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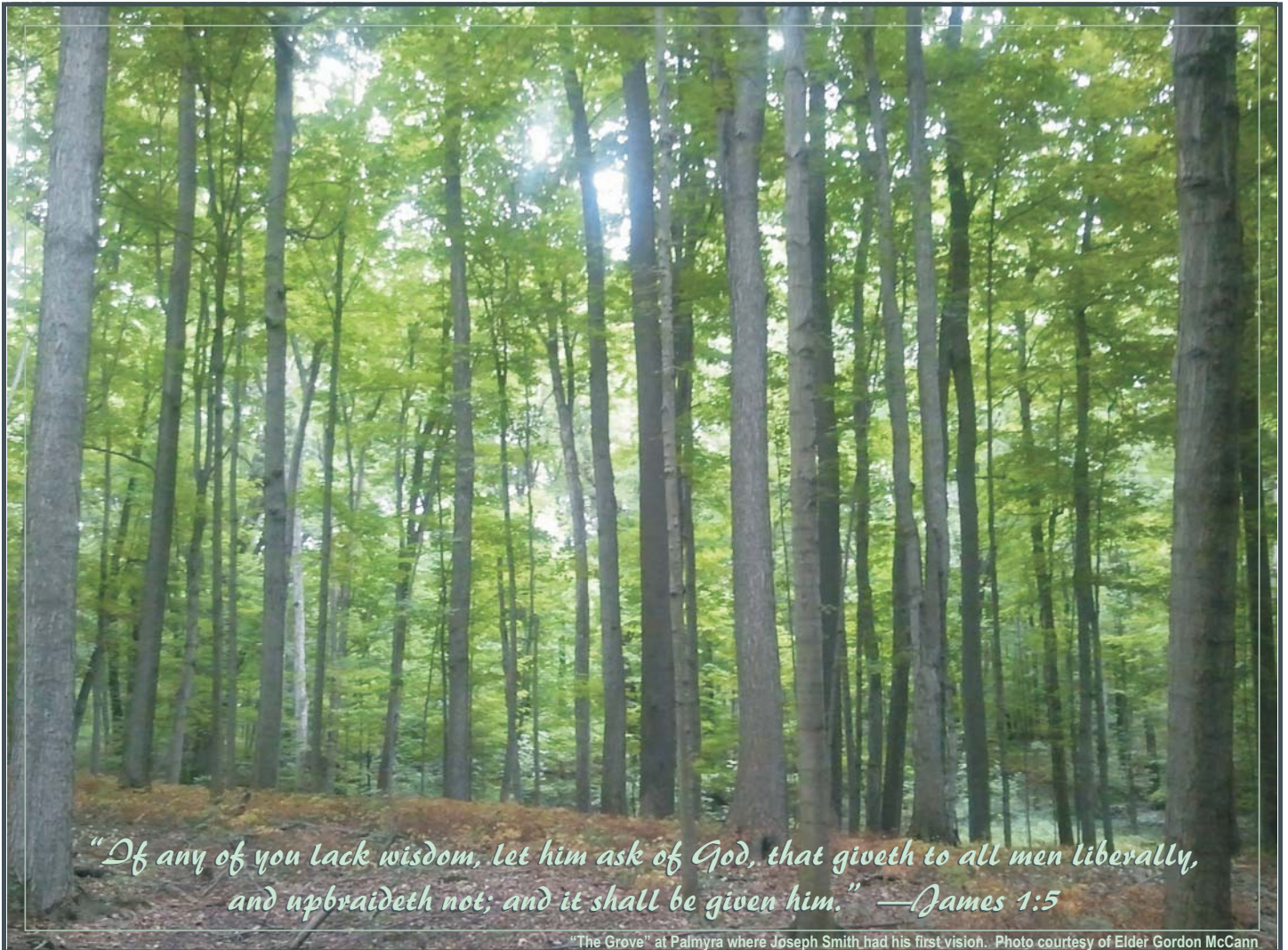
*"And blessed are they who shall seek to bring forth my Zion at that day,
for they shall have the gift and the power of the Holy Ghost...."*

1 Nephi 3:187

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*"Of any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally,
and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him." —James 1:5*

"The Grove" at Palmyra where Joseph Smith had his first vision. Photo courtesy of Elder Gordon McCann

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SOME THOUGHTS ON WITNESSING OF THE BOOK OF MORMON



By Elder Glenn Gill

On a flight to Minneapolis from Kansas City a few years ago I was seated with a man in his 40's who opened a Bible and began flipping through pages as if looking for some passage. I asked if he was a minister, and remarked that I also liked the King James version of the Bible. He said he was not a minister and that his immediate inter-

est in the Bible was because his daughter, age 15, had gone ahead to Minneapolis with her mother to participate in a national Bible quiz program at the district level. Her team had won their local contest. He said he thought he had better become better acquainted with the Bible himself. Delayed by work responsibilities, he hoped this flight would get him to Minneapolis in time to see his daughter's team compete. I complimented his effort and his good example as a father by showing an interest in encouraging his daughter in a spiritual endeavor.

In answer to his inquiry I told him I was a minister of the Church of Christ and on a mission to visit church members and hold services in Saskatchewan. He asked questions about my efforts and my church. As the conversation progressed I was able to introduce him to the Book of Mormon in a way that was entirely

new to him. I explained that it is a book that contains a history of God-fearing descendants of Joseph who was sold by his brothers into Egypt. I told him that they were visited and taught by Christ in Central America after His resurrection. I said they had built the ancient civilizations we now know have existed in the Americas. Certain things about what I was telling him caught his interest. Among them was my assertion that it was perfectly logical that Christ's "other sheep" would include the inhabitants of Central America, and that since the descendants of Joseph would have a heritage of Egyptian culture it is not unusual that those elements would be evident in the language and architecture of ancient Central America. I explained to him how Daniel had prophesied of Jesus' seven-year ministry with the "oblation" of His sacrifice on the cross in the middle of that

period. I said Jesus then had 3½ more years to complete the work Daniel had prophesied, and asserted that He completed part of that ministry in the Americas. Remarkably, my evangelical Christian seatmate listened to all I had to say and thanked me for the interesting conversation as our plane touched down in Minneapolis.

Reflecting on this experience, I have wondered if there is a lesson here in how to witness with some success to others about the book of scripture we treasure and many others hate. Here are some principles I have applied on other occasions; I think they will provide a good chance of success when we have an opening to explain our love for the Book of Mormon.

1 Open the conversation with something that recognizes their faith, as I did with the man on the plane. Complimenting their faith and religious practice where you honestly can may create a feeling of ease and help to foster an interest in what you will contribute to the conversation. The conversation will end quickly if you make them feel you consider yourself more knowledgeable or spiritual than they.

2 Never allow a conversation to become one where you are simply defensively answering their questions. Defensive answers will make you sound unsure of your own beliefs. Show an interest in their beliefs and expressions of faith by asking questions and listening to what they have to say.

3 Have a plan; a logical sequence of information that you believe and have in mind (things that were convincing to you). Be able to cite information from scripture and other sources. The Book of Mormon contains some interesting history and fulfilled prophecy. Its central theme is the teachings of Jesus, the resurrected Christ. Emphasize that aspect of it first and at various times throughout your conversation. Some things you might say about the Book of Mormon may be an instant turnoff to most people. Be prepared to tell what the Book of Mormon does say about polygamy or priestcraft. Keep your remarks positive.

4 Here are some things about the Book of Mormon I have found to be interesting to others:

The Book of Mormon has a historical aspect **and** a scriptural aspect. Historically, it tells about three groups of

people who settled the Americas before Columbus, or even the Norsemen, came. Most attention is given to the story of two families who combined to escape Jerusalem before the Babylonian invasion and enslavement. They were descendants of Joseph who was sold into Egypt by his jealous brothers (1 Ne 1:164-168). Joseph had subsequently become an important person in Egypt. He had an Egyptian wife and learned the Egyptian language, writing, and customs (Gen 41:38-52). Their sons, Ephraim and Manasseh, would also have adopted Egyptian language, writing, and customs. Thus, both Egyptian and Jewish culture was in the ancestry of these families as they left Jerusalem and eventually crossed the Pacific to Central America (1Ne 1:1). So it is not surprising that architecture and writing like that found in Egypt has also been found in ancient Central American ruins (A Book of Mormon Companion, chapter 4, p12).

Jesus told His disciples He had other sheep “not of this fold” (John 10:16), and that they would hear His voice. Daniel prophesied that Jesus would carry out His ministry for seven years (one prophetic week), and that in the middle of that time He would cause the “sacrifice

and the oblation to cease” (Dan 9:27). That meant that he would make the great and last sacrifice by His own death on the cross after 3½ years of his ministry, and that the next 3½ years would be after His resurrection. The Book of Mormon shows that He ministered to the descendants of the tribe of Joseph in the Americas during the first part of that time, and then visited other people in other places (3 Ne chapters 5-13).

His teachings were basically the same in both hemispheres: thus, we say the Book of Mormon witnesses of the truth of the Bible. Ezekiel prophesied of this, calling the two books the stick of Judah and the stick of Joseph (Ezek 37:15-20). Isaiah also prophesied of the Book of Mormon, calling it “the dream of all” and giving specifics that cannot apply to any other book (Isa 29:11-14). The book of Isaiah was written about 80 years before Lehi and his family left Jerusalem. It and some earlier writings are quoted in The Book of Mormon while (as one would expect) the more recent prophets are not quoted at all.

There are examples of scriptural truth known by Book of Mormon writers that provide a clearer understanding than is available in the Bible. One example that I like to bring into discussions of the

Book of Mormon is found in the book of Alma (Alma 19:42-47). It is an explanation of what happens to the human spirit after death that I find personally comforting. Alma reports it as having been given to him by an angel in answer to his fervent prayer—a good talking point in itself. I have used it in funeral sermons and been told by people of other churches and faiths how informative and comforting it was to them.

One difference between the people of the Bible and the people of the Book of Mormon is that the people in Central America believed the words of the prophets regarding Christ, while the people of the Holy Land under the influence of the Scribes and Pharisees did not accept Jesus as the Christ, but sought another messiah. As a result the Book of Mormon tells of belief in Christ before Jesus was born. When the resurrected Jesus came He found in the Americas people who already believed.

In every discussion of our beliefs there are certain things to keep in mind not directly related to the Book of Mormon that help to define who we are. It is our task to represent the restored gospel of Jesus Christ. Much of what Jesus taught and put in place has been diluted and distorted by the ambitions and

philosophies of men down through the years since He established His church. Jesus said there would be a “falling away” (2 Thessalonians 2:1-4). If we would truly be the children of light, our friends, neighbors and relatives need to know from each of us that we believe in the church structure as described in Ephesians 2:19-22 and 4:11-16, and that we believe the ministry should be called of God, as was Aaron (Hebrews 5:4-10), and not be paid professional ministers. Telling others this can lead to opportunity for further conversation.

You may think of other things that may garner the interest of people you know and meet...but keep the number of items discussed small. This will make another opportunity more likely. Remember: Don't be bashful about telling others about the Book of Mormon. It is part of the witness we will be making if we truly love our neighbors.



Contentment



By Priest Adam Yates

“And the mixt multitude that was among them fell a lusting: and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat? We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlick: But now our soul is dried away: there is nothing at all, beside this manna, before our eyes. And the manna was as the coriander seed, and the colour thereof as the colour of bdellium. And the people went about, and gathered it, and ground it in mills, or beat it in a

In this modern age we are quickly losing our ability to be content.

mortar, and baked it in pans, and made cakes of it: and the taste of it was as the taste of fresh oil. And when the dew fell upon the camp in the night, the manna fell upon it” (Numbers 11:4-9).

“And say thou unto the people, Sanctify yourselves against to morrow, and ye shall eat flesh: for ye have wept in the ears of the Lord, saying, Who shall give us flesh to eat? for it was well with us in Egypt: therefore the Lord will give you flesh, and ye shall eat. Ye shall not eat one day, nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days; But even a whole month, until it come out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome unto you: because that ye have despised the Lord which is among you, and have wept before him, saying, Why came we forth out of Egypt?” (Numbers 11:18-20).

“And there went forth a wind from the Lord, and brought quails from the sea, and let them fall by the camp, as it were a day’s jour-

ney on this side, and as it were a day’s journey on the other side, round about the camp, and as it were two cubits high upon the face of the earth. And the people stood up all that day, and all that night, and all the next day, and they gathered the quails: he that gathered the least gathered ten homers: and they spread them all abroad for themselves round about the camp. And while the flesh was yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the wrath of the Lord was kindled against the people, and the Lord smote the people with a very great plague” (Numbers 11:31-33).

In this passage of scripture we read of the human condition, one which has been with us since our creation and surely will be with us until our demise. Even a casual observer can see that the house of Israel suffered because of their own doing; their inability to conquer their own desires. One could easily read through the story of

the years of Israel's wandering in the wilderness and miss the reality that, despite the thousands of years between us, we today are no different than those of ancient times.

I think we must address a few things to begin with, so we can fully understand the gravity of this story. As we know, the house of Israel was enslaved by the Egyptians. Through the course of time the Pharaoh decided the Israelites were growing too numerous, and ordered the killing of the newborn male babies as they were delivered. The Israelites were also forced to work hard manual labor and suffered cruel treatment. As this happens, and we see the plight of God's chosen people, Moses arrives on the scene. Moses, being used by the Lord to secure the release of His people and saving them from the threat of death, leads them on a journey to secure the promise which the Lord had made to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob concerning their seed. And so begins a journey through the deserts of the Middle East, a vast and unforgiving area. Certainly a party as large as the house of Israel would have several pressing needs: How to get food? Where to procure sufficient water? How to avoid the unfriendly kingdoms through which they would pass?

We see that through all this, the Lord provided. He preserved them from thirst (Exodus 15:22-27, 17:1-7), He brought them victorious through battles (Exodus 17:8-16) and He provided food for them, sufficient for their needs (Exodus 16:14-15, 31, 35). Despite all these things, we find that the house of Israel was never satisfied; never content with what God had given them.

This story adequately illustrates what I wish for the reader to consider: Are you content?

Content: mentally or emotionally satisfied with things as they are; assenting to or willing to accept circumstances, a proposed course of action, etc. (*Collins English Dictionary, 10th edition*).

I would like to make this statement now so that the reader does not confuse what I wish to convey: ***Being content does not mean that one cannot have hopes, dreams or goals; but rather, contentment means that if nothing else changes, if no hope, dream or goal becomes reality, you are still able to be satisfied, to serve and praise God.***

In this modern age we are quickly losing our ability to be content. A look at the recent mortgage meltdown, fueled by the desire to have

bigger and better houses which we could not afford, is one readily identifiable example. We live in a society of buying on credit, plastic surgeries, keeping up with the Joneses, self-promotion and the get-it-now mentality. I suffer from this, and I am certainly not alone. When I was hired as a police officer six years ago, the economy was good, hiring was up and my department had negotiated a contract with the city that gave substantial raises. As a result, I immediately noted the rise in new cars and trucks, boats and off-road vehicles my coworkers bought. Then came the financial crash which has since crippled our economy. Coworkers began struggling to tread financial water, desperately trying to work as much off-duty and overtime as possible...some working seven days a week just to make ends meet. As a result, many officers were fired for lying on their time sheets, needing money to keep the lifestyle they were convinced they had to have.

This study is not about money, although it can sometimes be the most obvious symptom of lack of contentment. What I wish to talk about is the importance of being content, and how the Lord can use and reward a satisfied, faithful follower.

“For in the multitude of dreams and many words there are also divers vanities: but fear thou God” (Ecclesiastes 5:7).

Vanity: lack of real value, hollowness, worthlessness; something worthless, trivial or pointless (*Random House Dictionary*).

It is okay to have good, righteous goals and aspirations, but we are given a warning in this scripture: Be cautious about your desires, as they can lead to desiring things that lack any real value, and in the long run are trivial or pointless. We must also be cautious that our goals and dreams are not outlets for our pride. I think it is important that we remember what our purpose is here on earth: to follow Christ and ultimately return to Him, receiving salvation. Ask yourself this question: What do I really have to have in order to accomplish this purpose?

“But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment let us be therewith content. But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith,

and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness” (1 Timothy 6:6-11).

When we are seeking for those things that humanity has told us we have to have—a husband/wife, a high paying job, a big house, a new truck, a million dollars—we lose sight of what we are called to be. Being married doesn't pave the way to heaven, nor does a management position in your company. Paul warns Timothy of the price of this lack of contentment—it caused many to err from the faith and brought about great sorrow.

What we must do is to reprogram our minds. By nature we are programmed to reach for the stars and excel at all costs, having the biggest, best and best-looking of everything. But Christ tells us what we must reprogram ourselves to think and do:

“Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? Or Wherewithal shall we be clothed? For your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you” (3 Nephi 6: 9-11).

When our goal, our moti-

vation, is to follow the word of God and to make our endeavor to obtain His promise of salvation, God is able to provide for you in a way that not only will cover your needs, but will address your wants as well. We serve a God that joys in our righteous joys. He wants to see our success, spiritually and temporally. Herein is where we fall into problems—when we endeavor of our own selves to accomplish our goals. Ask yourself this: Who knows better what is best for you, God or yourself?

“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord” (Isaiah 55:8).

God has provided for each of us. If you are reading this, you have received everything necessary for you to accomplish your purpose here (not this article, but in the Gospel which you have available to you).

I would like to run a scenario by you. Let's say your child wants to play the violin. You talk to your child, ensuring that the child truly wants to learn, which he or she does. So the child is enrolled to have private lessons, and you purchase for them a cheap but usable violin to practice on at home. Several months go by and you notice you don't hear any practicing on

the violin you bought, and the teacher says the child isn't showing any improvement. About this time, your child comes and asks you to buy them a new violin of better quality and, of course, a higher price. How would this scenario play out in your home?

My concern is that we are often a part of this same scenario as it pertains to the things of life. Consider the parable of the Talents, found in Matthew 25:14-29. Here we see three men, each given something of considerable value by their master, and each given a commission to do something with what they were given. As we know, when the master returned, he had an expectation of each man. Two of them took what was given and made proper use of it, and for their effort they each were given more. And yet we see the third had various reasons—fear, laziness or lack of concern—who did not use what was given to him appropriately. The master, upon his return, wanted to reward his efforts and give him more, and yet the servant did nothing with what had been given. It is also important to note that the second servant gave no thought to the fact that the first was given more, or that his reward was greater. His eye was single to his purpose...

pleasing his master.

“Servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God: And whatsoever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; Knowing that of the Lord, ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ” (Colossians 3:22-24).

In the day this was written, Paul was speaking to men and women who were slaves. His advice to them stands true today; wherever you find yourself, in whatever condition you are, remember that you serve Jesus Christ. Your every action is a reflection upon Him, so live accordingly. Do this despite the fact that you may be unhappy with your job, lack of a home, desire for a companion or any of the numerous other wants, desires and frustrations we encounter. Serve Jesus Christ.

“But before you seek for riches, seek ye for the kingdom of God. And after that ye have obtained a hope in Christ, ye shall obtain riches, if ye seek them; and ye will seek them, for the intent to do good; to clothe the naked, and to feed the hungry, and to liberate the captive, and administer relief to the sick, and the afflicted” (Jacob 2:23-24).

We will be blessed with

successes in life. The Lord desires our success, and His description of success is likely much different than what our society deems as success. It may not mean the new truck, huge house and granite countertops, but every gift God gives is perfect, timely, able to provide for us and give us the happiness He desires us to have.

“For he that is called in the Lord, being a servant, is the Lord’s freeman: likewise also he that is called, being free, is Christ’s servant.” (1 Corinthians 7:22).

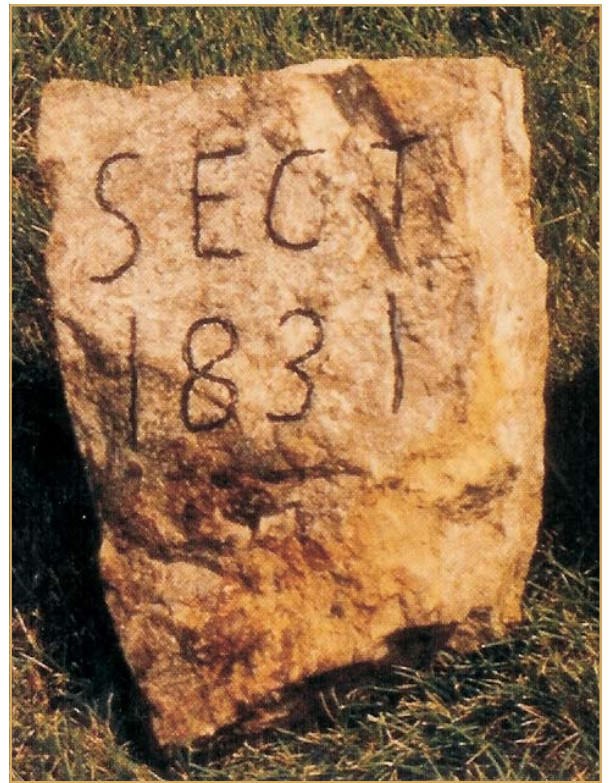
There is a freedom in the Gospel of Jesus Christ that can only be found there: the ability to be free—spiritually and emotionally free, content and happy—regardless of any situation we may be in. Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and see what He has in store. May God bless you to that end.

FROM the ARCHIVES

Church History Photos



This photo shows Bishop Alma O. Frisbey holding the first stone marker which was found on the Temple Lot during the excavation for the Temple foundation. Br. Frisbey is standing at the spot where the stone was discovered at about 18 inches below the sod and on the north line of the temple site; forty feet west of the northeast corner. We are not sure who the other man is, although we have been told he is Joseph Luff.



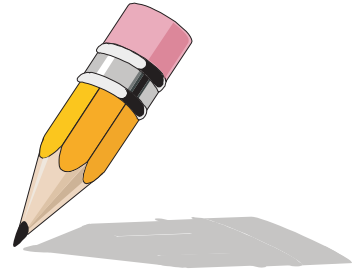
From the November, 1930, *Zion's Advocate*:

—The stone (on the left) was found on the north line of the Temple foundation May 18, 1929. It was laid by Joseph Smith and seven companions on August 31, 1831. This stone was found forty feet west of the northeast corner of the present foundation site.

(Note: The writing on the stone is a "surveyor's mark," a backwards 4, which means 10 feet from the "W" corner-djh)

—The stone (on the right) was found June 26, 1929, beneath the roots of one of the largest maple trees on the Temple Lot. Like its companion in historic interest, it is of native limestone, 10 x 14 inches, by 6 inches in size.

East Independence Local Report



Our love and greetings to all, Since our last report there have been trials for many of us in the East Local, but through those trials we have been greatly blessed and strengthened in the Lord. It's those blessings that we would like to share with you now.

On January 9th, Sister Deb Haines underwent open heart surgery to replace her mitral valve. During surgery it was determined that more repair was re-

quired. Sr. Deb came home with a new mitral valve, a new aortic valve and a repaired tricuspid valve. Surgery took six hours instead of the usual three; there were difficulties with an irregular heartbeat and low blood pressure,

which meant a little longer stay at the hospital. Sister Deb was greatly blessed: she has finished her cardiac rehab and continues to gain strength every day.

On Sunday, February 12, little 11-week-old Madison Louise



► **Apostle Frank Fann and Elder Steve McGhee blessing Madison Louise Fisher.**

Fisher was blessed by Apostle Frank Fann, assisted by Elder Steve McGhee. Madison is the daughter of Brother Ryan and Cheryl Fisher, who were present at her blessing. Also attending were her three-year-old brother, Gavin; grandparents: Sister Michele and Brother Pat Fisher, and her maternal grandmother, Sandy Slahck.

On April 23rd, Elder Isaac Brockman, Jr., underwent open heart surgery to have 5 bypasses performed. Brother Bick was very blessed in that while his blockages were severe, he only had an occasional shortness of breath.

Following the surgery he had some difficulties with medication and blood pressure, which required a little longer stay at the hospital. Brother Bick was greatly blessed throughout the whole ordeal, as was his family for the peace and comfort they received. Brother Bick is going through his cardiac rehab yet, and his recovery continues.

Apostle Frank Fann has undergone radiation and is now receiving chemotherapy for his cancer. Please keep him in your prayers, as he is suffering through much weakness and fa-

tigue as his body undergoes treatment and battles the cancer. Br. Frank is gaining in strength at this time and remains strong in the gospel; he has been given the gift of having great peace with his situation. Brother Craig Carmichael underwent a procedure to clear polyps from his sinuses. There was a concern that without this procedure he would be susceptible to another case of meningitis.

Apostle William Sheldon celebrated his 90th birthday on May 24th. An open house was given in his honor at the Church of Christ

headquarters on May 19th. Much to his delight his great-grandchildren honored him by singing songs for him.

Missionary trips were made as follows: Apostle Mike McGhee and Elder Andy Brantner visited our brothers and sisters in the Philippines. Apostle Smith "Buzz" and Sister Sue Brickhouse spent six weeks in East Africa this Spring (Brother Buzz also made several trips to India). Elder and Bishop Rick Olson made a missionary trip to India earlier this year, accompanying Apostle Brian McIndoo. Apostle Mike McGhee returned from another trip to the Philippines at the end of June.

We have been greatly blessed with some redecorating done at our local. We have added movable partitions for two classrooms in the annex, new paint and carpet in our Sunday School areas and the annex, along with new flooring in the kitchen and restroom. It was quite a project, but we have been blessed with a beautiful outcome...giving the building a sense of sweet peace. We are very thankful for the inspiration, and all the time and effort that went



► **Apostle William A. Sheldon**



► Elders Jeff Oldham and Isaac Brockman, Jr. confirming Sr. Faith Taylor

into the project. God has blessed us.

On June 9th, Sister Lisa Clark McGhee was married to Jason Slager. The wedding and reception took place at a nearby park with both families and many friends in attendance. May God bless you both with a joyful marriage and many years together in the Lord's care.

On Sunday, July 1st, Faith Taylor entered the waters of baptism. Priest Rusty Granger performed the baptism, Elder Jeff Oldham did the confirmation with Elder Bick Brockman assisting. Our little Sister Faith is the daughter of

Brother David and Sister Dana Taylor, and the granddaughter of Sister Cheryl and David Taylor. Sister Faith has two younger sisters, Samantha and Hailee. Also attending were her maternal grandparents and great aunt and uncle.

We are sad to report the passing of our brother Sam Kidd while he and Sr. Helen were visiting in Phoenix during the winter. There were many in attendance at the funeral service back in Independence. Br. Sam was very much loved and will be greatly missed.

Please keep these loved ones in your prayers, as they have great

needs: Sister Barbara Kimball is under treatment once again for a recurrence in her cancer. Sister June Sarratt is in need of prayers for her eyesight, her blood sugar and her ability to get around. Sister Pat McGhee had to have a kidney removed in January, and is now having more difficulty with her ankle. We pray the Lord will strengthen her so further surgery is not necessary. Sister Irene Seibel was hospitalized for congestive heart failure. She has been greatly blessed with her strength returning, but is still in great need. Sister Sheila Sarratt is in need of prayers for several serious health problems. Sister Florence Kommer is in need of prayers for healing for her sciatic nerve pain. Sister Lorraine Welton stands in need. Apostle William Sheldon is having serious problems with his eyesight and his health in general. Please keep all of them in your prayers.

Our prayers are for all of you, that the Lord will continue to work in all our lives. May God bless you and yours.

Sister Deb Haines

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2012 REUNIONS & RETREATS

■ MINNESOTA REUNION

August 31-September 2 at the Bemidji Local.

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■ 10TH ANNIVERSARY WOMEN'S RETREAT

October 5-6 at the Lake Maurer Retreat Center, Excelsior Springs, Missouri.

<http://home.comcast.net/~ccwr/index.htm>

■ ONTARIO REUNION

October 6-7 at the Brant/Norfolk Church of Christ in Teeterville, Ontario, Canada.

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