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of discovery*



in BIBLE training

special news

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS was the site of the ABI Choral Reading with drama and teaching seminar. ABI faculty members and students presented all-day Christian Education classes for adults and select sessions for teens. Mrs. G. Grant presented a Journalism and Discovery Learning session where everyone participated with enthusiasm. Rev. Bill Patrick spoke on 'The Time Is Now' and 'Where is the Sacrifice?' Choral Reading and Storytelling sessions were conducted by J. Swim. ABI student sessions for teens were well-attended. In the evening, the teens presented their own Choral Reading and all was culminated by the ABI Choral Reading presentation 'Hold High the Torch'. On Sunday, Rev. G. Grant preached the morning message 'The Unchanging God'. Rev. and Mrs. B. J. Thomas, pastor and hostess, were an encouragement to all who attended. ABI students participating were: L. Baker, AR; B. Contino, IL; J. Eckenrod, MN; K. Hanson, MT; R. Lewis, Canada; S. Patrick, AR; R. Patrick, AR; C. Wurch, Can.

PUPPETS...CHALK TALKS...BALLOONS... flavored the Child Evangelism seminar in Sioux Falls with Ann Grant, faculty and students A. Corbitt, AR; F. Brown, CT; J. Echavaria, AZ; R. Hodges, IA and D. Heckaman, IN.

REV. JAMES LUMPKIN, ABI Trustee, AR, reminded the ABI student body not to forget the old landmarks. Reminiscing the days when his daughter Mickey was near death at 464 Pierce St. and her healing, he pointed out this was a landmark never to forget.

'ALL THAT GOD NEEDS IS ONE MAN... not fifty...just one, to totally commit himself to the Gospel'. The challenge rang across the 1988 student body with dynamic clarity. Hearts stirred at the timely message of Rev. A. Mangun, ABI Trustee, LA.

'Life and the Sea' unravelled a whole new understanding of life to ABI future ministers. Rev. Lonnie Treadway, TX clearly explained how tides of life roll in and out. Success demands stability. The long road of the Prodigal son was intertwined with the rich experience of this great man of God.

Pictured on cover: R. Hodges, IA; V. Wallace, IA; K. Poore, AR; D. Oliver, IN; R. Pruitt, MI; J. Tackett, AR; D. Goebel, WI.



Rev. J. Lumpkin, AR District Supt; Rev. G. Grant, MN; Rev. B. J. Thomas, AR; Rev. B. Patrick, MN at the Fort Smith seminar.



Rev. James Lumpkin, AR



Rev. Anthony Mangun, LA



Rev. S. G. Norris with Rev. Lonnie Treadway, TX



Rev. S. G. Norris, President

the truth about melchizedek

There was a special man in the Old Testament who was the only one of his kind for 4000 years. Melchizedek lived during the time of Abraham. Hebrews 7:3 states "Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; abideth a priest continually." The first time we see this man in the Bible, Abraham paid tithes to him. Abraham was a great man, but this man held even a greater office.

Melchizedek was the King of Salem AND the priest of the Most High God (Genesis 14:18). He held two positions which no man born of a woman ever held before or after him. Jews would go to the priest who prayed and asked God to forgive their sins. But if a Jew had legal business, he had to go to someone who worked for the king. Melchizedek qualified for both.

When Jesus Christ came, the Bible states in Hebrews 7, that He came in the ORDER OF MELCHIZEDEK - not Moses, Abraham, Joshua or any other famous patriarch. He had a mother, Mary, so He could identify with us. This Melchizedek born of Mary, became the King of RIGHTEOUSNESS and PEACE (Hebrews 7:2). He came as both king and priest.

The Bible states that our hope is "as an anchor of the soul, sure and steadfast which is entered within the veil". In the Old Testament in the Jewish tabernacle, the altar and the veil led to the Holiest of Holies. The only person who could enter this sacred

chamber and only one time a year, was the priest. The Bible says that our hope is 'within the veil'. We have direct access to the Holiest of Holies through our Melchizedek. We can clap our hands when there is no music because of this hope! We can lift our hands in appreciation in the midst of trouble. There are many great men and women in this world who do not know this truth. Who are we to know it?

Melchizedek passed on, but Jesus Christ is eternal. What you feel today is what you will feel in Heaven - that glorious presence of God. Jesus Christ is our Melchizedek: King of peace and righteousness. The office of king is the highest executive post. If you have someone who is taking advantage of you, He is the King of right. He will help. He is a priest. Through Him you can enter the Holiest of Holies. What a miracle!

A GREAT HOPE

Christ was here on earth. He understands whatever problem you or I have. He was born in a stable. You were never that low. However discouraged you become, you have a Friend that "sticketh closer than a brother". He understands every pain, trouble, tear, and furthermore, He knows how to heal!

Jesus Christ not only had the Spirit of God, but He possessed two other valuable assets: the spirit of righteousness and peace. His spirit of righteousness is so powerful for right that it will cast the devil himself into the Lake of Fire. We serve a God who can

conquer the greatest forces of evil: this spirit can conquer any trouble. We serve a God who knew how to live on this earth and go to Heaven. Remember this when you are tempted to quit.

Because of His spirit which you possess, you can conquer right over wrong. Also, you have a part of that spirit of peace. When everything goes upside down and no one can help you, you have a God you can go to and He has given you a part of His peaceful spirit. It can conquer any trouble in this world.

DON'T EVER GET PROUD

I honestly don't understand how a minister can get proud when he understands what he has received. Where did it come from? It came from a stable. It came from a Christ who raised the dead. Just a touch of His garment brought healing to a woman with an issue of blood. He listened to two sisters who had lost their brother. At His words, death vanished and Lazarus walked. Where is our Melchizedek now? He is in that city, alive, forevermore!

We will never realize the fullness of the Spirit He has given us until it removes us from this earth at the Rapture.

It is a wonderful thing to lay your head on your pillow at night and know you have tried to do your best to live for God. We are the most privileged people in the world to serve a God after the order of Melchizedek - both a King and a priest. There is nothing impossible with Him!

student activities



Students in Religious Education class learn the Center of Interest teaching method. P. DeMerchant, Brazil; D. Flemming, MN; D. Costa, NJ; A. Corbitt, AR; D. Urban, MN.



Volleyball finals are the site of great competition. J. Eckenrod, Odum, CT; D. Graham, MN; J. Tucker, CT.



God's presence honors each chapel meeting.



Students interested in Foreign Missions benefit from the Language Lab. J. Eckenrod, MN.



J. Echavaria, A.



ABI Quartet: T. Breeden, IN; T. White, IN; D. Perez, NM; D. Justice, MT; V. Ware, IA; Mr. & Mrs. K. Bellew, faculty.



R. Hodges, IA leads Bible game in the Christian Education Lab.



...tition: D. Killman, MN; R.
R. Peever, Canada.



Students are involved in weekly
basketball tournaments.



Twice weekly, students receive extracurricular puppet training.
L-R: B. Starcher, OH; R. Hodges, IA; Instructor A. Grant.



...Z; B. Contino, IL and J. Hoobler, OH help emcee Skit Night.



A. Durost, ME, takes a plunge down
the ABI hill in the snow.



D. Costa, NJ; D. Goebel, WI and L.
Baker, AR play in beautiful Minne-
sota snow.



Students enjoy monthly class-sponsored
special dinners.



Class officers T. Breeden, IN; D. Flemming, MN; A. Corbitt, AR meet with Faculty
Advisor, Mrs. G. Grant.

from our students

a special message

Question: What is the difference between a synagogue and a temple?

Answer: Since 70 AD, the Jews have had no place to offer sacrifices. This is the role of the temple. The next temple will operate during the Tribulation. A synagogue is a place to worship and receive instruction. To have a synagogue, you must have a congregation of ten righteous Jews.

*Dan Goebel, WI
2nd Year Prophecy*

Question: Three important questions are asked to Jesus by His disciples in Matthew 24. What are the questions and answer to each question?

Answer: In Matthew 24, the disciples first asked Jesus, 'When shall these things be?' This question refers to the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem by Titus and the Romans in 70 AD. The second question is... 'the signs of thy coming?' which refers to the two comings of Jesus Christ. He will come FOR His saints at the Rapture and WITH His saints at Armageddon. The final part of the question is ... 'and of the end of the world?' This is referring to the White Throne Judgement when all shall end.

*Bob Contino, IL
3rd Year Epistles*

Question: What is meant by the term, "Doctrine of Baptisms"?

Answer: Throughout the Bible, we find reference to three baptisms. All of these baptisms or washings, are part of God revealing and fulfilling His Word to His people. From Adam to Moses, there was no baptism, but God revealed the washing of hands and face to Moses. This revelation lasted until the time of John the Baptist, who received the revelation of baptism by immersion for repentance. When Jesus was baptized by John, He received the authority for baptism. The mode of baptism for the 1980s is Jesus' Name baptism.

*Rosalee Peever, Canada
1st Year Doctrine*

FOR ALL OF US

by Rev. S. G. Norris

Israel was told in the Old Testament that the Lord would someday come to this earth. But they had no way to figure out how that would happen. They imagined that He would come as an emperor, a conqueror, or a politician and make the Jews the greatest nation on earth. When Jesus Christ actually came, He came in an exact opposite role: as a baby. Thousands of Jews would not accept the coming of the Lord at the end of this Old Testament period.

Malachi 3:1 describes this coming of the Messiah at the beginning of the New Testament as 'sudden'. Jesus Christ was born to Mary and lived on the earth for thirty-three years. Yet, thousands of people were lost because they refused to accept Him. When the Lord comes for the Church, it will be a total surprise. I am frightened that this Pentecostal movement is not preparing themselves for the soon and sudden coming of Jesus Christ. WE have a lot of programs but we must make preparation for this great event.

What caused so many Jews to be lost at that first coming of the Lord? The answer is simple - money. It will cause hundreds of so-called Christians to miss the second coming of Jesus Christ. Malachi 3:8 gives the secret - 'Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed me. Wherein have you robbed me? By tithes and offerings.' People who will not be faithful to tithes and offerings will miss the second coming of Jesus Christ. A lot of people do not pay tithes: this is frightening. These Jews paid a terrible price because their minds were closed to the coming of Jesus Christ as a baby. Instead of paying tithes and offerings and having their minds open to the plan of God, the Bible says they were cursed with a curse.

It will be the exact same situation at the Rapture. There are laws in this Bible. They are not only meant for the Old Testament, but also for the New Testament people. Tithing is one of God's laws; I didn't write this but God did. There is no nation hated more than Israel today. They could have prevented this if they would have paid tithes.

In the Bible, we find that a creative day is 7000 years. Through geneologies, we know that 4000 years elapsed from the creation of Adam to Jesus Christ. In Hosea we find that the Jews will be cut off from God for two days. We know that the Jews will rule the Millennial Earth, so from the time of the cutting off of the Jews to the Millennial Earth is two days. II Peter 3:8 declares that a day with the Lord is as 'one thousand years'. From Christ to the Millennial is 2000 years. That means we have only a few years to the Millennial Earth if our dates are correct. The next time He comes He will not come like a babe. The only way a man can be saved after the Rapture of the Church is to give his life as a martyr.

We need to get ready for the future. Are you making big plans for your future. What future are you planning on? The very best plan is to get on your knees and pray every day and ask God to help you to be ready. Obey God's laws. Pay your tithes so you won't be caught in the trap these Jews were, of being blinded to the Christ when He comes.

Obedience to God will pay off with only the greatest dividends. Not only do we have His wonderful spirit, but when we see Him, we will be changed and have a glorified body like His - forever!

alumni news



Rev. & Mrs. Jeff Norris & Karissa, Brazil, held a missions service with ABI students and Rev. & Mrs. G. Grant.

Rev. and Mrs. David Hale pastor in North Little Rock, AR. Rev. Michael Crump pastors in Brevard, NC. Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Prather pastor in Muskegon, MI. Congratulations to Rev. and Mrs. Randy Hollis, Stillwater, MN, on the dedication of their church. Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Hodges III, CA are escorting a tour to the Holy Land. Rev. and Mrs. Joe White pastor in Taylorville, IL. Rev. and Mrs. Herschel Foster assist in Groveport, OH. Rev. and Mrs. Carl McKellar, LA are evangelizing. Rev. and Mrs. Barry Carey pastor in Berwick, PA. Rev. and Mrs. (Beth DeMerchant) George Sievers are assisting in Birmingham, AL. Rev. and Mrs. Keith Leaman pastor in Hastings, MN.

We extend deep sympathy to the family of 1979 graduate, Bob Best. Bob and his wife were starting a Home Missions work in Brockton, MA. Upon returning home from a Sunday night service, Bob was killed by an automobile. Please pray for the comfort of this family.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nordstrom, LA, a son, Nelson.

Mr. and Mrs. Les O'Dell, CO, a son, Brandon.

Rev. and Mrs. Mark Johnson, Hong Kong, a son, Titus.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carl, PA, a son, Javan.

Dr. and Mrs. (Debbie Kirkendall) Joe Cassidy, OH, a son, Benjamin.

Roger and Carey Locke, Naples, FL, a daughter, Sarah.

James and Laurene Thompson, Racine, WI, a son, Michael.

MARRIAGES

Mindi Hardman to David Wallace, OK.

Tarryn Pritchett to John Soberg, ND.



ATTENTION ALL ALUMNI

If your class is interested in having a class reunion during the 1988 Graduation, June 3-5, we would like to help you.

Please complete and return the given form and we will send you information concerning possible locations, motels, etc. right away!

YES! Please send me information to assist in organizing a 1988 Class Reunion right away!

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