Moser in the Republic of Mexico and Central America.



Elder Roger Can to be appointed to labor full time under the supervision of Apostles Donald E. McIndoo and Alvin J. Moser in the Republic of Mexico and Central America.

Elder Placido Koyoc Matu to be appointed to labor full time under the supervision of Apostles Donald E. McIndoo and Alvin J. Moser in the Republic of Mexico and Central America and to be available upon request in any field.

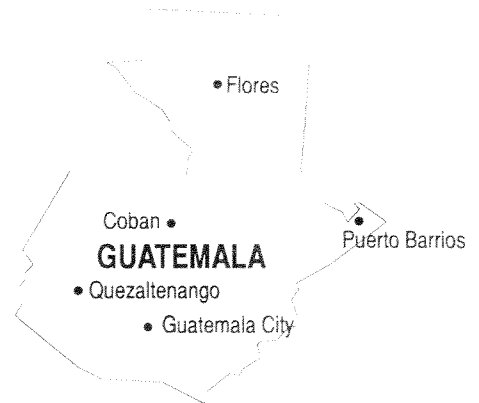
Elder Gale Brantner to be appointed to labor full time under the supervision of Apostles Smith N. Brickhouse and Michael E. McGhee in their field.

Elder Charles Brantner to be appointed to labor full time under the direction of the Council of Apostles and to be available upon request in any field.

Elder James E. Yates, Sr. to

be appointed to labor full time under the supervision of Apostles Smith N. Brickhouse and Michael E. McGhee in the provinces of Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec, Canada, the Maritime Provinces, New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine. To be available upon request in any field.

Elder Kenneth Oar to be appointed to labor full time under the supervision of Apostles Donald E. McIndoo and Alvin J. Moser on the Navajo Reservation and to be available upon request in any field.



Elders Nicholas F. Denham and Leslie P. Case to be appointed as representatives of the General Bishopric in a missionary capacity under direction of the Council of Apostles.



# THE WORK IN YUCATAN AND CENTRAL AMERICA

*Necesitamos su ayuda/We need your help*

*"And now behold, this I speak unto their seed (Native American peoples - dem), and also to the Gentiles, who have care for the house of Israel, that realize and know from whence their blessings come" (Mormon 2:37).*

**W**e certainly do know from whence come our blessings. They come from a benevolent God who has established this free and rich nation for His own special purposes and in this latter day set His hand to recover His people Israel. Those blessings come abundantly as we engage ourselves in this great latter-day work of Jesus Christ. This year has brought many changes to that work among the peoples of Latin America. There will be more missionaries laboring in Yucatan in a work that is well established. We have a new local of the Church of Christ in the nation of Honduras with a great number of doors opening before us and potential opportunities to open a work in Guatemala and Belize. There will be more missionaries traveling to Honduras to assist in the growing

work there.

The wonderful opportunities that have opened before us in Honduras are the result of years of humanitarian aid given to the impoverished people of a poor nation. The group that once supported this work is hardly involved today. The bulk of the effort has fallen upon John and Nana Gill, their family and Brother Darin Crull. The financial support for their humanitarian efforts must now be carried by those of us in the Church of Christ who have a desire to help in the care of Israel.

I am happy to report that the Phoenix congregation has changed the name of its Yucatan Fund to the Yucatan/Central America Fund. This fund is presently helping with several large projects in Honduras. It will also send a monthly contribution for the humanitarian efforts that will continue to be carried on by our members there. It shall continue to provide for the needs of our impoverished members of the Church of Christ in Yucatan. This is our God-given opportunity to share of the abundance He has be-

stowed upon us with our brothers and sisters in Gospel bonds, that we might be able to *"Think of your brethren, like unto yourselves, and be familiar with all, and free with your substance, that they may be rich like unto you"* (Jacob 2:22).

There are several ways you can assist in this wonderful effort that is opening doorways before us. Your tithing sent to the General Church will be assisting the missionary outreach in all of Latin America. Donations for humanitarian assistance can also be sent to the following address:

**Church of Christ  
2929 E. Siesta Lane  
Phoenix, AZ 85024**

(Make your check payable to the Church of Christ and indicate Yucatan/Central America Fund.)

Thank you for your generous help in the past and let us look to an expanding work in the future.

*Your Brother in Gospel bonds,  
Apostle Don McIndoo*

Remove from Advocate and make copies as needed

**T—shirt order will be sent in July 15 ONLY Campers registering before 7/15 will receive a T—shirt !**

To Register for the Classes you want, you must complete and return the following 1998 Teen Challenge class schedule.

***How to fill the class schedule form:***

1. Write your name, social security number, and phone number in the spaces provided on form.
2. If you plan to ride the bus from the East Local to camp, write “YES” in the space provided
3. Mark Camp T—shirt, size.
4. Mark the 9:00 a.m., 10:05 a.m., and 1:30 p.m., classes you would like to take, Indicate 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> choice!!
5. Mail you complete class schedule and registration form. **IMPORTANT: We must have your registration fee before we can process your class schedule.**

***Direction to Camp Far Westa from Kansas City:***

Take Interstate 35 north to 36 Highway, west at Cameron, Missouri. Continue west on 36 for approximately 5 miles. A sign for Camp Far Westa will be on the right side of Highway 36. (The camps grounds are approximately 1 mile east of Stewartville, Missouri.)

***Transportation:***

For those needing a ride from the Kansas City area, a bus will be leaving the East Local at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> of August. Check-in for campers is from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

***Check List:***

- We must have the following before we can assign your classes to you:
- Registration fee—**make check out to Teen Challenge.**
- Class schedule form—completed 1st, 2nd and 3rd choices for each open hour.
- Registration form with parents and camper signatures.

**MINISTRY:** There will be Priesthood in attendance at all times.

**CHAPERONS:** There will be one adult for every eight campers.

**LIFE GUARD:** The camp provides a certified life guard.

**FOOD:** The facility provides the food service—**SNACK BAR AVAILABLE.**

**AGE GROUP:** JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH—AGES 12—18

**DATES:** AUGUST 2—7 1998

**TOTAL COST:** \$ 100.00 (*\$90.00 IF PAID BEFORE JULY 1, 1998*)

Mail Forms to:

Smith Brickhouse (Buzz)  
5713 Logan Road  
Kansas City, MO  
64136 (816) 356-9214

Mailing Address for Kids at Camp:

Camp Far Westa  
P.O. Box 257  
Stewartville, MO  
64490 (816) 669-3359

# WHAT TO BRING LIST

This is a "suggested" list. Where clothing items are listed, bring enough for the five days, packing may be in a suitcase, duffel bag or camp box. Please see that all items are marked with your name or initials.

## PLEASE BRING:

- Bible, book of Mormon and notebook are a must!
- Flashlight
- Light weight sleeping bag or 2 twin size sheets and 1 light blanket.
- Pillow and pillowcase
- Tennis shoes (old and worn are best)
- Extra shoes
- 6 pairs of socks
- 1 pair of jeans/pants
- Modest shorts or cutoffs
- Short sleeve shirts
- 1 long sleeve shirt
- 1 lightweight raincoat, poncho or jacket
- 1 laundry bag/pillow case
- Kleenex
- Underclothes
- Sandals
- Modest 1 piece swim suit

## PERSONAL ARTICLES:

- Toothpaste, toothbrush, comb hairbrush, shampoo, soap, towels, deodorant, etc...
- Insect repellent (we recommend Cutters or Deep Woods Off)
- Please do not bring expensive jewelry which might be lost or broken.

## OPTIONAL ITEMS TO BRING:

- Camera and film
- Fishing pole and favorite lures
- Stationery, envelopes and stamps
- Musical instrument
- Day pack or knapsack
- Baseball gloves
- Bring money for snacks—canteen will be available for snacks.

## PLEASE LEAVE AT HOME:

- *Immodest and inappropriate clothing*
- *No fear and concert-shirts*
- *Alcoholic beverages and cigarettes*
- *Video games*
- *Knives of any kind*
- *Electronic games*
- *Radios, tape players, etc...*
- *Candy or pop (they attract critters)*
- *Fireworks or firearms*

## RULES:

- *You will be expected to behave in a Christian manner at all times.*
- *No leaving the camp grounds.*
- *You are required to stay with the group unless special permission is granted.*
- *Phones will be available for emergency calls only.*
- *You are expected to wear modest apparel*
- *You are asked to follow all safety rules.*
- *Each camper is required do participate in all activities.*
- *If cars are brought to camp you will be required to leave the keys with the camp counselor.*
- *There will be no pranks—any materials for pranks will confiscated!*

Make copies (if needed) and mail this form to Smith Brickhouse, 5713 Logan Road, Kansas City, MO.

### Teen Challenge 1998 Summer Youth Camp Registration form

Camper's name \_\_\_\_\_  
Camper's years in school fall 98' \_\_\_\_\_  
Camper's SSN# \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number (include area code) \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's name \_\_\_\_\_  
Street address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, Date, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home phone number \_\_\_\_\_  
Insurance Carrier & Policy number \_\_\_\_\_  
T—shirt size \_\_\_\_\_  
Bus ride to Camp-Leaving from East Local Sunday 2:30 \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the rules of the camp and my Signature shows I will comply with the stated rules. In the event of medical emergency, by my signature on this document, I give permission for the camp personnel to administer and or obtain the necessary treatment for my minor child, **NOTE:** please have this notarized and list any medical conditions (allergies, asthma, etc.) that we should be aware of.

Parent or Guardian's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Campers signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Note to Parents:** Campers will be dropped off at the Missouri Reunion on August, 7. If other arrangements are needed, please specify. If Parents are unable to attend the Missouri Reunion and youth is to be the responsibility of another adult for the balance of that weekend, please specify who: \_\_\_\_\_

**Those riding the bus to camp must leave on the bus unless written permission is given.**

Subscribed & sworn to me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1998

Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_

County of \_\_\_\_\_

State of \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

# 1998 Teen Challenge Camp Schedule

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Class/Activity	Days	Time	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>ed</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Counselor meeting	<b>Daily</b>	6:30			
Campers wake-up		7:00			
A..M. Devotional		7:30			
Breakfast		7:45			
<i>Choose 1 daily 9:00 class below, include a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> choice</i>					
Conflict Management	<b>Daily</b>	9:00			
Archery					
Soccer					
IN the Beginning (creation) Apostle Don McIndoo					
Sign Language					
Screen printing					
Character building					
Orienteering					
Fly tying					
<i>Choose 1 daily 10:05 class below, include a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> choice</i>					
Choir	<b>Daily</b>	10:05			
Volleyball					
First Aid					
Aerodynamics, model building & flying					
Wood carving					
Calligraphy					
Camp Journal					
Electronics					
Study	<b>Daily</b>	11:05			
Devotions		12:05			
Lunch		12:15			
<i>Choose 1 daily 1:30 class or 1 Mon. &amp; Wed. and 1 Tues. &amp; Thurs.</i>					
Photography: Combining artistic composition and dark room work, adjustable 35mm. camera required	<b>Daily</b>	1:30			
Basic Beliefs Defended — Alvin Harris					
Canoeing					
Baseball / Softball					
<i>Circle —a= All 4 days, b=Mon. &amp; Wed., c=Tues. &amp; Thurs.</i>					
Art	<b>Circle</b>				
Craft—glass etching	<b>a b c</b>				
Silk Ribbon Embroidery/ Chicken Scratch	<b>a b c</b>				
Tie dying (bring white 100% cotton T—shirt & boxers) Two days only	<b>b c</b>				
Candy making (Monday/Wednesday only)	<b>M/W</b>				
Step Aerobics (Tues. & Thurs.)	<b>T/Th</b>				
Boating, Fishing, Swimming, Sports	<b>Daily</b>	2:30			
Free Time		4:30			
Cabin Time		5:00			
Dinner		5:50			
Quest Class		7:30			
Free Time		8:30			
Sports					
Camp Fire		9:00			





**M**y name is Hedy Balam and I am twenty-two years old. I would like to share my testimony with other Native Americans because I know we have many similar problems.

I was just eight years old when my grandmother, Martina, asked me to accompany her to the house of a neighbor where there was a church service. I listened to the beautiful stories from the Bible and I liked very much to hear the hymns that were sung. After that I always accompanied my grandmother to the services. Only my grandmother and I attended the services because my parents lived a life far from God.

They were always quarreling and fighting because my father would come home drunk. One day my mother decided she would leave us children with our father and leave. I felt so very sad; my grandparents tried to comfort me. My grandmother said, "Child, don't be so sad. Come, let's kneel down and pray." Every day the two of us would pray, asking the Lord to help us; to help my parents be reconciled. The Lord just couldn't abandon us now that we needed Him so much. During this difficult time we prayed

that the Lord would touch the lives of my parents. We never missed a service nor ever grew tired of praying to God.

One day the Pastor of the little congregation of the Church of Christ came to visit us in our home. He spoke to my parents of the great love of God, how Jesus came to die for us. Now he always came to visit and teach my parents. At last came the day when my father realized that he must commit his life into the hands of the Lord, for he realized that Jesus was the Master of his soul. I shall always be grateful to my grandmother and to God for their help until my father changed.

But my mother's character remained the same. She said she could never change her religion because her family were all strong Catholics. They took part in all the festivals where everyone got drunk, and they always treated us very badly. She would never listen to the Pastor who came to teach us. But we never lost our faith nor hope that one day God would change her heart just as He had my father's.

About this time my youngest brother was born. He was very sick and almost comatose.

We took him to many doctors, but he just kept getting worse. My grandmother, my father and I prayed with tears in our eyes for my little brother, and our God heard us once again. From that day my little brother began to grow normally.

Now we gave thanks to our God for His great love and for listening to our petitions. It was at this time that my mother realized that without God we were nothing. She also gave her heart to the Lord. Now we are all members of the Church of Christ and we shall never cease to give thanks to God for the great change He made in our lives and for hearing our prayers.

He is always with us when we need Him the most. He left these words for us in the Holy Bible: "And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened" (Luke 11:9-10).

## PATHLIGHTS

*Just Love Me In Return*

*To think of that hill on Calvary,  
Where my Savior bled and died;  
To think of the nails in His hands and feet,  
The sword buried deep in His side.  
Brings pain to my heart for I know,  
It should have been I who died.*

*What did Jesus do to deserve the  
pain and agony He suffered through?  
He was pure and guileless, blameless and true.  
Without a single fault was He.  
Yet He hung there on the cross, shed His life's  
blood.  
So a sinner like me might be free.*

*Oh Jesus what can I do,  
To make it up to you?  
It should have been I who hung from that cross.  
For it was for my sin and shame that you died.  
Oh Jesus what can I do,  
To make it up to you?*

*Then I heard a soft voice from Heaven above,  
A voice from Jesus Himself.  
Saying—Child I died because I love you so much.  
Won't you just love me in return?*

—Janeen Addie

*Of Materialism*

While needing parts to fix my car—  
Stop turning on that screw—  
I had this little glimpse of life,  
Which now I share with you.

As I stood there midst forgotten dreams—  
A thought came over me:  
Is this the end of a long parade,  
The showroom we don't see?

Why, there's a big Olds Holiday,  
With factory power and air.  
Once the envy of the neighborhood,  
Today won't rate a stare.

And there's a Plymouth Fury,  
'Twas once my earnest Quest.  
And a little red Ford Mustang,  
Was Macnamara's best.

These are prizes I strove for, Lord,  
Now turning into rust—  
While my pew at church was empty,  
And my scriptures gathered dust.

Oh! Lord, cause me to know my ends,  
Lest like these wrecks I'll seem;  
The broken twisted fragments,  
Of a long forgotten dream.

And oh! Lord, give me new dreams,  
With ends that I can trust;  
That will not turn to ashes,  
Nor wither into dust.

—Jim Gordon

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## HOUSTON RALLY

The Houston Rally will take place on Sunday, May 24th.

- **PRAYER** 9 a.m. — 11 a.m.
- **PREACHING** 11 a.m. — 12 p.m.
- **DINNER** 12 p.m. — 2 p.m.
- **SONG** 2 p.m. — 2:30 p.m.
- **PREACHING** 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

The Houston local of the Church of Christ welcome all of our brothers and sisters who can attend the rally. Please keep the rally in your prayers.

■ **FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:**

**Pastor Virgil Addie**  
(573) 674-2747

**Mary Jane Medders**  
(417) 967-4633

**Ella Engle**  
(417) 457-6502

## MISSOURI REUNION

The Missouri Reunion Committee would like to invite all to attend the 1998 Missouri Reunion, which will be held August 7th, 8th and 9th, 1998. All meetings will be held at the Church of Christ headquarters building located on the Temple Lot in Independence, Missouri.

■ **FOR INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:**

**Roland Sarratt**  
15910 E. 36th Terr.  
Independence, MO 64055  
(816) 373-6605

**Smith "Buzz" Brickhouse**  
5713 Logan Rd.  
Kansas City, MO 64136  
(816) 356-9214

## COLORADO REUNION

The Church of Christ, Orchard Mesa Local, 3233 B 1/2 Road, Grand Junction, Colorado, will host the annual Colorado Reunion on June 12, 13, and 14, 1998.

We have thoroughly enjoyed the use of our new dining room this past year. We thank our Heavenly Father for this blessing, and extend our thanks to the brothers and sisters who helped make this a reality for us.

Please let us know if you are coming by contacting one of our committee to inquire about lodging with our local members, or motel accommodations.

**John E. Bell**  
572 34 Road  
Clifton, CO 81520  
(970) 434-7100

**Russell E. Bell**  
PO Box 1137  
Palisade, CO 81526  
(970) 464-4624

**Marvin B. Carroll**  
2991 B 3/4 Road  
Grand Junction, CO 81503  
(970) 243-8567

We look forward to greeting all who come in the name of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

*Enid E. Bell, Secretary*

## ARIZONA CAMP for ALL AGES

- **WHEN**—July 3-5, 1998
- **WHERE**—Walnut Ranch, Heber, Arizona
- **HOW TO GET THERE**—One hour north of Payson, Arizona, on Highway 260. Turn west after mile post 299  
*Map available upon request.*

Come join with us as we worship the Lord and study His word in the world's largest Ponderosa Pine forest. Cool nights, good company, and activities are planned for everyone. All are welcome to attend.

- **CONTACT:**  
**Andy Brown**  
2916 E. Rockwood Drive  
Phoenix, AZ 85024  
(602) 569-9745  
**Aaron Moser**  
18829 N. 29th Place  
Phoenix, AZ 85024  
(602) 569-2414  
Email: ace517@juno.com

## 1998 PHOENIX REUNION

The 1998 Phoenix Reunion will be held Friday, November 27th, through Sunday, November 29th, 1998. We invite everyone to come and worship the Lord with us.

■ **ANYONE PLANNING TO ATTEND OR WANTING INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:**

**Pastor Apostle Joel Yates**  
2924 E. Rockwood Dr.  
Phoenix, AZ 85024  
(602) 569-9296

**Asst. Pastor Apostle Brian McIndoo**  
18824 N. 30th St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85024  
(602) 569-1900

*We hope to see you there!*

# 1998 NEW YORK REUNION

- Hogansburg, New York
- July 10th~July 12th, 1998

Your Brothers and Sisters of the Akwesasne New York Local of the Church of Christ welcome all of our Brothers and Sisters in Canada and the United States to come fellowship and worship with them starting on Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. July 10th thru Sunday afternoon July 12, 1998.

In order that the proper preparation may be made we would appreciate it if you would call or write the following:

- **IN CANADA:**  
**Wayne and Susan Miller**  
 868 Tollgate Rd.  
 Cornwall, Ontario  
 Canada K6H5R6  
 Phone (613) 953-5469
- **IN THE UNITED STATES:**  
**Paul and Debbie Grant**  
 Box 2 A. B.  
 Fort Covington, NY 12937  
 Phone: (518) 358-9409
- Dale and Terri Waldruff**  
 187 State Hwy. 37C  
 Massena, NY 13622  
 Phone: (315) 764-9571
- Eli and Gretchen Tarbell**  
 Box 21, Rt. 37  
 Hogansburg, NY 13655  
 Phone: (518) 358-2911

# MICHIGAN REUNION

**GREETINGS:**  
 This year the Michigan Reunion will be held at the Bradley Local. We are happy to invite ALL to come.

- **DATE**—July 18th and 19th (note new month)
- **PLACE**—129th Ave., Bradley, Michigan

We have plenty of room for campers of any size.

- **CONTACT:**  
**Bernie Ritsema**  
 4889 Chief Noon Day Rd.  
 Hastings, MI 49058  
 Phone—(616) 945-5173

■ **HOUSING AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING:**

**Elder Adam Porter**  
 9 Market St.  
 Middleville, MI 49333  
 Phone—(616) 795-2694  
 or

**Duane Lee**  
 2054 Fawn Ave.  
 Middleville, MI 49333  
 Phone—(616) 795-7420

We look forward to many spiritual meetings and fellowship with our brothers and sisters.

*Elder LaVerne Lussenden, Pastor*  
*Elder Adam Porter, Assistant Pastor*

# TRI-STATE REUNION

**G**reetings in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior:

The Bemidji local would like to invite all our brothers and sisters to the 1998 Tri-State Reunion at Whitewater State Park, St. Charles, Minnesota, Friday, September 4 through Monday, September 7. Please plan to join us for a time of fellowship and spiritual feasting. Hope to see you there.

■ **ACCOMMODATIONS:** There are cabins available for our use. Please provide sleeping bags or bedding for your own use. Also, the weather in Minnesota can be chilly in September, so please plan accordingly.

■ **FEES:** A nominal fee is charged at the camp office.  
*Maps are available upon request.*

■ **FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:**

**Elder Peter P. Gould**  
 4060 Islandview Dr., NE  
 Bemidji, MN  
 (218) 586-2774

**Elder Samuel or Linda Gould**  
 4060 Islandview Dr. NE  
 Bemidji, MN  
 (218) 586-2646

# MISSOURI CAMP for ALL AGES

**G**reetings, Young, Old and In-Between,  
 The Missouri 1998 Camp for ALL Ages will be September 26 and 27, Saturday and Sunday. (Some will be going Friday.)

Please mark your calendar and enjoy a relaxing weekend full of family activities on Saturday. Gather with us Saturday evening around the bonfire as we share God's blessings and feel His mighty love.

Sunday we join together for an outdoor service still charged up from the night before, eager to receive more.

We have tentatively planned to camp at Talley Bend, about 30 minutes north of Collins, Missouri, on Hwy 13. We will update you as we get closer to the event.

- **ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT:**  
**Fred Campbell** at (816) 358-1575, or  
**Pat Fisher** at (816) 358-5682.

*Hope to see you there,*  
*Fred Campbell*

## NEWS

## TEMPLE LOT LOCAL

Another Conference has come and gone. Our brothers and sisters from far away have traveled home, and our local has resumed its normal pace.

Baby Emily Danielle Campbell, daughter of Marty and Shelley Campbell, was blessed on March 15, by Elders Ray Hunholz and Smith Brickhouse. Among family members were the proud grandparents, Fred and Cheri Campbell. We thank God for little Emily's life.

On March 7, Aaron Palmer, son of Judy Palmer, was married to Kimberly Kinder at the Temple Lot. Elder Alvin Harris performed the ceremony, and the couple is at home in Independence.

Neva Housknecht, who is in charge of our "Pennies for Yucatan" project, recently collected everyone's pennies. For a year, families have been saving pennies one-by-one in jars of all sizes. The total came to \$300.00.

The United Workers met at Irene Case's home in January to make decorations for the February activity and to share a soup/salad luncheon. In February, they again sponsored the Sweetheart Banquet. The dining room was full of families, music and shared memories. The group enjoyed hearing about the romances of Dave and Debbie Vogel and Gary and Neva Housknecht. March found the United Workers traveling to an evening meeting at Carmen Cagel's home for supper and a sewing project.

Don Grim is CARE Group leader for 1998. In March, the group helped sponsor the annual family skating party at Higginsville, Missouri. The two-hour skate was followed by a potluck supper and three hours of visiting, volleyball, basketball and tug-of-war at the local junior high.

The Jr. Young People went to Hallmark's creative center, Kaleidoscope in Kansas City for their January activity. In February, they met at the church to share in activities about "God's Gift of Love." Elder Jim Case visited with them and encouraged them to share their testimonies with him. They invited the retired brothers and sisters of the two locals to a dinner in March, a dinner the thirteen of them helped prepare and serve. Twenty-two gracious people attended the dinner.

The YPCL began the new year in two different locations. Some traveled to Colorado for a few days of snow skiing and fellowship. Those who were unable to attend went ice skating at Crown Center, then to Jennifer Affholder's home in Kansas. The YPCL also enjoyed: a movie/game night (including a rousing game of Capture the Flag); a planning meeting; a Valentines party for the homeless shelter; Gymnastics Express; a parents vs. teens volleyball match (the parents winning most of the matches, I must add); and the Annual Chili Cookoff (Luke Wiley winning first place). A group of the young men and not-so-young men also "enjoyed" a game of football. Afterwards, they reported the game a success, with the only injuries being a few cracked ribs, fat lips, bruises and sore muscles.

Two Saturdays a month, the YPCL has been meeting with Pastor Alvin Harris to discuss church history, the differences between the churches, and how to answer the questions of non-members.

I've been responsible for reporting the Temple Lot Local's news to the Advocate for two years now. Every time I write, I face a dilemma, the same one other local reporters face—what to write. Some people in a local want more sermons recorded. Some want activities reported and the sermons left to tapes. When I report our many activities, I worry that others might think we're boasting. It is hard to strike a balance. So, I asked myself why I'm quick to turn to the "news" when I get my Advocate, and I've come to some conclusions.

I want to know my brothers and sisters in the church. I want others to know us. Some of you I may meet at a conference or reunion. Some I will never meet. When I read your names, though, or news from your locals, I feel acquainted and close. Then I can pray specifically for you, rejoice or sorrow with you, and grow to love you. I enjoy reading about your special services, baptisms and weddings. Sometimes your activities have given us ideas to use in our local.

I hope, too, that you who are isolated members can enjoy hearing from us and will be reminded that you are part of a larger group. Then when you are able to visit a local, I pray you will feel like you have come home.

The Temple Lot Local is a large active local. Our weeks are busy with activities in

various groups. I believe these meeting can strengthen our fellowship and our desire to stay close to the body of Christ. The real news of the local, though, are those moments that remain in our hearts forever, moments that bring a change in us, that challenge and strengthen our Christian walk.

At a recent song service, our Brother LeRoy Wheaton walked to the front of the church, stood alone, lifted his head and sang to the honor and glory of God. It was a joy to have Mildred and LeRoy with us, because illness had kept him at home much of the year. As he sang the familiar words in a clear voice, we witnessed a life that was dedicated to God; and we wanted to change. We wanted to change that part of us that holds back in serving God, that part that causes us to hesitate and wait too long. "Feelings of inadequacy, too little time, not enough strength," none of the excuses seemed adequate at that moment.

Last Wednesday night, our Brother Nicholas Denham was able to come. He is seldom able to join us now because of the loving attendance he gives to his wife Dorothy. He stood and shared with us some of the burdens and hopes of his heart. Our tears flowed with his because of our love for him and Dorothy, and because all of us could relate to some part of what he was sharing. For that moment, we listened to a brother who had served God more years than most of us had lived. We saw a man, a quiet dignified man, who had not stopped serving even though his circumstances had changed. His testimony was clear, strong and consistent: "We must hold on to the rod of iron, the word of God, and serve him. We must keep the commandments of God. The Lord expects it of us or he wouldn't have said 'Be ye Perfect.'"

We listened and our faith was strengthened. We wanted to endure to the end. It didn't seem enough to just serve until it was inconvenient, until our project was finished, or our children grown. We needed to serve with all that we had, all the way.

Christ had worked—is still working—in the lives of these men. Their witness and examples made us trust that the Lord was working with us, too.

I'll never forget those moments. They are the "news" that makes a local a home.

*God bless you, Debbie Vogel*

## EL ZAMARANO, VALLE DE JAMAISTRAN LOCAL

**Church of Christ  
Valle de Jamastran  
Zamarano, Honduras  
Centro America**

**D**ear Brothers and Sisters In Christ, Looking back on the last 12 years of our humanitarian work in Honduras, it has always been our desire to see spiritual fruit. It has also been our belief that by reaching out with the pure love of Christ and serving those who stand in need, physically and spiritually, God's work will be accomplished. So, last year when five asked for baptism (Jernaro Garcia and his wife Leyda, Mavis Andrades, Marilu Sosa, and Loreli Sevilla (Darin Crull's wife), we rejoiced. When it came time to leave and return to the United States our hearts were troubled, for who would be there to shepherd and watch over the little flock? We have for many years known that some day we would be living in Honduras and had made some steps in preparing physically for that day. It had always been our prayer that if the Lord closed the doors to our work with the Hmong refugees from Laos in Minnesota, we would know it was time to move to Honduras.

So, troubled in our hearts with leaving our loved ones in Honduras, we returned to the work in Minnesota. It was then that a neighbor came and asked if he could take over our farm work for the Hmong. This seemed to be God's timing and a door closing as this would allow the Hmong to be able to continue farming. With heartaches and rejoicing, we began plans and preparations to move to Honduras.

We rejoiced also when learning at the 1997 General Ministers' Conference that Honduras was added to the Missionary field of the church, reaffirming to us that this was indeed the Lord's timing for this change in our lives.

In May of 1997 I traveled to Honduras to bring back Rosario Sevilla (with her two children) for a heart operation. Rosario received a mechanical heart valve and was greatly blessed by our Heavenly Father during and after her operation. She then, after full recuperation, asked for and received baptism.

After completing the 1997 growing season with the Hmong we packed our vehicles

and headed for Honduras. Our son (Ronnie) and his wife Joani and children made this move with us. Ronnie had felt for a number of years that his service for the Lord would be in Honduras.

One of our first joys on reaching Honduras was to witness the union of Darin Crull to his wife Loreli. Our Heavenly Father is truly blessing and using this union.

It was then with great anticipation and joy that we, a few members of the Church of Christ in Honduras, awaited the arrival of Apostle Don McIndoo and Elder Ken Oar from Phoenix, Arizona. Our joy was even greater when on January 27, 1998, the first Church of Christ local was established in Honduras with the following officers elected to serve: Pastor John R. Gill, Assistant Pastor Darin Crull, Treasurer Nana Gill, Secretary Jenaro Garcia, President of the Sunday School Association Ronnie Gill, and Reporter Nana Gill.

During the nine days that Apostle Don McIndoo and Brother Ken Oar were with us we had a number of occasions to rejoice. We enjoyed and were blessed with the preaching of the gospel by Bro. Don McIndoo at Guayacan, Sartenejas, Arenales, and Zamarano. There were also numerous administrations to the sick and afflicted by Bro. Don and Bro. Ken. We were especially blessed when at the water's edge Gustavo Sevilla, Loreli's cousin, witnessed to those assembled that his life had been changed and he had truly repented of his sins and desired to put on Christ through baptism. We were truly filled with joy from his expression of gratitude of having found the plan of salvation.

We all received abundant blessings by the visit of our beloved Brothers Don and Ken, but none more keenly felt than when a neighbor came running up our hill to our home and out of breath asked for our help. A young man in our community, Miguel Hernandez Cueves, had taken two pills used for killing the bugs in the beans. We quickly got in a vehicle, picked up Don and Ken (who were bringing water to our home from the community well), and drove to where the young man was. He was already severely affected by the poison. As he was loaded into the vehicle, Bros. Don and Ken began administering to him. At the hospital, we were told that out of the 90 cases in Honduras, 99% of the patients died. When the pills enter the stomach they turn into a gas. The gas then begins to spread throughout all of the

organs of the body, causing the cells to erupt, destroying the organs. Miguel was dying. They inserted tubes into his stomach to flush out the stomach. The doctor then took his blood pressure and it was 70/40. He then gave Miguel a shot to bring up his blood pressure. About half an hour later they took his pressure again and it was 0. At that point, Bros. Don and Ken administered to Miguel again. We got permission to take him to a private hospital in Tegucigalpa, a two hour drive away. At a private clinic in Tegucigalpa he would have the availability of oxygen. We were assured by the attending physician that Miguel would die and there was no hope. We know that with our Heavenly Father there is always hope. Faith is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things unseen. I had faith that Miguel would live, for surely our Heavenly Father was not done with him yet. And someday, he would be a testimony of the power of God for that physician.

To make a long story short, Miguel lives today. Glory be to our Heavenly Father for He is great and His mercy is tender toward His children.

Miguel is now working driving a truck for his brother-in-law. His trials are not over; perhaps they have just begun. He knows and testifies to the miracle of his life, but he needs our continual prayers and nurturing. Please keep him in your prayers that one day he will receive the truth of the gospel and we will embrace not only as friends but also as brothers in Jesus Christ.

Sometime later while visiting a patient in the hospital my path crossed the path of the physician who attended Miguel. He stated to me, "The young man died that took the poison?" Praise be to our Heavenly Father I was able to say to him, "No, he lives. It was truly a miracle of God."

We are only a few members in number, twelve at the time of this writing, but oh, the hope we have with the work of the gospel. Darin and Johnny could be busy preaching the gospel daily and throngs would come to hear. Pray for more workers to be called for the time of the Gentiles is closing and it is time that the Lord will remember again His covenant people—that they may hear the words of their predecessors, "...like as one crying from the dead. Yea, even as one speaking out of the dust" Moroni 10:22-23.

There are approximately 140 to 150 who come to our church service every Sunday. We

have Book of Mormon studies every Monday, Wednesday and Friday night with approximately 25 to 30 attending. Please pray for those who are willing to come and hear the Word that our Heavenly Father will touch them

with His Holy Spirit and that they will receive of the Word with gladness.

*In Gospel Bonds of Christ's Love,  
Nana A. J. Gill*

## HOUSTON, MISSOURI

We had water in our church basement in March. Margaret Keeney said, "Thank you Lord, for making me go to the basement." She called Ireatess and they pumped up and carried out 8 dry vac buckets of water. Thankfully, no major damage was done to the church.

Marvin and Berniece Ely's daughter, Janice Moore, was hurt more seriously than thought at first in her accident. She had a concussion which could have lasting effects for six months and has damage to the nerves in her arms and wrists. She will either have surgery or wear braces.

In January, Ireatess Keeney was given the Missouri State Cattleman of the Year Award at the Missouri State Cattlemen's Convention in Columbia, Missouri.

Jared Medders, Mary Jane Medders' grandson, and Theresa Jones' son, was married to Debbie Bailey on March 19.

Mary Jane Medders will be attending Grandparent's Day at Republic and spending

Easter weekend at Dee Anna Hutcheson's for Emily's birthday.

Margaret and Ireatess Keeney have also been enjoying the pleasures of Grandparent's Day. Ireatess Keeney, who has retired (???) has been working almost every day.

Tracie Gill's stepfather, Bill Green (triple by-pass), and sister Samantha Steckman (back surgery), are recovering from their operations and seem to be improving daily. Please keep Bill Green in your prayers for a healthy recovery since he does have diabetes which could slow the healing process.

Various visitors we have had are Catherine Emery and her two grandchildren, Sharilyn and Keiautie, and Megan Iott, and Les and Barbara Burgin.

A great loss for our local and a gain for heaven was when Brother Marvin Ely was called away from us on Monday, March 30. He will be sadly missed as a pastor and friend. His presence was a great blessing to us all. Our hearts and prayers go out to his family.

Those able to attend Brother Ely's funeral were Mary Jane Medders, Margaret and

David Keeney, Ella Engle, and Lois Helseth. Please keep our Pastor Virgil Addie and our local in your prayers.

These are various quotes from Brother Marvin Ely's sermon on March 15, 1998, about life in the last days:

"Afflictions, illness, or persecutions—we can still go on with life, through the help of God, and be examples to the young of the church."

"How careful we must be that the temptations of this life do not cause us to fall away."

"No matter how tough it is—God will take care of you, if our faith is sufficient and we follow the Lord."

(One thing that Brother Marvin Ely always told us was that "we must be a more humble people" —and he was a wonderful example.)

*Respectfully and humbly yours,  
Sister Tracie Gill*

## MOGOLLON

Greetings brothers and sisters, Well, here it is April, time to plant some things in the North Country. I've decided to give it another try. I have to pray over my fields, believe me! I trust Betty and Elmer will be in Zion to show us a few things.

Everyone in our local is doing fine. We had a scare with Jim Yates, Jr., who had an allergic reaction to something he ate. He got very weak and sick, but was administered to and felt better. He still went to the hospital by ambulance for a complete check up and recovery. He is allergic to fish; turns out there is fish stuff in Worcestershire sauce!

Gordon McCann recently came and preached. It was so good to see him—Bob and Liz, too. We had a sermon about the baptism

covenant. Alma asked the people before he baptized them, are you willing to do these things: to bear one another's burdens that they may be light, to mourn with those that mourn, to comfort those that need it, to stand as witnesses of God at all times, in all things and all places until death that you may have eternal life? If this is your desire, then enter this covenant, to serve Him that He may pour out His spirit upon you. You could live your life inside this paragraph I believe.

We also learned about the "joy" of the saints. He wants you to be happy, by rejoicing in the "truth." Abide in the vine, in His name, and He promises that others may see your joy in serving Christ (do they)? We must have joy in our life, even in sufferings, and sing praises to God that we are accounted worthy to suffer for His name's sake. Does the world see us happy no matter what? We must walk in trust and confidence. Our joy is that He hears our

prayers, He is our helper and He promises eternal life of marvelous proportions; is this not reason to be steadfast? Do not let this world take the song from your heart. The path is plain and straight, we must walk slowly in it. The winds of the world blow in every direction; overcome them with a song of praise, or prophecy or love that is safe in your heart. So, the joy of the Lord encompasses much. May it be your gift when needed.

Our prayers are for the church at large; close your eyes and see the great future, when we shall see His face.

*Your sister in hope,  
Kathy Cloyd*

## PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Greetings from Phoenix! Phoenix hasn't been living up to its reputation as the Valley of the Sun this spring. El Nino has brought us lots of wet blessings. We're sorry for the devastation El Nino has caused in other parts of the country, but we Arizonans needed the water. Maricopa is the fastest growing county in America and this rain will replenish our rapidly diminishing water table. There's a blessing in everything!

On February 18th we welcomed the newest member of our congregation, Sydney Yates, daughter of John and Deborah Yates. We almost lost Mike and Verda Malone and their daughter Leigh Anne Yates and grandchildren Madalyn, Jeremiah and Nathaniel to the state of Colorado. Their plans to move have been temporarily postponed, so we get to keep them a little longer. We will soon be losing Dewayne and Margaret Owen. They are moving to Alaska. I've just been getting to know Margaret again. She is a dear sister. We know she will be as great a blessing to the brothers and sisters in Alaska as she has been to us. Those of you in Missouri will be enjoying the company of Rebecca Owen as she is moving there for awhile. Don't keep her too long!

Our Senior Young People's group has been active with Book of Mormon studies, social get togethers and fund raising. They raised \$266.00 in a rummage sale. Some generous brothers and sisters donated such high value items as a motorcycle and a computer. A spaghetti dinner complete with waiters and a choice of menu entrees brought in close to \$650.00 in donations.

The Primary and Junior youth groups staged a Bike-a-Thon to raise money for Central America. What endurance those kids have! They earned almost \$900.00 in pledges.

Our missionaries have been busy in the New Year. Elders Ken Oar, Marvin Caroll and Joel Yates have all made trips to the Navajo nation. Our friend Mary Chee of Yahtahey, New Mexico, recently lost her mother. Please remember her in prayer.

Apostle Don McIndoo and Elder Ken Oar recently returned from a six week missionary trip to Honduras, Guatemala, Belize and Yucatan. Another door has been opened in Central America. To borrow a phrase from our

sister Betsy Trudgin, "we're part of history." What an exciting time to be a member of the Church of Christ!

God gave great witness of His power through administrations. A young man in Honduras named Miguel was brought back from the brink of death after ingesting poison. And a sister in Yucatan was healed of a prolonged eye infection. This experience was such a marvelous testimony to her that she made the decision to be baptized.

Welcome aboard to the newest local in the Church of Christ! Zamarano, Valle de Jamastran. The returning missionaries tell us they were deeply impressed with the sincerity of the people there. Our gratitude and prayers are with John and Nana Gill, Darin and Loreli Krull and Ronnie and Joannie Gill who live and work full time in Honduras.

Here are a few thoughts from some of the wonderful sermons we've heard :

- ◆ *The more time you spend in the word of God, the more confidence you have in His ability because you read the witnesses.*
- ◆ *Sometimes we get a curve ball in life and we have to be willing to accept that curve ball because that's the way God strengthens us.*
- ◆ *Spiritual maturing takes all of our life, it's not a quick easy journey. Being perfect is not a part time job. It's a full time job.*
- ◆ *Somebody's going to die for your sins. It's either going to be you or Jesus Christ. It's up to you.*
- ◆ *How is the kingdom of the devil going to shake? By people like you and I. By revealing the little bits of truth that God has revealed to you and by the servants of God going out and speaking boldly.*
- ◆ *If you don't hear Christ calling, look up from the daily trudges of life and see where you're walking.*
- ◆ *The worse things seem to be getting, the closer we are to God's intervention.*
- ◆ *Things that are good can still be a thief of our time. As we build habits that draw us into places that change, our habits stay the same.*
- ◆ *If you're a believer and have kept your*

*faith in God you will not have to face Satan alone.*

- ◆ *If you know your problem is impatience, you need to get up every day and ask God, "If this particular situation comes up, help me to respond in the right way".*

Until next time, I'd like to close with some very important thoughts from a recent sermon:

- ◆ *Get your mind ready. If you haven't done it yet, you're going to be standing on the sidelines until you get yourself ready to do what the Lord wants you to do. We've got to provide for ourselves every day, time when we can earnestly pray for the work. We live in that day when the gospel will go back to the House of Israel and it will begin with the poor indigenous people of the Americas.*

Reporter,  
Marlene Oar



## OBITUARY

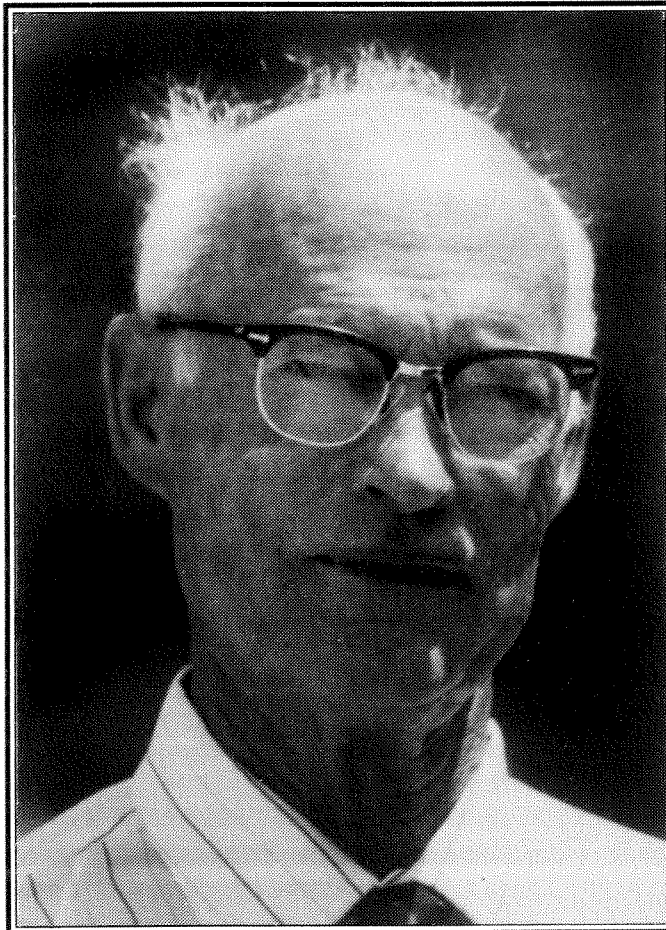
# Marvin Ellis Ely

## An Apostle of Jesus Christ

December 8, 1921 - March 30, 1998

That Monday morning we had met in the Council Room for a day of fasting and prayer. Our hearts were filled with joy and thanksgiving for the wonderful spiritual experience we had enjoyed in our previous meeting. This day on which our friend and brother, Marvin, transversed the boundary of this mortal realm and passed into the eternal one is a day which his friends in the Council of Apostles shall never be able to forget. We will always look back upon it with a degree of shock and sorrow - certainly we shall miss his special contribution to the work of the Lord and to our meetings - but we shall, as well, always remember the wonder of it.

Marvin had been a special friend of mine for forty-seven years, but this is nothing unusual since everyone who has known Marvin considered himself a special friend of his. (Certainly there is something in that simple statement which merits examination.) I have a great concern for our nation's youth as I consider the modern trends in history, the media and even textbook writing. It seems the heroes and role models on which those of my generation thrived are being humanized, yes,



even vilified by today's need to "tell it like it really is." The Apostle Paul long ago counseled the youth of his day to follow "the example of the believers." He wasn't afraid to say, "Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ." Certainly Jesus Christ is the ultimate example and role model of the Christian, but young people also need to see

good examples among the living, of those who are close to them and concerned about them. I am not reluctant to urge any to follow the example of this good and gentle man.

As I think of Brother Marvin, there are four injunctions in the Scriptures which I believe typify his life. The first of these is found in 1 Corinthians 16:13 - "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong." "Be strong," writes the apostle. And Marvin was strong. The blood of pioneers flowed in his veins. Those qualities of tenacity, strength, determination and individuality which won the West and settled it were a portion of his inheritance. Certainly his vitality and physical strength were ap-

parent: he could swing a 24 oz. hammer all day on a construction site and on his day off walk all day on four foot stilts as he pruned his orchard in below freezing weather. But the strength of which the apostle wrote, the real strength of our brother and friend were not of the physical dimension of life; rather, it was a spiritual, mental and emotional strength which he exempli-

fied. It was the strength to avoid the very appearance of evil, to do good, to be honest. It was the strength of self-control, of self discipline and righteous living which he showed in every aspect of life.

"Be strong", wrote the poet Babcock 100 years ago:

*We are not here to play, to dream, to drift;  
We have hard work to do, and loads to lift;  
Shun not the struggle - face it: 'tis God's gift.  
Be strong!*

Like some others of you, Marvin wasn't here to play; he was always ready to shoulder his load; not his alone, for he carried the burdens of many others as well.

On the day of Marvin's funeral this poem arrived by Email:

### **This Was A Man**

**"Rise from the dust, my sons, be men."**

**A father spoke once, long ago.**

**What is a man? Today as then  
God has a pattern clear to show.**

**A body tall and strong, upright?**

**This can be good. it's not required.**

**Strength to run? To lift with might?**

**Mere muscle power soon grows tired!**

**A son of God, a real man**

**Will find, lift, carry heavy load**

**With strength, endurance to the end**

**Of his own destined earthly road.**

**To know one such, to watch him serve**

**Touched every fellow traveler's heart.**

**We pray that - like him - we'll deserve**

**Full joy as from this life we part.**

- Donna Moser

**B**efore leaving His disciples, Jesus spoke to the Apostle Peter: "Simon, son of Jonah, lovest thou me?" If the answer be yes, the injunction of

the Lord follows: "Feed my sheep." This is the second scripture which comes to mind when I think of Marvin's ministry. It wasn't likely that Peter would forget that occasion. He, in turn, spoke to others called to Christ's ministry:

"The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings 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 ensamples 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).

Marvin's ministry was an example of a "pastoral" ministry. He desired to feed the lambs of the Master. No child too young, no person too elderly, no problem too great, but what he was there to listen, to counsel, to offer succor and aid. He visited, he wrote, he telephoned; he was always concerned for people. All over the Lord's vineyard there are those who were fed, nurtured, supported, comforted and strengthened by his pastoral ministry, a ministry that will, most assuredly, be missed.

A third injunction of the Lord, and one almost unique to Restoration people, is found in the words of Christ: "But he that shall endure to the end, the same shall be saved" (Matthew 24:13).

**Endure to the end.** What is the significance of these words? I believe a passage in II Nephi sheds light on this subject: "Wherefore, if ye shall press forward, feasting upon the word of Christ, and endure to the end, behold, thus saith the Father: Ye shall

have eternal life" (2 Nephi 13:30). Here it is, endure to the end of life in obedience to, concern for and feasting upon the words of Christ.

None of us are going to forget the last three days of Marvin's life, our last three days together.

**SATURDAY.** Marvin chaired a meeting with the members of the Bishopric and the Apostles. It was a meeting marked by unity, cooperation and progress. After this meeting the members of the Council continued together. We expressed our concern for the need of additional apostles to fill the quorum, a matter about which we had been praying and fasting for years. A change came over our Brother Marvin. In a voice hushed, filled with emotion, he bore witness that the Holy Spirit had revealed to him that Brothers Brian McIndoo, Mike McGhee, Placido Koyoc Yam, Frank Fann and Placido Koyoc Matu were to serve as apostles. Brother Alvin Moser bore testimony to the calling of Brother Joel Yates to be an apostle. Each of us felt ourselves immersed in an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. There were many witnesses to the divinity of these callings.

**SUNDAY.** This morning Marvin preached a sermon at the Temple Lot church. This was vintage Marvin, with a message of counsel, comfort to see us through the Lord's work and encouragement to be about that great work. That afternoon he spent with the pastor and his family. The last notation in Marvin's diary was about the pleasantness of that visit. He loved to be with the family of God.

**MONDAY.** The Council of Apostles met together, as prearranged, in a day of fasting and prayer. A hymn was sung and a scripture read. Several comments were made. One of the brothers bore witness to a trial he was undergoing and Marvin spoke some comforting words to him. Then we knelt in a lengthy season of earnest prayer, with much thanksgiving for the blessings received on Saturday afternoon. At about 11:45 we arose from our prayer. It was noted by some that six men had been called but there were only five vacancies in the Council. Brother Marvin, again moved by the Spirit, testified to the callings of Brothers Brian McIndoo, Mike McGhee, Joel Yates, Placido Koyoc Yam and Frank Fann, and he said that Placido Koyoc Matu would also serve on the Council of Apostles. No sooner did he testify to these callings than he leaned over, touched his chest and said, "I need help." His life was one of endurance to the very end, with his last words

to us being witness of the will of our Heavenly Father for His church.

When I am in Independence I come to the Temple Lot by way of Chrysler Street. Each day I pass by a home which has in its front yard a magnificent, old oak tree I always look for. I have seen it in full leaf; I love it when the leaves are fallen. I have seen it bowed before the wind, scarred by lightning, and covered with snow. Once, after a great ice storm, I saw that huge oak with its broken branches scattered about on the ground. But that great oak still stands! In the forest of humanity Marvin was like a great oak, enduring, always standing. And why, well along in years, burdened with his own physical problems, burdened yet more by the needs of those he ministered to, could he always endure?

That question brings us to the fourth scriptural injunction, by which Marvin lived:

"And now, O my son Helaman, behold thou art in thy youth, and therefore I beseech of thee that thou

wilt hear my words, and learn of me; for I do know that whosoever shall put their trust in God, shall be supported in their trials, and their troubles, and their afflictions, and shall be lifted up at the last day..." - (Alma 17:3).

**Trust in God!** When alone in his travels, when overwhelmed with physical problems or weakness, when assailed by adversity, when carrying some great burden on his heart, Marvin's trust was in the living God. His lifesong was as the words of a song, whose title and singer I cannot name:

*"When it seems you cannot take one step more,*

*Trust Him; He will not fail you.*

*Trust Him; because He loves you."*

One of God's warriors has gone home, and he now passes the banner to a younger generation. I pray that you be ready, that you be strong, that you trust in the living God and feast upon His words, enduring to the end. I pray that we be equal to the task.

- *Apostle Don McIndoo*

**A** memorial service was held for Apostle Marvin Ely on Saturday, April 11, 1998, at the Orchard Mesa Local, Grand Junction, Colorado.

Music for the service was provided by Sister Rebecca Maley on the piano and Sister Jane Pennell on the keyboard. The service began with the congregation singing *In the Garden*. Brother John Bell offered the opening prayer and read the obituary. An ensemble consisting of Sister Enid Bell, Brother Russell Bell, Sister Jeanie Larsen,

Brother Daniel Carroll and Sister Joanie Larsen sang *My Jesus, I Love Thee*.

Paster Jim Shaw began by recalling some early memories that he had of the Ely family that began when the Shaw family moved to Grand Junction in 1937. Brother Shaw recalled how he, Marvin and Bob Ely had picked corn one fall on the site where the Orchard Mesa Local is now located. He also shared that the first wedding that Marvin Ely had performed was the wedding of Jim Shaw and his wife Viva 49 years ago.

For his reading he used Matthew 22:36-38, John 14:1-2, Luke 23:42-43 and Alma 19:43-44.

Closing prayer was offered and the ensemble sang *In Heavenly Love Abiding*. A reception followed in the church dining room.

Apostle Ely will be greatly missed by his family and friends at the Orchard Mesa Local.

*Karen Bell*

*The family of Brother Marvin Ely wishes to express their gratitude to all for the cards, flowers and prayers offered in their behalf.*



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