

EDITOR'S LETTER

Dear Saints and readers:

Holy Greetings to you in the Name of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

It has been one year since the publication of the first issue of *The Truth of God Journal*. We continue to be thankful to the Lord Jesus Christ for his mercy and many blessings.

In this the second issue, we have included highlights from the dedication service for the main upstairs sanctuary and 8th Holy International Convocation that were held in September 1996. It was a wonderful occasion. The First National Youth Convocation was also held in March 1997, along with the 7th Broadcast Anniversary. We have included pictures from that occasion also.

The church's radio broadcast, *The Truth Of God Radio Program*, continues to accomplish that which it was purposed by the Holy Ghost...to trouble and awaken the minds and hearts of men and women throughout the entire earth. We continue to receive many letters from throughout the world. Inmates throughout the United States have written many letters to us. We are thankful to the Lord Jesus Christ for the visit to the Belmont Correctional Facility in St. Clairesville, Ohio, where 48 men were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. An article about that occasion is also include in this issue.

This was also the first year that the church has traveled to Europe, specifically, England. That too was a memorable occasion and is highlighted.

The Gospel is continuing to awaken souls throughout the southern United States. An article describing the growth of the Alabama church is included. A new Temple has also been established in Fredericksburg, Virginia. A church is also now set-up in New Orleans, Louisiana.

The Truth of God Journal is designed to capture and preserve continual accounts of the ministry of Pastor Gino Jennings and the church and to provide a testimony of some of the works of the Holy Ghost in these last days.

We hope you are edified by this issue.

Peace be unto all.

Brother Daniel A. Thompson, Editor

THE SERMON

"...PREACH THE WORD..."

II Tim. 4 v 2

"Ambassadors for Christ"

Broadcast No. 344

Greetings brothers and sisters, friends and enemies.

This is First Church of our Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostles' Faith. We are located here at 2431 Frankford Avenue in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in the United States of America, where you have a standing invitation always to come and visit us when you're here in Philadelphia and hear the word of God preached according to what have been plainly outlined in the scriptures.

The bible contains the religion of God, listeners. God has a religion. Some folks say, "God never taught religion." You don't know what you're talking about. *God has a religion.* In fact the Apostle James was moved to tell us what kind; he said "pure religion and undefiled." (James 1 v 27). So this is what we have - the religion of God. If you want to know about God's religion, just examine the teachings of Jesus. If you check up on the teachings of Jesus, you will discover the religion of God. Jesus came teaching pure religion. See that's the kind of religion I'm talking about. I'm not just simply talking about "religion". His religious beliefs are distinguished from all others. For it was pure religion, undefiled, wholesome, real, and without fault. Then He passed that religion on to me. Then after men carried out God's plan everywhere they went. They gave the people a pure doctrine. I had an offer that our broadcast be televised around the whole world for an equal two hours, by satellite, by cable across the countries. I'm going to talk to my heavenly Father- see what He says. Someone said, "if you get on there, I'll leave"- there's the door. I don't lean to the ideas of people. My God, I lean to heaven and if heaven moves me, I'm going and I'm willing to accept all criticism. Now I know the devil, he got his heels bent now just from that statement because they'll say if you get on television you know you're a false preacher. Oh! you're so full of the devil and lack understanding. Well the bible says, "close your eyes from seeing evil"- if you look at me, I'm not evil. That don't apply to me- Amen. I have seen the Father, I wasn't looking at evil, Amen. So if you see anything that's truth, you're not looking at evil. The bible also says, "stop your ears from hearing about blood." Everything that is on the radio is on the television- everything! And I do mean everything. Someone will say well, you can go to hell for looking." You can go to hell for looking, hearing, feeling and touching and talking! Let's not just narrow it down to one member of the body. I can shoot your eyes and put them out. I can cut your hands off and put them out. I can knock your feet off and put that out. Until when the bible is done, it is written, "Mortify the deeds of your body." I'm looking to get on the internet. Someone said, "What!"- Oh yes, get the wax out your ears, you heard me! I say I'm looking to get on the internet. I'm looking to get on there. What is that? It's a computer screen, and when you punch things up, I want to come up there. I want to come up right at your desk with Acts 2:38 in my mouth. How you like that?

Amen. I'm trying to find a way now where I can preach the gospel on some type of telephonenumber. I'm looking to get the gospel everywhere the devil got their stuff out. What you talking- the devil's everywhere all over the sun. This thing is just not done in a corner. It's not done in a corner. So I know, I know that I make folks upset and if I wasn't of God I wouldn't do that. But because I was sent out by heaven, somebody say, "well if television was of God it ought to be a holy man making it." That's your opinion. What holy man made your underwear? You're wearing them. What holy man made your toothpaste? You that use it. What holy man made the radio? What holy man made your bathroom paper? Don't jump on me, I'll knock you right over with the bible. That goes for all the elders here too. If there's something in you ain't right, I'll knock that out with the bible. I don't just get them that are listening in. I get you that are here, because everything following me is not of God. I'm just bold enough to tell you so. I'm glad for Brother Anthony being here, one of the brothers in the military heard the gospel on the ship and then his sister gave him a transcription of the broadcast, he came all the way from Norfolk, VA and is sitting among us today. Isn't that wonderful? We thank God for him being here. Let me tell you something listeners. It is not wise to fight something you don't understand. That's not wise. I want to answer the letter from Jacksonville. I don't have it in front of me but I do have some letters to read. He was questioning me from Jacksonville about television. Is television; will a man go to hell; can the truth be preached on television? Now who will be dumb enough to say that the truth cannot be preached on there? Who would be dumb to say that the truth cannot be preached on there? Who would be that ignorant? The truth certainly can be preached on television. I can't say it can't, cause if I say it can't, I'd be a liar. The truth can be preached on television, just like a man can tell a lie on television, he can tell the truth on there. Now I condemn the radio. Don't you know that? Sure I condemn the radio. Someone say, "You're on it." Yes and I still condemn it. Why because everything on there is not of God. Everything on the radio is not of God. Everything on television is not of God. But if God showed me our broadcast in a vision I wouldn't get on it until God spoke to me. someone say, "Well God ain't tell me nothing." But when God spoke to me the I got over the radio. This is why God has blessed us to be successful and now we're heard everywhere in the world. So I don't go by what folks feel and what they say. I have to talk to my Father. He's more wiser than all of you folks.

And if He opens up the way, then I'm going to follow the sound of the going. Amen. That's why when we videotape the service, there are folks that condemn for videotaping. Someone say, "Do you advise folk to buy televisions?" No, I don't advise folk to go out and buy them. I'm not telling you to go out and buy them. I have to preach the positive side of television. Someone say, "It ain't no positive side." That's a lie, there's a positive side to radio and negative, because you can hear the truth over the radio and be saved. You can hear a lie over the radio and be damned. there's a positive side to reading. You can read Matthew 28:19 and run without an understanding and go to hell after you read it. And then you can read and get an understanding and go out and be saved. Amen. Now if God move me and open up the way then say well, Jennings get on television and if God moves on me to get on there, I pray God I can get on every station in America and out of America. Then that way, you couch potatoes, I can melt you. Amen. You know there are some folk who don't go no where. They look at television all day long. They look at Billy Graham, Benny Hen, the Pope, Clinton, Omar Khadafi. Am I right? Robert Titlan 700 Club. Look at soap operas, look at Bugs Bunny and Porgy Pig. You look at a

bunch of stuff that ain't worth nothing. Anyone tell you that you cannot see something that is of God on a television. They don't know the bible. You can't just use the scripture- cause someone say well, "Love not the world neither the things that are in the world." That's true. Your clothes

are of the world, radio of the world, your car, the Holy Ghost don't need a car- do it? Holy Ghost fills heaven and earth. Holy Ghost ain't got no use for a car. Your wife, that body, that's of the world. You ain't sleeping with spirit. Amen. All right, let me get these letters out of the way because I just started trouble right in the assembly, this morning. Thank God and that's the way I love to do it. All right we're going to separate wheat from tares. Let's have it:

Bro. Daniel (BD):

Pastor Jennings (PJ):

Bro. Williams (BW):

BD: Pastor my name is James Brenson. I'm an inmate at Central Prison, Raleigh, NC, and of the Lord Jesus Christ. I listen to your broadcast by radio and know of a surety, that the spirit of God dwells within you and I pray He leads you from glory to glory. I have heard many preachers in my 40 years, but the words were without spirit and it didn't profit me.

PJ: That's the truth. Now, that's where the problem's at. And this is what I've been preaching with the help of God. There's a lot of men out preaching, but if the spirit of God is not in their preaching, it is ineffective. It's like a lot of these men jumped up and made themselves apostles. Glory to God. If the spirit of God- I don't care who they try and sound like. It doesn't matter who you go out and try to imitate and who you quote. You can quote Marcus Garvey. You can repeat his sayings, but that don't mean you have the ability that Marcus had. You can quote Peter, you can quote Paul, but until the arising of the holy one of Israel get in the mouth of that so called apostle, prophet, minister, elder, or would be bishop, then his words is in no effect. That's why you find men over the radio quoting Acts 2:38, and they make that sound false. They make Acts 2:38 sound false. They make Acts 2:4 sound false. Alright.

BD: I have heard many preachers in my 40 years but the words were without spirit and they didn't profit me. But after hearing you bring forth the living word, it always bring salvation to my soul. I encourage you to continue in the Apostles' Faith, and I will also. Pastor Jennings, can you please send me your book titled "Mystery of the Godhead." I am unable to pay for it at this time, but hopefully sometime in the near future.

PJ: Alright Brother Brenson, we'll send you the information you desire. Alright.

*BD: New Orleans, LA. I enjoy your radio broadcast, Saturdays. I'm a Christian developing in New Orleans. A man gave me your sheet two weeks ago- "Is Your Doctrine Damnable." We are fellow soldiers in the true gospel of Jesus, the true living God. I'm on crutches from a bad mishap and need prayer. Your radio broadcast is enlightening for many. **Apostle Thomas***

O.R. Lilas, in New Orleans, LA. PJ: Alright, brother apostle. Is that is? Thank you for this letter and I do pray God that we do get a chance to meet face to face and communicate. I want to communicate with all apostles. All of them- is that right? If there's anybody in here this morning that think you're an apostle, don't you try to dodge me either. Amen. Because you can go out there and run around and jump and holler and see all the lights you want, but if you're and apostle, me and you go to sit around, brother. We got to talk. Let me tell you something, any revelation you come up with, it better be wrapped around with scripture. This is one reason why I don't believe in quoting the sayings of great men and rest on that. I have to run to what is written in the bible. There's too many home-made apostles. Apostles that came out of a box, mixed up in a pan and have been poured out. An apostle never learned revelation from me. An apostle is made direct by hands of heaven. Elders are men that must be appointed. And bear this in mind, all elders in America and the world, if you've been ordained by another elder, and the bishop that ordained you did not get permission from an apostle, that ordination is invalid. Are you listening? You listening at what I'm telling you? I said all elders, that goes for everything here, if you've been ordained by a bishop and that bishop that ordained you did not get permission from an apostle, like Titus got his from Paul, your ordination is invalid. Are you listening? This is the church of our Lord Jesus Christ, and you cannot come no other way. All deacons that is in this temple and elsewhere, if you became a deacon that differ from being selected by the brethren, your ordination is invalid. If you've been called in the office by your pastor and your pastor did not first get you from the brethren, then your ordination is invalid. Are you listening? Salvation and judgement begin right here, in God's house. That's where it's going to start, right here in the house of God. It's impossible to be a biblical elder if you came about in a way you cannot read in the bible. It is impossible to be an apostolic deacon if you came about in a way that differ from the bible. It is impossible to be a bible evangelist if you did not have someone who was an apostle, to lay hands on you, then tell you, do the work of an evangelist. Glory to God. Do you understand? I'm not interested in the title apostolic. I'm interested in having the goods of the faith. Are you listening? Oh I had no intentions on working on this, but I'm following the sound of the going. Alright, lets get the ambassador because I want to work on being an ambassador for Christ. Amen. The Father have not left me alone. Amen. Someone say, "My bishop that ordained me was under Bishop Johnson (*a deceased true preacher of the Apostles' faith*), so what! Johnson had devils with him. What does that prove? Even Johnson ordained some devils. Someone say, " A man of God would never ordain devils," God himself did it. Give me the book of John.

BW: In John 6 and at verse 70, Jesus answered have not I chosen you twelve and one of you is a devil.

PJ: Jesus did it. So don't jump on Johnson. Jesus was greater than he. And Johnson had a lot of devils. And you can here the devils hollering, after he fell asleep. And some hollered while he was awake. So, you can't jump on that. Alright, let's get the ambassador now because I have to follow the Holy Ghost. See this type of gospel, it makes folks leave you. Make folks do two things, cling to you or else hate you. This is all about getting in the kingdom. I'm not worried about titles. Some of you little jackleg things that got a little title apostle, or bishop- There was

one young man called me yesterday or the day before yesterday who I haven't heard from in years and he said, I'm pastor so and so. I said oh, brother so and so. He said, I said pastor so and so. I said oh, brother so and so. They get a little title pastor, or bishop and it goes through their veins. I'm content, right now, being called Brother Jennings. If I'm never called apostle, that don't move me. If I'm never called prophet or bishop, that don't take nothing from me, because as long as I can be a brother, living right. You want the titles out there, but you don't want the life. Your title don't mean nothing if you ain't living by the word. Come on son, lets dive into the bible.

BW: *II Corinthians 5 and at verse 20: Now then we are ambassadors for Christ as though God did beseech you by us we pray you in Christ stead be ye reconciled to God.*

PJ: Come back to God. Alright now, let us analyze being an ambassador. An ambassador of America goes to a foreign country. It may be a situation in that foreign country and America will send their ambassador. And the ambassador will bring to that foreign country what interests that America have in that country. And the ambassador will bring the policies and the beliefs and the doctrine of America over to that country that the country may know and understand America's position in this specific situation. Aye you listening? Now Jesus- glory to God, who was and is God almighty come here among the brethren- chose twelve men and gave them the office of the apostleship. He instructed them, which caused them to be qualified as representatives of the Christ. They were ambassadors. In other words, everywhere they went, they brought the policies of heaven. They brought heaven's policy. They brought heaven's sayings. They brought heaven's documents. Because the documents of heaven were scripture. That's why you would hear Paul referring to the heavenly documents, "It is written in the second Psalm", referring to the documents from heaven- how God moved on former ambassadors that was before the Apostles to write. Now, the prophets were ambassadors in the Old Testament. Jesus came- glory to God- in the volume of the book, because the ambassadors wrote things of Him to do God's will. Then they came along, the prophets, before His flesh. So now, He had to send ambassadors after His flesh. So now, the apostles, the twelve, Judas died, Matthias came in. You had the apostles, he chose twelve. Jesus was the first one. The chief shepherd and bishop of our soul. He chose 12, 12 plus Jesus, thirteen. One died, but it didn't change the fact, he once was an ambassador. After the one died, Matthias came on, which made 14. Jesus plus the 12, 13, one of the 12 died, Judas, Matthias came in, 14. Then you got another apostle, Apostle Joses. Someone said, "Who?" I said, Apostle Joses. Someone said, "He ain't never had no apostle named Joses." Notice Acts chapter 4.

BW: *Acts chapter 4 and at verse 36: And Joses who by the Apostles was surnamed Barnabus*

PJ: Joses, Barnabus was a given name. It's like Peter. His surname was Cephas. A given name. Well, Joses was his real name, but the Apostles named him Barnabus. Because back then when they gave you a name, the name fits your character. The name fits your character. Joses being an ambassador of Christ was good in giving consolation to the brothers and they received so

much consolation they said, well, we'll call him Barnabus.

BW: Which is being interpreted the son of consolation.

PJ: He's the son of consolation. Glory to God. Why did God name Peter Cephas? It fits his character. Stone, rock, unmovable- you understand- firm in the faith. So Jesus the 1st one, he chose 12, which was 13, one of the twelve died, He got Matthias, which was 14, Joses whose surname was Barnabus, 15, then last of all Brother Paul, 16 apostles, ambassadors. Now, I got to bring it so even the ignorant folks can get it. Sometimes some companies have certain policies and when they send out a representative, some representatives don't represent the company honestly, so the company is misrepresented. But being that you don't know the policies of the company, you think that they are representing the company right. Until you find out the truth of the company. This is what happened to religion. These things that popped up in the last times, are hiding under the title apostolic, of just bearing the name Jesus. They are misrepresentative. They are misrepresenting Christ. Yes they are. Oh don't think every man you hear up in the pulpit, or on the radio, talking about Jesus died, hung on the cross He was hung up for our hang ups- all this foolishness- misrepresentation. When they tell you, it's 3 gods, that's a misrepresentation cause heaven's policy is, "Hear"

BW: *"Oh Israel the Lord our God is one Lord"*

PJ: "is one." Are you listening? When they tell you, it's two gods, when some man come and tell you, and he bring the policy of heaven and show it to you. When the policy says, "The Lord said unto my Lord sit thou on my right hand," but if he haven't been taught by the owner of the church, which is God's company. Glory to God. Then after he tell you, The lord said unto my lord sit thou on my right hand," and he got the policy, he got the book, but then he come along and say, "You see it's two lords," he's misrepresenting the company. He's misrepresenting Christ. When a man say he's an apostle, based upon what some bishop left in a letter that he wrote himself, go to the bible. Go to the policies of the Church and see did any man come into the apostleship based upon, based upon an epistle that wasn't authorized by the Holy Ghost. Are you listening? Alleluia to God.

BW: *For such are false apostles*

PJ: You men that say you became an apostle, you're suppose to represent the head of the firm. You know in a law company, they often address it as a firm. You understand. Well God already said, He's a lawgiver. He's a lawgiver. In other words, He represent us, when we can't represent ourselves. That's why He make intercession- Glory to God- for the household of faith. So in order to represent God right, you got to have His policy. In other words, you got to have the scriptures and you can't represent it until it's rightly divided. Some say you don't need a preacher, you ain't got to have no preacher, that's an outside policy. That's misrepresenting God. You're misrepresenting the firm. Because the lawgiver don't teach that.

BW: *"How then ...Romans 10 and at verse 14 ...shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him in whom they have not heard and how shall they hear without a preacher, and how shall they preach except they be sent.*

PJ: This is the policy of the firm, cause the lawgiver is speaking here. He's giving holy commandments that every ambassador- you see when we travel from state to state, country to country, I must always bring to the people the policy of Heaven and let them know what Heaven say about this situation. So when I go to Africa, and their custom is have more than one wife, I must bring the policy of Heaven when I sit among the delegates and let them know by the apostle we have no such custom. Do you understand? From the beginning- Glory to God- it was not so. So when you look at these churches who suppose to represent Heaven when the women got on pants in the name of Christianity, when she heard this gospel, she's misrepresenting Heaven. When her fingernails are painted, toenails are painted, lipstick, earrings, rouge on the face, eyebrows are arched, misrepresenting Heaven. Got somebody else hair, went and bought someone else ponytail, got somebody else's hair extension, got somebody else bangs, he got a corpse toupee, all in the name Jesus. They are misrepresenting Heaven. When you live together

and are not married and yet you both pray together, sing together, shout together, you're misrepresenting Heaven. When you're out there cursing, lying, swearing, you're misrepresenting Heaven. Oh bless the name of God. This has been in me. Hear what the Holy Ghost says here.

BW: *In Isaiah 48:1, and make mention of the God of Israel but not in truth not in truth, nor in righteousness.*

PJ: Nor do they mention Him right, you understand. So whenever you misrepresent God, you are preaching things, and you are trying to make people believe that God believe what you're teaching. These false prophets have God's policy on the pulpit for an outward front but through the night and through the week, they're writing out their own policy. It's called a sermon.

*The complete message can be obtained on audio cassette.
If you wish to get any of Pastor Jennings' messages
that you may hear aired on the church's radio program,
The Truth of God Radio Program, then send your written
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should be clearly indicated in your letter.)*

LETTERS

"...many... which heard the word believed..." Acts 4 v 4

(Most letters have been edited for length and clarity)

Dear Pastor Jennings:

Grace and peace be multiplied unto you in Jesus' name. I am still listening to your broadcast on Sundays on WWCR 15.685 MHz short-wave. It has been a source of inspiration to me and I am praying for you. Thanks also for the bible, the tapes and books you sent. I received them in good condition on January 25, 1997. They are very educational, and I have taken correction concerning the trinity doctrine. The tapes are very nice, clear and loud. I shared them with my pastor friends.

Pastor Jennings, I understand that you are a man of God who sacrifices all you have for the Lord's work. I am your brother in Christ. I walk about 30 miles on foot weekly to minister to the church, evangelize, attend prayer meetings, visits etc. At times I have a nervous breakdown because of much labor. I am praying that God will supply me the money to buy a bike.

This will help me in my pastoral and missionary work her in the remote village. A used bike cost about \$350.00 while a new one cost about \$550.00.

I am enclosing a picture of our small congregation (see above). I would love to hear from you soon.

God bless you richly.

Pastor Mike Ezeokorie Sr.
Nigeria, West Africa

Dear Brother Jennings:

Good day and God bless you in Jesus' name. I heard your message through WWCR on Sunday, February 23, 1997 at 8:30pm to 9:30pm Cameroon time.

I was highly impressed with the message that pointed out sins. You are the only minister who preaches on WWCR, who does not compromise with sin. Continue in that spirit and keep away from popularity, money and women. God has a greater work to do with you (as the Spirit tells me from your preaching alone, because I don't know you).

I am a Cameroonian, 24 years old, 1.7 meters in height, and a second year student in the faculty of Arts, Department of Geography at the University of Yaounde Cameroon. I became a believer in August 1991 when I believed in the end-time message according to Revelation chapter 10 and Malachi 4:6.

I was baptized in the name of Jesus Christ according to Acts 2:38. We believe in John 13: 3-6, I Timothy 2:11, I Corinthians 14:34, I John 5:20 and Isaiah 9:6, that Jesus Christ is God Almighty and not three persons in one God but three offices in one God.

My soul was very happy when I followed your message but my radio caught fire; presently I do not have a radio.

Please send me some of your messages and program #370. I do not have money to send since I am just a student.

Please communicate my address to all believers so that they can write me.

Please pray for me regarding lust of the eyes.

Thank you in Christ,

John Ashuorock MBU
c/o Bethany Tabernacle
Yaounde, Cameroon, Africa

Dear Pastor Jennings:

I'm a keen listener to your short-wave program, especially on World Harvest Radio. I've enjoyed a lot of ministry broadcasts by many preachers and church men for more than a year but I always look forward to your program which comes on the air at 7:05 PM, Sunday evening Fiji time.

I am very interested in two programs, one of them was aired on Sunday evening April 4, 1997, where you explained the issue of Divorce and remarriage. The second one was several weeks earlier and you talked about the difference between the world of Islamic religion and the Nation of Islam. Please correct me if I am wrong about the topics. I would be grateful if you would send me literature on these two issues. The divorce and remarriage issue is a very critical one because it affects more than half the world's population, Christians included.

Hope to hear from you soon. Keep preaching and God bless you.

Yours Faithfully,
Laisenia Balenacagi
Navua, Fiji Islands

Dear Pastor Jennings:

Greetings to you in the Messiah's name.

This is to acknowledge receipt of the lovely gifts you sent. Your teaching on marriage and divorce is on the spot with regard to scriptural accuracy. If only the Masons would hear that and obey the Truth. I have heard of the Free masons. Please send me your cassettes on them. I believe it was tape #307 plus the Roman Catholic tape.

Many of my people worship the Pope. Can I also have the book " The Mystery of the Godhead". I also need a used Scofield study bible. I need the Truth.

Shalom,

Wakhongola Liambula,
Kitale, Kenya

Pastor Jennings:

Greetings to you in the name that is above all the names of our Lord and Savior. I am one of your blind on WWCR. I was born again in 1992 and I am not working at present. I would like to express my appreciation for your any compromarising way of presenting Gospel please keep it up the perfect work. If possible send me the tapes on Holliness on the false prophets and on marriage. Will you also do me a big favour of sending me a love gift. I know that you have a big task of buying air time. But please try to do something. Sorry for asking a lot. I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Yours Sincerely,
Hastings Bwande

Gilongwe, Malawi, Africa

Dear Pastor Gino Jennings:

Let me greet you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

I am just writing to say thank you for the literature and to say thank you.

First of all thank you very much for the literature. It was very insightful and encouraging, especially your first book concerning your church and how it all got started. It surely was and is a blessing. It wasn't opinionated, but it was wrapped up in Bible. I praise God for that. Keep it up.

As you know God's word says "preach the word, in season and out of season," whether people like it or not. We must preach and live the whole Truth. After hearing your broadcast on 1170 AM (WWVA) and reading your literature, I know it is the whole truth. Thank God there is still

someone, somewhere in the U.S.A that has not modernized and compromised the Gospel. It cannot be changed. God's word says "heaven and earth shall pass away." Our life must measure up to God's word. If we offend in one point, we are guilty of all.

I wish God's richest blessing on your ministry.

Samuel Coleman,
Scarborough, Ontario, Canada

Dear Pastor Jennings:

Greeting to you in the Mighty name of Jesus Christ. I heard you for the first time a week ago on KAAZ 1090 out of Little Rock Arkansas. What I heard I could not argue with. You were giving forth the word of God in spirit and in truth. Praise the Lord. It's a shame to know that so many so called Christians scoff at the word of God. However, thank the Lord Jesus Christ our Almighty God and Savior that He has a remnant who will continue to stand up for God and his word. Pastor Jennings you are one of those men, don't give up, keep giving it out.

Pastor Jennings I would like to receive your free literature: *Is Your Doctrine Damnable, Have You Been born Again? Women Preachers* and *Jesus Christ Is God Almighty*. If possible, I would also like to receive your two booklets: *The Mystery of the Godhead* and *The Office of a Bishop*. Presently, I am incarcerated at the United States Disciplinary Barracks (a maximum security prison for the US military) at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. I am unable to pay for it at this time.

I also ask that you keep me in your prayers as I keep you in mine. I am due to be released from prison August 1, of this year. I believe the good Lord has called me into the ministry and to start a church in my hometown of Minneapolis, Minnesota and to be the pastor ad teacher. The lord Jesus Christ has been my teacher in the things that I have learned so far. From what I have heard on the radio confirms to me that I am on the right track and of course that you are preaching the truth. God bless you pastor.

Norman Pool
Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

Dear Pastor Jennings:

Holy and sincere greetings to you in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I am thankful for his great love, grace and mercies and for his one and only true plan of salvation. I have seen and read one of your magazines recently. I was very impressed. I recently received a copy from one Elder Hezekiah Thompson of St. Elizabeth. I have been aquatinted with him since 1955. He is a brother that I love dearly.

Pastor Jennings, I am asking you if you would, by the help of the Almighty God, erect a church here in the city of Kingston, Jamaica. There are many, many souls here in the city which i have got baptized in water in the name of Jesus Christ, but I have no church building for them so some have gone to some of these Pentecostal churches that are led by false prophets that were never

called and sent by God. I am coming from the late Bishop S.C. Johnson who was Pastor and General Overseer of The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith, 22nd & Bainbridge Streets, Philadelphia. Pennsylvania.

Let me hear from you as soon as possible. God bless you.

Bishop Stanley G.A. Perry
Kingston 5, Jamaica W.I.

Dear Pastor Jennings:

I am writing this letter concerning the way the Spirit has led you to be a fisher of men. I believe every word of the Bible and at times I have been convicted by my behavior. I did not close the book but took action to correct my wrongs. I am a spirit filled believer that realizes that God is one, always has been and always will be. here are certain churches that preach around passages that would convict the hearts of the entire congregation. If these Sunday worshipers have their feelings hurt, the first thing they do is close their pocketbooks.

I love the Lord God Almighty and thank Him for saving me. however I am only a babe. I desire to be led by someone of your spiritual stature. I want to learn the whole truth regardless of the pain I must endure. I am incarcerated. I am not sad because the word of God brings me hope so that I will be able to grow strong in the faith, wisdom and knowledge.

I have borrowed the book you wrote *The Mystery of The Godhead*. I thoroughly enjoyed reading it as much as I enjoyed the message you preached here at Turberville.

I look forward to hearing from you soon. God bless you.

John Miller,
Turberville, South Carolina

Dear Pastor Jennings:

My Name is William Morton and I am incarcerated at the Roxbury Correctional Institution in Hagerstown, Maryland.

Sir, God bless you above all things! I have listened to your broadcast for the past five or six weeks and in all my days of hearing the word of God preached, taught, ministered, or just talked about, I have never understood it as clear as I do when you teach it. I am thankful for men of God as yourself because you tell the truth about the word of God, while other so-called preachers deceive the people.

No man can come away from your teachings misled or with a misunderstanding of the word of God.

Pastor Jennings, I would like to have the following tapes: #345, 301,380,329 and any other tapes you have on the Masons. I do not have any money at this time but I will send some for the cost of the tapes soon.

Your brother in Christ,
William Morton
Hagerstown, Maryland

The Beginnings of the Alabama Church

By Bro. Kendrick Murray, Mobile, Alabama

The Alabama branch church of the First church of Our Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostles' Faith Inc. started in December 1993. It has not been easy. However through and by the grace of God we have made it this far.

The late Bishop L. Hunter, leader of The Church *In* the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith, in Darlington, South Carolina was my pastor when I was a teenager. I was also secretary and bookkeeper for his Grand Bay, Alabama church. After his death in 1991, we were left without a leader. We were as sheep that had no shepherd. There was a lot of confusion after his death. So the brethren of the body agreed to go on a thirty-day 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. fast for God to bless us and raise up a leader for us. But after the fast there was even more confusion than before. The minister that was left in charge had very little biblical knowledge and was not anointed by the Holy Ghost to preach or teach the Gospel. After a very heated business meeting was held, the brothers and I saw that they were content with this minister, I became very disheartened. I, along with other sincere brothers started to seek God sincerely that he would show us where to go. I remembered the scripture in the 14th chapter of Acts, *God, "...left not himself without witness..."* We knew there was a witness somewhere but God would have to lead us and draw us to him. At the time, we never knew that there was a person on earth by the name of Pastor Jennings.

One day while walking around on the church ground in Darlington, South Carolina, I was approached by a brother by the name of Elliott Muldrow. He was feeling the same way I was. He informed me that he had found a God-called and God-sent man in Philadelphia, PA, a Pastor Gino Jennings. He told me he had been to Philadelphia, and checked him out and that this man was real, preaching truth and had vision and foresight. He told me that this minister was heard around the world by radio and he wanted me to hear him and to let him know what I thought.

So I went back home to Alabama and started calling all local radio stations until I found WMOB where Pastor Jennings was heard on Sunday nights at 8:00 p.m. That Sunday night, when I heard him I could not believe my ears. *I heard God's voice through him!!* I immediately called Brother Muldrow and told him I heard God's voice through him but I wanted to talk to him in person. Brother Muldrow gave me his phone number and I called him. Our first conversation lasted about three hours. I could not believe the knowledge that he had. I had always believed that the people of *The Church In the Lord Jesus Christ* under Bishop Hunter had more biblical knowledge than anybody but after talking to Pastor Jennings, I saw that we did not know anything. Our second conversation lasted another three hours. After more than six hours of phone conversation about bible doctrine, I asked him to send me some tapes of his preaching. I told him that I would be listening for the Spirit of God on the tapes. I wanted to make sure that I was hearing God. When I received the tapes I was convinced. I heard God's voice through Pastor Jennings on every tape. I shared the tapes with all the brothers under Bishop Hunter in the Alabama area. They all agreed that he was preaching truth but most of them rejected him and

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refused to follow him because he was not a part of our organisation. I did not care. I knew I had heard the voice of God and that I must meet and follow this man. I knew this was God's answer to my prayers for a true pastor and leader. Pastor Jennings told me that he would be preaching in Florence, South Carolina, so I drove there to meet him. When I saw and heard him, I knew that the spirit and knowledge of God was with him.

So I left Bishop Hunter's organisation and started following Pastor Jennings but he did not have a church in Alabama. Pastor Jennings told me, he firmly believed in having worship services in homes as they did in the bible and instructed me to open my home for prayer twice each week. Several saints came for prayer along with others that I met that were already with Pastor Jennings in the Mobile, Alabama area. Pastor Jennings made several trips to Mobile. We rented the ballrooms of various hotels for services. I wanted Mobile, to hear this gospel *live*, so I contacted radio station WLTV AM 1410 and requested that they come to the hotel and broadcast the services *live*. The response was unbelievable! Many people gladly accepted the truth; other became very angry and rejected it.

At that time, Pastor Jennings instructed us to find a hotel where we could hold services every week. After, we found a place I asked him who was going to be teaching in this area. He stated, "*You are.*" I was shocked, nervous and surprised. He told me that he was going to pray that God would bless me and give me knowledge, wisdom and understanding when and where it was needed. He instructed me to remain humble and follow instructions and God would do according to his prayer. After teaching for a short while I saw that God was answering his prayer. God began blessing me with knowledge, wisdom and understanding to help me to teach others.

It was a very small group in the beginning, but God added to the church daily such as should be saved. God blessed us to rent a storefront building located at 112 North Craft Highway in Chickasaw, Alabama. We worshipped at that location for two years and baptised more than fifty souls in the name of Jesus Christ. God has filled some with the Holy Ghost. Pastor Jennings and the saints prayed that God would bless us with a permanent location. In February of 1996, God blessed us with our new church now located at 1911 Halls Mills Road, in Mobile, Alabama. God has also blessed us to purchase a new 15 passenger van. God has drawn many souls to the truth. More than seventy souls have been baptised in the name of Jesus Christ and God has filled many with the Holy Ghost.

Pastor Jennings has always instructed me to remain humble before the Lord, to follow instructions so that God's blessings would follow. He also told me that along with the blessing would come fighting within and without. Nonetheless, through the grace of God, the Alabama church has continued until this day.

All praises are to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Pray for us.

TESTIMONIES OF THE LORD'S GOODNESS

"...The Lord has done great things for us..." Psalms 126 v 3

(Some testimonies have been edited for length and clarity)

I would like to first give the highest honor to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

I want to thank God for brining me out of the false church that I was in. I could still be sitting under a false prophet like my mother is today. I pray sincerely that she will see that where she is, is not right and decide to come away from false teaching. When I was there I was not getting anything. I can truly say that I am thankful to the Lord Jesus for Pastor Jennings, a true God-sent man. God, through Pastor Jennings, has helped me see a lot of things that I had not seen before.

Hearing the Word helps me get through each new day of the week. I would rather be around the saints of God at all times instead of the world. In school I see so many things that just make me hate the world. It seems like worldly people cannot speak a sentence without cursing. I get my strength from hearing the Word of the Lord preached and from being around the saints of God.

When I first came to The First Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to hear Pastor Jennings, the saints there were so kind to me. Other than being a little nervous, I felt at home.

I am really trying to get things out of my life that are not right. I want to be saved.

Please pray for me that I will be all that God wants me to be.

Peace be unto all.

Sister Tiffany Travis, (Age, 14)
Stafford, Virginia

Holy greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We are so glad that the Lord received us in the year of 1960. Later on we received the gift of the Holy Ghost. In the years that followed, we saw much suffering, but we held onto the power of the Lord. Today, we are thankful. We were often in prayer and in the study of God's word. Over the course of the years, we attended many places of worship, but we had to leave.

However, in 1993, Pastor Jennings came to Florence, South Carolina. Brother Daniel Thompson and Elder John Flint knew that we were living in Hartsville, South Carolina. God blessed them to find us so we could hear the word, the true word of the Lord from His true servant and man of God, Pastor Gino Jennings.

We have not looked back from where we came. We are satisfied now from the word of God.

Peace be unto all.

Deacon Eugene Trotty,
Hartsville, South Carolina

Mother Mary Trotty,
Hartsville, South Carolina

I give all honor to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

I thank God for giving me a chance to hear his word. I didn't understand it all, but I had a repenting heart and was baptized in his name and filled with the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. I thank God for his mercy, his love, kindness and long suffering towards me, not that I deserve anything. His mercy was granted me. I thank God for his word that keeps me with a mind to serve him wholeheartedly! Peace be unto you.

Sister Bobbie Richardson
Pocomoke City, Maryland

Greetings to brothers and sisters and all the saints in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

I was brought up in a family of Catholic orientation, from my early childhood up to my teenage years. I knew there was a Creator of all things; but I didn't know him literally and took things for granted. The bible says: *Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth.* Eccl, 12:1

When I became mature and developed biologically. I became involved in dead works and a sinful life. The devil was on the throne. I was involved in free fornication, alcohol and drug addiction. I thought it was the only way I could find real joy and happiness. The bible says, *There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the ends thereof are the ways of death.* Prov. 16:25

There was no one spiritual to warn me about the danger that was involved in taking this sinful course. Many times, the devil brought untold sickness which usually was accompanied by STD's. I had hypertension, hallucinations during the daytime and nightmares. My mind was thinking and operating in the abstract. I had no peace of mind. I was bitter and angry. I hated myself and the people around me.

In 1985, I came across a born again Christian, Bro. Mwale, who directed me to the Lord Jesus Christ. After being disillusioned by my old life, I was enlightened in the Lord and ready to begin a new chapter of life. The bible says, *...where sin abounded, grace did much more abound.* Rom 5:20 My bad thoughts and imaginations of my heart were purified. I'm now growing from one degree of glory to another. Rejoicing in the blessed hope of the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, where we shall be with him forever.

Brother Joseph Mpundu
First Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostles' Faith
Mansa Zambia, South of Africa

Greetings to all in the name of the Lord Jesus.

A blessing from the Almighty God is the way I feel about the child I carried to term, after being tempted by the devil to jump to my death from a third floor window.

During the eighth month of that pregnancy, a beautiful and strange thing happened to me. My sister-in-law, Mother McDonald, who at the time, was just Fannie to me, came to visit.

My aunt and husband began speaking to her about being saved. She was interested. I also, spoke to her about fasting just half a day, to start.

She was baptized on the next Thursday night. On Friday, we had a twelve noon prayer. I went downstairs to have prayer with her and planned to return to fold clothes. She started calling on the Lord Jesus right away and our noon prayer turned into a tarry meeting. When God began to deal with her, I felt a strange moving within my body. The more she was blessed, the more the strange moving of the child continued.

She began to speak in tongues as the spirit gave utterance, and the feeling of the baby's movement was very strange. There was no pain or quivering as is sometimes associated with a baby's movement; *but it was something wonderful and different.*

The two of us spoke in tongues. I truly believe the baby was blessed also; I will always believe this and nothing will ever change my mind. It was truly different and wonderful.

That baby was our leader, teacher and guide, Pastor Gino Jennings.

Mother Josephine Jennings
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Greetings to all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

In the summer of 1993, my husband and I were expecting our third child. It was a happy time until I had an ultrasound in the fifth month of the pregnancy. The doctor scheduled me for a second ultrasound because she needed to take a closer look at the spine of the child. We became concerned but thought that everything would be alright.

The second ultrasound was done a few weeks later. We waited patiently as the technician performed the ultrasound. She pointed out various parts of the child and told us that we were going to have a daughter. However, as she examined the spine of the child it was clear to us that she was spending a lot of time in reviewing that part of the child's body. She said nothing to us. She took several pictures of the spine and then left the room. We waited for about ten to fifteen minutes. When she returned she was accompanied by three to four other doctors. They said nothing to us but went straight to the ultrasound screen. We knew something was wrong with the child!! The technician was told to take additional pictures which she did. Again the pictures were taken to the attending physician for his review. After about 15 minutes of waiting, the attending physician and other doctors came into the room to discuss their findings with us. They had discovered that the child had a defect in the lower part of her spine. It appeared as a golf ball size lump at the very bottom of the spine. He explained that the spinal cord was caught in this fatty lump and he was not sure how many nerves were in the lump or whether it was cancerous. He explained that the child probably would not be able to walk or would have severe weakness in one or both of the legs. This was terrible news. Our spirits sunk within us. This was something we did not and could not have prepared for. We could look to no one but God himself. A horrible dismal black cloak seemed to have been thrown over us.

In the weeks and months that followed, many tears were shed, prayer was made continually and much fasting was done. Later visits to the doctor showed that the lump was not going away. We were made to see a counsellor that hinted at terminating the pregnancy. However my husband made it clear that was not going to be done.

In the afternoon of February 3, 1994, little Michelle was born. We could clearly see the lump at the bottom of her spine. She was scheduled for spinal surgery eight weeks after birth. The four hour operation to free her spinal cord was successful. *By the mercy of God she has not shown any weakness whatsoever in her legs.* We are truly grateful to the Lord Jesus Christ that He answered our prayer. It is very difficult to watch your new born have to undergo such a major operation. Nonetheless the experience has taught us to trust in the Lord no matter how dark the situation or despite what man may think. Today our hands and heart are lifted up to the Lord Jesus Christ in praise and gratitude for His faithfulness towards us.

Sister Debbie Thompson
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Greetings to all in the name of Jesus Christ.

I thank the Lord for filling me with the Holy Ghost in the 1950's. That was a happy day. Although I had to tarry for a few years, I was thirsty for the living water in my soul. I would not be content until I received it. I was a young woman (mid-twenties) with two young children. Sometimes while at work, when I needed to cry out to the Lord for the Holy Ghost, I would steal away softly into the bathroom. I cried so much that my eyes turned red. I would wash my face

so that nobody would know, then return to work. I just had to keep calling on the Lord; I could not give up.

But one day the Lord had mercy on me. We had a whole month of prayer every February. I asked the Lord to fill me with the Holy Ghost during one of the prayer meetings. But I did not get the Holy Ghost at that time. The prayer month was so wonderful, that the Pastor let it continue for another week. But I still did not receive the Holy Ghost. So I began crying out to the Lord. I said to the Lord:

I begged you to fill me with the Holy Ghost in the prayer meetings but you didn't fill me Lord, but I know that it is not too late Lord. I am asking you to please fill me with the Holy Ghost today so that I won't have to go and tarry tomorrow night (tarry meetings were every Monday night). As I worked that Sunday morning, I just kept talking to the Lord, pleading with Him softly until about noon. I remember watching the rain come down on the dry thirsty ground. I remember saying to the Lord: Just as you are sending the rain on the dry thirsty land, please send the Holy Ghost down in my soul. I want to feel what the Holy Ghost is like...

By then, it was time to go to lunch. It was about 1:45 and I needed to be back by 3pm. I needed to rest a little, and eat something, then get back to work. I was in a big rush. I had the **Whole Truth Magazine** produced by Bishop S.C. Johnson's organisation, that I loved to read. First I read my Bible. Afterwards, I prayed. Then I took up the magazine, layed on my back and started to read. I loved to read the testimonies, but I decided that I wouldn't have time to read them so I went straight to Bishop Johnson's message. I read the first page. Then the second. I was finishing the third page where Bishop Johnson was telling the saints in his own words that: *the Lord shall descend from heaven with ten thousand of His angels, and those that have repented of their sins and were baptized in the name of Jesus Christ and are filled with the Holy Ghost shall go back with Him.* After I read that, I could not read any further...my body started to be quickened...I rested the magazine on my chest...and began speaking in tongues!! I was filled with the Holy Ghost!! I could hardly believe it. I remember looking at the clock, it was 2:25pm. I got off the bed with the song in my soul: *There is a highway there and a way...* However it was getting late. I got ready in a hurry and got to work at 3pm. It seemed like every move I made I was speaking in tongues. It was so wonderful. I called my Pastor and told him I had received the Holy Ghost. He told me to come to the tarry meeting, and so I did. I was up dancing and speaking in tongues after only a few minutes! If you are seeking the Holy Ghost, don't give up. God is faithful and His word is true.

Peace be unto all.

Mother Pearline Thompson,
ST. Elizabeth, Jamaica, W.I.

FROM THE SPOTLIGHT OF THE WORLD...TO THE LIGHT OF THE GOSPEL.

A celebrity hearkens to the word of the Lord...

By Bro. Daniel Thompson

The world knows him as "**Chubby Checker**", but we, the people of God know him simply as Ernest Evans, or more precisely as, *brother Ernest Evans*. In 1996, Brother Ernest,

whose mother is a member of our congregation, would occasionally attend worship services at the headquarters church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. But undoubtedly, he soon realized that there was something different. At times he seemed thoughtful and concerned as he listened to the preaching of God's word. He kept on coming. I spoke with him on a Sunday afternoon in 1997. He told me he was going to get baptized. He explained how things were beginning to change in his life since he made up his mind to hearken to the word of God. The following week he came prepared for baptism. When the invitation was given, he readily stood on his feet and was baptized in the name of Jesus Christ that afternoon. The church rejoiced. We are praying for brother Ernest that he will be strong in the Lord and be forever faithful.

SONGS & POEMS

"...The pen of a ready writer..." Psalms 45 v 1
(Some writings have been edited for length and clarity)

The Life of a Saint

The life of a saint, if I can tell,

A press all the time, to do what is well,
Joy unspeakable and full of Glory,
A disciplined being, a never ending story,

Of self denial and submission to God,
A holy highway on which to trod,
No unclean thing shall be there within,
It shall be for those who will flee from sin,

Free to serve the savior upon calling,
To Him that is able to keep us from falling,
A life full of love, that comes from above,
The Comforter that came upon Him like a dove,

Just like the potter does with the clay,
Our life is molded and shaped as we pray,
A wonderful life, void of sinful strife,
Preparing to live with Him as His wife,

At times it may seem hopeless, but keep moving on,
When things seem too dark the new day will soon dawn,
So don't let your confidence be cast away far,
But look upon above, for the shining Day Star.

Herman L. Bass III,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

MY PRAYER

God help me get through life,
With all its struggles and strife,
Watch over me in times of danger,
And help me to control my anger,
Lord show me what I am to do,
So that I may be ready to go back with you.

Help me to be thankful for my life,
And to have patience to do what is right.
Please give me a strong mind,
To serve you through hard times,
When a problem comes in my life,
And its seems nothing will go right,
Please help me to call on your name, whether day or night.
Lord, you are everything to me,
And I ask, please help me to be the child you'd have me to be.

Sister Tiffany Travis (Age,14)
Stafford, Virginia

WE HAVE BEEN CREATED FOR A REASON

We have been created and made for a reason,
Our life to be given to him every season,
That he will bless us to live a little longer,
And through the word our commitment will be stronger,
To him be the glory, a well told story,
I'll believe that it's true, yes, that's what I'll do,
To remember the pain that he endured for us,
We'll forget about the daily trivial stuff,
That we encounter from day to day,
This life-walk is serious, there's no time to play,
Our soul is at stake, and for our sake,
We should run for our life, forget about strife,
Let us show love to our enemies and friends,
Holding fast the faith, refusing to bend,
Even if it means that our life will be taken,
It's the least we could do, if I'm not mistaken,
Remember the words that are written for our learning,
A sure word of prophecy, with no shadow of turning.

Herman L. Bass, III
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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We are Praying for You

A dedication to Mother Mary Adams, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

LORD ON THEE I WAIT

I SHALL WAIT ON THE LORD,

HE WILL RENEW MY STRENGTH,
I FEEL AS THOUGH I COULD MOUNT
UPON WINGS LIKE AN EAGLE.
HOWEVER, I WILL RUN SLOWLY
SO I WON'T GET TIRED AND WEARY,
I WANT TO WALK AT A PACE SO THAT I WON'T FAINT
OH LORD! ON THEE I WAIT!

MY AFFLICTIONS, THOUGH NOT LIKE JOB'S
MY BATTLES THOUGH NOT LIKE JOSHUA'S,
MY TRIALS AND TROUBLES THOUGH THEY BE MANY,
I AM HOPING, I AM TRUSTING, I AM PRAYING,
OH LORD! ON THEE I WAIT.

WHEN I GET DEPRESSED AND SOMETIMES TIRED,
THEN I REMEMBER IT WAS FOR ME HE DIED,
LORD YOU ARE THE MASTER OF MY FATE,
SO... ON THEE OH LORD... ON THEE OH LORD...
ON THEE OH LORD, I CONTINUE TO WAIT!

*Written by Mother Josephine Jennings,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania*

Daughter to Father

Where are you?

When I need someone to talk to,

When I tremble with fear,

When I need to be cuddled with a father's love,

Where are you?

Where will you be?

When I grow up,

When I go through life's changes,

When I go to college,
When I find a companion I really love.
When I get married,
When I have children,
Please, tell me where will you be?
Will you tell your grandchildren what you did to me?
Not be there when I needed you most,
Not be there when I went through life's changes.
Will you expect my companion to be like you?
I hope not daddy,
So please come and let these things not be true.

Sister Stephanie M. Pierce (age 15)
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Endurance

It causes us to strive, gives us the ability to thrive,
When thinking about ourselves, thank god we are alive,
It doesn't give up easily, it put up a lasting fight,
It get what it wants, wrong beneath the right,
Its been around for ages, has never lost its style
If practise does not make perfect, then perfection after a while
Focusing on redemption for the long is the plan,
Deliverance from this world for the faithful is the at hand,
It's not hasty, neither will it lay down and die,
This thing that I'm referring to is broader than the sky,
You may not agree, might even laugh at the thought,
But remember with a great price you were bought,
So use a little here and a little there,
Because when things get bad you may have none to spare,
So stock up the good thing while you still have time,
Before the night approaches and the season in its prime,
For when the day has past and we 're facing eternity at last,
You'll remember *endurance* helped you to stand steadfast.

Bother Herman Bass III,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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WE THANK THEE!

Best gift of all thou has bestowed,
Thre precious, priceless blood that flowed
When Jesus bore our sins great load-
For this we thank thee!

And then that wondrous love of thine
Which made us heirs of wealth divine,

And us to thee as sons did join-
For this we thank thee!

For sweetest fellowship on earth
With other sons of heavenly birth
In greater joy than this world's mirth-
For this we thank thee!

Where we one day with Christ shall come,
And never, never from thee roam-
For many mansions in thy home,
For this we thank thee!

Brother Mpundu
Mansa Zambia, South of Africa

MY PRAYER

I ask the Lord to guide my feet
To shun evil when we meet
Guide my hands to push aside
All things of evil in disguise
I ask you Lord to close my mouth
If there is evil to come out
Keep me Lord and make me whole
Cleanse my heart, mind and soul

Sister. Fannie Whitted
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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HEAVENLY STAR

**I will become a star one day, not a movie star
but, a heavenly star.**

I've received my script, the Holy Bible
that I must live and act out each day that I live.

The spotlight and camera are always on me,
which is God's eyes
and I must live and act out the role
that my producer has laid out for me to live.

There are many things I wish that I could change
But if I want to become a star
I have to follow that script a hundred percent all the way.

Sometimes I become so sick and weary along the way.
But I have to keep reading my script
and living the life day by day.
My producer has given me a good teacher
who is my pastor, who teaches, preaches
and guides me along the way.
When I get a bit weary,
He encourages me to read and to keep on studying
and to act out my life day by day.

There are things that my fleshs like to do.
There are places I like to go,
There are things I like to say, but it's not in my script.
And if I want to become a star one day,
I have to obey and follow the script every inch of the way.
And to receive my crown and hear
my producer say well done my good and faithful servant,
My good and faithful servant, well done....

Bro. Wilford Latimer
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

TAKE A WALK AROUND YOURSELF

When you are criticizing others and are finding here and there
A fault or two to speak of or a weakness you can tear;
When you are blaming someone or accusing one of pelf,
It's time that you went out to take a walk around yourself.

There's a lot of human failures in the average of us all.
And a lot of grave shortcomings in the short and the tall.
But when we think of evil men should lay upon the shelves,
It's time that we all went out to talk a walk around ourselves.

We need so often in this life this balancing of scales,

Thus seeing how much in us win and how much in us fail;
But before you judge another, just lay him on the shelf,
It would be a splendid plan to take a walk around yourself.

Unknown Author

Submitted by: Sister Fannie Whitted
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

The Aged

The Aged of Glory and the Aged of Wisdom
We thank God for all his specialties,
As a Flower blooms and Grows, the wise man surely knows
The petals of the stem was once a small, small gem,
We look to the beauty of the bloom
For we know it took time to groom,
How perfect is its Flower for it grew from the only source of Power,
We know that time is all Gods own and precious is its tone,
To give us all the gems of the Aged and the precious, precious stage
Stage in which we can learn and we too as youth can earn
Can earn the right to say, I learned that from the Aged!!

Sister Carla Richardson,
New Jersey

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We thank God for all his specialties,
As a Flower blooms and Grows, the wise man surely knows
The petals of the stem was once a small, small gem,
We look to the beauty of the bloom
For we know it took time to groom,
How perfect is its Flower for it grew from the only source of Power,
We know that time is all Gods own and precious is its tone,
To give us all the gems of the Aged and the precious, precious stage

Stage in which we can learn and we too as youth can earn
Can earn the right to say, I learned that from the Aged!!

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