

EDITORIAL

The Local TV Vision For Southeast Florida

By TOM MONROE

Since the beginning of the Holy Spirit Teaching Mission over four years ago, God has been adding new facets to the ministry. To the individual and group contacts, he added the tape and magazine outreach. Now He is adding the TV media for broadcasting the good news. With each of these steps the outreach has multiplied over a hundred fold so that the new contact potential will number in the millions.

From the extremely expeditious granting of the F.C.C. contruction permit for Channel 45 (Miami) on September 3, 1969, through to the present day, many miracles and blessings have occurred which have seemed to keep each of us aware that this is God's chosen program. The most notable of these events are:

- (1) the assembly of people with skills and talents required to initiate this operation
- (2) the provision of critically located land for the transmitter, tower and antenna facilities
- (3) the creation of a totally new antenna tower concept which provides dual TV and FM transmission facilities at less than a single facility would normally cost when land values are considered. The new design also provides for a 100 x 300 foot lighted cross to be erected at a height of 900 feet.
- (4) the enthusiastic response of over 1500 people who attended the three banquets held in Miami, Fort Lauderdale and West Palm Beach to announce the South Florida Television ministry
- (5) the fact that God is putting together a \$1,700,000 facility on faith with essentially no evidence of the practical aspects of any phase of the operation until it has first been "possessed by faith".



While most of these events may appear to be natural and common to those unfamiliar with the details, unusual obstacles and apparently impossible odds, blocked every step until fervent prayer produced unity and stimulated faith to believe God and receive His answer.

As we see it, there will be no appeal for funds or personnel to complete this ministry. If we continue to obediently follow His lead. then the faithfulness of God will provide every need! Many are already catching the vision of over 3,000,000 watts of full color, Full Gospel, broadcasting to South Florida. (Over 2,000,000 persons inhabit the high intensity signal area from Homestead to West Palm Beach-even more will be included in the normal signal strength areas from the Keys to Jupiter and the cable systems across the state to Ft. Myers on the Southwest coast.) Those who are stepping out in faith as the Spirit leads them to be a part of this ministry are receiving a most unusual blessing from the Lord. Ask them if you are desirous of catching the enthusiasm that is undergirding this work, (Talk to Don Bohl, Program Director or Jack Musselman, Chairman of the Board or President, Eldon Purvis or Spanish-American Affair Specialist, Howard Coffey,

Although the timing for initial broadcasting has been set for May, 1970, this also is in the Lord's dominion so accurate prediction is not yet confirmed. We believe this to be realistic, however.

Catch the Vision of Christ's Television—be a vital part of this end time ministry to Jews, to Cubans, to retirees, to the unchurched, to tourists, to young and old who have missed the opportunity to know Jesus. Blessings are being poured out in proportion to committments made in faith.

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The Co-Ordinator's Report

ELDON PURVIS

COMMITTEE'S OF 40 MEETINGS:

Fort Lauderdale-Miami, Fla. January 12th, Monday 7:00 PM Dinner. Edward K. Atkinson, M.D. will speak. Sheraton Hotel on the Ocean.

Melbourne, Florida. January 16th, Friday, 7:00 PM Dinner. Jack Musselman, Pompano Beach, Attorney will speak. Holiday Inn, 2607 N. Dixie, Melbourne. \$ 2.90 plus tax.

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Tampa — St. Petersburg, Florida. January 30th, 31st. Feb 1st with Don Basham and Tony Nash.

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY-Clare Michigan. February 20th, 21st, 22nd, with Derek Prince,

Don Basham, Jerry Rutkin and others. 40,000 students in area. Pray for this meeting.

Elyria, Ohio, March 9th thru 13th, with Joe Jordan, Jim Brown, Harvey Fiddler and Jack Carter,

"Charisma 70 Seminar", Spring Valley Country Club, Elyria, Ohio. John Beckett (216)365-3390

Leesburg, Florida. May 3rd thru 8th with Charles Simpson and others, more details later.

Sharon Penna May 9th & 10th with Don Basham Leonard Eyans and Dr. Edward Atkinson In

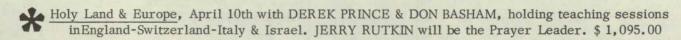
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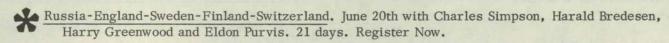
INTERNATIONAL-HOLY SPIRIT TEACHING MISSION, Hollywood Beach, Florida, May 18th thru 24th, with Don Basham, Bob Mumford, Derek Prince, Kenneth Hagin and others. Make reservations NOW.

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WFCB - TV - Miami

By BOB FELLER

(Continued from front page) months for a ruling. It took that same FCC just three days to approve the modified application of Florida Christian Broadcasting to build and operate UHF Channel 45 in Miami. That was an answer to the prayers of the Spirit-filled believers seeking the Lord's will for the project.

More recently another miraculous answer to prayer occurred in relation to a site for the transmitter tower. Although the Lord had lead the group to a 20 acre site, it was only half the size needed to accomodate guy wires for a 1000 foot tower. Then, while in prayer about this very matter, a group of the leaders was interrupted by a phone call from a tower engineer. He informed the group he had come up with a revolutionary design which would permit construction of the tower on the available 20 acres. What's more, WFCB-TV directors now plan to hang a lighted, 300-foot cross from the top of the thousand foot tower.

Although the Lord's hand has been evident in the project from the beginning, Christian television is not without precedent in the United States. Two such stations, one in Portsmouth, Virginia, the other in Los Angeles, are now on the

Pat Robertson, the son of former U.S. Senator Willis Robertson, bought a bankrupt Portsmouth station in 1959 for \$37,000, then went into business with \$3 in the station bank account. Today, the studios and facilities of the Portsmouth TV and radio stations are worth more than \$3.5

million. In addition, Robertson's Christian Broadcasting Network has five radio stations in New York state and a missionary radio station in Bogota, Columbia. It is also constructing a television station in Atlanta and has plans for another in Indianapolis.

The only other Christian television station now on the air is in Los Angeles, but current indications are that the Lord has ordained other stations for Chicago and Cleveland.

While WFCB-TV will not be connected with any of these other Christian stations, programs will be interchanged to bring South Florida viewers the finest in Gospel messages and Christian entertainment. Specific programming plans are incomplete, but the Board of Directors has stated the purpose of WFCB-TV in these words: "To make the Gospel of Jesus Christ available to every home, every day. To provide wholesome entertainment and programs of public service, education and community interest."

To this end, Channel 45, the GOOD NEWS STATION, will promote neither violence nor sex and will not schedule programs by questionable artists.

WFCB-TV will be a commercial television station, but advertising as well as programming, will be carefully screened. The directors are planning a program schedule that will be wholesome without being puritanical or self-righteous; programming and advertising that will not be dictated to by the almighty dollar. To this end the stations will accept no tobacco or beer advertising.

Network television feeds its viewers a virtually uninterrupted diet of violence. According to the National Association for Better Broadcasting, "Between the ages of five and 15 years the average child watches the violent destruction of more than 13,400 persons on TV."

WFCB-TV directors are in agreement with those who feel the daily diet of violence fed our children on network television can only have a detrimental effect in their formative years. Stanford University psychologist, Dr. Alberta E. Siegel, has said, "Every American adult, teenager, and child today is attending a school of violence, named, TV." Dr. Siegel adds that the "distinction between fiction and reality as shown on TV is a difficult one for normal adults to maintain. For young children, the distinction may not exist at all."

In contrast, childrens' programs on WFCB will be stimulating in a wholesome way: they will offer the positive message of the Gospel. Other programs will present exciting testimonies from such figures as singer Pat Boone, former New York Yankee star Bobby Richardson, and ex-nightclub singer Dave Boyer; programs in sign language for the deaf; powerful spiritual messages from Billy Graham, Oral Roberts, Kathryn Kuhlman and local teachers and pastors: educational, informative and entertaining programs; programs for the Jewish community and south Florida's large Spanish-speaking population; and news and special events with an emphasis on the positive, wholesome things happening in the community. There are also plans to interpret the news in the light of the

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Singer Pat Boone in Miami To Help Launch TV Station

By ADON TAFT Herald Religion Editor

The formula for success is putting together the right amount of the right ingredients, according to the eminently successful Pat Boone. And the one ingredient which can affect the outcome of any undertaking more than anything else is the Holy Spirit.

Because he believes that, the popular singer-actor-TV personality-sportsman- businessman was in Miami this week to help introduce to the community the new television station, WFCB-TV Channel 45, which will go on the air here next May.

Boone has no financial interest in Florida Christian Broadcasting, Inc., the non-profit corporation which owns the station which expects to house its studios and offices in what is now Calvary Church, at 777 NW 85th St. The corporation is non-denominational and grew out of the Holy Spirit Teaching Mission in Fort Lauderdale.

"I'M HERE merely because this is a Christian station which will be coming into homes here with family entertainment," he explained in an interview. "Shirley (his wife) and I have been blessed by listening to the Christian radio station in Los Angeles. And I think you'll be blessed by having this station."

Boone, who still looks 10 years younger than his age of 35 despite the receding hairline in front, is convinced that a Christian television station can be successful because "we've got something going for us if we claim it, and that is the power of God. God will bless any ef-



Pat Boone
... Jacksonville native

fort that is genuinely offered to Him, that is turned over to Him."

The fact that many critics rate most religious programming now on regular commercial television as poorly done does not deter the native of Jacksonville who is the father of four daughters.

"A CHRISTIAN television station will attract top professional people who are just waiting for an opportunity to use their talents for the Lord," he insisted. And he pointed to Don Bohl, the program director for WFCB, as an example. Bohl had been a key network executive.

In addition, Boone noted, "thousands will be praying for this station."

Much of the programming on Channel 45 will not be

"religious," per se. The schedule will be heavy with news, music, education, and public service features, according to Bohl. And there will be plenty of just plain entertainment.

There is no place more appropriate for Gcd than in entertainment, in the opinion of Boone, a magna cum laude graduate of Columbia University who has had 13 gold records and seven gold albums (which means that more than a million copies of each were sold).

GOD NEVER does anything that's not dramatic and exciting," declared Boone who was a four-letter athlete in school and still plays weekly on a basketball team with Bill Cosby and James Garner.

When God is involved in entertainment, dramatic spiritual things happen, insisted Boone with the same "Friendly Persuasion" with which he sings.

To substantiate his point, the actor recounted how one of the teenaged gang leaders being used in the filming of "The Cross and the Switchblade" actually was converted while the cameras were rolling.

Boone plays the part of the Rev. Dave Wilkerson in the true to life movie based on the book about the Assemblies of God minister's work among the dope addicts of Harlem. The filming was just completed last week and all the major roovie studios are bidding to distribute the film which Boone called "great."

"WE SAW miracles during the filming," said Boone, who is an active member of the Church of Christ and plans to do a movie from the book "God's Smuggler" and some Biblical films. "Some things happened to me."

He explained that "I never thought I'd want to be so surrendered that I would preach in a street meeting, not even in a film. But then I actually did it," he said as he told of conducting a service on the streets of New York.

That business about being surrendered to God is pretty big in the thinking of the descendant of famous frontiersman Daniel Boone. (His real name is Charles Eugene Boone instead of Pat Boone.)

"There was a time when I began to think that I had to manage my career myself and sort of help God out in my spare time," he confessed in an interview in the current issue of Christian Life magazine. "It wasn't a conscious concept, but I realize now in looking back that this is what happened.

"I FELT that I had to support my family and maintain my niche in the entertainment business because it was a valuable one to God — and if I didn't maintain it, He would lose a voice He needed.

"Finally I realized that He didn't need my voice, my niche, my anything," said Boone. "His will was going to be done just splendidly whether I participated in it or not.

"And furthermore, the less I committed it to Him, the more I tried to do it myself, the worse it was going. So gradually in the last year I made a new commitment and

just said, 'Look God, if You are through with me in this business, then You can take me anywhere else You want. I am willing to go wherever You say, do whatever You want me to do.'

"The interesting thing is that whenever I turn over these conflicts to Him, they not only work out great, but sometimes in unpredictable ways they turn out to my benefit."

BOONE started out to be a

teacher. His singing was just a hobby that got him a job on radio to pay his way through school. At the age of. 22 he turned down the first two network television shows offered to him because they were sponsored by cigaret and beer companies.

While the handsome star attributes his success to the Lord, he is quick to acknowledge that nobody has to be a Christian to have financial success.

"Many people who don't profess to be Christians at all are among the wealthiest people in the world. They have a sixth sense about what will work and what won't and how to make money." But, to him, material success is "only one small measure of overall success."

The kind of success Boone

wants - and has - means being selfish. "I'm being selfish when I put Christ first and my Christian life first even if it conflicts with my career. If I've got to make a decision between what I think Jesus wants me to do and what I think would be best for my career, I will choose what Jesus wants because I am selfish enough to want a relationship with Him more than anything else."

-Herald Staff photo by John Pineda



Left to right: Velma Frank, Father Charles Hotchkiss (Episcopal), Neil Frank-Managing Editor- NEW WINE, Shirley and Pat Boone.

A Vision of Broadcasting The Seed

By Tom Monroe

In every age God has ordained his special ministries to the people. Our age is no exception in that practically every ministry of the past is still active to some degree and the new is being added to supplement the old. Unlike men, God, in His concern to reach every man with the whole message of Jesus, is not reluctant to use contemporary media. For many years the radio ministry has penetrated both the tropic and the asphalt jungles carrying the message of hope and restoration to the lost. Now that television has become an integral part of the American family life, God has appointed this means of communication as one of His messengers. The time has been divinely established to coincide with a serious degeneration in the moral and spiritual caliber of secular television. Soon, audiences will be actively seeking wholesome, constructive, uplifting TV for their family viewing. Christian broadcasting, properly inspired by the Spirit, will fill this need with entertainment, music, drama, news,

weather, teaching, talk forums, etc. all with a Christ centered message. Since God intended to relate to man in all of his activities (not just so-called "religious" endeavors) Christian TV is expected to be one of the main streams of spiritual influence into every facet of our personal, family, professional and social life.

While the number of Christian television stations is very limited today (only two stations actually broadcasting on a regular basis) a number of stations are in the final planning or construction stage currently. A still larger number are in the advanced planning phase. At this time, there is ample evidence that God is sovereignly moving to establish this ministry, as a nationwide Holy Spirit network. While some spirit-filled men have responded to the call of the Lord for establishing single or multiple stations, the inspiration, and timing as well as the action is the work of the Holy Spirit. No man or group or movement is responsible.

New developments in broadcasting equipment and facilities, as well as recent inspirations for unique programming techniques and the sudden erruption of all kinds of spirit-filled talent in the performing arts work together to convince those involved in this ministry that God, not man, is at work to do a new thing in preparation for raising the curtain on the final act of the drama of the ages.

Excitement and enthusiasm run high with those called to participate in this venture of faith. Because it is a ministry of faith requiring people who walk in the Spirit by faith, God is preparing his operating cadre by the unique schooling of the Holy Spirit. We are finding that every minute detail as well as every major step in the designing, equipping, staffing, financing and programming of the TV ministry must be by faith and in the Spirit, rather than by conventional, natural, established orthodox ways. God is doing a New Thing in every way-just as in the beginning of the church almost 2000 years ago.

Prayer The Undergirding Of WFCB - TV

"And I, if and when I am lifted up from the earth (on the cross), will draw and attract all men (Gentile as well as Jew) to myself." (John 12:32, Amplified). God has a standard—a standard which no man has set, but the Holy One of Israel is His Chosen Son by whom and through whom everything must enter in and the Glory of the Lord shall be revealed.

Some 4 years ago, God revealed that a Christian TV was his perfect will in the Fort Lauderdale-Miami area. This vision was given to Eldon Purvis, the co-ordinator of the Holy Spirit Teaching Mission. Through yieldedness and prayer, he is seeing the realization of this dream take on reality.

Much prayer has been offered, but much more is required for the final realization—not of the television station—but for the souls to be won and the deliverance of mankind in this area, God has said:

"I implore you with an eyerlasting love to fast and pray. Do not fear what man can say or do...there are giants in the land, but my power is greater than all these. Fast. Fast. Fast."

With much supplication, the giants of the land will be rendered powerless and His sovereign will shall be accomplished. It has since been revealed that some of these spiritual giants are lust, immorality, drugs and organized crime. Surely, these problems are acute and the people of God are aware of these situations. But the victorious part is to know that the spirit-filled Christian has power to bind the strong man and take his house (Matthew 12:29). SO BE IT!

I Corinthians 16:9 says, "For a wide door of opportunity for effectual service has opened to me...one great and promising and MANY ADVERSARIES." The Lord says, "Behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves. Be wise as serpents and gentle as doves. Study to show thyself approved unto God. Humble thy whole heart. Buy the truth and sell it not. Seek gold. He will delight in those that seek Him with their whole heart."

The time has come for Christians to take dominion over the air waves to reach the multitudes. Florida Christian Broadcasting will do just this as long as we abide in Him and exalt Jesus. We must continually seek the leading of the Holy Spirit in every move and decision. God will be pleased with a people who utterly rely upon Him and they shall not be disillusioned. A vast move of the Holy Spirit will sweep this

area. The harvest is ripe.

Prayer is the undergirding, iust as Pat Robertson has proven in his Portsmouth, Virginia TV ministry. His charming wife, DeDe shared with the women in the area last May of this ministry. Many things were not seen at the Open House of their new \$3,500,000.00 studio-such as 26,000 lbs. of re-bar steel under the studio and 177 pilings 35 ft. under the sand...but these were the essential undergirdings of the visible structure. So itwill be in this Florida television adventure. The prayer room is given the position of honor at the Portsmouth studio. . . this is a must! Jesus is the rock upon whom CBN rests upon. . . the fruit of this television ministry is great.

The Lord has revealed to the TV prayer group here some months ago the following truths concerning WFCB-TV:

- 1) "That this is a greater vision and ministry than you can imagine. My Word shall go forth."
- 2) "That He would send His heavenly messengers."
- 3) "That He would pour out of His spirit upon all men. Their dreams shall become a reality."
- 4) "That the television would let the light in and would be a beacon unto Him."

The Lord has also revealed that "there shall be a network of Christian TV stations across the land." We are already seeing evidences of this. Let's believe and pray that God's goal and word shall be accomplished.

Will you be a part of this prayer ministry? Will you discipline yourself, individually and collectively to seek God, to travail for souls and truly see the bearing of the Son of Righteousness along the East Coast? Four years ago, a prophecy was given to me that "You shall bear a son and He shall be great along the East coast." Truly this is coming to pass through the people of God and the Florida Christian Broadcasting Company. Praise the Lord!

The Lord shall surely bless you in your prayer endeavors. You will know that you are partaking of the eternal fruit of this Christian Broadcasting exciting adventure. We plan to have 24 hour prayer vigil both at the studio and in the area.

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Deep in my heart there's a garden, Not planted or tended by me, Nor do I provide the sunlight and dew But to the door I do hold the key.

The Fruits it produces have strange-sounding names, No pulp, skin, or color possess, Some are called Goodness, Longsuffering, Faith; Joy, Temperence, Gentleness. Another so sweet to behold called Love (Fruit not from the earth but above)

The One who resides in this beautiful place Has no body or form or well-known face, Blest Holy Spirit is His name, Comforter, Guide, and Teacher His claim. He prunes, He scolds, He smiles sometimes too, He sings to my Jesus the whole day through,

The Fruits that He grows there are not grown for me, But for all of God's children, God's Splendor to see. To make their loads lighter, And make their days brighter, To heal them, bring Comfort and Peace, Glory to God in the highest May His work in my Garden ne're cease.

Dorothy Owen East Moriches, New York

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Two Ways of Receiving The Holy Spirit

by Derek Prince

According to the unfolding revelation of the New Testament, the day of Pentecost marked a tremendous climax in the dealings of God with the human race. On that day, for the first time in human history, men and women received the "baptism in the Holy Spirit". In the preceding record of all four Gospels, and in the opening chapter of the Book of Acts, the way had been systematically prepared for this great climax.

In all four Gospels the ministry of Jesus himself is introduced by John the Baptist. Central to John the Baptist's introduction is this statement concerning Jesus: "I indeed have baptised you in water, but he shall baptize you in the Holy Spirit." In the Gospel of John, John the Baptist states the reason why he himself baptized in water: "that he (Jesus) should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing in water" (John 1:31). In other words, the baptism in water administered by John the Baptist, was a type, or pattern pointing forward to the baptism in the Holy Spirit which was later to be administered by Jesus.

Thereafter, throughout his own earthly ministry, Jesus repeatedly referred to this promise of the Holy Spirit, given initially by John the Baptist, and he always made it clear to his disciples that their experience would not be complete until they had received this promise.

In John 7:37-38 Jesus says: "If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water." Then in verse 39 the gospel writer adds in parenthesis: "(But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Spirit was not yet given: because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)" The explanation given in verse 39 in parenthesis makes it clear that Jesus was here speaking not about sinners being converted, but about those who were already believers receiving the Holy Spirit; and that this gift of the Holy Spirit would be made available to believers only after Jesus himself had completed his earthly ministry and had taken his place in glory at the Father's right hand.

Chapters 14, 15 and 16 of John's Gospel record the great, final discourse of Jesus with his disciples, immediately prior to his arrest, trial and crucifixion. In this discourse, Jesus again lays repeated emphasis upon the promise of the Holy Spirit.

In John 14:16-18 Jesus gives his disciples the following promise: "I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you com-

fortless (orphans); I will come to you."

By using the phrase "another Comforter", Jesus here lays special emphasis upon the fact that the Holy Spirit, when he comes, will be just as real a person, as Jesus himself. In effect, Jesus says: "I am about to leave you, but in my place another person will come-that is, the Holy Spirit. I have been with you only a brief three and a half years, but when this other person comes, he will stay with you for ever (or, more literally, for the rest of the age, until this dispensation closes). You already know this person, because he has been with me throughout my ministry-and therefore with you. However, the time is coming when he will take up his dwelling directly within you. In this way, you will not be left alone like orphans, without anyone to care for you, to encourage you, and to instruct you."

In this passage, as in John 7:37-39, Jesus makes it clear that this promise of the Holy Spirit is only for those who are already believers, for he says



Derek Prince

that "the world (i.e. those who are still unbelievers) cannot receive him."

A little further on, in John 14:25-26, Jesus again refers to the promised coming of the Comforter: "These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, who is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you." In these words, Jesus emphasised that the effect of his own ministry and teaching upon the disciples would be incomplete until after the coming of the Holy Spirit. He indicated that his own ministry would need to be completed by the coming of the Holy Spirit in two main ways. First, the Holy Spirit would accurately remind the disciples of the teaching which Jesus had already given them, and would interpret it for them in a way that they had not previously been able to receive. Second, the Holy Spirit would give them further needed teaching of his own, going beyond that which Jesus had given while with them on earth.

Again, in John 16:7, Jesus further emphasises the absolutely necessity of his leaving the disciples, and of the Holy Spirit coming to take his place, for he says: "I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away; for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you." Once again Jesus emphasised that there was to be an exchange of persons. Jesus himself must first return to his place in heaven, before the Holy Spirit could in turn come to take up his place on earth.

A little further on, in John 16:12-15, Jesus describes again the ministry which the Holy

Spirit will have: "I have yet many things to say unto you, but ve cannot hear them now. Howbeit, when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all the truth; for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak; and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you. All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you." These words may be summed up by saying that the Holy Spirit was to be the divinely authorized Revelator and Interpreter of Jesus: and that, in particular, in his revelation he would unfold the glory which was to be bestowed upon Jesus in heaven after the completion of his earthly ministry. This agrees with the statement in John 7:39 that the Holy Spirit could be given to believers only after Jesus had been glorified.

After this great closing discourse, recorded in John chapters 14, 15 and 16, there follows the high priestly prayer of Jesus in John chapter 17, immediately after that come the arrest, trial and crucifixion of Jesus. From this point on, therefore, Jesus had no further opportunity of speaking at length to his disciples, until after his resurrection.

The first appearance of Jesus to his disciples in a group after his resurrection is recorded in John 20:19-23. Twice Jesus greeted his disciples with the words: "Peace be unto you." He also showed them the marks of the wounds in his hands and his side, as conclusive proof that he was the same person who had died on the cross and been buried in the tomb of Joseph of Arimathea. Then he breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive ye the Holy

Spirit."

In a previous study* of this first appearance of Jesus to his disciples, I have brought out the following points:

- (1) The verb translated "breathed on" (more literally, "breathed in") suggests that Jesus probably breathed into each of his disciples individually, bringing his lips and nostrils close to those of each disciple in turn.
- (2) In the phrase "the Holy Spirit", the definite article "the" is supplied by the translators. The words of Jesus could literally be translated, "Receive holy breath."
- (3) The tense of the verb "Receive" indicates decisively that the disciples received the Holy Spirit as a complete, historical experience at that actual moment. So far as they were concerned, this experience did not need to be continued, nor to be repeated later.
- (4) At this point in their experience the disciples passed out of "Old Testament salvation" into "New Testament salvation". The experience that they received at this moment was "regeneration" "the new birth".

Although the disciples at this point received the Holy Spirit in regeneration, it is perfectly clear that they had not yet received "the promise of the Holy Spirit" that had been unfolded first by John the Baptist, and then by Jesus himself, in the record of the gospels prior to the death and resurrection of Jesus. For the ensuing forty days after this "resurrection Sunday experience". Jesus continued to appear from time to time to his disciples, for the purpose of giving them further instruction, and of preparing them for the time of his final ascension back to heaven. In Acts 1:3 Luke says concerning this that "he was seen of them

forty days", and that during this period he continued to speak to them "of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God." It is clear that one main point which Jesus stressed in this instruction was the need for the disciples to receive "the promise of the Spirit" as an experience going beyond anything that they hitherto receiv-

In Luke 24:49 this part of the teaching of Jesus after his resurrection is summed up as follows: "And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high." At the opening of the book of Acts, Luke again presents this part of the teaching of Jesus in the following statements: "John truly baptized in water; but ye shall be baptized in the Holy Spirit not many days hence... Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Spirit is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:5,8). The next verse of Acts tells us that these were actually the last words that Jesus spoke to his disciples while still on earth, before he finally ascended back to heaven.

If we set side by side the account of the events of the resurrection Sunday evening recorded in John 20:19-23, and the subsequent teaching of Jesus, recorded in Luke 24:49 and Acts 1:5, 8, two facts emerge with great clarity.

(1) On the resurrection Sunday the disciples had a single, complete, historical experience which Jesus described as "receiving the Holy Spirit". This corresponds to the experience normally called "regeneration".

(2) Forty days later, Jesus (Continued on Page 14)

Breaking Bread...

by Rev. Charles Simpson

"And He took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them . . ." (Luke 22:19) ". . . And they continued daily with one accord breaking bread from house to house." (Acts 2:46) Continued from the Gospel of John

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1. Jn. 1:1, 14

2. Col. 1:19

3. Jn. 1:4

4. I Jn. 1:1

5. Jn. 1:18

(1) Jesus Christ declared to be the living Word of God, was made flesh and dwelt among us. (2) He, the Word, was the Fulness of God. (3) In Him was Life. (4) He was the Word of Life. (5) And being in the bosom of the Father, He could declare Him.

6. Jn. 1:19,36

7. 2 Cor. 5:19

8. 2 Cor. 5:21

John the Baptist revealed the way in which Jesus would manifest the life of God. (6) Being the Lamb of God, He would take away the sin of the world. Now, a world separated from God because of sin could be reconciled to God. (7) Thus, the Scripture declares ". . . God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them. . . (8) for He hath made Him (Jesus) to be sin for us, though He knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him." In simple language, that we might receive His life!

(9) Jesus came to give life, and to give 9. Jn. 10:10b 10. Jn. 3:15-18 it more abundantly. (10) This Life He Jn. 5:24 I Jn. 5:13

11. Lk. 24:49

12. Jn. 7:39 Jn. 14:12, 16 Jn. 16:7

13. Lk. 24:49

14. Acts 1:4,5,8

15. Matt. 3:11

16. Acts 2:4

17. Joel 2:28

18. Acts 2:16

19. Acts 2:32,33

20. Acts 2:38-39, 41, 47 gave (gives) to everyone who believeth on (into) Him. That there was (is) more to this Abundant Life than receiving salvation; the forgiveness of sins, is clear. (11) Jesus told His disciples to wait for the promise of the Father, which He would send. (12) But first, He must be glorified; ascend back to the Father.

(13) When the promise is received, they would be endued with power from on high. (14) The promise is illuminated by the words of Jesus in Acts 1:4,5,8. Here, He plainly states that He will baptize them with the Holy Ghost. It will not be far off. It will give them power to witness unto Him. . in all the world. (15) He confirmed the words of John the Baptist who had declared "I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but He that cometh after me is mightier than I. . . . He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with Fire. . . ."

One hundred and twenty (120) of the disciples believed in the promise, for they believed Him who had promised. The account is set forth in Acts 2:1-4. (16) Note that everyone who had believed—obeyed and "...all were filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance."

(17) Joel had prophesied that God would pour out His Spirit upon all flesh. (18) Peter, on the Day of Pentecost, said: "This is the beginning of that..." (Amplified). (19) He understood this to be the promise of the Father, and acknowledged that what they had seen and heard was shed forth by the risen, exalted Lord.

We conclude, that the Word made flesh and dying for our sins was of a truth, the Saviour. And, being risen and glorified, He indeed became the Baptizer with (in) the Holy Ghost. (20) And that He was to continue in this exalted position, His ministry is made manifest. Both in the written Word (Acts 10:44-46; 11:16,17; 19:1-6) and also in the multitudes of believers who are still confirming that the Living Word is...THE BAPTIZER!

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still emphasized that the disciples needed to receive "the promise of the Holy Spirit". He indicated that in this experience the disciples would receive a supernatural enduement of power from the Holy Spirit. He called it being "baptized in the Holy Spirit".

Almost all interpreters of scripture agree that this promise of the coming of the Holy Spirit was fulfilled ten days after the ascension of Jesus, on Pentecost Sunday. In Acts 2:4 this is described as follows: "And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." As a result of this unprecedented supernatural demonstration, a great crowd of Jewish people gathered. To these Peter preached a sermon, explaining the events which they had witnessed, and setting forth in order the main facts of the ministry, the death, the resurrection, and the ascension of Jesus. This explanation of Peter came to its climax in Acts 2:32-33: "This Jesus hath God raised up (from the dead), whereof we all are witnesses. Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he hath shed forth (poured out) this, which ye now see and hear."

Notice how exactly this explanation of Peter fits in with the statement in John 7:39: "But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because that Jesus was not yet glorified." John had said that the Holy Spirit could not be given until Jesus had completed his earthly ministry, and taken up his place in glory at the Father's right hand. Now Peter

looks back on this as being an accomplished fact, and he says, in effect: "Jesus has completed his earthly ministry and has been exalted in glory at God's right hand. There he has received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit and has poured this out upon us his disciples. The proof that this is so is provided by what you yourselves now see and hear (namely, the believers speaking in tongues and magnifying God)."

At this point was fulfilled the promise given by Jesus in Luke 24:49: "And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you." In Acts 2:33 Peter calls this "the promise of the Holy Spirit". A little further on in Acts 2:38-39, he brings this out again, by saying: "ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is unto you..." The "gift" of the Holy Spirit is also the "promise" of

the Holy Spirit.

Paul in his epistles also uses the same phrase to denote the same experience. In Galatians 3:13-14 he says: "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us. . . that the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. Paul here shows that the promise is offered to believers (both Jews and Gentiles) only on the basis of the propitiatory sacrifice made on their behalf by Christ on the cross. Thus the coming of the Holy Spirit to the believer is the Spirit's testimony to the effective merits of Christ's propitiatory sacrifice and shed blood, not to the believer's own righteousness. In this way the Spirit bears witness to the blood of Jesus (1 John 5:6).

Again, in Ephesians 1:13, Paul says to the believers at Ephesus: "In whom (Christ) also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise." Notice that Paul here emphasises that these believers first put their faith in Christ for salvation, and then after that received the promise of the Holy Spirit. Like Jesus in the Gospels, Paul in his epistles makes it clear that the promise of the Holy Spirit is not for unbelievers, but only for those who are already believers in Christ.

On the day of Pentecost also was fulfilled the promise of Jesus in John 16:7: "it is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto vou." At this point the exchange of residence between Jesus and the Holy Spirit was completed. Ten days previously, at his ascension, Jesus had "departed". He had finally left this earth and taken up his place of residence again at the right hand of the Father in heaven. There he will remain until he comes again in person at the close of the present age to receive his saints unto himself. On the day of Pentecost the Holy Spirit came as a person to take the place of Jesus with the believers on earth. From that moment, until Jesus returns for the church, the Holy Spirit is the permanent, personal representative of the Godhead now resident on earth.

The primary place of the Holy Spirit's residence during this dispensation is the church—the whole company of true believers on earth. Speaking to all believers collectively, in I Corinthians 3:16, Paul says: "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?" However, the miracle of divine grace revealed at Pentecost goes even beyond this. The Holy Spirit did not merely come upon the group of dis-

ciples collectively. He also entered into, and took up his dwelling within, each disciple individually. For this reason, Paul says again in I Corinthians 6:19: "What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit which is in you?" Through the experience of Pentecost, the physical body of each believer becomes a temple, redeemed and sanctified by the blood of Jesus, in which the Holy Spirit as a person now takes up his permanent dwelling.

Here then is the true climax, prepared for first by the teaching of John the Baptist, then by the teaching and propitiatory sacrifice of Jesus himself, and finally fulfilled on the day of Pentecost. At this point in human history a new dispensation began-the dispensation of the Holy Spirit. At this point, the Holy Spirit himself as a person descended from heaven, and took up his residence on earth, to remain here until Jesus returns again to receive the true believers unto himself. The place of the Holy Spirit's residence during this period is the church collectively, and the physical body of each believer individually. However, it remains the responsibility of each individual to present his own body as a temple to the Holy Spirit, and thus to receive his own personal experience of Pentecost.

Further reading in the book of Acts shows that this personal experience of Pentecost was granted on various subsequent occasions to others besides the original disciples in the upper room at Jerusalem. In Acts 8:14-20 the persons receiving this experience were the Samaritan believers converted through the ministry of Philip. In Acts 9:10-18 it was Saul of Tarsus (later the apostle Paul) who received this experience. In

Acts 10:44-48 it was the household of Cornelius, and the same events in the house of Cornelius are further referred to in Acts 11:15-17. In Acts 19:1-6 the record deals with "certain disciples" to whom Paul ministered at Ephesus.

In every one of these cases, except that of the household of Cornelius, it is clear that those who received this personal experience of Pentecost had already experienced "salvation", or "regeneration", some time previously. In the three cases of the Samaritans, Saul of Tarsus, and the disciples at Ephesus, the Pentecostal experience was ministered through laving on of hands. In the other two casesin the upper room at Jerusalem, and in the house of Cornelius-there was no laying on of hands.

It is very instructive to make a list of the various different phrases used in these passages of Acts to describe this personal experience of Pentecost. In Acts 1:5 and 11:16 it is described as "being baptized in the Holy Spirit". In Acts 1:8; 8:16; 10:44; 11:15; 19:6, it is described as "the Holy Spirit coming upon, or falling upon" those who received it. In Acts 2:17; 2:33; 10:45, it is described as "the Holy Spirit-or the gift of the Holy Spiritbeing poured out upon" those who received. In Acts 2:4 and 19:2 it is described as "being filled with the Holy Spirit". In Acts 8:15, 17, 19; 10:47; 19:2, it is called "receiving the Holy Spirit." A careful comparison of these passages indicates that all the phrases listed above are used more or less interchangeable to describe this personal experience of Pentecost. In particular, it appears that in three different passages-in Acts 8:15-19; 10:47; 19:2-the phrase "receiving the Holy Spirit" is used (five times in all)

to describe this Pentecostal experience.

Thus a careful comparison of scripture shows that the phrase "to receive the Holy Spirit" is applied at different times to two different experiences. First, it is applied by Jesus himself to the experience of the disciples when he breathed on them on the resurrection Sunday evening. Later, it is applied to a subsequent and different experience received by the same disciples on Pentecost Sun-

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day—and following that, to a similar experience received at different times by various other disciples throughout the book of Acts. For purposes of identification and distinction, we may call the first experience "regeneration" and the second experience "the baptism in the Holy Spirit". It is natural to ask: How do these two experiences differ from each other, and how are they related to each other?

For clear and brief contrast we may summarize the two experiences as follows. REGEN-ERATION: (1) the resurrected Christ; (2) the inbreathed Spirit; (3) the Spirit received as eternal, resurrection life; (4) the result, an inward, spiritual birth. THE BAPTISM IN THE SPIRIT: (1) the glorified Christ; (2) the outpoured Spirit; (3) the Spirit received as a person; (4) as a result, the physical body of the believer becomes the place of the Spirit's permanent residence.

The following passages of the New Testament appear to refer primarily to regeneration. "The gift of God is eternal life in our Lord Jesus Christ" (Rom. 6:23). "And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life. . ." (I John 5:11-12). "If Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness." At regeneration a person receives Christ into his heart by faith. In Christ, he receives the gift of eternal life. This life is supplied by the Holy Spirit. The "body"-i.e. the old carnal nature-is reckoned dead, executed (in Christ on the cross) on account of sin (see Rom. 6:6, 11). In place of the old life, on the basis of Christ's righteousness received in faith, the Holy Spirit comes in as divine, eternal, resurrection life.

On the other hand, from the day of Pentecost onwards, the phrase "to receive the Holy Spirit" is never applied again to regeneration, but only to the baptism in the Spirit. This can be verified by reference to passages such as: Acts 8:15, 17, 19; 10:47; 19:2; 2 Corinthians 11:4; Galatians 3:2.

Alternatively, we may express the relationship between regeneration and the baptism in the Spirit in the following terms: —Regeneration is a ministry of the Holy Spirit to the sinner. In this experience the Holy Spirit ministers Christ to the heart of the sinner who repents and believes. In turn, when Christ is thus received,

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How To Overcome

By DON FLORA

Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?' I John 5:5.

The reason I am using this scripture to start a study on overcoming is because I want you to see what an overcomer is. An overcomer is not some sort of superspecial Christian with superspecial gifts, who lives on a plane unobtainable to the rest of us. An overcomer is simply a believer in Jesus Christ as the Son of God.

An overcomer is a believer. If vou believe in Jesus, then you already have within you everything required to be an overcomer. It is simply a matter of knowing how to use it. Do you believe that Jesus is the Son of God? If you are a born-again Christian, you do. Then you are an overcomer, because the Word of God says 'he that overcometh' is 'he that believeth, that Jesus is the Son of God'.

If you are 'he that believeth', then you are also 'he that overcometh'. Glory to God!

Revelation 12:10,11 says, 'And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, NOW is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ; for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony, and they loved not their lives unto the death'.

Here we have two elements of a heavenly scene that I want you to see. 1. God, who is a just God, and 2. Satan, the accuser of the brethren. The third element is found in Hebrews 3:1, 'Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ

God is our judge, Satan is our accuser, and Jesus is our High Priest, or you might say, our defense lawyer. He is standing in for us, in other words.

You see, this is simply a legal situation. Did you know that everything God does is legal? Being a just God, he has ordained, 'In the mouth of two or three witnesses let every word be established'. Satan is a witness against us, and the blood of Jesus is a witness for us. Scripture tells us that His blood speaks better things than the blood of Able.

So to be legally acquitted, or legally condemned, we need one more witness. Someone, by his testimony, has to tip the scales one way or the other.

Now notice what the scripture teaches. Jesus is the High Priest of our profession, or of our confession. We overcome the accuser by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of our testimony. We are our own deciding witness!

This is where we have missed it. We have not understood what 'the word of our testimony' is. You see, we ourselves are the third, and deciding witness. The words of our mouth either condemn us, or get us the victory. The word 'profession' means 'to say for'. Are we 'saving for' Jesus, or are we 'saying for' the enemy? What is our profession?

The word 'confession' means 'to say with'. Are we 'saying with' the word of God, or are we 'saving with' the word of the accuser? What is our confession? What is our testimony?

We must realize that Satan is a liar from the word go. He couldn't tell vou the correct time. If he tells us that we are not saved, then we know that we are. If he tells us that we don't have faith for healing, then we know that we do. If he tells us that we cannot cast him out, then we know that we can. Satan is a liar, and the father of

On the other hand, it is impossible for God to lie. If we agree with Satan in our witness, we not only become liars ourselves, but we intimate that God is lying. But the scripture says, 'Let God be true, and every man a liar'. From the garden of Eden, Satan has been trying to make God out a liar, and man has believed him.

We have got to get it settled that it is the devil who is lying to us, and not God.

Now, if the word of God says, 'By his stripes ye were healed', then it is true. But you say, 'It is not true for me. I am still sick'. That is because you have not established your healing. 'In the mouth of two or three witnesses let every word be established'. God said you were healed. That is one witness. Now what do you say?

If you say you are sick, then your word agrees with that of the adversary who put the sickness on you. And it is legal in the courts of heaven for you to be sick, even though you are a child of God, and Jesus bore the stripes for your healing. But if your testimony agrees with the word of God, then that word is established in your life;

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the Holy Spirit, in Christ, comes into the sinner's heart as eternal life. Regeneration is an inward experience of the heart. It is being "born of the Spirit" (see John 3:6, 8). In other words, it is the Spirit who produces the birth. The Spirit ministers to the repentant sinner the nature of Christ. Therefore Paul says in Romans 8:9: "If any man have not the Spirit of Christ (the Christ-nature), he is none of his." Without this experience, a person is not born again, he is not a child of God and has no place in the family of God. After regeneration, Christ dwells in the heart of that person by faith (see Eph. 3:17). Such a person may say: "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless, I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me...' (Gal. 2:20). On account of sin. the old man-the old carnal nature-is reckoned dead (see Rom. 6:6, 11: 8:10). In its place has come the new manthe Christ-nature- the Spirit of Christ-ministered in regeneration by the Holy Spirit.

On the other hand, the baptism in the Spirit is a ministry of Christ to the believer. Christ-and Christ alone-is the baptizer in the Holy Spirit. In this experience. Christ ministers the Holy Spirit to the believer who, as a child of God, claims by faith the promise of the Father (see Luke 11:13; 24:49). The Holy Spirit comes, as a person, to indwell the physical body of the believer. Because this experience affects not merely the inner nature of the heart, but also the physcial body, it is logically accompanied by a distinctive physical manifestation-the speaking with a new tongue. In this way, the decisive, controlling member of the physical body-that is, the tongue-is supernaturally brought under the control of the Holy Spirit.

Through the Holy Spirit thus received, Christ in turn is revealed in a fuller and more glorious way to the believer. For this reason, speaking of this experience, Jesus said in John 14:16-18: "I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter...even the Spirit of truth...I will not leave

you comfortless (orphans): I will come to you." In the person of the Comforter Christ himself comes with new fullness and assurance to the believer. In this connection also Jesus said in John 16:13-14: "When he, the Spirit of truth, is come... he shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you." The experience of receiving the Comforter

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through the baptism in the Spirit reveals and glorifies Christ to the believer in a measure altogether greater than is possible merely through the experience of regeneration.

For the sake of clarity, we may sum up the relationship between these two experiences in the following two pairs of statements, in which the main contrasted points are printed, for emphasis, in capitals.

At REGENERATION, THE HOLY SPIRIT ministers CHRIST to the SINNER, and in CHRIST the HOLY SPIRIT comes as ETERNAL LIFE. REGENERATION takes place within the HEART, and is an INWARD INVISIBLE experience.

At the BAPTISM IN THE SPIRIT, CHRIST ministers the HOLY SPIRIT to the BELIEVER, and through the HOLY SPIRIT CHRIST himself comes in with new REVELATION AND ASSURANCE. THE BAPTISM relates to the PHYSICAL BODY, and is accompanied by an OUTWARD PERCEPTIBLE manifestation.

We may also observe a distinction between the main purpose of these two experiences. Regeneration is the absolute, indispensable requirement for attaining to eternal life in heaven. "Except a man be born again, he cannot see-and cannot enter-the kingdom of God" (John 3:3, 5). The baptism in the Holy Spirit is the divinely ordained equipment for witness and service for Christ here in this life. "Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Spirit is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto me... (Acts 1:8). Since the baptism in the Holy Spirit is only for those who are already believers, it is clear that a person must first experience regeneration, before he can receive the baptism in the Spirit.

It must be emphasized that this interpretation of the two experiences of regeneration and the baptism in the Spirit makes no division of any kind between the persons of the Godhead. In all points, there is-in both experiences-perfect harmony and oneness between the Father, the Son, and the Spirit. There is no division, but there is a clear distinction of both persons and ministries. To reject this distinction between the persons of the Godhead would be to obliterate the most distinctive aspect of true biblical revelation concerning the nature of God.

In closing, let us apply these conclusions from scripture in a very practical way to personal experience. A person may ask: "How can I receive the Holy Spirit?" How shall we answer?

First, you must be born again. You must repent of your sins, and receive Christ by faith as your personal Saviour. In this way, the Holy Spirit comes to your heart as eternal life. You become a child of God. God becomes your Father, and heaven becomes your home.

After this, in order to live effectively for Christ, you need to receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Jesus has described the way to do this very clearly in John 7:37: "If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink". There are three simple conditions. First, you must be thirsty-you must earnestly desire to have more of the fulness of God than you already have. Second, you must come direct to the baptizer, Jesus. Third, you must drink. No one ever yet drank with a closed mouth. Therefore you must open your mouth, and actively drink in of the Holy Spirit.

As a result of this, Jesus said, "out of your belly shall flow rivers of living water". This is

the new supernatural language which will flow forth from within your body and through your mouth. Yield your tongue and voice in faith to the Holy Spirit, and boldly speak forth the new language which he gives. In this new language you will praise and magnify God as you have never been able to do in your own language.

If you so desire, you may say the following prayer as the means by which you come to Jesus as your baptizer in the

Holy Spirit:

"Lord Jesus, you are my Saviour and I am your child. You have redeemed me by your blood, you have forgiven all my sins, and I belong to you. I come to you now as my baptizer in the Holy Spirit. I present my body to you to be a temple of the Holy Spirit, and I yield my tongue to you to be an instrument of righteousness, to worship you in a new language. Fill me with your Holy Spirit. By faith I thank you for this now. Amen."

"God's Love"

Utterly amazing is God's great love for me, His grace is quite sufficient, His grace has set me free!

He never breaks a promise, Nor leaves me, nor forsakes, No matter how I fumble, He always undertakes!

I praise Him for His mercy, And the peace He gives within. "Lo, I am with you always", Is a promise, He gives to men.

Oh, the wonder of this love, Is too great to comprehend, But faith ensues and hearts are changed By the love of God within!

> By June Pierce Hollywood, Florida

HOW TO OVERCOME. . . from page 17

and Satan is completely defeated, having been caught in a bare-faced lie.

That is how we overcome, by adding the word of our testimony to the blood of the Lamb. Say what God says, and in the mouth of two witnesses that word is established. Jesus is our High Priest. He presents two things to God in our behalf; he presents his blood, and he presents our words. He is the High Priest of our profession, or of what we say. Therefore, we have got to learn to have a positive, Bible-based testimony.

In the old days, God brought several million people out of Egypt, up to Kadesh-Barnea. Here he spoke to them, saying, 'Go in and take the land'. Out of all those people, there were only two who had the right testimony. There were only two overcomers—Caleb and Joshua.

They said, 'We are well able to take it'. All the rest rejected God's word, agreed with the enemy, and died in the wilderness. The Bible says that God was not pleased with them.

Today God is still saying, 'Go in and possess your possessions'. There is deliverance, healing, and a life of abundance for us. Even material wealth is ours. See 2 Corinthians 8:9. Jesus obtained it all for us. All we have to do is to know our rights as children of God, and add our testimony to the blood of the Lamb.

We overcome the world, the flesh, and the devil this way. Joel 3:10 says, 'Let the weak say, I am strong'. Any weakness can be overcome. When you say you are strong, you are not lying. You are agreeing with the word of God. It is the enemy who accuses you of weakness who is lying. You are strong to resist temptation, so say you are. Testify. Confess. Profess.

Ephesians 6:10 says, 'Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might'. If you are 'in the Lord', then you are strong in the power of his might. It is his might, not our own. Jesus Christ is our strength within.

The secret of overcoming is in the words of our mouth. We have to learn to control our speech. Jesus said that we could have whatsoever we say. Mark 11:23 says, 'For verily I say unto you, that whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith'.

That is not a scripture on praying, that is a scripture on saying. We win or lose with the words of our mouth. We can have what we say. Jesus is the High Priest of our profession. Send him up a powerful confession, and you will get powerful results.

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scriptures.

This is only a sampling of the Christian programs to be offered the two million residents of Florida's gold coast when Channel 45 transmits its first signal in May.

God has led committed, talented people to positions of leadership in His television station; they include Thomas Monroe, a successful automotive engineer from Indianapolis, Indiana, who now finds himself, through the leading of the Lord, the general manager of WFCB-TV.

Donald Bohl, former director of such network shows as "To Tell the Truth," "Password" and "The Price is Right," will utilize his knowledge and experience as program director of WFCB-TV.

Other Christians with a variety of talents have been offering their services to this new work since the concept and plans for the station were presented to the public in November.

Singer Pat Boone and his wife, Shirley, took two days from their crowded schedule to appear at announcement luncheons in Fort Lauderdale and West Palm Beach and a dinner in Miami. A total of 1500 Christians and community leaders from all walks of life heard the Boones tell of their own deep committment to the Lord and call for prayer support for the non-denominational station.

Boone told an interviewer that a Christian television station can be a success because "we've got something going for us if we claim it, and that is the power of God. God will bless any effort that is genuinely offered to Him, that is turned over to Him. A Christian television station will attract top

professional people who are just waiting to use their talents for the Lord."

Florida Christian Broadcasting, the non-profit corporation which owns WFCB-TV, is purchasing the Calvary Church property at 777 N.W. 85th Street in Miami for studios and offices.

The FCC permit for construction of a tower is valid through April of this year and the present timetable calls for the first telecast in May.

Because of new developments in transmitting equipment WFCB-TV will be able to reach into the great majority of homes along the lower east coast of Florida with a color signal comparable to that of the existing VHF stations in the area.

Total costs of getting the station on the air is estimated at \$1.5 million and the yearly operating cost, \$150,000

The farther this project advances and the more miracles that occur, the greater the realization by those associated with the effort that this station is God-ordained, that they are merely instruments of the Lord. The constant prayer of the directors is that they remain submissive to His will, and they solicit the prayers of Christians everywhere for their continued obedience to the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Tom Monroe aptly expressed the feelings of the Board of Directors when he said, "We're not in the television business, we're in the **people** business."

A Call to Fasting and Prayer

by Velma Frank - Hallendale, Florida

"The day that we live in demands that we be anchored in more than materialistic, political activities or just our home. We must be occupied with Jesus! He is our refuge and our strength. Only hid in Him can we meet the buffeting coming by satanic forces.

"Fall on your faces. Ask God for mercy. Humble yourselves with fasting and prayer. He will hear your cry and bring healing to your land.

"Dark clouds hover over Miami but a great light shall shine forth. It will be the work of no man but the Spirit of the Lord shall encompass the land. Stand fast. Be vigilant."

The above was given to me by the Holy Spirit in November. I trust it will bear witness with your spirit. Let us look at Isaiah 58:6-8:

"Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the

heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke?

Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?

Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the Lord shall be thy rereward."

Prayer is the secret that opens the door to the Most High. He waits daily to commune with His saints and offer pardon to the sinners. As yet, no communication is as powerful as this. If the ultimate were known, more time would be spent on our knees.

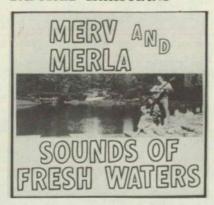
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- IN JESUS I see absolute perfection. With joy I abide in His love, in the beauty of His holiness. THANK YOU, FATHER.
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- IN JESUS I have energy and strength, health in all my flesh.
 THANK YOU, FATHER.
- IN JESUS I see the law fulfilled. I have power over sin, sickness, want. I am freed from fear, grief, sorrow, burdens. THANK YOU, FATHER.
- IN JESUS I have absolute obedience. I live a life of triumph over all the powers of darkness. THANK YOU, FATHER.
- IN JESUS I have patience, protection, constant praise. I freely give what I have freely received. THANK YOU, FATHER.
- IN JESUS I have all of the gifts of the spirit ready for His use, and all the fruits are made manifest. THANK YOU, FATHER.
- IN JESUS I have access to measureless knowledge and wisdom, tempered by absolute integrity; to God be the Glory. THANK YOU, FATHER.
- IN JESUS I HAVE QUIETNESS OF SPIRIT. I show forth mercy, compassion, gentleness, forgiveness, true humility. THANK YOU, FATHER. Thank you, thank you my Father.

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So to the fountain He took it and filled it to the brim. How glad was the earthen vessel to be of some use to Him He watered the drooping lilies Until they revived again; and the Master saw with pleasure that His labor was not in vain His own hand had drawn the water which revived the thirsty flowers, But He used an earthen vessel to convey the life-giving showers. And to itself it whispered, as He laid it aside once more. "Still will I stay in the pathway, just where He found me before. Close would I keep to the Master. And empty I would remain, And perhaps tomorrow He'll use me to water His lilies again. Only an earthen vessel, but placed in the Master's hand, and filled with His blessed Spirit, I will help many others to stand".

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"Anointed Prayer Page"

"FOR ALL THE PROMISES OF GOD IN HIM ARE YEA, AND IN HIM AMEN, UNTO THE GLORY OF GOD BY US." (II Corinthians 1:20)

Us refers to Christians. We glorify God by acting on his promises. There is nothing magical or mysterious about this page. Within the fiber of this paper there is no power. It was made by man and as such will some day follow the course of all stubble and perish in the fire. However, the promises of God are everlasting and His power unchanging. He can minister to your need today. Faith is dead until acted upon and God does not respond to a dead Faith.

An act as simple as stretching forth your hand to this page can serve to release your faith. The page becomes your point of contact with God. The staff of the Holy Spirit Teaching Mission pray that God will honor your action!

What promise will you claim today?

- -"The Lord relieveth the widow." -Psalm 146:9
- -"Thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet." -Proverbs 3:14
- -"He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved." -Psalm 16:8
- -"The Lord preserveth all them that love Him." -Psalm 145:20
- -There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus." Romans 8:1
- -"The Lord will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing."
 - Psalm 41:3
- -"Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep."
 - -Psalm 121:4
- -Safety is of the Lord." -Proverbs 21:31
- -"We are more than conquerors through him that loved us."
 - -Romans 8:37
- -"Be not afraid of their faces; for I am with thee to deliver thee."
 - -Jeremiah 1:8
- -"I have overcome the world." -John 16:33
- -"The word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked ones." -I John 2:14
- -"The God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly."
- -Romans 16:20
- -"When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him." —Isaiah 59:19

