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Articles of Faith and Practice

- 1. We believe in God The Eternal Father, who only is Supreme; Creator of the Universe; Ruler and Judge of all; Unchangeable and without Respect to persons.
- 2. We believe in Jesus Christ The Manifestation of God in the flesh, who lived, suffered and died for all mankind; whom we own as our Leader, Witness and Commander.
- 3. We believe in The Holy Ghost, The Spirit of Truth, The Comforter, which searcheth the deep things of God, brings to our minds things which are past, Reveals things to come, and is the medium by which we Receive Revelation of Jesus Christ.
- 4. We believe that men will be punished for their own sins and not for Adam's transgression, and that as a consequence of The Atonement of Christ "all little children are alive in Christ, and also all they that are without The Law. For The Power of Redemption cometh on all they that have no law; wherefore, he that is not condemned, or he that is under no condemnation, cannot repent, and unto such, baptism availeth nothing." (Moroni 8:22)
- 5. We believe that through The Atonement of Christ all men may be Saved by Obedience to The Laws and Ordinances of The Gospel; viz.: Faith in God and in The Lord Jesus Christ; Repentance and Baptism by immersion for the remission of sins; Laying on of Hands for: (a) Ordination, (b) Blessing of Children, (c) Confirmation and The Gift of the Holy Ghost (Acts 8:17), (d) Healing of the sick.
- 6. We believe in the literal second coming and Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ; in The Resurrection of the Dead, and in Eternal Judgment; that men will be rewarded or punished according to the good or evil they may have done.
- 7. We believe in The Powers and Gifts of The Everlasting Gospel: viz: The Word of Wisdom; The Word of Knowledge; The Gift of Faith; The Gift of Healing; Working of Miracles; Prophecy; Discerning of Spirits; Divers kinds of Tongues; Interpretation of Tongues.
- 8. We believe The Fruits of The Spirit to be Love, Joy, Peace, Long Suffering, Gentleness, Goodness, Faith, Meekness, and Temperance.
- 9. We believe that in The Bible is contained The Word of God; that The Record of the Nephites is an added Witness for Christ, and that these contain 'The Fullness of The Gospel.'
- 10. We believe in the principle of Continuous Revelation; that The Canon of Scripture is not full, that God Inspires men in every age and among all people, and that He speaks when, where, and through whom he may choose.
- 11. We believe that where there are six or more regularly Baptized members, one of whom is an Elder, there The Church exists with Full Power of Church extension when acting in Harmony with The Law of God.
- 12. We believe that a man must be Called of God by Revelation and Ordained by those having Authority, to enable him to Preach The Gospel and Administer The Ordinances thereof.
- 13. We believe in the same Church Organization as existed in the time of Christ and His apostles. The highest office in The Church is that of an Apostle, of whom there are Twelve, who constitute Special Witnesses for Jesus Christ. They have The Missionary Supervision and The General Watch care of all The Churches.
- 14. The primary function of The General Church, of which each Local Church is a component part, is Missionary and the building

up and extension of The Kingdom of God in all the world.

- 15. We believe that Local Churches should govern their own affairs and that General Church officials should not dominate or interfere therewith. On invitation such general officers may, with propriety, give counsel and assistance. Local congregations are subject to The Articles of Faith and Practice and must be governed thereby.
- 16. We believe The Church of Christ comprehends The True Brotherhood of man where each esteems his brother as himself and wherein The Divine Command to 'love your neighbor as yourself' is demonstrated by the prevalence of social equality.
- 17. We believe that all men are Stewards under God and answerable to Him not only for the distribution of accumulated wealth, but for the manner in which such wealth is secured. The primary purpose of Stewardship is not the increase of Church revenue or the mere contribution of money by those who have to those who have not, but to bring men to a realization of The Common Fatherhood and the universal brotherhood of man in all the affairs and expressions of life, and to maintain such social adjustments that each may enjoy The Bounty and Gifts of God, and be free to exercise his talents and ability to enrich the life of all.
- 18. We believe that men should labor for their own support and that of their dependents. Ministers of The Gospel are not absolved from this responsibility, but when Chosen or Appointed by The Church to devote their entire time to Missionary Work, their families are to be provided for out of General Church fund. The Admonition of Christ that The Ministry should not provide purse or scrip for their journey, but go Trusting in God and the people, is applicable.
- 19. We believe that the temporal affairs of the General Church are to be administered by The General Bishopric under the supervision and direction of the general conferences of The Church. The temporal affairs of The Local Churches shall be Administered by local Bishops under the supervision and direction of the local congregations.
- 20. We believe that marriage is Ordained of God, and that The Law of God provides for but one companion in wedlock for either man or woman. In case of breach of this covenant the innocent one may remarry.
- 21. We are opposed to war. Men are not justified in taking up arms against their fellows except as a last resort in defense of their lives and to preserve their liberty.
- 22. We believe in The Literal gathering of Israel, and in The Restoration of The Ten Lost Tribes.
- 23. We believe a Temple will be Built in this generation, in Independence, Missouri, wherein Christ will Reveal Himself and Endow His Servants whom He Chooses with Power to Preach The Gospel in all the world to every kindred, tongue and people, that The Promise of God to Israel may be Fulfilled.
- 24. We believe that a New Jerusalem shall be Built upon this land 'unto The Remnant' of The Seed of Joseph. (Ether 6:6-8; III Nephi 10:17), which city be Built, beginning at The Temple Lot.
- 25. We believe The Ministry and Membership should abstain from the use of tobacco, intoxicating liquors and narcotics and should not affiliate with any society which administer Oaths or Covenants in conflict with The Law of God, or which interfere with their duties as freemen and citizens.

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Message 53:3, 'Give ear, Oh ye people of the earth. Hear The Warning today. I speak The Words and Will of The Lord. Let all have Faith. Turn to The Lord and obey His Commands. Heed repentance and baptism that The Way of The Lord shall be among men. His Kingdom shall fill the whole earth. The hands must be laid upon all that THE GREATER LIGHT might come to them.'

Message 53:10, 'Yea, I have brought a Warning and few prepare for <u>THE</u> <u>GREATER LIGHT</u>, but be thou Faithful

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even all who hear, for The Lord's Will shall be fulfilled in all things. All have their work to do and the day comes when The Lord shall breathe upon The Chosen and they shall do His Work in Mighty Power for their love toward the brethren. All that offend and that do not keep His Commandments shall not be His in the Last Day. Moreover, it is Christ's Words that shall judge all men.'

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FOREWORD

THE GREATER LIGHT, the official publication of THE CHURCH OF CHRIST WITH THE ELIJAH MESSAGE, The Assured Way of The Lord, Inc., comes to YOU as an expression of the Hope we have in Christ.

In its pages are found the thoughts and expression of a united people, whose only aim is to promote *The Cause of Christ* by spreading abroad to every nation, tongue and people, *The True Gospel of Christ* that through Obedience to His Laws we might be found worthy of *Eternal Life*.

In this publication, *The Record of The Nephites* is quoted many times. This Book was Revealed and Translated by *The Gift and Power of God*: the year 1829 marked the beginning of *The Restoration of all things*. It is a history of the people who once lived in the region around *The Great Lakes*, some of whom are Ancestors of The American Indians. Though it contains a Record of two other groups of people who once lived here, it is for the most part a Record of The People of Nephi.

The Messages so often mentioned in this publication are Messages from The Lord, brought to earth by His Chosen Servant, John The Baptist, who comes to earth in a Glorified Body to finish The Work

given to him of God; that of Restoring all things (Matthew 17:11). The Angel first came in 1829, and Restored *The Authority Of The Son Of God*, that *THE CHURCH OF CHRIST* might be Established as in The Days of The Apostles.

In 1927, The Angel Messenger again appeared, and on numerous subsequent visits, has brought to us *The Word Of The Lord* that *THE CHURCH OF CHRIST* might be set in Order, that a people might be Prepared to be *The Bride Of Christ*. This is *The Elijah Message* so many have looked for, *The Midnight Cry* has been Proclaimed, *A Warning of Destruction*, but to *The People Of The Lord*, a Message that Christ's soon Coming is near at hand. Fear God and give *Glory to His Name*, for *The Hour of His Judgment* has come. Awake thou that sleepest and Arise from the dead, and Christ will give you *Light*.

We hope that whosoever reads these pages might make it a matter of Prayer and Fasting in Humility before God, that they may know for themselves, that God has again Spoken and Revealed *His Will* from Heaven. To this end, we Dedicate *The Greater Light*.

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THE MESSAGE OF CHRIST TODAY To All People

NINETY-FOURTH MESSAGE

The Angel Messenger of The Lord Appeared in my room in my home, Independence, Missouri USA, June 11, 1975 at 4:15 am. The room was Filled with Light as has been each time he Came before. He spoke as one having Authority, he was Serious in his Words. I wrote The Words as he Precisely gave them to me, Speaking slowly, as I wrote them down-repeating when necessary-to allow me to write Exactly what he said. May The Lord Bless and Reveal to all this The Assured Way-The Bride of Christ. He was with me about 50 minutes.

-W. A. Draves

- 1. 'Behold, Arise and Write The Words I shall give you, A Message of Hope and Life to all that follow through. My Message is one of Love to those that Fully Receive it, who are Humble and Peaceful in The Lord's Way.
- 2. I bring *The Authority* to Prepare *The Way* before The Lord's soon Coming; before this generation all pass away.
- 3. Fear not, The Lord is Doing a *Marvelous Work and a Wonder* and the powers of evil shall lose in the end.
- 4. Study The Words I bring. Teach and Study *The Full Word of God* and you shall Know *The Truth*. Let all Follow *The Instructions* I bring and it will be Well.
- 5. I Am still at *The Helm*, for I bring *The Gospel of The Kingdom* to Awaken and *Light The Way*. All that Come *This Way*, Repenting of evil ways and the traditions of the world must be *Humble* and be Baptized in Water in *The Authority* I bring, for The Remission of their sins through *The Atoning Blood of Christ Jesus*.

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- 6. Let *The Hands* be Laid upon all that *His Spirit* might Come in *Holy Unction* to them in *Greater Power*, for *The Promise* is that He will Send *His Spirit* to all those that are *Humble* and *Full of Love*; Shaping their Lives by *The Assured Way*.
- 7. Let *The Work* Continue in all parts. Preserve *The Good* and release the evil and those planning iniquity.
- 8. Behold, there is *A Cry for Peace*, but there is no *Peace* Save in The Hearts of them that do *The Lord's Bidding*; Hearing *His Voice*, Refraining from all contentions that disturb The Soul.
- 9. Only *The Pure in Heart* and *The Humble in Spirit* shall be Able to Stand and Labor in *This Work*.
- 10. Blessed are all they that have Come and are Coming to This Work-they shall Bear The Brightness of Saints.
- 11. Be very Watchful unto *Prayer* that evil will not succeed as wolves in sheep clothing.
- 12. The Lord Accepts The Publishing of The Messages in other languages.
- 13. Behold! The Book, 'The Word Of The Lord'-let this Continue, Reaching all nations.
- 13. There is much yet to be done, more Light and Further Records will Come Forth-ere time Folds in and The Brightness of The Lord Comes.
- 14. The Lord Accepts The Counseling of The Quorums of Apostles and Bishops. Let more be done in *Love and Humility*.
- 15. Hold *Firm* and *High The Standard*-Free from Confusion and Deliverance will Come.
- 16. Much Good has Come from This Assembly of *The People of The Lord*. I have been with you. *Swing Wide The Gate* -go Forth, *The Truth* is Set before

you.

- 17. As I Speak to you so Speak I to all.
- 18. There are some that have Rejected *This Way* and have not Conformed to *This Truth*. Some will yet Come. Others will speak Lightly of *This Work*, destroying themselves.
- 19. My Mission was and is to Establish The Church of Christ. I bring The Authority-The Priesthood of God by The Touch of my hands to this day and time it Stands Alive. More Power shall be Given as The Servants Prepare for it.
- 20. Because of *Faith*, many Souls shall be brought to *This Way of Salvation*, to find *Eternity with God* and Dwell in *Peace*.
- 21. I leave *Peace* with you and all that read these *Words*. I will Come again as *The Lord* Directs. Amen.'

From The Editor

Apostle Leonard H. Draves Missouri

What Is Reverence?

Reverence is something we feel rather than something we do. It is difficult to describe in words. However, whenever you have *The Feeling of Reverence* it is usually shown by your *attitude* and *actions*.

We have often been told to be Reverent in *Church*. *Does this mean simply to walk and talk quietly when in God's House?* One could do this and not be Truly Reverent. However, if you were Reverent you would also Act that way.

Reverence is an Emotion or Feeling within you. A Feeling of Wonder, of Awe, of Affection and one of Deep Respect. You may feel Reverent in the presence of the beauty and power made evident in nature, a beautiful sunset, a tempest of thunder and

lightning, the mystery of the wonderful parts of a tiny flower, the glory of a bird's song, Niagara Falls, and so on. They all 'speak' *The Creator's* Praise. The Feeling of Reverence in The Presence of these should Lead to a Desire to Worship *The Creator* of them.

You may feel Reverence in the presence of a person of unusual achievements, or of a young baby. In both situations, there could be a Feeling of Awe and Wonder.

Reverence is one of the most Admirable Qualities a person can Reveal. Only a cheap, thoughtless person hesitates or fails to show Reverence.

Reverence Felt and Expressed helps one to Grow into Greatness of *Spirit and Action*. Reverence Leads one into *The Presence of God*, for He *is The Creator*, *The Power*, *and The Source* of all that Arouses The Emotion. Reverence Leads to Worship. Indeed, without Reverence, there can be no 'True Worship'.

I would like to draw your attention to The First *Three Commandments*. They should help each of us to Understand better what God Requires of us in The Way of Reverence and Worship.

Exodus 20:3, 'Thou shall have no other Gods before Me.'

This Commandment Requires us to Know and Acknowledge God to be *The Only True Living God*, and our God, and to Worship and Glorify Him Accordingly.

This Commandment Forbiddeth The Worshiping and Glorifying of anyone but God. For we Worship no other. We give Glory to no other. God is our Only Leader.

The words 'Before Me' in this First Commandment Teaches us that God, who Seeth All Things, Taketh notice of, and is much Displeased with, the sin of having any other God.

The Second Commandment, Exodus 20:4-6, 'Thou shall not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in Heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

Thou shall not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I The Lord Thy God am a Jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the father upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;

And Showing Mercy unto thousands of them that Love *Me* and Keep *My* Commandments.'

This Second Commandment Requireth the Receiving, Observing, and Keeping Pure and Entire, all such Religious Worship and Ordinances as God hath Appointed in His Word.

This Second Commandment Forbiddeth The Worshipping of God by images, or any other way not appointed in His Word.

The Worship we bring to God should be very different. Unlike the early Hebrew people, with Moses at Mount Sinai, we need no image, for we Know that God is Forever Present with us. We can feel His Presence and His Love. We Respond to that Love with Praise and Gratitude. We want to do the things He Wishes. So in Worship we Listen for His Voice. God Speaks to our Hearts telling us His Will. There should be Gladness and Joy in our Worship. For We have The Fullness of The Gospel and The Truth Given to us by The Only Living God.

Do not be misled by the word 'Jealous' in This Commandment. It is not the human jealousy which we think of as an ugly thing.

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God's Jealousy is the disappointment of a Great Love in seeing His Children turn away from what is best.

Jesus Talked to a woman once about Worshipping. John 4:24, 'God is a Spirit; and they that Worship Him must Worship Him in Spirit and in Truth.'

The Third Commandment is found in Exodus 20:7, 'Thou shall not take The Name of The Lord Thy God in vain; for The Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His Name in vain.'

This Commandment Requireth The Holy and Reverent use of God's Names, Titles, Attributes, Ordinance, Words and Works.

We are forbidden in all profanity or abusing of anything whereby God maketh Himself Known.

The breakers of This Commandment may escape punishment from men, yet The Lord our God will suffer them not to escape His Righteous Judgment.

We must never use God's Name or Works Lightly or Irreverently. We must never say false or untrue things. We must never profess to Love and Follow God in Words alone, but we must be Wholehearted and Sincere in all we Profess.

In John, Chapter 13, Verse 34, we read, 'A new Commandment I give unto you, that ye Love one another; as I have Loved you, that ye also Love one another.'

We shall think of how Jesus Loved all people as we Measure The Way in which we should Love.

We have to look for evidences of it in something more than Words. *Actions and Attitudes are The Tests of Love*.

Let us think of Jesus' Life and ask what His Acts and Attitudes show about The Love in His Heart.

I know we all feel that we will never be

able to Keep God's Commandments Perfectly, however, we must try to Keep them to The Best of our Ability.

We are Grateful and Blessed to have Latter Day Revelations from God, through John The Baptist to Help us Live Rightly and Reverently. All through The Messages, God Tells us to Hold to *His Truths* and to Shape our Lives by *His Words*. If we can do this, and let Love Dwell in us, His Love will be made more Perfect in us. If we can do this, we will Stand in *The Day of Judgment*.

We will be punished for our sins, and for our *Lack of Reverence*. We may feel that people are foolish to forget that God had Promised to Bless and Help us, if we would only Obey *His Voice*. But are we any less foolish when we let 'self' come before *The One and Only True God?*

Message 52:3, 'There will be those that contend against *The Word of The Lord*. They shall be accursed, for unto them The Lord will Show no Greater Thing. Those that are not *Humble and Forgiving*, *Obedient to The Truth*, shall fall by The Way.'

If we are Reverent, and if we have Love, both working together, we will be Called 'Delightful and a Peculiar People', for we shall be Called 'Righteous'.

Message 52:14, '... Let not your goings displease Him, nor become shameful in disobedience and justification in evil doings and that against *The Gospel Law*. Betray not one another, but Love your brother. Some have been untrue to their fellows; their end will be sad for in their Hearts they Know *The Better Way*, yet fail to Obey. *Blessed be those that are True*, for they shall Shine Forth in *Brightness in Peace of God*...'

Jesus gave us not only a New Command-

ment, but a New Way of Life. Where there is indifference, neglect and hate, Jesus would Substitute Sympathy, Understanding and Love. If the people of the world would Adopt Jesus' Way of Life, how Changed everything would be. There would be no actions of those done on September 11, 2001, in New York City, Washington D. C. or Pennsylvania.

If only all who Claims to be *Followers of Christ*' would Keep *His New* Commandment in mind and try to Obey it, they would have *Power* such as never before known to mankind.

Jesus puts *The Emphasis on Love*, and through that Love, may we all be found Reverent!

From The Apostles The Book of Isaiah

Apostle George Wilkin Missouri

Friday, April 20, 2012, 9:17 A.M. I felt it would be a Blessing to other people to share with you some of things George Wilkin had written down during his study out of *'The Book of Isaiah'*. He told me that he had gotten through Chapter 33 in his studies. He started January 1st, 2012.

Message 34: 6-7, 'LET THE CHURCH OF CHRIST TAKE HER PLACE WITH THE GOSPEL OF LOVE TO GOVERN THE FEET OF THE WEARY AND THE WANDERER.

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Chapter 1, Book 2; The Bible; Daniel Chapters 11-14.

This is as far as he got with his notes. We are not real sure exactly what his Study was Leading up to, yet, he had a very definite study he was trying to put together. Some of it appears he is writing down The Names of Jesus Christ that He has been Called throughout The Scriptures. The Word of The Lord, The Record of The Nephites and The Bible Scriptures were on the same study. However, on the back of his paper.

But, somehow I feel it all goes together in what he was trying to write about. So as you read through these References he has given, it will be Interesting to see what different person thinks he was trying to put together.

George read and studied for hours at a time out of all Three Books daily. When he was not studying The Word, he was on his knees Praying or Watching Inspirational Christian Stations. His whole life was Dedicated to Christ, especially after The Lord Led him back into The Assured Way of The Lord. He Sought to be as Righteous before Christ as he could be. He Truly Desired to be of a Pure of Heart with Clean Hands. He was Filled with Great Joy as he talked to others about what God 'Was and Is' doing in His Work. He felt so Honored to be a Part of Christ's Church and to be Numbered among His Apostles, although, he felt very unworthy.

George left this world with a Song on his Heart and Joy in his life. He Truly was one of those who Endured to The End. The day that Brother's Leonard Draves and Jairus Yates, Sisters Ola Thompson and Ellen Draves came to visit; George was very quiet during the visit. He said very little, but Listened to what everyone was saying

when the brethren were about to leave and Jairus came over to hug George good-bye, George asked Jairus to tell Leonard something. Jairus said, 'Well, he is right here, why don't you tell him?' George, very kindly, sweetly, boldly with The Love of Christ, spoke with such Humility, 'Please Serve The Sacrament of The Lord at our Quorum Meetings'. We all stood there in awe of what he spoke as it was Truly Inspired of Almighty God. Leonard spoke to him and said, 'Yes, we will do that.' George entire Countenance was Bright and Filled with so much Love and Joy. This was given to him of God for His Servants and George felt such a Great Need to Testify of it. It Touched everyone there. There was not a doubt in anyone's mind that this was Given of God. This was George's last Request and Inspiration of The Lord to The Quorum's.

On the Friday, one day before he passed away, he asked me if I had talked with Lurlene Anderson yet? The Lord had given him a very Deep Experience about her and her husband Reuben and it was still on his Heart right before he could not speak later that Friday night. He didn't say a lot, but when he did, it was Serious and Pertained usually to The Church or his Friends and Family. That Friday afternoon, twice George Lifted his Hands right up toward the corner of the ceiling in his room and Smiled the biggest, sweetest smile, then suddenly would lower his hands and lay back on his pillow. Once I asked him what he was seeing but he would not say, he just laid back with his eyes closed and a smile on his face. I knew he had seen The Angels there and I'm sure he knew what they were there for, although he didn't want to tell me that, possibly because he didn't want to scare me. What he didn't know is I already knew he

was going to be going Home but I also didn't relate what I knew to him. I think we both knew, but neither one of us wanted to concern the other with it.

George left this world Fully Committed and Dedicated to Christ's Church. The Lord Opened The Way for him to attend One Quorum Meeting before He took him Home. This meant the world and all to George. He was so Delighted and his Heart just Filled to the brim, overflowing with Love and Joy.

As one brother indicated to me at George's funeral, his Testimony will Live on for a long time as many will still be Blessed and many Good Things will still Come to Pass from George's Testimony and Coming back to The Assured Way of The Lord.

I Believe that too. I have already Witnessed some of it and I Believe more is yet to Come. Praise God.

George will live on in our Hearts and the Memories he left will still Continue to Live on with many Good Things yet to Come from his Testimonies. How Marvelous was The Lord in His Goodness unto us to bring George back into The Fold before He took him Home on January 28, 2012.

George was the happiest I had seen him in a really long time. He knew without a doubt, through The Holy Spirit that His God Brought him back where He Wanted him to be just 3 ½ months before his death and The Rejoicing goes on.

In The Love of Christ Jesus, Karen Wilkin for my husband, Apostle George Wilkin.

From The Bishops

Submitted by Editor

Tithes and Oblations

Message 12:5, '. . . Let the men who have been Placed in Charge and Appointed to Look after and Receive The Tithes, Offerings and Oblations, be Mindful of their Work, that the moneys so Received are spent Wisely. Let them give an Accounting to The Church, that Things may be Done in Justice to all, always being Mindful that they are Ambassadors for Christ and The Church, and that they will be without Excuse to God, for everyone must be Faithful to their Trust for this is The Lord's Work, and so Shall it be Required of him in the last day.'

Joseph Smith failed in *The Eyes of The Lord*. He changed The Name of *The Record of The Nephites* to The Book of Mormon, as well as teaching a falsehood on The Godhead. Joseph's group rejected *The Godhead* as taught in *The Record of The Nephites*.

III Nephi 26:9-10, 'And when they have Received this, which is expedient that they should have first, to try their Faith, and if it shall so be that they shall Believe these things, then The Greater Things be made Manifest unto them.

And if it so be that they will not Believe these Things, then shall The Greater Things be withheld from them, unto their condemnation.'

Message 84: 36, 'The ideals in man's Heart will fade away. The Great Truth and The Church in Her Garments must Shine and Stand Forth. This is Light and Truth that Jesus is The Christ The Eternal God.'

Message 111:4-5, 'Thus Saith *The Lord*, 'Where is The House Built unto Me? You Live in your Sealed Houses- with Sealed

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set Minds-Established in your own man made and evil doctrines. Even establishing false teaching of how *The God of Heaven, Creator of The Universe*, is to Speak to mankind. Ignoring *The Plan of God*, having a Form of Godliness but Denying *The Power* thereof. Therefore your failure is in not Hearing The Truth as it Comes, making *The Word of The Lord* of none effect.'

We Cannot fail *The Lord!* We Know *The Truth* as God has Given *IT* to us through *The Three Measures of Meal, The Three Gospel Books, The Word of The Lord, The Record Of The Nephites and The Holy Bible.*

We are a *Blessed People of The Lord* and *His Chosen Ones*. We cannot let *The Lord* down in any of *His Commandments!* Let us not fail in paying our *Tithes* and *Oblations to The Lord*. For all we have *The Lord* has given unto us. We must be *FAITHFUL* to *His Words and Commandments*, for it shall Bring us all *Salvation in The Lord*.

There is much to do! We must get *The Word* out, Print materials that Teaches *The Plan and Decrees of The Lord*, Build *The Lord's House* so that all may Come and Learn of *The Lord's Dealings and Gospel Plan*. May we all Endure to *The End*, through *Obedience and Actions* to *The Word*. Amen! (Read Exodus 30: 14).

Food For Thought

Sister Karen Wilkin Missouri

The General Assembly is usually The Highlight of our year. It is a Time of coming together from all over America and the world to Unite Together for Worship, Praise and Study of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is a

Time we can Unite Together to Give and Share Testimonies of The Wonderful Things Christ has Done for us throughout the year.

It is a Time of Reflecting on The Good things that has taken place over the year. It is a Time to Fellowship Together and Share our Friendship and Love one with another.

There is a Praise Hymn that I Love to Sing. It reminds me of How we should Come to The Assembly. It goes like this: 'We have Come into His House and Gathered in His Name to Worship Him; We have Come into His House and Gathered in His Name to Worship Him, We have Come into His House, Gathered in His Name to Worship Christ our Lord, Worship Him, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Let's forget about Ourselves, Concentrate on Him and Worship Him;

Let's Forget about Ourselves, Concentrate on Him and Worship Him,

Let's Forget about Ourselves and Concentrate on Him and Worship Christ our Lord, Worship Him, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Let us Lift up Holy Hands, Magnify His Name and Worship Him;

Let us Lift up Holy Hands, Magnify His Name and Worship Him;

Let us Lift up Holy Hands, Magnify His Name and Worship Christ our Lord, Worship Him, Jesus Christ our Lord.'

When we Come to The Assembly it is a very Sacred Time of Deep Worship, Praise and Glorifying Jesus Together. It is a Loved Ones, for The Sick and The Afflicted, for those who are Struggling Financially, Emotionally, Mentally, Physically and Spiritually. It is a Time of Deep Reverence before The Lord. It is a Time we Partake of The Sacred Emblems Together, The Communion, The Sacrament of The Lord. It is a Time we Unitedly Humble ourselves before

The Lord and Seek to Cleanse ourselves Within that we might Come before The Lord with Clean Minds and Hearts.

Message 42:2; 'This is The Lord's Work. You men are Called from among men to Represent Christ and His Church. Therefore be very Humble. Meet in your Assembly in Peace and let The Lord by His Spirit Remain among you. Behold I will Meet with you, for Truly this shall be The Beginning of Great Things to Come to Pass.'

Message 60:12; 'Gather in The Assembly and Cry unto The Lord. Let no evil come among you. The Lord will Hear all those that Repent and Obey His Will. Let your Prayers be of The Heart. Let not contention be found among you.'

Message 64:15; 'Let the people meet in The Assembly in Solemness and Humility and The Lord will Bless them in their Meekness. Seek not to please man but do The Lord's Bidding. Let not The Time be spent in contention.'

Message 69: 6; 'Let The Assembly meet in Peace, let Rejoicing be in your Hearts. Pray Earnestly and The Lord will Meet with you by His Spirit, and Great Peace shall flow to all-and The Faith of The Faithful shall be Heard. Power shall Come as your Hearts shall be Prepared.'

I have written a few of these Verses out that The Lord has Given to us as Instruction, Advise and Promises. The Assembly is a Time of Coming Together in Fasting and Prayer with Deep Humility and Prepared to Serve The Lord in Truth, Spirit and Love, forgetting about ourselves, Magnifying His Holy Name, and Truly Opening our Hearts and Minds that we might be Led and Directed by His Holy Spirit.

If we can all, young and old alike, Come

together, Seeking The Lord with all our Hearts He has Promised He will Hear those Prayers and He will Meet with us.

When The Lord Hovers over us with His Holy Spirit, then Great and Marvelous Things will and can take place. If we Come expecting Blessings, Miracles, Revelations and Healings, and Truly Believe, Giving our best in Service and Humility, then, Great Things will Transpire among us.

May The Lord Bless each one who has a Desire to Come and be a part of This Very Special, Blessed and Sacred Event.

Testimonies Of The Past

Richard Johnson, Iowa: I remember the story of the two men walking from Jerusalem after Learning that Christ Arose from The Dead. They met a Man on the road who continued walking with them. During the walk The Man asked them, 'What's new in Jerusalem?' They proceeded to tell The Man what had happen to Christ. The Man asked the men, 'Did not you know these things were to happen?' When the men reached their home they asked The Stranger to come eat with them. It was not until they asked The Stranger to Pray over the food did they Realized this was Christ Himself. Their eyes were Opened to The Lord and they Knew Him. It is a Good Story! We should see The Lord more Clearly today. See that He is our Savior! I am Lifted up from The Peace of The Lord.

Donald Thompson, Missouri: Hello to everyone. I want to Stand and Praise The Lord. I am Glad to be here. Glad for all of us. It is Good to see the young men that has come to visit. We all should have a Testimony of The Lord. He Loves us. I Thank Him. The Lord seen Fit to Call me to

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The Ministry so I want to make Him Pleased with me. Never thought I would be able to Stand up in front of people to even say this. The Lord has made this happen. I have seen some Miracles since I took up my Calling. He is a True and Loving God and He will do what He Says. I Glorify Him. We need a Closer Walk with God. I am Thankful for all of you. Always give God The Praise and Glory. That is why we have Life! He is The Rock, The Foundation we Built our Life on! If you have not yet Experienced anything with The Lord, now is the time to Stand Up and Praise The Lord and get to Know Him.

James Naslund, Missouri: I am glad to be here and to do my Duty to The Lord and to Defend This Work. My dad asked me when I returned home from The Service, 'What's this Religious Kick you are on?' I had a Taste of God, and I have never been the same since I came to Know The Lord. What we are in now is so different from the world. We are small, yes! but it is of God. The Lord Speaks more Severe! I Know This Work is True. We will Take it to the very end. I am Amazed I Found The Truth! I Thank you.

Leora Naslund, Missouri: I am glad to be here. The Lord Preserved me so many years. Everyday I wish I could get through to my friends and family of This Work. I do the best I can. I try to remain Humble. I am so glad to see people here today that wants to Serve The Lord. I Love each of you all and I Pray for you also. Thank you.

Oladawn Thompson, Missouri: I am Thankful for The Sweet Peace that is here today. It is a Blessing in this Life. This past year with all the trials, God never let us down. I cannot Praise Him enough. I can not Praise The Lord in the way He Deserves. I

would if I could. It is Good to hear The Pure Gospel of Jesus Christ. I remember Dad saying he could see Angels sitting amongst us. When thoughts are Inspired of God, we need to Heed it and Follow Through. I boast not of myself but of The Holy Spirit within me. I am Thankful for The Three Measures of Meal. It is Good to Taste. There is nothing like The Holy Spirit and The Fruits of The Spirit. There is not a Better Feeling. There is nothing Better than what we have here right now! But we can lose it through disobedience. Let us all be Obedient, take time to Study and to Pray. In Independence Local we Love Message 102:11. We read it often and speak of it often. If we do these things, God would be Pleased. I am not satisfied in just saying, 'I am Saved, Praise God'! We must ENDURE! God is Our Strength. With The Spirit of God we can Rise above ourselves. Live Daily as it is your last! Do all that you can for The Lord. I had a dream when I was a little girl. I was going to the store and had to pass through a field on a very narrow path through the weeds and I saw The Lord. He took my hand and Said to me, 'Come, go with Me.' I told Him no, let me get my mother and father. He said NO! I had to do this alone. This is a Walk you must go yourself. Not to the left or to the right. Stay on The Path. I know that I had to do this by myself. I had to be one with God. No one could do The Walk for me. I made the choice to stay on The Path as He Lead me. Once you Know The Lord's Spirit and you get off The Path, your Life is miserable! We have The Full Meal Deal! Do not take it for Granted! When I put Christ First and Study, I am a Better Person. God in us is Greater than satan. We will Overcome and Endure Daily if we put the effort out to be Obedient to The Lord

and His Word. Rise up! Feed The Good and the evil will leave. The Link that Held my husband and myself together all these years was The Spirit of God. Pray for us and our Prayers are for you all. Put God First, Be Blessed and be Happy.

Ellen Draves, Missouri; I Praise The Lord and Thank our pass fathers since 1929. We are all children from *The Twelve Message*. I Thank all those that Carried The Work on for us today, Otto Fetting, W. A. Draves, Leonard Johnson, and even Sister Pack and all The Believers that stayed Faithful in Order for us to be here today.

Brenda Humpert, Florida; I am Thankful to be here today. It is Wonderful to have The Fellowship. When you are isolated, it is hard to talk with others of This Work. I was brought up from a little girl in This Church. I had to get Right with The Lord. I had no Peace. I was away from The Lord for awhile being part of the so called in-crowd, partying most of the time. The Lord told me my days would be short if I did not change my ways. I was in a meeting with my grandmother, I was seventeen, and The Minister there Prophesied to me that this is my last Call. I have tried to do right since then. I came through some tuff times. Continue your Prayers for me and my family.

Carrie Ramey, Missouri; When little River Prayed, his Prayer touched me. He is so lucky to have a father to Lead him in This Work at three years old. I am also lucky to have a father that shared his Love, and Prayed with us. I Love you dad, and Thank you for everything, for Teaching us of The Church, it is Real Good. When Brenda spoke of the in-crowd, well it is everywhere. Ellen Thompson, Missouri; I am Thankful for The Church, my husband and for my

son. I want to say I was Baptized because I Felt The Lord's Spirit and I could not deny it. This Church, This Work Is TRUE! Our Goal is to be One with The Lord. I want to tell Brenda, if you Desire to be here, The Lord will open The Way for you. I know this is to be True because of what has happen to us being here in Independence today. I love you all.

Debbie Bogan, Iowa; I just want to say that even thou you are alone, God is with you. The Lord Keeps His Eyes on us all. I Know this is True. I love you all

Thresa Ray, Missouri; I am also Thankful for being here. Everything that has happen this past year has been incredible. There has been many, many Blessings. When Ola, Brenda and I got together for breakfast, it was a great Blessing to me. I needed it. I remember a story being told of a firefighter that was inspecting some trees that burned and found a burned hen and when he moved the hen found her chicks protected from the fire. Jesus is always watching over us. Read 111 Nephi 10:46. I am thankful for This Work. Ola talked about The Full Meal Deal, but the best thing about it is that it is FREE. God Bless you all.

Michael Greenwell, Missouri; I am standing here today because The Lord wants me to. I treasure The Lord and His Blessings over the years. The world needs to see The Greater Power and Peace you have in The Lord. My prayer is that I can hang in, wait upon The Lord, and read The Words He gave us. I hope God Blesses each one of you and I hope This Assembly will be a physical and Spiritual Healing to you all.

2012 General Assembly NOTICE

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June 24-27, 2012

Dear Readers of 'The Greater Light';

Greetings in The Name of The Lord Jesus Christ. It is that time of the year again that we start thinking and preparing to gather together in *The House Of The Lord* to meet and worship with our Brothers and Sisters from all parts of the world.

We invite and encourage everyone to attend **The 2012 General Assembly** of *The Church Of Christ With The Elijah Message, The Assured Way Of The Lord, Inc.*, as we Study and Teach The Word Of God in Truth.

Come with a Prayer upon your heart that God will Rule and Overrule in all things. The Gospel of The Kingdom Of God must go forth from This Center Place to all the Nations. We shall meet at 2:00 p.m. at *The Community of Christ Church*, 1316 South Osage Street, Independence, Missouri.

The Independence, Missouri, Local will be holding Services at The General Church Headquarters at 10:00 a.m. 215 South Lynn St, Independence, MO 64050. They invite all to attend that we may Prepare for The General Assembly together.

Message 18:3, 'The Cleansing time has come. God by His Spirit, will touch the honest in heart in all nations and will gather them together to prepare a people that shall be His Church in very deed. I shall go before The Lord, to prepare The Way and prepare a people to meet Christ. This is my work.'

Message 43:15, 'This is the day that ye who are Called must work with your might for The Pruning of The Vineyard of The Lord for the last time. Therefore turn away from the traditions of men and things that cause contention.'

Attention

Pre-Assembly Meetings of the Twelve and Bishops will be held, Saturday, June 23 2012, at The General Church Head-quarter' Office, 215 South Lynn Street, Independence, Missouri 64050 at 10:00 a.m.

Notice

The Assembly Committee request any donations to help off set for The 2012 General Assembly. Please send any and all donations to The Bishop's Office, 215 South Lynn Street, Independence, Missouri, 64050.

Motel Listings

(All have 816 area code) **Grain Valley, Missouri** (East of Indep.)

Koxy Inn (I-70 & Grain Valley exit) 229-2323 Scottish Inn (I-70 and 24 Highway) 224-3420

Blue Springs, Missouri (East of Indep.)

American Inn (I-70&Wood Chapel Rd) 228-1080 Interstate Inn (I-70 & Wood Chapel Rd). 228-6311 Ramada Inn (I-70 & 7 Highway) 229-6363 Motel 6 (I-70 & 7 Highway) 228-9133 Motel 8 (I-70 & N. 7 Highway) Howard Johnson Express (I-70 & 7 Highway) Hampton Inn (I-70 & 7 Highway)

Independence, Missouri

American Inn (I-70&NolanadRd.)	373-8300
Green Crest Motel (15014E.40Highway	373-7500
Shoney's Inn (I-70&NolandRd	254-0100
Super 8 Motel (I-70&NolandRd.)	833-1833

Others In area

Best Western (635 Murry)	525-1400
Blue Bird Inn (8920 40 Highway)	252-5488
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Budget Inn (9900 E. 40 Highway)	737-1922
Comfort Inn (607 SE Oldham Pkwy)	524-8181
Econo Lodge (8500 E. 350 Highway)	353-3000
Fairfield Inn (2211303 NE Windsor Dr.)	524-7572

Frontier Motel (12015 E. 350 Highway) 356-8340 Holiday Inn (4011 Blue Ridge & I-70) 353-5300 Hyline Inn (15008 E 40 Highway) 373-0956

Message 44:8

'Behold, there is a *Cry for Peace*, but there is no Peace save in the hearts of them that do *The Lord's Bidding, those that heed His Voice*. Nations are in distress and kingdoms are crumbling. Fear not, for The Lord shall proceed to do a *Marvelous Work* and the powers of evil shall lose in the end. Study *The Full Word of God* and you shall know The TRUTH. Follow The Instructions I bring and it will be well with you. As I say to you so say I to all.'

Message 38:2

'The Lord has Blessed His People, those that are willing to hear Him, for the Words I bring are His Words, and they that heareth *The Words of The Lord* and Obey, shall be His Church in very deed.'

2012 General Assembly Schedule (Tentative)

Sunday, June 24, 2012 2:00 p.m. Opening Service

Opening Remarks: Apostle Richard Johnson Speaking: Apostle Leonard H. Draves

3:30 p.m. Sacrament And Sacrament Service

Apostle Donald Thompson and Bishop Matthew Thompson

7:00 p.m. Preaching Service

Introduction by Bishop Reece Johnson Speaking: Apostle Jairus Yates Missouri

Monday, June 25, 2012

10:30 Priesthood Meeting The Record Of The Nephites

Apostle Mervyn Johnson Apostle Leonard H. Draves

1:00 p.m. Missionary Report From The Philippines

Apostle Jairus Yates Apostle Leonard Draves

2:00 p.m. Preaching Service

Introduction by Apostle Mervyn Johnson Speaking: Elder Richard Sega California

3:00 p.m. Prayer And Testimony

Apostle Donald Thompson Apostle Richard Johnson

7:00 p.m. Preaching Service

Introduction by Apostle Mervyn Johnson Preaching: Apostle Donald Thompson Missouri

Tuesday, June 26, 2012

10:30 a.m. Priesthood Meeting The Record of The Nephites

Apostle Mervyn Johnson Apostle Leonard H. Draves

1:00 p.m. Study Class 'Body, Soul and Spirit'

Apostle Jairus Yates

2:00 p.m. Preaching Service

Introduction by Apostle Donald Thompson Preaching: Apostle Michael Greenwell Missouri

3:00 p.m. Prayer & Testimony

Apostle Donald Thompson and Bishop Matthew Thompson

7:00 p.m. Preaching Service

Introduction by Apostle Richard Johnson Speaking: Bishop Reece Johnson Missouri

Wednesday, June 27, 2012

10:30 Priesthood Meeting The Record of The Nephites

Apostle Mervyn Johnson Apostle Leonard H. Draves Page 217 June, 2012

1:00 p.m. Study Class

Apostle Leonard Draves Missouri

2:00 p.m. Preaching Service

Introduction by Apostle Donald Thompson Speaker: Bishop Matthew Thompson Missouri

3:00 p.m. Music & Praise

Apostle Donald Thompson Apostle Michael Greenwell

4:00 p.m. Testimony Service

Apostle Donald Thompson

7:00 p.m. Preaching Service

Introduction by Apostle Mervyn Johnson Speaking: Apostle Leonard H. Draves Missouri

8:00 p.m. Closing of The Assembly Sacrament

Apostle Leonard H. Draves Apostle Donald Thompson Bishop Reece Johnson

Handmaidens of The Lord

Will Meet Monday through Wednesday.

Hours and Topics will come later.

If you wish to help, contact Sister Thresa Ray

Headquarters Office

ARTICLES From The Vineyard Word of Encouragement

Apostle Leonard H. Draves Missouri

We know that every Tree The Lord did not Plant, will be rooted up. We do not have to worry about that, as The Lord has Called us from out of the world into His Kingdom and Holy Gospel and Placed us in His Church. What a Wonderful Blessing that is. To be a Member of Christ's Church to enjoy The Full Gospel. No other generation on earth has been Blessed with The Fullness of The Gospel as we have.

This Message will bring us Peace and Joy as we shape our lives by the Words The Messenger brings for our Lord to mankind. Nothing will destroy our Faith and Good Works, as long as we remain The Lord's Humble Servants. Deliverance will come-Reach out to The Lord and His Word.

The Way of Deliverance has come, and it is Prepared for Greater Outpouring of The Spirit and Mighty Things will be Revealed, as we Humble ourselves before The Lord. We know that many more people will come. Many Miracles will come, Healings and a Better Way of Life.

There is no other way that mankind can be Saved except through The Lord Jesus Christ. How easy Salvation can be if mankind would listen to The Instructions and Warnings of The Lord, Believing in The Words of The Messenger.

It was said by Christ, that John would come not eating nor drinking and men would say he had a devil-but it is they wherein is the devil. John comes to bring Peace, Love, and The Truth. In Ancient Times, it has been told of John's coming in this day and time, The End Time, The Closing Time, The Mid-night Cry, The Time of Purifying The Ministry, Leading all Christendom into One Fold, wherein is One Shepherd, The Christ Jesus who shall Rule all nations and Peace shall be from one end to the other of this world. (Message 90:12)

It is Good that we Shapes our Lives by The Lord's Instructions in The Written Gospel of Jesus Christ. Revelation says That John will Come with The Everlasting Gospel, Preaching to them that dwell upon the earth. Men may claim they have more, but they are wrong and works for self and not of God. Don't be deceived by them. As satan controls them. Know The Gospel and

The Word so that you will not be deceived.

You are a Blessed Person. You have Heard The Call of God. You have thrust in the sickle and reap when The Call of God comes upon you. Continue to endure Sound Doctrine and show True Repentance to The Lord. Stay Close to The Lord and always remain Humble before The Lord.

The Lord wants us to remain Peaceful with all men as it lays in your power. Don't worry or fret over things you have no control. Be Calm in all things. Command Peace in your life.

The Lord has Given us mush Encouragement! Continue to Hear and Obey The Words of The Lord. Seek Him, and Walk Righteously before Him. Heed His Voice and Great shall be your Blessings. Remember The Lord and Master who Drank of The Bitter cup-all must drink of The Cup of Trial to know what The Lord has Suffered for us. He has asked us to Hold High our Banner, Hold Firmly to The Iron Rod. Give a Righteous Call unto Him and His Countenance will Shine upon you.

There are those that will tremble in His Sight, and at His Word. But if they would Seek Him and Walk Righteously before Him, Heeding His Voice, they also can enjoy The Great Blessings The Lord would give.

I Pray that you would draw yourself out of the world and not take part in contentions and dark sayings.

When plagues and floods sweep the nation, and famines take their place, and war has its effect on the nation, many will be taken to The Beyond not knowing The Love of God nor what The End shall be. Therefore it is important that we step up and take Hold of The Rod of Iron and Cry to the people that there is a Better Way. The

Honest shall hear and come to The Lord. We must not fail in our Callings, but Lift up our Voice and Carry Burdens to The Lord, and God shall Hear.

If we be Faithful, The Lord will Stand us in Holy Places when The Great Destructions shall come. His Vengeance will not come to us, but we shall be numbered among His Jewels. Then Great shall be our Joy. Out of weakness many shall be made Strong.

We shall Rise up and go forth in The Strength of The Lord, for Love is our work. Be Faithful to The Lord. Bear The Fruits of The Spirit when people look for a Better Way and Higher Standards. We shall take The Gospel of Love to govern the feet of the weary and the wanderer. We want none to be lost!

Seek to be Just in all things. Continue to practice The Law of Love in your homes, for in your Hearts His Law shall be Written. The Lord's Work will be accomplished by Pure Hearts and *Clean* Hands, His House shall be Built. The Gospel will be Preached in all the world. The Glad Tidings must go forth, and Great shall be our Joy in the end.

Dear Ones, these Words are not my words, but God's Words.

I know that you want to be part of carrying The Words of Salvation to all the world. Christ's Coming is near at hand. This Warning must go out and The Gospel of The Kingdom Preached, then shall The Lord Come in The Clouds of Glory. For The Righteous, Great shall be our Joy, but to those that know Him not and that Obey not The Gospel, The Lord of Salvation shall take Vengeance on them. It is sad, but it is out of our control. All we can do is to Obey The Lord's Command in getting out This Word and the rest is up to them.

We must Hear The Voice of God at all

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times for The Lord is Speaking today as in the days of old. It will be by His Spirit that we will Hear His Voice and when we Call on Him, He Will Answer to our Prayers. His Message is one of Love.

Many will Rejoice with us if they are Humble, and True to The Covenant they have made to God and as we all do this, God will be with us to the end. For God is The First and The Last, The Beginning and The End.

We have a Testimony of This Work and of The Words that come from our Fellow Servant, John The Baptist from The Presence of God Himself. He is The Lord's Choosing! It is True that no one will Understand except through The Lord's Spirit. Let us all be up and doing in The Lord's Work. If nothing else, we can Pray for The Work and for those that can do Missionary Work.

May God Continue to Bless you. It is my Prayer that God will Protect you and place a Hedge around you from the evils, dangers, illnesses of this world and from anyone that would seek to bring you harm. I Pray for your Loved Ones and your Homes. Be Encouraged in The Lord, for His Hand is Moving and The Work is Strong.

Yea! 'One People' Who Recognize ALL 'The Three Measures'

Why be like The Jews to whom Christ said: 'O ye blind guides' and 'fools, so slow to Believe all that My Prophets have spoken' so ye expected not My Resurrection and My Gospel. (Matthew 23:24 & Luke 24: 19-27). Likewise today, much Prophecy is ignored and those Words of Christ apply

to most of Christendom which has looked NOT for The Coming of 'The EVER-LASTING GOSPEL' in obvious Fulfilling of Revelations 14:6-7; Deut-eronomy 18:18-19; Acts 3:23; Isaiah 28: 2, 10-22' Malachi 3:1-3, etc.

Thus was The Greatest Fulfilling of Prophecy since Christ Resurrected Himself to not only to Typify our Salvation in Him, but also to Fulfill His much Greater Program towards a more ideal world that The Bible explains. THAT 'Gospel,' now in over a million Sacred Words in 120 Messages since February 4, 1927, Dictated by Christ and His 'Prophet like Moses,' (as per Deuteronomy 18:18-19), to Two God-Chosen Scribes like in Moses' time.

Thus is THE WAY in The Lord's Program to FURTHER PREPARE members for 'The Bride' (Revelations 21:9) for His soon Coming. Also to be members of His Millennial Kingdom soon to begin and be Preserved by The Lord's Power like Ancient Israel in the time of Joshua 10:8-14, and to inherit a higher state in Eternity. God's Words in Deuteronomy and Acts 3:23 HAVE 'Come to Pass!' Why he 'destroyed?'

One Church Only will continue through that 1000-years-day. 'Then all who Serve Christ shall be One People' (Message 86:34). CHRIST COMMANDS ALL to 'Hear' or 'Read' and 'Know' His and His Prophets' Dictated Words which include 'The Elijah Message' (Malachi 3:1-3) and Recognize ALL 'The Three Measures' (Luke 13: 20-21) of His Gospel.

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Primary Department

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Did you know that God Planned long before you were Born who your mom would be? He Picked just the right mommy for you! In The Book of Psalms, this is what David said when he Prayed, (Ps. 22:9-10) David was glad that God gave him the mother that He did, because *she* was the one who helped him Trust in God!

I bet most of you Came to Know who God is because your mom taught you. Some of your moms take the time to read you Bible Stories and Teach you about Jesus! And your mom was probably the one who helped you get ready to go to Church so you could Worship God. Right from the very start, from the day you were Born, your mom made sure you would Learn about Jesus! God wants us to be Thankful for our moms, and to Treat her Special. After all, she is the mom God picked just for you.

Let's see what else our Bibles say about mommies: Deut. 5:16, 'Honor thy father and thy mother, as The LORD Thy God hath Commanded thee; that thy days may be Prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which The LORD thy God giveth thee'.

To honor someone means that you think a lot of them, and you show it. When you Honor someone you show them how glad you are to have them close to you.

Let's talk about Ways we can Honor our mothers. One way to Honor our moms is to Listen to our moms and do what they say. When we Obey them, we Show them that we Trust what they say. We Show them that we Believe they Know what is Best, even if

we don't always Understand why. And, we Show them that we Love them.

Proverbs 23:22-25, 'Hearken unto thy father that Begat thee, and Despise not thy mother when she is old.

Buy The Truth, and sell it not; also Wisdom, and Instruction, and Understanding.

The father of The Righteous shall Greatly Rejoice: and he that Begetteth a Wise child shall have Joy of him.

Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall Rejoice.'

When you do what your mom says, it makes her so Happy! It makes her so Glad to see that you are doing what she tells you! And God wants us to do everything we can to make our moms glad.

There are lots of other Ways we can Honor our moms, too, and make them feel Special. This is Right because she is the one who gave Birth to you. And, she is the one God picked to take care of you!

Junior Department

Editor: Sister Thresa Ray Missouri

Dear Youth,

This month I would like to go over the following question: 'How Do We Witness To Others?'

Matthew 4:19, 'And He (Jesus) Saith unto them, Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men.'

God wants us to share This Great Gospel with others that they may have the opportunity to have everlasting life.

God wants us to Increase our Faith so that we may share His Gospel with others.

Message 5:13, 'Let all your work be done in Faith, for Behold, you can do

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nothing without Faith. Faith will make you Strong. Prepare yourselves to be a people who can meet The Lord at His Coming.'

Message 7:11, 'Let your Faith be Strong in The Lord your God. Read The Eleventh Chapter of Hebrews. Read it often. By Faith you shall do your work . . .' (The Eleventh Chapter of Hebrews tells of many Patriarchs of The Bible and what they Accomplished because of their Great Faith in God).

We need to let others know that Jesus Loves them very much and He wants to help them through their trials.

John 3:16, 'For God so Loved the world, that He gave His Only Begotten Son, that whosoever Believeth in Him should not Perish, but have Everlasting Life'.

Jesus Died on The Cross, taking upon Himself the sins of the world that through Belief in Him, Obedience, and Endurance, we may have Everlasting Life'.

If we are Repentant, God will Forgive our sins. We can start Anew.

James 5:15, 'And The Prayer of Faith shall Save the sick, and The Lord shall Raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be Forgiven him'.

John 5:14, '... and (Jesus) said unto him, Behold, thou art made whole; sin no more...'

We need to tell others of God's Plan of Salvation and also of The Fullness of The Gospel: *The Holy Bible* and *The Record of The Nephites*. We need to tell them about The Heavenly Messenger, John The Baptist, Preparing The Way before Christ's Return bringing Messages of Light to Direct God's Church-Preparing a People to be Christ's Bride.

Before Jesus Ascended into Heaven, He gave His Disciples 'The Great Commission'.

Matthew 28:18-20. 'And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, 'All Power is Given unto Me in Heaven and earth.

Go ye therefore, and Teach all nations, Baptizing them in The Name of The Father, and of The Son, and of The Holy Ghost,

Teaching them to Observe all things whatsoever I have Commanded you: and, lo I Am with you Always, even unto the end of the world.' Amen!

Jesus wanted them to continue The Church as He Established it, to Teach The Gospel, and to Draw all men unto Him. (Christ).

Even though we don't have Priesthood Authority, Jesus wants us all to Represent Him and to Spread This Gospel to all we know. We can tell our family and friends and those we come in contact with.

James 5:20 says: 'Let him know, that he which Converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins.'

Message 44:19, 'Blessed are all they that Teach men to Repent and Lead Souls from sin for their Reward shall be sure.'

Message 26:1, '... For no Greater Responsibility was ever Placed upon man than taking The Gospel to the nations of the earth in its purity...'

Message 62:8, 'Many will Help, many are Reserved for a Great Work, and The Gospel must be Preached that The Greater Work can be Done, of The Preparing a people, and then The Greatest Entrusted to mankind shall be Accomplished.'

No matter what we do or accomplish in

life - there is no Greater Work than doing The Work of The Lord.

God wants each of us, whether male, female, young or old to Help Spread This Gospel by Witnessing to others. We can do this one person at a time. Everyone, near and far, needs to have the opportunity to Know about His Great Work. We cannot make anyone Accept it. It is up to them to do that, but in Telling them, we will have Done what God Requires of us.

Wouldn't it make you feel wonderful to Help someone to Know Christ and This Great Work?

Message 86:48, 'God's Plan is Plain and Simple, Converting The Soul and a Deliverance to those that Truly Obey'.

Who should The Message go to? Message 87:6, 'As Servants Labor and Learn their needs, Qualify to be Leaders of Christ. Go to the rich and poor alike ...'

Message 86:71, 'Take This Message, send it forth to the world, that all may Hear and Read and Know The Lord has sent me. He has Spoken. Let it be so'.

Message 21:12, '... Warn your friends and the stranger at your door'.

Message 114:12, '... for This Message must be Taken to the ends of the earth, to all nations'.

Message 25:6, 'Let The Message be taken from nation to nation, from state to state, from city to city, from house to house, from Heart to Heart, for all must be Warned of the things that will Come to pass'.

How do we tell other about Jesus, His Plan of Salvation, The Fullness of The Gospel (Holy Bible and The Record of The Nephites) and The Angel Message?

Be Patient

Message 87:7, 'You will find those that are Wise, whose Hearts are Filled with The Spirit of God. Be patient with them. This Truth will be Revealed to them and they will be a Part of This Work'.

Be Humble

Message 82:11, 'Teach Diligently The Doctrine of The Gospel of Christ Jesus. Let your conversations be in Humility, for this shall be your Power in Winning your brother – whose mind is in the dark'.

Message 84:4, 'Be Wise in works and Humble in your talk and The Lord will Direct in all things'.

With Love

Message 116:10, 'The Pattern and Form is Placed before you. Who is man to Claim to have more than this? Many of The Lord's People will Accept The Message, but Remember This is a Work of Love. It will bring Life, Happiness and Peace to those that Accept it, but sorrow to those that Reject it'.

Message 87:5, 'Let all Labor in Love; be harsh with no one'.

Message 21:10, '... Seek not to please men but Take your Message in Love to all men, and Keep The Commandments of God'.

Be Patience

Message 118:7, 'Be Pleasant at all times and The Spirit will Guide you in all Truth. As I speak to you, so speak I to all'.

Message 63:8, '... Let The Messages go in Peace. Let The Tidings of Gladness be Heard. Be at Peace with all men. Be Pleasant in your Work. Be Humble always and your Labor shall not be in vain'.

Be Kind

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Message 87:13, '... Be Kind to all men and you will Win Favor with God and man. My Mission is one of Love'.

Be harsh with no one

Message 93:6, 'Be Harsh with no one ...'

Message 101:3, 'Let all Labor in Love, be Harsh with no one'.

Be at Peace

Message 93:24, 'Be at Peace with all men as much as it lays in your Power. Fret not over things you have no Control'.

As we have been Studying, many people already Love and Represent Christ. They are Bible Believers. We need to tell them about *The Record of The Nephites* and *The Angel Message*. However, do not talk down to them. Do not tell them they are in the dark. Just tell them that we have more Light to show them. Then share The Rest of The Gospel with them.

If you are shy or uncomfortable with Witnessing to someone ask God to Help you. He Will. The more you do it, the more comfortable you will be with doing it.

Do you Know The Story about Jabez in The Bible?

In I Chronicles, Chapter 4, it its telling The Genealogy of Judah. There are many verses of who begat whom and so on. However when we get to verse 9 and 10 it says this:

And Jabez was more Honorable than his brethren: and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, Because I bare him with sorrow.

And Jabez Called on The God of Israel, saying, Oh, that thou wouldest Bless me indeed, and Enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me!'.

And God Granted him that which he Requested.

That is all it says about Jabez. The next verse continues telling more of who begat whom.

What is so Special about Jabez is that he was Humble and wanted to Do more for God. He asked God to Enlarge his borders. That means to Enlarge his Capabilities to do more for God.

God Granted that Request. We can likewise, ask God to Enlarge our Borders—to help us in Witnessing to others-help us to do more for God.

May God Bless you as you Witness to others. We need to Live our Life Pleasing to God that even our very Life will be a Witness to others.

May God Enlarge The Borders of each of us that we will Better Serve as a Witness and Servant of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Young Adult Department

Editors: Matthew & Ellen Thompson Missouri

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Yes, *Beloved*, because Jesus Lived, Suffered and Died for us, moreover, He Arose from The Grave for us. He Extends His Arm of Mercy to all who will Accept His Gift by Recognizing that *He is God;* by Faith and Turning from sin and Seeking His Face, Trusting Him. It is Vital that we Pray one for another. Pray Fervently that God

sends The Messenger to Further Enlighten His Servants Regarding His Church and The Building of The Temple. We have 120 Messages to this date. Have you Mastered these 120 Messages? We need to stay Prayerful with a Humble Mind and a Righteous Desire to Please The Lord. Seek God for a Revelation on The Term, 'The Assured Way'.

In The Word Of The Lord, The Bible, The Nephite Record, we will find all that is Necessary to Enlighten our Minds and to Convict our Hearts that 'The Assured Way' is 'The Anointed, Appointed Way of The Living God, Jesus Christ'.

It is important that we Grow in The Grace and Knowledge of our Holy Heavenly Father. One must Study, Pray and Meditate in *The Written Word*.

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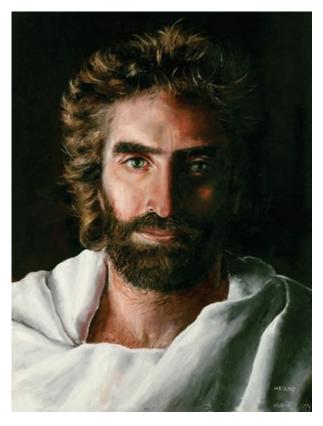
The staff of 'The Greater Light' would like to Dedicate This Issue of our Paper to our Dear Sister Lucille Paulson of Colorado. We send our Love, Cares and Prayers to you. May God Bless!

The Editor

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The Church has a CD available of 'The Testimony of William A. Draves' spoken by himself, for \$5.00. Please contact The General Headquarters Office. Hearing Our Dear Brother's Voice is Truly a Blessing of The Lord.

Prince of Peace



Painted by Akiane Kramarik

Message 52:4,

'But to The Faithful, thus Saith The Lord, Hearken! Ye, My Servants, Arise to your Calling. Oh, I have Plead! Few have Heard. If you Believe in God, Believe also in Me, for it is My Words that shall Judge you in the end, for I Am The Eternal One!'



God Bess Our Military Women And Men.

Letter

Dear Readers of 'The Assured Way';

I was thinking about all the news on the television and pondering over what *The Lord had told us in The Message* and thinking about all the disasters that has happened and will happen. I became concerned and frightened for all our safety when a *Voice*, almost demanding, said to me, 'Rejoice in God. I say Rejoice'.

I had gone to bed but had not gone to sleep yet, and as *The Lord* touched me, I felt *His Spirit* and I wrote the following poem.

The Lord is Mindful of us and our efforts to Serve Him.

Rejoice, The Lord Comes Soon

Leora Naslund Missouri

In God Rejoice!
I say Rejoice!
For the end now Appears,
Our Lord soon Comes.

Oh Precious Moment when He Wipes away all tears. Oh, The Joy and Peace forever, For evil cannot enter there.

Now we see the end unfolding Through the centuries Prophets Scolding-warned us to Lead Our lives in Righteous Molding.

In our Message Words of Warning, Heed The Words The Angel brings, Are you ready for The Consummation Of All Things?

We must Trim our Lamps
And now be Ready.
Lest our Lamps may have no oil,
Jesus Fill us with your Spirit!

Help us to be Upright and Steady,
That our Lamps may be Burning Brightly,
Lighting, Guiding, Holding Tightly,
Never taking Lightly all The Work
That must be done.

Lift up your heads, ye Heir of Glory, Cast aside your doubts and fears. Jesus is Coming, To Live with us a Thousand years.

Rejoice in God! I say Rejoice!

<u>Poem</u>

Be Gentle Dear Lord

By Stella J. Fredrick Submitted by Sister Brenda Humpert Missouri

Be gentle with him now Dear Lord Open Thy Arms and Welcome him in. It broke our Hearts to lose him, But he did not go alone.

A part of us went with him The day You Called him home. Give him Your Tender, Loving Care That's shall make his Spirit soar.

A million times we missed him Give him Thy Gift of Eternal Life. That he may Rejoice evermore. If Love would have Saved him He would never have died.

Make room in Thy Glorious House
And prepare for him a Bed
Where he may rest his weary head.
When the loss and grief I feel
Are almost more than I can bear.
I go to The Grave, and place flowers there.
No one knows the heartache,
As I turn to leave you there.

Message 55:10,

'Preach Repentance and Baptism that mankind might find Life Eternal in The Way of The Lord. Let The Hands be Laid on all.'

Message 56:11,

'... Enter in at The Strait Gate, Abide and Endure unto the end that ye may Obtain Life Eternal.'

Message 59:11

'This is The Way for mankind to find Eternal Peace, to Endure to the End . . .'

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