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Moving Pictures The Miracle in Manchester

People in the city of Manchester are taking notice of the amazing transformation of an old, historic movie theatre into the new home of the Pentecostals of Manchester.

Bro. Ben Fugate, Youth Pastor at Pentecostals of Manchester says, "People are coming in while we are working on the building and saying to us, 'When are you going to start having church here? We came here years ago when this was a theatre and we want to come see what it looks like as a church!'"

A local radio station, just up the road, saw Bro. Ben's marquis announcement: "The Pentecostals Coming Soon," and talked about it on air, thus giving free advertising to the church. That's just one more occurrence in a long list of what should be called the Miracle in Manchester . . .



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Growing Awareness

"For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. **Wherefore comfort one another with these words.**"

I Thessalonians

4:18

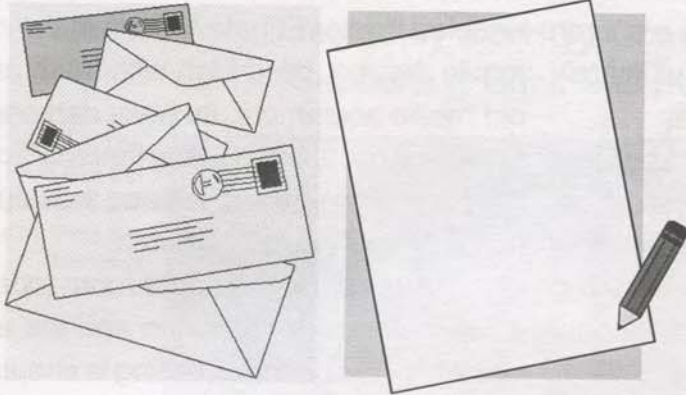
"Sticks and stones may break my bones, **but words will never hurt me!**"

You learned long ago that the words to the above rhyme are not at all true. There is destructive power in words. Chances are good that you remember the cruel words that were hurled at you in a fight or disagreement more clearly than any physical blows you might have received. Unlike the bruises and cuts that one sustains in a fight, words leave wounds that heal slowly and leave deep, tender scars; sometimes for years, sometimes for life.

In contrast, Paul's challenge in I Thessalonians gives us hope that *positive* words also have power. The Word of God and the Good News (Gospel) found in the Word have a way of reassuring us, comforting us, exciting us. The most foolish thing we could do with the Word of God is to do nothing with it. The worst thing we could do with what God has said is to remain silent about it. He has spoken, and those spoken words offer hope, promise, comfort, cheer, reassurance, answers, direction, and so much more. Yet, if we do not speak those words to someone, will the needed words ever be heard?

As the *Kentucky District News* moves toward the end of one more year, and the threshold of another, it is our hope that it will serve as a forum for encouraging all who read it. We readily accept Paul's challenge to continue broadcasting and publishing the words that people so desperately need to hear. It has been my pleasure to serve as editor during this time, and to have a part in publishing reports of exciting new ministries

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and news of great revivals in the various sections of the Kentucky district. I have seen firsthand how these reports fulfilled Paul's directive – news of what God is doing throughout our district is spreading and creating a growing awareness of what God can do in other areas. Truly, the praise reports and updates you have shared have helped to build faith among many churches.

Thanks so much to all who wrote articles, poems, and notes of thanks. Thanks to each of you who submitted pictures of various events. Special thanks to Sis. Keshia Simmons, Sis. Shanna Shuck, Bro. Garry Jacobsen, and Bro. Daniel Wilson for their continued submissions for multiple issues. Finally, thanks to each of you, our readers, who have been faithful in your support of the KDN, through your prayers, subscriptions, and encouragement.

Although newly-expanded ministry obligations and time restraints will prevent me from continuing in the position of editor for the KDN, I have made the same commitment to the KDN that so many of you have. I am dedicated to providing news and reports of revivals and ministries that are sweeping through the Kentucky District. I hope to have a part in creating a Growing Awareness of what God is doing, and in building faith that He can and will do the same for you, too! God bless you for your continued dedication to the ministry of the *Kentucky District News* and to the harvest field of the Kentucky District!

Your fellow laborer,

Bro. Rick McGee

Two years ago there was not a United Pentecostal Church in Manchester. There was, however, a burden for one. In the hearts of Bro. Wesley Fugate and his son, Bro. Ben Fugate burned a strong desire to see a church built which would impact the city of Manchester, and ultimately all of Clay County.

Actually, Pastor Wesley Fugate is more specific about their burden: "We don't have a burden for Manchester. Manchester is just the name of a city. We have a burden for the people of Manchester. What we need to have to be soulwinners is a burden for people no matter where we are. We're in Manchester, and we have a desire to reach the people here."

That's an important distinction. And the sincerity behind the words is evident in the revival the church has experienced since it began. Bro. Ben Fugate remembers the days of having one young person in the carefully-planned youth service – and that was his younger brother, Dillon.

Since those first months, however, Pentecostals of Manchester has seen the youth group expand; in their August youth service there were around 40 young people in attendance!

That's an impressive accomplishment for an established church, and a miracle for a church that just opened its doors just over two years ago.

They are clearly committed to seeing a gathering of the harvest in Manchester. The church started as a daughter work under Pastor Eugene McIntosh of Hazard. Bro. Fugate and his family soon moved to Manchester to be closer to the work. Bro. Ben is now starting a business close to the church, making videos of weddings, anniversaries, church services, and other events that people will want to record and remember. In addition, he's focusing on a variety of artistic needs including church promotions, wall murals, and graphic arts.

Their lives are centered around the growth and ministry of the Pentecostals of Manchester church.

Behind that growth and ministry is

the shared vision of a pastor, youth pastor, and church, who believe that God can do a quick work. It's the same vision that enabled Pastor Fugate to walk in the old movie theatre, piled high with trash and old movie equipment, its walls darkened with black acoustic boarding material from floor to ceiling and see instead the future home of an Apostolic Church.

If you walk in the same room today, it's easy to catch the vision and the excitement. The historic building is shaping up to have an amazing future as the epicenter of the Miracle in Manchester!

– Bro. Rick McGee



Above: Future home of the Pentecostals of Manchester Church. The stores on either side of the marquis are part of the building, and will be turned into Sunday School classes.



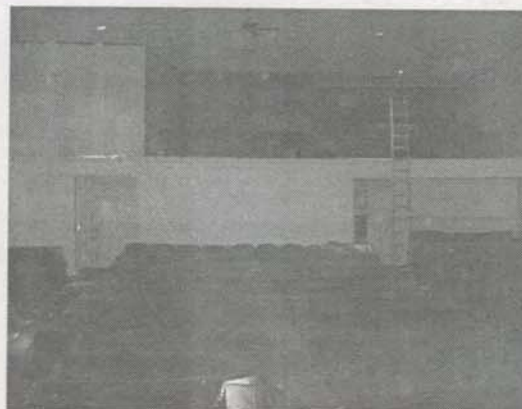
Middle: The custom vent covers were made specially for the theatre.

Bottom: Volunteers begin arriving for work and renovation.

Miracle in Manchester

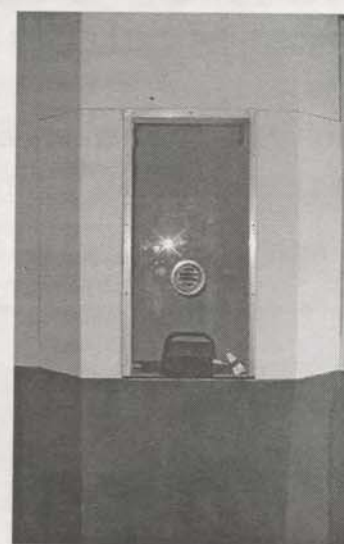
Directed by the Holy Ghost and Starring: Jesus Christ
Supporting Cast: The Pentecostals of Manchester

Right: The view of the platform and altar from the balcony.



View of the main floor auditorium and balcony, from the platform. The left-hand side of the balcony that's enclosed will be the youth service room.

Right: Dillon Fugate works on the seats of the main auditorium.



Left: Movie tickets will no longer be sold from this ticket booth. Free tickets to heaven, however, can now be obtained at the altar, just a short walk away.

Middle: Pastor Wesley Fugate readies the paint in the sanctuary.



An old movie projector awaits its fate, soon to be replaced by Bibles and altar calls.



Preparing to paint the sanctuary. Painting hadn't started when I arrived, but was quickly completed thanks to the sacrifice of some dedicated brothers in the church.

The theatre seating will remain here in the balcony, and on the main floor, along with faith that the seats will be filled as Manchester is moved by the Holy Ghost.



Middle: For the moment, paint cans remain at the altar; built onto the existing stage, in preparation for an expected launch service date of Oct. '05.



Section I Ladies Ministries

Sis. Cindy Oliver

Praise the Lord! I know He is great and greatly to be praised! The Lord is truly moving in a great way in Section I. Many of our churches have experienced revival, and the ARC Conference and Campmeeting in Madisonville were wonderful and very uplifting to every pastor and church attending.

Our Section I conference held at Presbyterian Gary Ellis's church in Clarksville, Tenn., was a great way to start 2005 in Section I. We enjoyed Sis. Phyllis Turner and her presentation of Mother's Memorial and information concerning the Ladies Retreat in Louisville.

Our Section I goal was \$8,000. We reached our goal because many reached

out and believed God for an offering and He came through!

The Ladies Ministry in every church is so vital. It provides not only financial aid with fund raising projects, but it is also a wonderful witness of holiness to our lost world. The ladies' testimonies and personal witnessing are church builders.

God bless you, pastors, wives, congregations, and all ladies of Section I for making Mother's Memorial a success. Let us work together for our 2006 goal of \$8,500.

Sister Cindy Oliver
Section I Ladies Ministries Director
Mayfield, Kentucky

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God Speaking to You

Sis. Teresa Hampton

I would like to paint a picture for you, so you can see and hear God speaking to you.

Have you ever stopped to look around you? Have you stopped and listened for God to talk to you? Have you ever stopped to look at the trees beginning to bud or smelled a flower that has bloomed?

Have you felt God's hand as He gently glides the butterflies across this land?

Have you taken the time to lie down on the grass and look straight up in His face and wondered if His eyes were that color of blue? And look, I think He just winked at you.

Have you tried to listen as God sings to you? The song that the birds sing is just for you.

Have you heard God laugh when you stopped by a babbling brook?

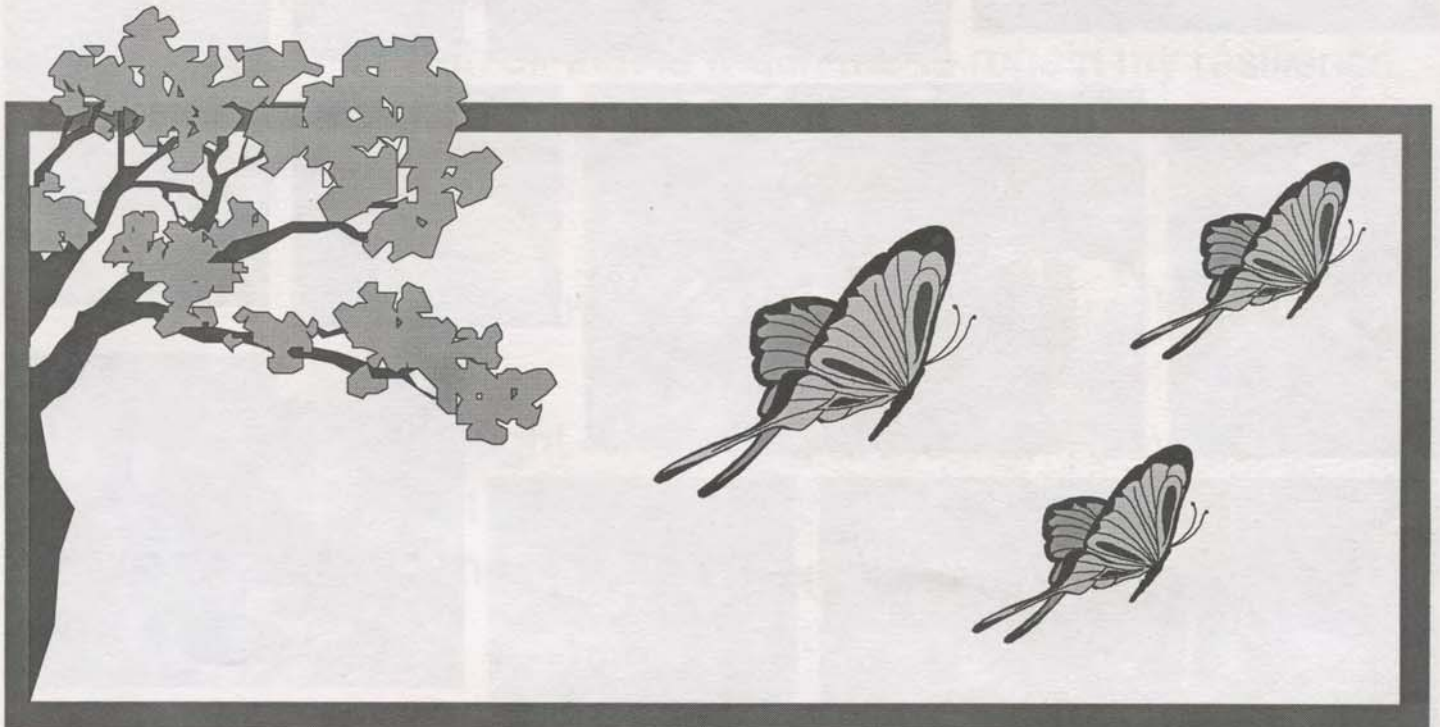
Have you ever felt God's pain when His tears fell as rain?

Have you seen His coat of many colors He wears?

Have you heard Him whisper "I love you" as He covers us with a blanket of snow white?
Can you see His eyes sparkle in the moonlight?

Have you seen, or heard, or felt God speak to you?

Through the eyes of a small child, or through the pain of growing up in this place?
Have you heard God speak to you, through the wisdom of those who have run this race?



Kentucky District **CAMP 2005**
Another Anointed Year of Campmeetings!



My sister, Sis. Doris Griffith, passed away November 29, 2004. She had battled cancer for five years. She (and we) lost that battle; but she won the war for she fought a good fight and kept the faith to the end.

Her daughter, Sis. Kimberly Gullett, found the following poem on Sis. Doris's computer at work the week before Mother's Day this year. Undoubtedly, Doris must have written it during her illness and struggle to live. I particularly take note and comfort in the last verse. It appears that without "a thought" on November 29, 2004, with her husband of thirty-one years, and her three children and three grandchildren at her side that she left this world "standing still" and went on to be with the Lord "rejoicing in the Lord" forever.

"Fay's Psalm"

By Sister Doris Fay Griffith

What if . . .

What if I were to sprout wings and fly?
What if I did nothing but sat around to cry?
What if I curl up and die?

Then I . . .

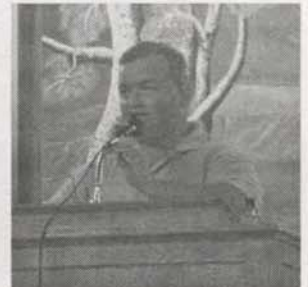
Then I would break down and lose my balance.
Then I would try with all that is within me to regain my resilience.
Then I would jump with joy – jump with adoration.
Then I would run the aisles shouting all the way around.

Without a Thought . . .

Without a thought – I shouted to the high Heavens.
Without a thought – I jumped for the whole world stood still.
Without a thought – rejoicing in the Lord always
Without a thought –



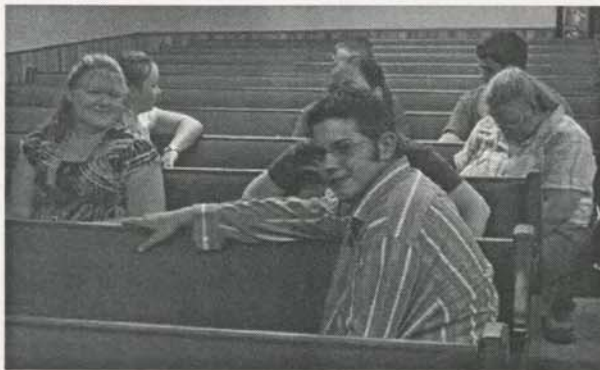
The 2nd Annual *Ready to Be Free* service took place on August 6, 2005, in Williamsburg, Kentucky. Still confident from the success of last year, Bro. Ben Fugate led an excited group of young people and ministers into the community of Williamsburg for door-knocking and outreach. Once again, God opened doors. Outreach groups passed out flyers and church cards for The Lighthouse Church, pastored by Bro. James Roark. The prayers that went up before the outreach began seemed to saturate Williamsburg, and prepared a welcoming atmosphere and a receptive spirit from many. When door-knocking began, people responded almost immediately with assurances that their children would be a part of the Lighthouse Church's Sunday School. (The Lighthouse Church reported at the next Section D event that new kids came the next day following the outreach!) Special thanks to Bro. Rob Akers, Section D Youth Director; Pastor James Roark, host pastor; Bro. Ben and Sis. Kelly Fugate, *Ready to Be Free* Directors; and to the young people of Manchester, Mt. Vernon, Hazard, London, and Williamsburg. It was another successful year of reaching out and letting souls in Eastern Kentucky know that they can be free! We're looking forward to next year and a harvest of souls for the Kingdom.



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Ready 2B Free

Section D Youth



Just a quick note...



of Thanks!

To the Kentucky District Fellowship:
Thank you for the love offering
that was received for us
on Friday night of Family Camp.
We appreciate your thoughtfulness
and kindness.

Love,
Brother and Sister Scott D. Marshall

Thank you, Kentucky District,
for the love offering you gave us
on Friday night of Junior Camp.
Brother and Sister Robbie Knox
and

Brother and Sister Rusty Bennett

***Thank
You!***

Thank you
to all of the
Concession Stand workers
at camp this summer.
We had another successful year!
Thanks, Brother and Sister Conley



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