

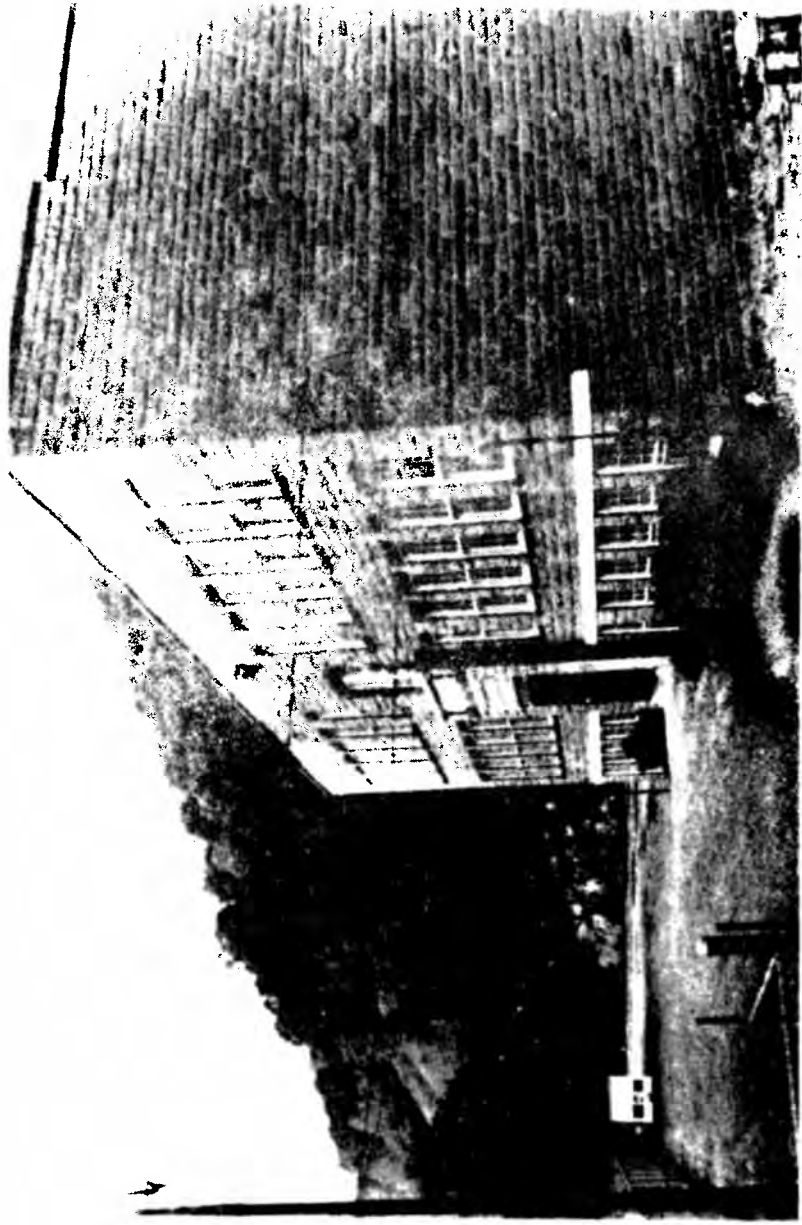
Elwood Cornett

**MINUTES
OF THE
Eighty - Fourth Annual Session
OF THE
INDIAN BOTTOM
ASSOCIATION
OF
OLD REGULAR BAPTIST
THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST**



**HELD AT THE
INDIAN BOTTOM ASSOCIATION BUILDING
Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky
August 31, September 1, and 2, 1979
Hosted by: Dixon Memorial, Northern New Home, Little
Zion, and Tolson Creek Churches**

Elder Elwood Cornett, Moderator
Elder Carl Back, Assistant Moderator
Elder Olus Baldrige, Clerk
Brother McKinley McIntosh, Assistant Clerk
Elder Orbin B. Slone, Assistant Clerk



Indian Bottom Association Building

Our next Association will be held in our permanent building at Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky just off Ky. 15.

DIRECTIONS TO THE INDIAN BOTTOM ASSOCIATION

- 1. From Hazard, Kentucky, go east on Ky. 15 to Sassafras (12 miles) then follow signs up Yellow Creek about 1/2 mile to Association.*
- 2. From Hindman, Kentucky, leave Ky. 80 on Ky. 160 south about 10 miles to Ky. 15, turn right follow 15 about 4 miles to Sassafras, follow signs as in No. 1.*
- 3. From Whitesburg, Kentucky, follow Ky. 15 west to Sassafras about 20 miles, follow signs as in No. 1.*
- 4. Accommodations for campers will be provided for and available on the building parking lot.*

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A MEMORIAL DEDICATION TO ELDER CRITT ELDRIDGE

It was agreed on by the delegates to the Indian Bottom Association that this the 84th session, be dedicated to the memory of our dearly beloved brother minister for near fifty years, Elder Critt Eldridge. To the members of the Indian Bottom Association — we have lost a dedicated Brother, a wonderful counselor, a very devoted leader, a true and wonderful friend to all who knew him. We feel he was just an humble servant of God who has finished his labor and gone to be with God. The scripture has described Brother Critt along with a blessing that is given to all that love and walk such. For he will always be remembered in our hearts and memories as a truly great peacemaker. God gave him many talents and he managed to put them to a good exchange. We are truly humbled by the writing of this for it instills in our hearts just how precious our fellowship is with each other and with God. Too often we wait too long to express love for each other. Our prayers are to God to make us more aware and appreciative of each other while we still live.

The Officers and Delegates of the Indian Bottom Association

**MINUTES
OF THE
EIGHTY – FOURTH
ANNUAL SESSION OF THE
INDIAN BOTTOM ASSOCIATION
OF
OLD REGULAR BAPTIST
THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 31, AND THE TWO
FOLLOWING DAYS**

The Indian Bottom Association being in session assembled at our Association House, Sassafras, Knott County Kentucky, August 31, and September 1 and 2, being hosted by the following churches: Dixon Memorial, Northern New Home, Little Zion, and Tolson Creek churches, met in the congregational department of the Association House for preaching services. After singing some of Zion's songs, Elder Truman Jent having been selected last year to introduce the services for this year (1979) came to the stand; and after making several warm remarks, came to a spiritual and understanding prayer.

After prayer and giving of thanks had been completed Elder Ivan J. Amburgey who was chosen by the delegates of the 1978 session to preach the sermon of introduction in this 1979 session, came to the stand, who sang a beautiful song and after making a few remarks was soon lifted up in the spirit and began to preach on the Prophet Jonah and to liken him to this present day.

After the introductory, the delegates were advised to assemble in their room to arrange and conduct the business of the Association for the day. The delegates being assembled, Elder Hiram Adkins, of the Northern New Salem Association introduced the Association and prayer by Elder Burton Howard of the New Salem Association. The Association being assembled was called to order by Elder Manus Ison, our beloved Moderator, who called for the letters of our several churches which compose the Indian Bottom Association.

1. A move and second was made to read the letter of the Dixon Memorial Church together with all other church letters as they were in regular form, seat the delegates and refer all queries and requests to the Committee on Arrangements.

2. The Association was then organized by choosing the following officers:

Elder Elwood Cornett — Moderator
Elder Carl Back — Assistant Moderator
Elder Olus Baldrige — Clerk
Brother McKinley McIntosh — Assistant Clerk
Elder Orbin Slone — Assistant Clerk

3. The Moderator called for newly constituted churches; none responded.

4. Called for churches of the same faith and order who desire to take up fellowship with us; none responded.

5. By move and second duly carried, the Articles of Faith, Rules of Decorum and the Constitution shall be printed in our minutes.

6. Called for corresponding associations of our same faith and order. The following responded with letter and delegates to wit:

✓ A. **NEW SALEM** — Arthur Reynolds, Bill Day, Grover Adkins, Elford Holbrook, Burton Howard, Joe Brown, Cobert Bates, Hobert Bates, Alonzo Allen, C.B. Smith, Robert Haney, Lonzo Younts, Able Johnson, A.O. McKnight, Estill Slone, Hager Watts, Darrell Triplett, Coy Combs, Roger Dale Hicks, Don Little, Ralph Howard, and Milburn Slone.

✓ B. **UNION** — Webster Bartley, Fon Bowling, Jay Johnson, Dallas Ramsey, Hays Duty, Buford Edwards, Junior Damron, Bobby Fields, Johnathan Johnson, Felix Sexton, Andy Bates, Paris Caudill, Carson Wright, Charlie Johnson, Garlen Mullins, Francis Hubbard, John Layne, Ranse Clevenger, Corbit Smith, Auty McClanhan, Paul McClanahan, Ivan Coleman, Victor Colman, Frank Coleman, Frank Newsome.

✓ C. **SARDIS** — Ralph W. Varney, Marshall Williamson, Fred Muncy, Steve Robinson, Jr., Edwin May, James Gannon, Troy Walters.

✓ D. **PHILADELPHIA** — Coy Tolliver, Harlen Barney

✓ E. **NORTHERN NEW SALEM** — Squire H. Watts, James Sexton, Sam Lewis, Hezekiah Osborne, Burl Stevens, Ewel Ratliff, C.W. Turner, Roy Caudill, Hiram Adkins, Harold Yates, Stoney Blackburn, Fletcher Gibson, Buchell Short, Astor Eldridge, Baxter Osborne, Charles Craft, Alex Collier, Jesse Briant, Melvin Watts.

The foregoing Corresponding Associations were all represented by letter and delegates with a file of minutes. By move and second they were all received, given the right hand of fellowship and seated with us in council.

F. A delegation of Thornton Union Brethren with a letter came forward and presented the letter. The letter was not received, neither was the delegation seated. Upon advice of our Moderator, the letter was to be turned over to the new Committee on Council, to meet and work with them and other corresponding Associations. A move and second was made to that effect. There were no objections.

✓ ^{*move*} 7. Called for transit members and Ministers and none responded.

8. By move and second the Moderator was directed to make all temporary appointments.

9. Appointed a Committee on Ministry composed of one delegate from each church, with the entire delegation from the Dixon Memorial Church to arrange for preaching services for Friday evening and Saturday morning.

10. Appointed a Committee on Arrangements, same as the Committee on Ministry with the exception that the Dixon Memorial Church shall have only one delegate together with Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerks, transits, and the entire delegation from the Corresponding Associations to meet Friday at 2:30 P.M. to arrange the business of the Association for Saturday.

11. By move and second it was agreed to correspond with the following Associations:

**NEW SALEM, UNION, SARDIS,
NORTHERN NEW SALEM, and PHILADELPHIA**

The Clerk was directed to prepare letters to same.

12. The Committee on Ministry made the following report for preaching services:

For Friday Evening
Elder Stoney Blackburn — Northern New Salem Association
Elder Fon Bowling — Union Association

For Saturday Morning
Elder Grover Adkins — New Salem Association
Elder Steve Robinson — Sardis Association
Elder Hiram Adkins — Northern New Salem Association
Elder Paul McClanhan — Union Association

14. By move and second the Association stands adjourned until 9:30 o'clock Saturday morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 1, 1979

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. After singing some of Zion's old songs to the glory of God, our Moderator selected Elder John Layne from the Union Association to introduce the business session of this Association, and prayer by Elder Alonzo Allen of the New Salem Association.

The Association proceeded as follows:

1. Called the roll and marked the absentees.
2. Ministers chosen to preach on the stand were excused by the Moderator, together with all others who were not delegates.
3. The report of the Committee on Arrangements was made and approved by the delegates and the Committee was discharged.
4. The Moderator appointed a Committee on Finance, to wit: I.D. Back, D.Y. Fields and Coburn Ison, who reported the sum of \$1,480.00 from the churches and the sum of \$165.00 for the pictures. By move and second the report was received and approved by the Association.
5. By move and second minutes of this Association were directed to be printed and the Clerk be Secretary/Treasurer and that he superintend the printing of same, and that he be allowed the sum of \$50.00 for his services, and that we have 3000 minutes printed.
6. Appointed same Committee on Ministry as on Friday to arrange preaching services for Saturday evening and Sunday.

For Saturday Evening
No Service

For Sunday Morning
 Elder Hezekiah Osborne — Northern New Salem
 Elder Baxter Osborne — Northern New Salem
 Elder Melvin Watts — Northern New Salem
 Elder Elwood Cornett — Moderator, Indian Bottom

7. The Circular Letter was prepared and read by Elder Elwood Cornett. By move and second same was approved and ordered to be printed in our minutes. The Ministry chose Elder Bill Halcomb to write one for the Association's consideration next year.

8. The preaching brethren were called on to make their reports on attending Union Meetings and Corresponding Associations for the year; all very humbly reported that they did the best they could and begged to be excused for their failure and shortcomings.

9. By move and second, Union, Communion, and Memorials should be printed in our minutes.

10. By move and second it was agreed to have obituaries printed in our minutes, together with pictures, with a fee of \$10.00 being included for the printing of pictures.

11. Treasurer's Report

Balance on hand September, 1978	\$1,876.64
Received for pictures after Association	\$ 30.00
Total received	\$1,906.64
Dec. 14, 1978 printing of minutes	\$1,000.00
Clerk's Fee	\$ 50.00
Total Expenses for 1978	\$1,050.00
Balance as of September 1, 1979	\$ 856.00
Received from churches	\$1,480.00
Received for pictures	\$ 165.00
Total receipts	\$2,501.64

Moved and seconded to receive report

12. Letters prepared to our Corresponding Association's as follows:

NEW SALEM — To begin on Friday before the 4th Saturday in September, 1979. Delegates to attend: Elders Elwood Cornett, I.D. Back, Alonzo Mosley, Truman Jent, Toby Breeding, Bill Halcomb, Ivan Amburgey, Olus Baldrige, Clark Hayes, Manus Ison, Brothers: John Preece, Willie Eldridge, Lester

Short, Merle Smith, Ollie Mullins, Landis Everage, Agnon Back, D.Y.Fields, Virgil Combs, Dwight Amburgey, Venson Whitaker, Jim Fields, Birchell Mosley, McKinley McIntosh, Hiram Moore, Letter in hands of Elwood Cornett.

UNION — To begin on Friday before the 3rd Saturday in September, 1979. Delegates to attend: Elders: Elwood Cornett, Alonzo Mosley, Manus Ison, I.D.Back, Ivan Amburgey, Truman Jent, Toby Breeding, Olus Baldrige, Clark Hayes, Nelson Seals, Brothers: Lester Short, Willie Eldridge, Agnan Back, Merle Smith, Vinson Whitaker, Jim Fields, McKinley McIntosh, John Preece. Letter in hands of Elwood Cornett.

SARDIS — To begin on Friday before the 2nd Saturday in September, 1979. Delegates to attend: Elders: Elwood Cornett, Manus Ison, Ermel Ison, Truman Jent, Bill Halcomb, Clark Hayes, Olus Baldrige, Ivan Amburgey, Brothers, Merle Smith, Willie Eldridge, Lester Short, Marcus Dobson, McKinley McIntosh, John Preece. Letter in hands of Elwood Cornett.

PHILADELPHIA — To begin on Friday before the 2nd Saturday in September, 1979. Delegates to attend: Elders: Elwood Cornett, Truman Jent, Olus Baldrige, Ivan Amburgey, Manus Ison, Clark Hayes, Brothers: Merle Smith, Willie Eldridge, Lester Short, McKinley McIntosh. Letter in hands of Olus Baldrige.

NORTHERN NEW SALEM — To begin on Friday before the 1st Saturday in September, 1980. Delegates to attend: Elders: Elwood Cornett, Olus Baldrige, Manus Ison, Ivan Amburgey, Truman Jent, Toby Breeding, Ermel Ison, Nelson Seals, Clark Hayes, Bill Halcomb, Brothers: McKinley McIntosh, Willie Eldridge, Merle Smith, John Preece, Tommy Logan, D.Y.Fields, O.J.Amburgey. Letter in hands of Ivan Amburgey.

13. The Committee on Ministry chose Elder Fess Blair to preach the introductory sermon for the 1980 session of this Association, and that Elder Clyde Sheppherd be his alternate.

14. The Association called on Elder I. D. Back, Chairman of the Committee on Council of this Association to make a report of the Council activities for the year of 1978-79, who reported they did not meet last year.

15. The Moderator of the Association by the authority vested in him to make all temporary appointments appointed:

I. D. Back, John Preece, Ermel Ison, Orbin Slone, Manus Ison, Ross Hill and Critty Stewart, on the Council Committee for 1979-80.

16. By move and second the Happy Home, Bull Creek, and Rose of Sharon Churches host the Indian Bottom Association for the 1980 session beginning on Friday before the first Saturday in September and the two following days.

17. Brother Glenn Hampton filed his report as Treasurer for the Board of Trustees for the Indian Bottom Association; the report was received and approved.

18. Move and second to receive resignation of Brother Kirby Ison and Brother Elwood Cornett from the building Committee (trustees) and move and second to appoint Brother Jim Fields and Brother Ivan Amburgey to take their place.

19. Move and second that a resolution honoring Manus Ison and Kirby Ison be printed in the minutes.

20. Move and second that a resolution along with a picture be placed in the front of the minutes honoring Elder Critt Eldridge.

✓ 21. Move and second that resolution of thanks to the host churches and sister churches and community at large be printed in minutes.

22. Move and second that Little Zion Church be given the right to change their church time, and list the new time in the minutes.

✓ 23. By move and second that we not read the minutes, but that they stand approved.

24. There being no further business to come before this session of the Association, by move and second we stand ✓ adjourned until reconvening of same at our Association at Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky, on Friday before the first Saturday in September, 1980, and the two following days.

After singing a closing song, Elder Bill Halcomb was called on to pray the closing prayer.

Done and signed by order of the Association

Elder Elwood Cornett — Moderator
Elder Carl Back — Assistant Moderator
Elder Olus Baldridge — Clerk
Brother McKinley McIntosh — Assistant Clerk
Elder Orbin B. Slone — Assistant Clerk

RESOLUTION I A

Resolution: The officers and delegates composing the eighty-fourth session of the Indian Bottom Association extend our heart felt thanks to you for the splendid and efficient manner you put forward in hosting the Association. So, thanks to the Dixon Memorial, Northern New Home, Little Zion and Tolson Creek Churches, as well as the many Brothers and Sisters who worked with you in the preparation of food and waited on the large crowds and the wonderful food you served. And thanks to you who took care of our correspondence while they were with us. May the Great Shepherd of the Sheep bless and keep you both one and all.

RESOLUTION I B

Resolution: The officers and delegates of the Indian Bottom Association wish to express our appreciation and thanks to Elder Manus Ison for a job well done in serving us as our Assistant Moderator from 1966 to 1967, and our Leader from 1968 until 1979. Now afflictions of the body prevent you from serving us as our Moderator. We pray that you can help and advise for many years to come.

RESOLUTION I C

Resolution: The officers and delegates of the Indian Bottom Association also wish to express our appreciation and thanks to Elder Kirby Ison, our beloved Assistant Clerk who has been so much help in making up our minutes each year. Now affliction has also disabled you, Brother Kirby, but we pray that you keep on improving in strength and the Good Lord blesses you to be with us many years to come.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1979

Early Sunday morning as the sun began to rise up over the top of the great high mountains of the eastern hills, and breaking up the density of the fog which had engulfed Carr's Fork and adjacent valleys for the night, crowds of happy and eager people began to gather themselves at the Indian Bottom Association Building, to witness the service noting the last day of the 1979 session of our dear Association. After much hand shaking and embracing of each other, this huge crowd

began to fill the Congregation Department of the Building. Pretty soon the building was filled near to capacity. After singing several of Zion's Songs, Elder Hezekiah Osborne came to the stand and spoke many things which was food to our hungry souls. As Brother Hezekiah spoke about Jesus and the everlasting love of God many shouts of praise were heard from the eager listeners. Brother I. D. Back led us to His great throne of grace in a wonderful prayer. Second on the stand was Brother Robert Haney from the New Salem Association. His message was refreshing and helpful. I am sure it will be long remembered. Third on the stand was Elder Melvin Watts from the Northern New Salem Association. Brother Melvin Watts sang a song, Oh, how sweet it was. After the song he was blessed to preach a wonderful sermon of the Precious Gospel of Christ. Those who heard him, I am sure it will be long remembered. The fourth one to the stand was Elder Baxter Osborne from the Northern New Salem Association. He sang a wonderful song, and was blessed to preach a wonderful sermon of our Lord Jesus Christ. As he was closing the service by calling for a song and announced the church door open for the privilege of receiving members in the usual form, and in the singing and rejoicing came running into the stand with outstretched arms crying, "The Lord has forgiven me and I want to come home." Another song was sung while extending to those young converts the right hand of fellowship and reception. A glorious and blessed way to end another session of our Association.

The Association was closed by Elder Elwood Cornett.

Elder Olus Baldrige, Clerk

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Beloved Brethren:

It is a great honor to write you this letter in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

As I consider the great responsibility placed on my shoulders in writing this letter for consideration to be placed in our minutes, I am made to understand my own unworthiness and shortcomings. The great army that I now address, with robes of shining white, pure, and clean, in rank and order; this great army in which I serve deserves the very best, for I rest assured that you are none other than the army of Jehovah God.

I am thankful to be one among you. I am glad to be part of the Indian Bottom Association. I am not ashamed of what she stands for. I am satisfied with her order. And it is my good pleasure to bask in her heavenly love.

Elder Brothers, I commend you. I thank God for you always. You have steered a good course through treacherous seas.

As we chart our course forward, I want you to go with me to 2 Peter and consider the grace and peace therein. Peter tells us in chapter one, verse five through seven:... giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

FAITH;

Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. Through faith we understand that the world was formed by the word of God. By faith the walls of Jerico fell down. By faith every man can please God and without faith it is impossible to please God: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.

ADD TO YOUR FAITH VIRTUE;

A woman with an issue of blood had faith that if she could touch the hem of Jesus' garment she would be made whole. As she touched even His garment He felt virtue go out. Surely that woman felt virtue come into her soul. Every child of God has added virtue to their faith. And everyone that has received that virtue is bound for Heaven. Every child of God has come to the light and has believed on the light and has become a child of the light. Brethren, let that light shine.

AND TO VIRTUE ADD KNOWLEDGE;

The knowledge of salvation is the greatest experience you or I can ever have. That must be first. But the knowledge of the Lord in a free pardon and remission of our sins is just the beginning. Paul said to Timothy, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

It is our duty to read our Bible every day. It is our duty to meditate and pray for understanding. Solomon prayed for wisdom and knowledge instead of wealth.

Our God is not a God of ignorance. We are commanded to gain knowledge. Our children will no longer be interested in empty thoughts.

Uncle Jim Dixon was a great leader in the early days of the Indian Bottom Association. He was once the Moderator of our mother, the New Salem Association. Go back and read his letters. They tell of great knowledge. They are full of the wisdom of our Lord.

Paul said to the Romans, "O, the depth of the riches of the knowledge of God."

AND TO KNOWLEDGE ADD TEMPERANCE;

Until such time as the children of God received that divine virtue, all were self willed and kept by the bonds of evil. When virtue came a new life was formed and a change ought to be visible. We are commanded to display temperance; to display moderation. Surely christians can manifest compassion toward our brothers if our Lord could forgive those that crucified Him.

The time has come when the Regular Baptist people must learn that God will teach each of us how to walk day by day and that we don't have to be controlled by the whims of the most radical member we have. We have seen many a christian tear shed because one man intemperately expected everyone to interpret a scripture exactly as he did. Let every man control his own selfish convictions and be controlled by that One who commands us to love our neighbor as ourself.

Apostle Paul says: "But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another."

AND TO TEMPERANCE ADD PATIENCE;

Jesus said to the disciples, "In your patience possess ye your souls." We are taught throughout the Bible that we are to have patience.

Tribulations worketh patience, and patience experience, and experience hope. What else do we have? If faith and patience inherit the promise then surely we can have patience

one with another.

Paul said to the Hebrews ...“Let us lay aside every weight and the sin which doeth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us. ”

We each have a race to run. If we please our Lord we must run with patience. We have seen many problems among the Regular Baptist that a little patience would have helped solve. Some are weak, some are strong. Some eat meat, others need milk. The young soon grow old and must slow down again. In all the trouble that Jobe had, the Lord blessed his last days more than his first.

AND TO PATIENCE ADD GODLINESS;

Godliness with contentment is great gain. Great is the mystery of godliness. Many have a form of godliness, but deny the power thereof. I have a God, that has power to keep me. When I err He lets me know.

As Godly, as we may think we live, we can get closer to Him. Our walks everyday should be straight. Our words should be true. We can do better. We have been guilty of straining at a gnat and swallowing a camel. We have been concerned about insignificant issues and condoned ungodliness.

There is no room among God's children for those who do not pay their just and honest debts. There is no room for those who make false statements. There is no room for those who bathe in filth. Brothers, it's time we concerned ourselves about the real issues that face Regular Baptist.

AND TO GODLINESS ADD BROTHERLY KINDNESS;

Let us abound in love one toward another.

We say we honor God, but to honor God we are constrained to manifest brotherly kindness. It is imperative that we consider our brother's feelings. Let's be careful what we do.

When a good brother is being talked about, it is our duty to intervene. No longer do we take an eye for an eye or a tooth for a tooth, but now we are commanded to forgive our brother as many times as seventy times seven. God's people are a peculiar people; a royal priesthood and we better be careful how we entreat every little one.

AND TO BROTHERLY KINDNESS ADD CHARITY;

Charity is love. He who loveth God loves his brother also. We are taught of God to love one another. Charity suffereth long. Charity never faileth.

Jesus commands that we love one another as He has loved us. Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. Brothers, let's love each other. We don't

have to talk about one another. If we show our love on Sunday, why can't we show our love on Monday? I love this great family. I love this old fashioned way. I love my Lord and I will close with one last message: I love everybody.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Elder Elwood Cornett

UNION AND COMMUNION MEETINGS

MARCH 1980

LITTLE ZION: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in March. Ministers called: Bill Halcomb, John Preece, Clark Hayes, and Charlie Gibson. Communion: fourth Sunday in July.

APRIL 1980

ROSE OF SHARON: Union meeting second Saturday and Sunday in April. Ministers called: Carl Back, Elwood Cornett, John Preece, Virgil Combs, Toby Breeding, Ermel Ison, and Fess Blair. Communion: Second Sunday in June.

BLAIR BRANCH: Union meeting third Saturday night and Sunday in April. Ministers called: Ivan Amburgey, Hiram Adkins, Truman Jent, Elwood Cornett, John Preece, and Moderator. Communion: Third Sunday in July.

NORTHERN NEW HOME: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in April. Ministers called: John Preece, Clark Hayes, Truman Jent, Frank O'Quinn, Webster Bartley, Olus Baldrige and Green Fields. Communion: Fourth Sunday in August.

MAY 1980

MT. OLIVET: Union meeting first Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Frank Newsome, Paul McClanahan, Clyde Shepherd, Kirby Jent, Dallas Ramsey. Communion: first Sunday in August.

LITTLE DOVE: Union meeting second Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Ermel Ison, Clark Hayes, Baxter Osborne, Kirby Jent. Communion: Second Sunday in July.

REYNOLDS FORK: Union meeting third Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Baxter Osborne, Paul McClanahan, Jimmy Dye, Woodrow Dye, Tylton Dye, Felix Sexton, Bill Moore. Communion: Third Sunday in June.

BULL CREEK: Union meeting third Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Elwood Cornett, Woodie Pack, Junior Damron, Bill Halcomb, Marcus Combs, Carl Back, Ross Wright, Ermel Ison. Communion: Third Sunday in August.

CEDAR GROVE: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Frank Newsome, Clyde Shepherd, Melvin Watts, Banner Manns. Communion: Fourth Sunday in August.

JUNE 1980

KINGDOM COME: Union meeting first Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: (Clerks did not receive a list.) Communion: First Sunday in July.

HAPPY HOME: Union meeting first Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Junior Damron, Felix Sexton, Truman Jent, Ermel Ison, Virgil Combs, Bill Halcomb, Jimmy Fields. Communion: first Sunday in July.

CLEAR FORK: Union meeting first Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Truman Jent, Virgil Combs, Bill Halcomb, Bert Fields, Orbin Slone, Ermel Ison. Communion: First Sunday in July.

NEW HOME: Union meeting second Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Hezekiah Osborne, Burl Stevens, Ermel Ison, Ivan Amburgey, Melvin Watts. Communion: Second Sunday in July.

NEW BETHELEHEM: Union meeting third Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: I.D.Back, A.O.McKnight, Roy Caudill, Melvin Watts, Coy Combs, Sila Williams. Communion: Third Sunday in August.

DIXON MEMORIAL: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Jim Fields, Elwood Cornett,

Ivan Amburgey, Frank Newsome, Toby Breeding, Robert Haney, Moderator. Communion: Fourth Sunday in July.

IVY POINT: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Milburn Slone, Buriel Stevens, Hazikiah Osborne, Lewis Craft, John Preece, Chester Gibson, J. C. Sparks. Communion: Fourth Sunday in July.

TOLSON CREEK: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Andy Bates, Elwood Cornett, Burton Fields, Toby Breeding, Agnan Back, Lewis Lucas, Charlie Gibson, Kirby Ison, Gardner Jent. Communion: Fourth Sunday in July.

BIG CREEK: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: John Preece, I.D.Back, Ivan Amburgey, Clyde Shepherd, Roy Caudill, Elwood Cornett, Ermel Ison, James Fields, Truman Jent. Communion: Fourth Sunday in July.

AUGUST 1980

DEFEATED CREEK: Union meeting second Saturday and Sunday in August. Ministers called: Fess Blair, Truman Jent, Agnan Back, Ivan Amburgey, Virgil Combs. Communion: Second Sunday in August.

HURRICAN GAP: Union meeting third Saturday and Sunday in August. Ministers called: Bill Halcomb, Elwood Cornett, Jim Fields, I. D. Back, Agnan Back, Fess Blair. Communion: Third Sunday in August.

MEMORIAL MEETINGS

CEDAR GROVE — Clerks did not receive any information.

NEW HOME — Second Saturday and Sunday in October.

DEFEATED CREEK — Second Sunday in July.

REYNOLDS FORK — Third Saturday and Sunday in July.

BULL CREEK — Third Saturday and Sunday in July.

IVY POINT — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in August.

LITTLE DOVE — Clerks did not receive any information.

TOLSON CREEK — Clerks did not receive any information.

DIXON MEMORIAL — Regular Memorial fourth Sunday in May
Deceased Memorial fourth Sunday in September.

BIG CREEK — Clerks did not receive any information.

HAPPY HOME — First Saturday and Sunday in August.

NEW BETHELEHEM — Third Saturday and Sunday in Sept.

CLEAR FORK — First Saturday and Sunday in October.

NORTHERN NEW HOME — Fourth Sunday in June.

BLAIR BRANCH — Third Sunday in June.

MT. OLIVE — First Sunday in July.

LITTLE ZION — Fourth Sunday in June.

ROSE OF SHARON — Second Sunday in July.

HURRICAN GAP — Clerks did not receive any information.

KINGDOM COME — Clerks did not receive any information.

Obituaries

CRIT ELDRIDGE



The flowers are still blooming! The trees are still green! Water still flows in the river! The birds are still singing! Our God is still King! All is well!

Crit Eldridge was born into the home of Preston and Elizabeth Crase Eldridge on January 1, 1899. He passed from this life on July 9, 1979 making his stay here on earth 80 years, 6 months, and 8 days.

Brother Crit has meant so much to many of our preachers. He took them under his wing

and gave good counsel. He was kind and tender and yet he was firm. There are a few homes in this part of the country that Brother Crit hasn't visited when there was death or trouble there. He preached for nearly half a century and his doctrine was the same always. He preached the simple gospel truth.

Brother Crit was married to Susan Caudill who preceded him in death on July 1, 1962. He later married Nora Blair Eldridge who will miss him so much.

Crit was one of the great Regular Baptist singers in these

mountains. His pleasant mellow voice has been heard all around here. The sweet sound of his voice will linger in our memories for many years.

Brother Crit is survived by his wife Nora, one brother, Kernel Eldridge of Milan, Indiana, five daughters, and two sons. The daughters are: Vera Blair of Jeremiah, Kentucky; Vada Whitaker of Winchester, Kentucky; Mallie Baber of New Bremen, Ohio; Maxie Townsend of Winchester, Kentucky; Lillie Newman of Richmond, Kentucky. The sons are: Jim Eldridge of Richmond, Kentucky, and John P. Eldridge of Hallie, Kentucky. Brother Crit is also survived by 30 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and many relatives and friends.

Our churches will miss Brother Crit so much. Not only are the members of his family sad but hundreds of his brothers and sisters in the Lord will miss him too.

Few people have been in more presbyteries than Brother Crit. He was a deacon as well as a minister. He loved his church and God's people. Surely he has fought a good fight; he has finished his course; he has kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for him a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give him that day.

LEE GRIFFITH



Lee Griffith was born January 6, 1928 to James and Frankie Watts Griffith. He passed this life July 22, 1979.

He was married to Maudell Caudill May 8, 1954. To this union was born one daughter, Betty Sue, and one adopted son, David Caudill. He had three sisters, six brothers, Father and Mother all living. He was in service for his country in Korea for freedom. He had to accept and serve his Lord. He was in poor health for several years,

but he bore his sickness with patience.

He asked for Rev. Melvin Watts to come to his hospital room. Melvin came to his bedside Saturday evening July 21, 1979. He told Melvin the Lord had saved his soul and he wanted to join the Big Creek Church. We prayed he would be able to

be baptized, but the Lord knows best. Early the next morning the Lord called Lee to come home. I believe Heaven's gates swung open wide to welcome him in.

He will be greatly missed by his loved ones. Lee can't come back to us, but we can go to him. Some sweet day we will meet again. I have lost a great companion, but I feel my loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by his wife, Maudell Griffith

DARRELL AMBURGEY



Darrell Amburgey was born July 30, 1932 at Spider, Ky., to grace the home of Delza and Dallas Slone Amburgey. Here in Knott County he grew to manhood and received his schooling.

In order to have the material things of this life he went to the state of Michigan in 1950 to work. Here he remained until death.

In 1954 he was married to Gertrude Geach. To this union no children were born.

Later he was married to Teresa Rechy. This union was blessed with one little girl, Dallas Rebecca whom he loved with all his heart.

He contracted leukemia about six years ago and the last three years he mostly spent in the hospital. In the tenure of his illness he had time to reflect on his past life and he set about to put his life in order. He told those around him that every obstacle in his way to heaven had been removed. His soul was set free and just at his passing he opened his eyes and gazed upward and slowly left this world, we feel with heaven in his view.

He wanted to attend Reynolds Fork Church in May to be baptized. Preceding him in death were his father and two brothers, Agnal and Redford. Left to mourn are his mother Dallas Amburgey Seals, 5 brothers: Arthur, Denzil, Junior, Elwood and Billie Wayne; 2 sisters: Christine and Annett.

We had him for such a short time — 46 years, 9 months,

and 10 days. He did not ask to walk smooth paths nor bear an easy load. He prayed for strength and fortitude to climb the rock strewn road. God gave him courage he could scale the hardest peak alone, and transformed every stumbling block into a stepping stone.

An unworthy Brother in hope, Lewis Craft

HANSFORD CAUDILL



Hansford Caudill was born June 8, 1928 to the family of Willie and Bertha Caudill at Jeremiah, Kentucky. He entered eternal life on June 11, 1979. He was 51 years and 3 days old. On November 27, 1948 he was married to Jimie Fay Billis. To this union were born four children: James William, Deborah Carol, Shirley, and Vicki Leah. Besides his wife and children he is survived by two sons-in-law- Marvin Watts and Donnie Amburgey - and one

daughter-in-law; Billie Jean. Also 3 beloved grandchildren, Marvin Shane Watts, Kristi Watts, and Julie Carol Caudill. Two brothers: Winslow Caudill and Verlon Caudill also survive and three sisters: Cora Everidge, Zanna Littlefield and Oreva Dickson.

On the third Sunday in August, 1972, he joined the Little Dove Regular Baptist Church. He was baptized the second Sunday in September. He loved the Lord and he loved the church. On June 9, 1973 he was ordained a deacon in the Little Dove Church. He served the church gladly as long as he was able. After he became sick he still had a keen interest in the affairs of the church and never failed to talk to his visitors about the goodness of God.

Hansford was a good man. He loved life, he loved his work and the men he worked with. He especially loved young people, his nieces and nephews, and all the children in the neighborhood. He always tried to set a good example for them and for his own children. He was greatly loved and is sorely missed by his family, his friends and his brothers and sisters in the Lord.

Lord, my life seems so empty
When I think of all I've lost
And my hopes and dreams were shattered
When I forgot what mattered most.

But, Lord, while walking through the valley
While enduring all my pain
Your loving spirit never left me
I knew some day I'd smile again.

For, Lord, You're my comfort when my heart is heavy
You're my strength when mine is gone
You're my friend when I am friendless
Yours is the love that I lean on.

You're my joy in the morning
After my night of grief is past
You're my hope for life eternal
When I lay down this life at last.

So, Lord, I'll stop my grieving
I'll raise my head — I'll sing my song
With Your loving hand to guide me
I'll never, ever walk alone.

Jimie Fay Caudill

MARCUM SMITH



In much weakness and unworthy feeling I attempt to write a few things we feel and know about our precious husband and humble daddy.

Marcum Smith was born April 13, 1902 and died August 15, 1978, his stay on earth being 76 years, 4 months and 2 days.

He was married to Emmaline Gayhart Smith and to this union were born 8 children - 3 sons, 5 daughters. Four preceded him in death. He

leaves to mourn his passing his wife, 1 son, and 3 daughters.

He joined the Old Regular Baptist Church July 10, 1966. A few years later they ordained him as deacon and deaconess in Clear Fork Old Regular Baptist Church. Twelve years he filled his seat as long as he was able.

He loved his church; he fought a good fight; he kept the faith. I believe heaven's gate swung open wide to welcome him in and that he was ready to go home.

Written by his wife, Emmaline, and children

CHARLIE ADAMS



Charlie Adams was the son of the late Jim and Sarah Back Adams. He was one of twelve children, five of whom preceded him in death. He was born September 13, 1910, and departed this life Thursday morning, January 25, 1979, making his sojourn here on this earth 68 years, 4 months, and 12 days.

When just a young man Charlie was married to Rilda Adams. To this union three daughters were born; Gay

Frazier of Louisville, Ky.; Wanda Hinsley of Isom, Ky.; and Phyllis King of Jeremiah, Ky.

Charlie was a good man. I can truly say I never saw him angry in my life. He worked hard to provide for his family. He was a good neighbor and a friend to many, always lending a helping hand to those in need. He always loved to plow and could plow a straight furrow, but the straightest furrow he ever plowed was the one he plowed without looking back to see how well he was doing, for Jesus was directing and guiding the plowing of that furrow. That furrow led to Jesus and a home in Heaven.

Charlie was an example of those characteristics that make for a good person, and a good life.

He was humble, always receiving a blessing from the Good Lord. He was kind to all he came in contact with. He was clever, always inviting people to eat with him. He was friendly, always laughing and joking with everybody.

In August, 1950, Charlie was baptized into the membership of the Regular Baptist Church. A few years later he was ordained a deacon. This office he served humbly and well. He was a faithful church member, a true Christian, and a light to all who knew him. He always availed himself of every opportunity to attend church, and went many times these last few years that he was physically unable to go.

The Blair Branch Church has lost a faithful member; Rilda has lost a kind and devoted husband; his three daughters have lost a loving father; and the community has lost a good citizen and neighbor. Heaven has gained another angel. God has just welcomed home another valiant soldier. The angels are rejoicing for another soul has winged its way home.

Charlie leaves to mourn his passing: his wife, Rilda; his three daughters; nine grandchildren; four brothers: Bill Adams, Steve Adams, Fred Adams, and Herman Adams; two sisters: Hattie Ison, and Julie Hampton; twenty-one neices; and twenty-six nephews; and a host of other relatives and friends.

To Rilda, his daughters, and all of Charlie's relation, weep not for him, for he has crossed the river; he is safe home; but rather weep for yourselves and your children for you still have the river to cross and the water may be turbulent. Charlie is

not dead, he is only asleep, awaiting that great and glorious morning when the trumpet of God shall sound and he'll come forth to everly be with the Lord to shout and sing that "New Song," that only, the redeemed of God can sing, while eternity rolls on.

So long to you, my loving wife,
Death has ended this mortal life,
And angels flew at God's command,
To waft my soul to Cannan's land.

Farewell, my children, whom I love,
Prepare to meet me soon above;
Where you will hear me sing and tell
How Jesus hath done all things well.

Written by his nephew, Glenn D. Hampton

STEVE ADAMS



Steve Adams was the son of the late John and Lorena Roark Adams. He was born February 4, 1897, and departed this life on January 17, 1978 making his stay on earth 80 years, 11 months, and 13 days.

Early in life he met and married Verna Lee Caudill. One son preceded him in death. He leaves his good wife and seven children - three boys and four girls: Sidney Lee Adams of Morristown, Tennessee, Willis D. Adams of Cleves, Ohio;

Joseph Randal Adams of Jellico, Tennessee; Civilla Mihak of Northfield, Ohio; Imogene O'Dell of Morristown, Tennessee; Madaline Stines of Morristown, Tennessee; and Vesteen Holliman of Irvine, Ky. He leaves one brother, Burnett Adams of Jeremiah, Ky., and five sisters: Usley Johnson, Arminta Pridemore, Ethel Fields, Martha Collie and Mary Blair all of Jeremiah, Ky. He leaves 13 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

He grew up in the mountains of Eastern Kentucky, a place he always loved and cherished. He talked so much about his

happy memories. On October 9, 1963, he left Kentucky and moved to Morristown, Tennessee, where he made lots of friends. He loved so much to tell them about his church(Mount Olivet). It was so precious to him.

In 1940 he had a bad accident in the coal mines. While he was in the Harlan Hospital he said that God heard his many prayers and saved him. He joined the Old Regular Baptist Church in the early 1940's.

He was a good husband and a loving father. He had been in poor health many years. When our church time came he would always say, "If we can't go home, let us pray for our church and our brothers and sisters in the church."

He was in the Morristown Hamblen Hospital for 42 days, but with all his suffering he was so patient and never forgot to pray. He begged God to come and get him. He hated to leave us all so bad, but said he couldn't do no more. He would ask the children to come around his bed and help him sing and pray. Everything that could be done for him was done. He told me not to sit and grieve for him, but to get up and carry on. He told me to go to church every time I could get there. We all miss him so much but we feel like he had sufficient grace that when God calls for the dead to rise he will be ready to go and live with the saints and the Lord forever.

Written by his wife, Verna Lee Adams

MINTA ISON STAMPER



Minta Ison Stamper entered eternal life on March 11, 1979, being 83 years, 11 months, and 11 days of age at her death. She was born March 30, 1895 on Kingdom Come Creek at Oscaloosa, Ky., in Letcher County. She was the daughter of Big Eli Ison and Patty Polly.

Aunt Minta, as I always called her, was married to Troy Stamper at Whitesburg, Ky., October 27, 1917. He preceded her in death only six months and a few days on September 20, 1978. Aunt Minta has been in bad health for

about two or three years. She was helpless as a baby. She told me that Troy sure was good to her as long as he lived. But when he passed away she first went home with her daughter, Irene Hughes in Washington, then later went on to her daughter, Martha Edwards in Florida. They took her to the Orman Beach Hospital about 2 or three weeks before she passed away. Martha said she didn't suffer any pain at all, just passed away easy.

Aunt Minta had claimed a hope in Christ a long time before she joined the church. She was showed to be baptized and go into the Kingdom Come Church. She wasn't able to come down so we, the church, would go up and have church at her and Troy's home. We went up there and took Sacrament with her and all us sisters washed her feet and they would hold the pan and with her little trembling hand she wet all of our feet. We passed the bread and wine to her. She said, "Thank God I got to take it one time." She loved the song, "Amazing Grace."

Minta is survived by two daughters: Irene Hughes of Washington, D.C.; Martha Edwards of Orange City, Florida; four sons: Troy Neal Stamper at home, Richard Stamper of Dayton, Ohio; Vernon Stamper of Hobart, Indiana; Sherman Darrell Stamper of Whiting, Indiana; 15 grandchildren, 11 great-grand children and a large number of rela'tives and friends to mourn her passing. One boy, Paul Edward Stamper was killed in service in World War II.

She was a loving mother to her children. Troy was a good neighbor. We miss Aunt Minta. She went to church a lot when she was able but didn't get to go much in her last years. Children, if you want to meet Mother again you will have to pray to the same God that she did. She told us long before she joined the church that she would be down on her knees praying all the time if she didn't think she was right. Thank God she was baptized and put on the whole armor. I hope to meet her by and by.

Written by a sister in the church, Nancy Ann Caudill

Seems like when the Lord comes, He takes the flower of our homes. Children, life is short here so make it right before it is too late. You already gave up Mother and Daddy both. I know life is lonesome for you all, but God can heal all sorrows.

AZANA SHORT SLONE



Azana Short Slone age 63, passed away May 1, 1979, at the Hazard Appalachian Hospital with a long illness. She was the daughter of Hiram Short and the late Catherine Sparkman Short. She was married to Verlin Slone October 15, 1932. She was preceded in death by 1 son, Jackie and 1 daughter, Mary Catherine. She is survived by her husband Verlin, her father Hiram Short, six sons: John C., Tommy R., Talmadge, Arnold, Borders, and Ruby, three daughters: Minnie

Perkins, Phyllis Knox, Lydia Mullins, six brothers: Lester, H.C., Birtchel, Wesoka, Curt, and Has B., three sisters: Dovie Ritchie, Inis Slone, June Adams, 24 grandchildren, and 9 great-grandchildren.

ALLIE MAE SLONE



With a sad and troubled heart, I will try to write a short obituary of a kind and lonely sister, Allie Mae Slone. She was born May 22, 1902 to grace the home of Can and Polly Moore at Mallie, Ky., in Knott County. Here she grew to womanhood and spent most of her life.

In September, 1924, she met and was married to Herman Slone and to this union were born nine children, 5 girls and 4 boys.

In different locations they labored hard and long and raised this large family.

Being the true sainted and concerned mother she was, her family always deserved the best that she and her husband could afford them.

The Christ like example of life they lived before their children instilled in them the fear of God and honesty to all mankind.

This was a life lived with mutual respect to their children.

In sister Allie's latter years she became afflicted. This she bore with much patience until finally it overcame her and she gave up the ghost.

At thirty-three years of age God uncovered her sinful life and revealed to her that her soul was lost which caused her much grief and trouble as she prayed mightily unto God. Finally in April, 1957, God granted her a free and complete pardon for all her sins and May 12, 1957, she gave her hand and become a member of the Regular Baptist Church, a place she enjoyed until death.

She suffered in this world until the death angel called for her on March 5, 1978, when I'm sure she whispered slowly as she sank, "Come welcome death, I'll gladly go with you," and slipped away to the waiting arms of Jesus, having been with us 75 years, 9 months, and 13 days, leaving to mourn her passing many aching hearts.

A Brother in Hope, Lewis Craft

AKERS EVERAGE



With a sad and broken heart we will try to write the obituary of my Father and Father-in-law, Akers Everage. He was born October 2, 1910, and deceased this life December 16, 1978, making his stay on earth 68 years, 2 months, and 14 days. Dad sprung up as a little flower, in the home of Nick and Matilda Everage. Early in life, he married Angeline Jones and to this union were born 6 children, 2 boys: Landis and Elam J., and 2 girls: Matilda Lucas, and Goldia Jenkins. Arlas and Emaline pre-

ceded him in death. He leaves his wife and children, 2 brothers, 2 sisters, 11 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren to mourn their loss.

Several years ago he saw the need of a savior. So, on October 1, 1973, he came forward to tell of the wonderful things the Lord had done for him. He took his fellowship to the Happy Home Church. He wanted the whole world to know he was

no more of the world. A few days before he was taken to the hospital, he told us of a dream he had. The Lord showed him a long white robe, he would wear to Heaven. I would like to say to my brother and sisters, let's live a life before our children as Dad did before us; let's be good to one another and live like he taught us. If you want to meet Dad, you've got to pray to the same God he did. He can't come to us, but we can go to him. Don't let the darkness come over you, without calling on the Lord. So let's look up and walk hand in hand, keep the family circle unbroken, and some day meet Daddy in Heaven, where we will never have to part any more. I would like to say to the children be good to Mom, for she needs us more than ever before.

Written by his son and daughter-in-law, a brother and sister in hope, Landis and Cleo

VENON BOGGS



Venon Boggs entered eternal life Friday, January 12, 1979, at the Whitesburg Appalachian Hospital in Whitesburg, Kentucky.

Venon was the son of the late Jonah Boggs and Perlle Hampton Boggs. He was born January 2, 1922, being 57 years, and 10 days of age at the time of his passing.

Venon is survived by his wife, Lula Stidham Boggs; one daughter, Dana Sturgill of Dry Fork, Ky.; three brothers: Fess

Boggs and Glenn Boggs both of Columbus, Indiana; and Less Boggs of Whitesburg, Ky.; 4 sisters: Vera Mitchell of Roxana, Ky.; Wilma Jean Penalton and Yvonne Back both of Columbus, Indiana, and Iva Dean Day of Grammar, Indiana. Also surviving are 2 grandchildren and a great many relatives and friends to mourn his passing.

Venon joined the Old Regular Baptist Church in September, 1951. He and his wife were baptized together at Tolson Creek Church. He was loved by all who knew him. He was a good husband and father.

He was preceded in death by his son, a grandson, and his

parents. He loved to go to church when he was able. He was sick for 8 years and 8 months having 9 heart attacks. He never complained all during his sickness. He said that he wanted to do his suffering here for he felt when he left this old world he had a better place to go. He was willing to take whatever the Lord put on him.

I miss him so much, but one day I will see my husband and son again by the help of the Lord. No one knows what it is until they have given up their loved ones, but God will help us if we will go to Him in prayer and ask Him to show us.

Written by his wife, Lula Boggs

HARVE ISON



Harve Ison was the son of the late George and Sallie Ison. He was born March 24, 1897. He passed from this life at his daughter's home August 9, 1979, making his stay here on earth 82 years, 5 months and 26 days of age. He was married to the late Phoebe Jane Ison who preceded him in death. He is survived by two daughters: Ellise Howard of Letcher, Ky.; Recca Good of Covington, Ky.; four sons: Arron Ison of Eubank, Ky.; Howard Ison of Covington, Ky.; Ivol Ison of Letcher, Ky.;

Ottis Ison of Blackey, Ky.; one sister, Mary Fields of Cumberland, Ky.; two brothers: Dixon Miller of Big Branch, Ky.; and Vernon Miller of Indiana; 38 grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his passing.

Uncle Harve was a hard working man. He and Aunt Phoebe Jane also helped raise some of their grandchildren. They were our neighbors, and my children were raised up with theirs. Uncle Harve's daddy George Ison was the son of Little John and Ester Ison of Kingdom Come. His mother was Sally Ison who later married Harve Miller. Three children preceded them in death: Hargis, Elva and Alice Caudill, who just passed away last year, 1978.

So children, all of you be good and look to the same God

that your mom and dad looked to. I hope the circle won't be broken up there.

Written by a Niece,
Mrs. Nancy Ann Caudill

MARION COMBS



As I sit here all alone, with the help of my dear Lord, I will try to write the obituary of a dear friend and neighbor Marion Combs. He was the son of Jerry Combs, and Rachel Patric Combs. He was born June 7, 1898; his stay here on earth was near 82 years. He deceased this life July 24, 1979.

He lived at Emmalena, Knott County, Ky. Early in life he met and married Elmira Smith in the fall of 1917. To this union were

born 9 children, Four boys: Dave and Thornton of Emmalena, Ky.; Herman and Cordell of Fisty, Ky.; four daughters: Abbie Everage, Bessie Combs, Sola Patric, all of Emmalena, Ky., and Bethel Patterson of Rome City, Indiana. One son, John W. Combs, died at the age of 11 months.

Marion Combs lived near 82 years here in this county at Emmalena, Ky. A few years ago he became a sick man. He loved to go to church; he loved to hear the Gospel preached. Elder Coy Combs was his favorite preacher. He loved Brother Coy. We heard him pray many times in his last days. He was a changed man; he did not act like the man we used to know. His walks and talks were good. So we do believe he is at rest today; his troubles are all over.

So children, prepare to meet Daddy and Granddaddy in peace where our suffering will all be over.

So farewell for a while.

Written by his granddaughter
Bethel Mullins and
McKinley McIntosh

RAY HOLLAND



With God's help I will try to write an obituary of Brother Ray Holland. He was born October 2, 1915; God called Ray home on March 1, 1978. We feel on that cold and winter day Brother Ray's body just went to sleep and that soul took its flight to the altar of God in Heaven to await that glorified body that Jesus has promised all of His children.

Brother Ray's life proved here on earth he had the Lord. You could always feel it talking with him. He left to mourn their loss, by his first wife Myrtle, who preceded him in death along with three of their children, Shirley, Hord and Brenda. He later married Bertie Deaton who also had children. Her husband deceased. Their names are: Vilent, Merva and Arlena. Brother Ray and his wife Berta have 2 children, Jesse and Michael.

Brother Ray's troubled heartaches in this world are over. So you, Sister Birtie, pray for the rest of the children, that they look to Jesus to their little souls die dead to sin, and they can feel that spiritual baptism take place in their souls; till they can go where Daddy is to ever be with Jesus.

Written by Elder Green Fields

WILLIAM R. BARTLEY



With much sadness, I will try to write a short sketch of a dear Brother in hope, William R. Bartley, born June 21, 1883 entered eternal life December 9, 1978, making his stay on earth 85 years, 5 months and 18 days. He grew up in the mountains of Eastern Kentucky. On April 20, 1933, he met and married Cindia Ison Cox Bartley. To this union were born one son, Duglass D. Bartley, U.S. Air Force, Louisana, and one daughter, Jessie Sassmon, Hammond,

Indiana. In 1955 he decided to move to Indiana. He settled on a farm near Dupont. There he worked at Jefferson Proving Ground and as a farmer until he retired in July 1964. His wife, Cindia preceded him in death in 1865. He met and married Jane Sizemore and to their union were added 5 step-daughters: Minnie Drue, Dearborn Heights, Mich.; Ethel Caudill, Garden City, Mich.; Allie Josheph, Happy, Ky.; Eva Banks, Dupont, Ind.; Jean Cox Fisher, Middlesboro, Ky.; and two stepsons: Jacob Sizemore, Premium, Ky.; Jefferson Sizemore, Madison, Indiana. In 1965 he fell out with Satan and wanted to live for the Lord. He joined the Old Regular Baptist Church and was baptized into the Big Creek Church and was a faithful member until his sickness overtook him and he was unable to attend church for several months. But he never gave up; he went right on praising God and bore it with faith until December 9, about the hour of 10 o'clock God called his name, and he answered the call. He leaves to mourn their loss, his old faithful wife and a host of friends for he was loved by all who knew him. We sincerely believe that our loss is heaven's gain.

Written by a Brother in Christ, Venon Miller

VOLINA COMBS FRANCIS



It is with much sadness I will try to write the obituary of a Sister in Christ and Aunt, Volina C. Francis. She was the daughter of the late Alex Combs and Luisha Jent. She was born December 21, 1906, being 70 years, 7 months and 17 days of age at the time of her passing. She was a good and faithful member of the Little Bull Creek Church for several years.

Sister Volina was preceded in death by her husband, Curtis and one son, Hobert. She leaves to mourn the following — 2 sons: Eugene Francis of Sanibel Island, Florida; Tommy Ray Francis of Indianapolis, Indiana; 2 daughters: Mona Faye Voignier of Sanibel Island, Florida; Ella Mae Fugate of Carcassonne, Ky.; 2 brothers: Estill Combs of Carcassonne, Ky.; Eugene Combs of Detroit, Michigan; 1 half-

brother, Hillard Smith of Cleveland, Ohio; 4 half-sisters: Alice Chinckak of Detroit, Mich.; Nancy Rossi of Pigeon Forge, Tenn.; Millie Combs of Sweetwater, Tenn.; Essie Cornett of Carrie, Ky.; 14 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren as well as a host of relatives and friends.

Written by a Brother in Christ, Bro. Virgil Combs

IRA SINGLETON



By the help of the Lord, I'll try to write the obituary of my husband, Ira Singleton. He was the son of Henry and Elizabeth Ritchie Singleton. He was born March 4, 1897, at Ritchie, Ky., and departed this life August 24, 1970, making his stay on the earth 73 years, and 5 months.

He served his country in World War I; later he met and married Sally Tomlin. To this union were born 11 children; 4 boys: Charles, Donald, (now deceased); L.C. and Gordon, and 7 girls: Marie, (who preceded him in death); Chairty Young; Dorothy Knox; Sonia Hall; Patsy Taleff; Gayle Fountain; and Beverly Huff.

Ira had been a coal miner for more than thirty years. He was a kind man and a friend to all, especially children.

He took sick with lung cancer and for four years he fought a hard battle with it, but never gave up until the last six weeks of his life. He was a strong believer in the Old Regular Baptist and had attended church somewhere regularly for, over twenty years and lived a good life, reading his Bible and singing the old hymns. A few weeks before he died he told me he was not afraid to die and who he wanted to preach his funeral.

On August 23, we brought him from Clay City to the Hazard Hospital. There he died as the sun was going down on August 24; he closed his eyes and peacefully went home to be with God. He knew everyone until the end.

Sleep on Dad, we love you so
We were heart broken to see you go
We will meet you on that golden shore

Where we will never part any more

Written by his wife and sister in the Lord, Sally Singleton

ALGER K. RITCHIE



Life is like a bubble on the water. We are here for a few days and we are gone. By the help of the Great King, I will try to write a short sketch of Alger K. Ritchie. He was born into the home of Kanoah and Margie Ritchie, January 1, 1963. He grew up to be a great big healthy boy, then he took sick with leukemia and on December 18, 1972, the Lord called him home to live with Him. Alger was 9 years, 10 months, and 18 days old at the time of his

death. Survivors are: Father, Kanoah Ritchie, Mother, Margie Everage Ritchie, 1 brother, Kelvin Ritchie, at home and 3 sisters: Diane Amburgey, of Amburgey, Ky.; Cathie and Janie Ritchie both at home; 1 nephew, James Everett Amburgey. Rest on, Alger, we hope to meet you again.

Written by a brother in hope, Landis Everage

HUB CAUDILL



With a sad and heavy heart, we will try to write the obituary of Hub Caudill. He was born the son of Phoeba and William G. Caudill on April 11, 1906, at Jeremiah, Ky. Hub passed from this life at his residence at Jeremiah on July 30, 1979, being seventy-three years, three months and nineteen days of age. He leaves his loving wife of fifty years, Vivian; two children: Geraldine Ison and Larry O. Caudill; six grandchildren, six

great-grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends to mourn

his passing. Hub was semi-retired, having helped his son-in-law part time at the service station until his passing. Previously he worked as a miner numerous years. We see so many things left behind that came from the labor of his hands that remind us of his fruitful life here. Hub joined the Old Regular Baptist Church in 1952, serving as a Deacon for twenty-six years, faithful to the Lord till He called him home. The Sunday before his passing, Hub attended Dixon Memorial Old Regular Baptist Church and served in the Communion service that followed. Many friends and relatives came by that evening to visit and he told them what a wonderful time they had at church. His passing into eternal life with his Savior was peaceful as he had wished. Still missed so much by his family he loved, our prayer is that we may all be reunited in Heaven.

The Wife and Family of Hub Caudill

CHARLIE CAUDILL



At home with Jesus! Today we are sad and our hearts are grieving for one we loved so dearly has departed this life and gone to be with Jesus. Charlie is not sad; he is happy. He fought a good fight; he kept the faith; hence-forth there is a crown laid up for him, and he has gone to receive that crown.

Charlie Caudill was the son of the late Dixon and Nancy Caudill. He was born October 22, 1894, and deceased this life July 31, 1979, making his stay here on this earth 84 years, 9 months, and 9 days.

Early in life he married Judy Ison who preceded him in death in 1932. To this union were born 6 children: Elvin Caudill, Whitesburg, Ky.; Irene Ison, Whitesburg, Ky.; Arvill Caudill, deceased; Arnold Caudill, deceased; Marie Fields, of Letcher, Ky.; Renavae Caudill, deceased. Later in life Charlie married Mimey Sturgill who was a loving and devoted wife until his death. This union was not blessed with any children.

Charlie was a hard working person, always providing as best as he could for his family. He was an honest and upright

citizen; he was a good neighbor and always had a friendly smile and a handshake for all he met. It was always a blessing to meet him and see his friendly smile.

In October, 1953, he joined the Bull Creek Old Regular Baptist Church and was baptized by the late Elder Critt Eldridge and Beckham Fields. He was a good church member and a bold soldier for the Lord, always standing up for his belief and the work of the Lord. In his last years he moved his membership to the Dixon Memorial Church where he was a faithful member as long as his health permitted him to attend.

Charlie leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Mimey; three children: Elvin Caudill, Irene Ison, and Marie Fields; 13 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

His family has lost a good husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather; the Dixon Memorial Church has lost a good member; the community of Whitco has lost a good citizen and neighbor; but Heaven has welcomed home another tired weary soldier. The angels are rejoicing for another soul has arrived home safely. He had weathered many a storm here on earth, but now all is quiet and still. Nothing to do but rest and wait for the redemption of the body. Then he will praise God while Eternal Ages roll on. May God bless each of you to meet him, and He will if you want to.

Written by Glenn Hampton

DAISY CAUDILL



With the help of the Lord I will try to write the obituary of my dear mother. God only knows how I miss her. She passed away August 30, 1978 at the Whitesburg Appalachian Hospital. She left five children to mourn their loss. Three boys: Hubert Caudill, Dayton, Ohio; Lovel Caudill, Miamisburg, Ohio; Hobert Caudill, Jeremiah, Ky.; two girls: Virgie Rose, Dayton, Ohio; Florence Back, Jeremiah, Ky.; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Dad had been gone almost seven years when Mom had to

go. Mom was so lonesome after he was gone. She sat at the window where she could look out and see his grave. I know many a time she wished she was over there beside him. Now they are both sleeping over there together. Only one voice can wake them. When God speaks, "Come forth", they will rise with a new body.

Mom had the dreadful disease cancer. I took care of her while she was sick. I want to thank all of the good friends and neighbors that helped with her. I stayed with her the night of her passing. I stood by her bed all night. Between seven-thirty and eight o'clock in the morning her soul took its flight. Sure liked to kill me when I saw she was gone. I believe she is in the glory world today. She won't have to suffer anymore and won't have to worry over her children anymore.

She and Dad saw three of their children come in the church before they left here. Hope the other two will get ready to go where Dad and Mom are. Sometimes I get homesick to go on. So many of my people gone. I don't have many left. I pray God will help us to go on what time we have to stay here.

Written by her daughter, Florence Back

PEARLIE MILLER HOWARD EADS



By the help of God I will try to write a short sketch of a dear loving Sister, Pearl Miller Howard Eads, daughter of Harvey and Sally Miller. Born January 29, 1901, entered eternal life February 2, 1979, making her stay on earth 78 years, and 3 days. She was born and raised in Eastern Kentucky. Early in life she met and married Clell Howard and to this union were born 4 sons and 1 daughter: Willie of Austin, Indiana; Dennis and Clell, Jr.

of Scottsburg, Ind.; Earnest, who was killed in the U.S. Army in the year 1943; Maryruth Thompson of Charlestown, Ind.; February, 1931. Clell was killed in the Benham Coal Mine.

A few years later she met and married Bill Eads and to this union were born three sons and one daughter: Silas, Tommy,

and Norman all of Scottsburg, Indiana; Laquita Eads Lord, also of Scottsburg, Indiana.

She joined and was baptized into the Old Regular Baptist Church and was a faithful member until her health failed her and she was unable to attend church very much in the last few years. After the loss of her husband, Bill Eads she had been in very poor health and this last year she had suffered so much. Just a few days back she told her daughter Mary she was ready to meet Jesus, and we believe that she added up the cost and paid it all here, and we sincerely believe that she is up there with Jesus where she is not suffering any more. So sleep on, Mother and Sister, until that day when we can all be together again.

Written by her broken-hearted brother, Venon Miller

DONALD EUGENE SINGLETON



With many heartaches and sad memories, I will try to write the obituary of my son, Donald Eugene Singleton. He departed this life April 13, 1979, making his stay upon the earth nearly 47 years. Donald was the son of Sally and Ira Singleton, Ritchie, Ky., in Knott County. He is one of eleven children; four boys and seven girls. His dad and one sister preceded him in death.

When he was growing up he was always laughing and joking which won him many friends. He went to the Air Force at an early age and fought eight months in the Korean War. After four years of service, he came home and married Oleena Combs. They have three fine children, two sons, Darwin, age 21 and Shannon, age 14, and one daughter, Donna D., age 16.

The last fifteen years of Don's life were spent back home on Clear Creek. He taught electronics at the vocational school at Hazard. He worked hard at other ventures and made many more friends along the way. His health began to fail and the last two years of life he couldn't lie down. In 1977 he found out he had lung cancer. He was in so much pain he could hardly sleep. He wouldn't take the shots for pain because he had

started seeking the Lord. He talked to anyone and everyone about repentance. He wanted everyone's prayers. He joined the church about a month before he died, but was too miserable and weak to be baptized. While he sat in his chair he told us many things he had seen in dreams, like looking on the book of life and into Heaven. He talked to his children and his brothers and sisters about the Lord both night and day until he died. He walked the floor talking to the Lord. When he knew he couldn't live any longer because he hemorrhaged so much, he wanted to die on Good Friday. He asked us to raise him to his feet so he could praise the Lord while he died. When we did he had a convulsion and never spoke anymore. About three hours later, early on Good Friday morning he quietly slipped away to live with Jesus. He was laid to rest beside his dad on Easter Sunday. We will miss him so much, but we know he is happier now.

Sleep on dear son
Beneath the Sod
We know your soul
Is safe with God

Written by his Mother and sister in the Lord
Sally Singleton

GARY LEE BOGGS

Gary Lee Boggs, entered eternal life Thursday, December 8, 1977, at Kings Creek, Ky.

He was the son of Venon and Lula Stidham Boggs. He was born April 25, 1948, being 29 years, 7 months, and 13 days of age at the time of his passing.

Surviving him other than his parents is his wife, Margaret Roberts Boggs; one son, Shawn Delane Boggs, at home; one one sister, Dana Sturgill, Dry Fork, Ky.; as well as a host

of other relatives and friends.

Gary was a good boy. Everyone who knew him loved him, but God loved him more and called him home. Gary never



told us whether he had made peace with the Lord or not before he left this world. So his Dad and I had to go to the one that knows all about us, and that is our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It liked to have killed us both before the Lord showed us that our son was all right. We went up to his grave every day and prayed to God to show us if he had made peace with our Lord and He showed his dad that Gary's grave was covered with a white quilt from one end to the other, and God said, "I am protecting him." I saw in a vision that same night that my son was inside that pearly white gate, just taking a rest. So I feel with all my heart that my son is resting in the arms of my Lord and someday I will meet him again where there will be no more sorrow. So I say to all mothers, pray on for a little longer and if you have loved ones gone I pray that you will see them again. I miss my son so much sometimes I can just look out and see him coming. God help me! I will look out one day and see him coming.

Written by his Mother, Lula Boggs

HARVEY ISON



By the help of God I will try to write a short sketch of a dear brother, Harvey Ison, born March 24, 1897 in Letcher County, Ky. Early in life he met and married Pheaby Jane Caudill Ison and to this union were born 9 children, three of whom Alice, Elua, Haryis and his wife preceded him in death.

He departed this life August 9, 1979, making his stay on earth 82 years, 4 months, and 15 days. He leaves to mourn their loss 6 children: Aaron

Ison, Eubank, Ky.; Recie Good, Covington, Ky.; Otis Ison, Blackey, Ky.; Iual Ison, Blackey, Ky.; Haywood Ison, Cold-springs, Ky.; and Ellis Howard, Letcher, Ky.; 38 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren, 3 great-great-grandchildren, host of friends, two half brothers and one half sister: Venon Miller, Lexington, Ind.; Dixon Miller, Skyline, Ky.; and Mary Fields, Garden, Ky.

After much suffering the good Lord said it was enough and

called his name and he answered the call and ended it all on this earth. Our loss, we hope, is Heaven's gain.

Written by a brother, Venon Miller

DIXON MILLER



With much sadness I will try to write a short sketch of a dear brother in Christ.

Dixon Miller was born on December 29, 1889 in Letcher County, Ky., to Johnie and Rebecky Caudill Miller. Early in life about 1916 he met and married Bertha Roark Miller and to this union were born eight children, three boys and five girls: Velma, Ellie, Rubie, Ule-mae Chester who preceded him in death; Harvey, Shirley and Donie all of Dillsboro, Indiana. He departed this life August 3, 1979, making his stay on earth 89 years, 7 months, and 5 days. He leaves to mourn their loss his wife, Bertha, three children and a host of grandchildren.

He moved to Indiana in 1929, where he worked as a farmer until he retired. Many years ago he fell out with sin and turned to the Lord and was baptized into the Old Regular Baptist Church and was a faithful member until his death. He was loved by all who knew him. Another bold soldier has fallen at his post, and he will be badly missed at Big Creek Church. So, sleep on Brother Dixon, until that day when we can shake hands again.

Written by a nephew and Brother in Christ, Venon Miller

PHILLIP D. AMBURGEY

As I sit here all alone and lonesome to see our people passing on to a world of either peace and happiness, or a place of trouble and dying and never dying for ever and for ever.

I will try with the help of God to write the obituary of Phillip D. Amburgey, age 27 years of Columbus, Indiana formerly of Amburgey, Ky. He was born December 13, 1950, at

Amburgey, Ky., in the home of Hillard and Sona Amburgey. He passed from this life June 9, 1978, at Columbus, Ind.. after being involved in an automobile accident.

He was employed by the Cummins Engine Co., and was a member of the Moose Lodge, and a member of the fraternal order of police.

Surviving is the widow Loretta Maddin Amburgey of Columbus, Ind.; three daughters: Paula Renee, Phyllis Ann, and Sara Sue at home; four sisters: Colleen Rowe, of Amburgey, Ky.; Maxine Noble of Heneryville, Ind.; Peggy Turner of Hubert, North Carolina; Marlene Larens of Austin, Ind.; five brothers: John, Thomas, Estill, Albert, and Benjamine all of Austin, Ind.

Dear Brother, oh, how we miss thee. But we hope to meet you someday in a better world where we can be together forever and rejoice with the Lord.

Written by a sister, Colleen Rowe and a friend
McKinley McIntosh

PETE BROWNING



By the help of God I will attempt to write the obituary of Pete Browning.

Pete was born into the home of Frank and Nancy Lewis Browning January 8, 1893 and passed out of this life on November 6, 1977, making his stay on earth 84 years, nine months and twenty-nine days.

Pete grew up on a farm in the head of Greasy Creek in Harlan County, Kentucky. There he met and later married Laura Caudill on August 11, 1913. To this union were born three

little girls: Beulah, Maude, and Alma.

Pete's wife Laura passed away leaving the children whose ages ranged from about 6, 4, and 2 years in age. Pete later met Isabelle Combs, daughter of Andy and Chloe Singleton Combs of Fisty, Kentucky, and they were married on April 11, 1921. To this union were born four girls and two boys. The girls names are: Vera B. Cattrell of Petersburg, Virginia; Kathleen

B. Pigmen of Lexington, Ohio; Ruth B. Heym of Ft. Meyers, Florida; Marie B. Devereux of Lexington, Ky. The boys are Wilmer Browning of Lexington, Ky.; and Elmer Browning of London, Ky. He is also survived by a host of grandchildren.

After Pete and Belle married, they moved to Clear Creek and there on Shop Branch hollow they lived with her parents and took care of them as long as the parents lived. At the same time they raised their nine children by Pete working in the mines at Hardburley, Ky., where he retired. Pete and Belle raised a fine family, sending them to school and giving them the best education they could.

Pete's children by his first wife, Laura, are now married and their names are: Beulah B. Campbell, Maude, Gurtrude and Alma Williams.

Pete was a good neighbor and everyone who knew him loved him. But Pete became burdened with his sins and cried to the Lord Jesus for help; the Lord heard his pleas and for Christ's sake pardoned his sins. After a few years, Pete decided he could wait no longer to join the church and on the second Sunday in July, 1977, he gave in to the Clear Fork Church. There was much rejoicing in the little church by Pete's friends. Pete was baptized on the first Sunday in September of 1977 along with his wife, Belle. He told Belle she looked like an Angel as she came out of the water.

Pete had had one bad heart attack after they moved to London, Ky., but got over it and was able again to tend his garden. In his garden was where the Lord came to him and pardoned his sins. So on the day of November 6, 1977, Pete slipped quietly away to be with the Lord. Having gone out into the yard for some reason, that was where they found him a short time later. We all miss Pete's visit every July and still look forward to Belle coming for the July meeting, but we are looking forward to a great meeting where there will be no parting with Brother Pete.

Written by a Sister in the Lord,
Sally Singleton

EVELYN HADDOX



By the help of God I will try to write the obituary of my sister, Evelyn. She was born December 7, 1897, departed this life August 18, 1978, making her stay on this earth 80 years, 7 months, and 18 days. She was the daughter of Wayne and Alice Drake Feltner.

She met and married James Haddox who preceded her in death. She didn't have any children. She leaves to mourn their loss three sisters: Mattie Williams of Bulan, Polly Roark and Lizzie Combs of Lotts Creek, and a host of nieces and nephews. The last 2½ years she lived she made her home with Wilson Combs and wife Jean. She loved them and enjoyed living with them. She joined the Clear Fork Church in 1960, and was a faithful member until death. She always filled her seat as long as she was able. The church has lost a good member and Heaven has gained another jewel.

Written by her sister,
Lizzie Combs

RHODA AMBURGEY



As I sit here all alone, with the help of God, I will try to write the obituary of a dear Sister in the Lord, Sister Rhoda Amburgey. She was born March 6, 1892, and deceased February 16, 1979. She was the daughter of Samuel Combs. She grew up here on Irishman Creek, in Knott County, Kentucky.

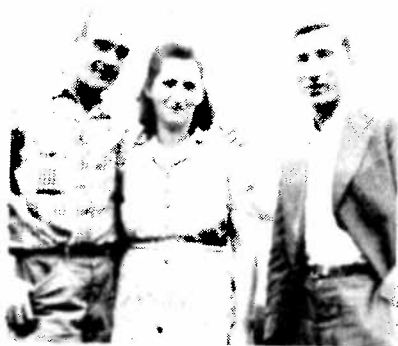
I went to school with her, when I was a little boy. I have known her all my life. She has been a good wife and good mother. Early in life she met and married Hiram Amburgey in the year 1911, July 4th, and to

this union were born four sons: Sammy, John Shirl, Willie and Dennie; one daughter, Goldie; one sister; Bertha; 33 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren; many brothers and sisters in the Old Regular Baptist Church, and many friends and neighbors who loved her.

Early in life she saw the need of a savior. She began to seek the lonesome groves, and at last the Lord heard her cries and lifted her feet out of the mire and the clay and set her feet on a solid rock, which is the Lord Jesus Christ. On July 19, 1929, she came forth and gave Brother George Higgans her hand and wanted to join the Old Regular Baptist Church. A short time after that Brother Hiram, her husband joined the Old Regular Baptist Church. A little later on they were ordained as Deacons and served the church as long as they were able. They have done a wonderful work and have gone on to a better home to live forever. So to their children and their grandchildren, and all of their friends and neighbors let us all look up to our Savior of the world, and let us all go home together is my prayers. So farewell for a while.

Written by her son, Dennie
Amburgey, and wife, and a
dear Brother in the Lord, McKinley McIntosh

BILL EADS



By the help of God, I will try to write a short sketch of a dear old Brother in the Lord. Bill Eads was born November 11, 1905, to Charlie and Sudie Hall Eads, and departed this life November 6, 1975, making his stay on earth 70 years. He grew up in Harlan County, Ky. Early in life he met and married Pearlle Howard Eads and to this union were born three sons and one daughter: Tommy, Silas, Herman and Layreoda all of Scottsburg, Ind.

He worked as a coal miner for many years. About 1949, he came to Indiana where he worked for Good Year Powder Company until his health failed him and he had to retire. He leaves to

mourn their loss his wife and 4 children; 7 grandchildren and a host of friends. He never joined any church, but he told me, the writer, that he was praying and we believe that he did all his suffering here. So sleep on Bill, until that day when we can be together again.

Written by a Brother in hope,
Venon Miller

ARLIE AMBURGEY

I cannot say and I will not say
That he is dead. He is just away
With a cherry smile and a wave of his hand
He wandered into an unknown land
And left us dreaming how very fair
It needs must be since he lingers there
So think of his faring on as dear
In the love of there, as the love of here
Think of him then as I say
He is not dead, He is just away.

But man dieth and wasteth away, yea, man giveth up the ghost and where is he? So man lieth down and raisith not till the Heavens be no more. They shall not awake nor be raised out of their sleep, Oh, that thou wouldst hide me in the grave, that thou wouldst keep me secret until thy wrath be passed that thou wouldst appoint me a set time and remember me. Thou will call and I will answer thee. Thou will have a desire to the works of thine hand. A man that is born of woman is of few days and full of trouble. He cometh forth as a flower and is cut down. He also liveth as a shadow and continueth not. All the days of my appointed time will I wait till my change come.



So it is that I attempt to write a few words in behalf of this our precious brother, father and companion, Arlie Amburgey. He was born July 16, 1913, the pride and joy in the home of Noah and Mimie Collins Amburgey, his father and mother.

Here on Carrs Fork he grew to manhood a well respected man. His life's work was that of a coal miner; however, he worked at many trades which he per-

formed well.

Brother Arlie realized that he must be obedient to God, the creator of all mankind, the father of the Adamic race, so he begged and pleaded to God to have mercy on a poor wretched man and after much crying and pleading, God our Father, granted him a full pardon for all the wrongs he had ever done and set his soul at liberty.

Thirteen years ago he offered his hand to the Reynolds Fork Church and felt constrained to tell the family of God of his relationship with God and the great love he had for the family of God. He has remained true to the faith he had in God, and a more humble soul I have never known.

He has told me many times the thing he dreaded most was that he might say something that would offend some one. He was one of the most careful men it has been my privilege to know. Then truly can be said of Brother Arlie, there has fallen a great warrior in Zion and as Paul said, "I am now ready to be offered. The time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course. I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord the righteous judge shall give me at that day and not for me only but unto them also that love His appearing."

Brother Arlie suffered long with that dreadful disease, cancer, but his suffering he bore with great patience until the very end which came at about 6 A.M. July 10, 1979, still holding fast to the faith he had in God.

Leaving to mourn his passing 3 boys: Ellis, Jim and Dwight, 2 girls: Sherry Lynn and Patricia Ann. Sister Flossie has lost a true husband; these children a devoted father and his church one of its most precious members.

So children, if you expect to see father again, pray and repent of your sins if you haven't already and meet him again when this troublesome life is o'er,

Sister Flossie, I know your heart is broken, but if Brother Arlie could speak to you he would say, Press on, look up for your redemption draweth nigh.

A PRAYER

"Lord, Thou knowest better than I know myself that I am growing older and will some day be old. Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must say something on every subject and on every occasion. Release me from craving to try to straighten out everybody's affairs. Make me thoughtful but not moody; helpful but not bossy. With my vast store of wisdom

it seems a pity not to use it all-but Thou knowest, Lord, that I want a few friends at the end. Keep my mind free from recital of endless details, give me wings to get to the point. Seal my lips on my aches and pains. They are increasing and love of rehearing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by. I pray for grace enough to enjoy the tales of others but help me to endure them with patience. I dare not ask for improved memory but a growing humility and a lessening cocksureness when my memory seems to clash with the memories of others. Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken. Keep me reasonably sweet. I do not want to be a saint - some of them are so hard to live with - but a sour old person is one of the crowning works of the devil. Give me the ability to see good things in unexpected places and talents in unexpected people. Give me the grace to tell them so. Amen"

His pilgrimage here was short since we were allowed to keep him only 65 years, 11 months, and 26 days.

Submitted humbly by an unworthy Brother in hope,
Lewis Craft

GLADYS (Granny) BACK TAFF

Home at last! So it is with Granny. Many years ago she started on a journey through this land. She traveled for 66 years, 5 months, and 20 days. On Friday morning about day-break her captain welcomed her home. She had weathered many a storm, suffered many a pain, endured many a heartache, and had overcome many an obstacle to reach her destination.

Granny was the daughter of the late James G. and Julie Dixon Back. She was born October 10, 1912.

Early in life she married Hubert Caudill. To this union was born a son, James Richard, who loved and cherished his mother until his untimely death last January. This left Granny with a broken heart that never healed. She longed to be reunited with him. Today that reunion has taken place. Their souls are together in Paradise.

When Granny was just a little girl, her mother passed away. Her father later married Callie Caudill Whitaker, who was a good mother to her. Callie loved and treated Granny as her very own. I'm sure Callie was instrumental in Granny's getting an education. Granny made a teacher and taught until poor health forced her to retire. She was a good teacher, and

many people here today learned many a lesson from her.

Granny was a charter member of the Mt. Olivet Church, and was an ardent supporter of her brother, Elder I. D. Back, in his early ministry. She has prayed many a prayer in his behalf, as well as giving him moral and spiritual support. When she moved to Missouri to be with her brother, James, she moved her membership to a church there.

Granny had been sick for a long time, but she had learned early in life to bear hardships as a good soldier. Due to the permanent illness of her husband, Hubert, she had had the responsibility of rearing her son by herself. She had worked hard and sacrificed much to give her son an education. The character traits that made her what she was were instilled in her by her hard-working and devoted step-mother, who had also endured hardships as a good soldier.

Granny leaves to mourn her passing: one brother James Back of Pascola, Missouri; two half brothers, Walton Back of Sassafras, Ky.; and I. D. Back of Blackey, Ky.; three step-sisters, Vina Patterson of Blackey, Ky.; Ruth Back of London, Ky.; and Corsia Hale of Morehead, Ky.; two step-brothers, Keller Whitaker of Cordia, Ky.; and William M. Whitaker of Morehead, Ky.; and a host of other relatives and friends.

To you who loved Granny so dearly, let me admonish you to lift up your heads for she has just beat you home. She is not sick anymore; she is not struggling to breathe; she is at rest around the altar of God. She is happy now for she has finished her journey and has reached her reward. Her labor is ended; her trials are over, but her eternal life has just begun. On that great and glorious morning she will rise again to everly be with the Lord. There she will sing and praise Him while eternity rolls on in that beautiful; that blest forever.

Written by Glenn Hampton

ALLIE CAUDILL

On March 19, 1898 God in the infinite wisdom and mercy of His son sent a flower to decorate the home of Jessie Caudill and Sarah Jane Brown Caudill and they chose for her the name of Allie Caudill and in the hills of Letcher County she grew to womanhood and here she spent most of her life.

May 30, 1921 she took by the hand Harrison Garrett and vowed before God that she would be to him a faithful and obedient wife. To this union were born 9 children; 5 boys and 4 girls. Preceding Mother in death was Brother Harrison

and four children.

Later in life she was married to Brother Jep Whitaker who also preceded her in death.

Sister Allie was a woman who labored hard and long for her family. Early in life she realized her life wasn't complete for God had revealed to her that she was a sinner before God and in need of God's mercy so she began to implore Him to forgive her and when it seemed that all was in vain God spoke peace to her soul. And upon the profession of the faith she had in God she offered her hand and become a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church and a more consecrated christian mother I have never known being with her in church since the late 1940's.

Sister Allie had been in poor health for sometime and in November, 1978 it was determined she was afflicted with that dreaded disease cancer. She wrestled with this monster since that time and her life ebbed away slowly but surely. However, her suffering and acute pain she bore patiently until the end came on Saturday, April 7, 1979; her God sent an angel to carry her away and His call to her was, "Come away my fair one to heights eternal and leave behind your pain wracked and affected body. Come away to me where death is a stranger and pain is unknown."

She leaves to mourn her passing 5 children: Elma Littrell, Pikeville, Ky.; Edison Garrett, Whitesburg, Ky.; Harrison Garrett, Jr., Decatur, Alabama; Orville Garrett, Lebanon, Ky.; Dorthy Jane Rogers, Winter Gardens, Florida, along with a host of relatives and friends and family.

Along the golden streets a stranger walks tonight
With wonder in her heart, faith blossomed into sight
She walks and stops and stares, and walks and stares again
Vistas of loveliness beyond the dreams of man.

She was feeble, weak and shackled to her bed
Now climbs eternal hills with light and easy tread
She has escaped at last, the cruel clutch of pain
Her lips shall never taste its bitter cup again
Oh never call her dead, this buoyant one and free
Whose daily portion is delight and ecstasy.

She bows in speechless joy before the feet of Him
Who seeing not she loved, while yet her sight was dim
Along the golden streets no stranger walks today

But one who long homesick is home at last to stay.

Having her with us such a short time we shall miss her.

A brother in hope, Lewis F. Craft

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in the one true and living God, and not withstanding there are Three that bear record in Heaven, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, yet there is but one in substance, equal in power and glory, not to be divided and impossible to change in principle and practice.

2. We believe the Old and New Testament Scriptures are the true written words of God and were given by inspiration of God and there is a sufficiency in them contained for our instruction and they are the only rule of our faith and practice.

3. We believe the doctrine of original sin and that man sinned since the fall and are by nature the children of wrath.

4. We believe in the impotency or inability of men to recover themselves out of the state they are in: therefore, a Saviour is absolutely needed.

5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

6. We believe in the perseverance of the Saints. That by grace through faith they are born again and adopted into the family of Heaven; that they become equal heirs with Jesus Christ in Glory, and that He will raise them up at the last day.

7. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are Gospel Ordinances; that true believers are the proper subjects and we admit no other.

8. We believe that the true mode of baptism is by immersion, to baptize a person by their own consent, back foremost in the water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

9. We believe that washing of one another's feet is a commandment of Christ, left on record with His disciples, and ought to be practiced by His followers.

10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgment when all will be judged according to their deeds done in the body.

11. We believe the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous will be eternal after death.

12. We believe that no one has the right to administer the Gospel Ordinances but such as are legally and qualified there unto.

13. We believe it to be the duty of all church members to attend church meetings, and that it is the duty of the church to deal with them for neglecting same.

14. We believe it to be the duty of all church members to contribute to the support of the church by defraying all reasonable expenses of same, never neglecting the poor, according to their several abilities.

15. We believe that any doctrine that goes to encourage or indulge the people in their sins or to cause them to settle down on anything short of saving grace in Christ for salvation is erroneous and such doctrine will be rejected by us.

16. None of the above articles shall be construed as to hold with particular election of reprobation as to make God partial directly or indirectly so as to injure children of man.

17. None of the above articles shall be altered without legal notice and free consent.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall open and close with prayer.

2. The Moderator and Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

3. Only one member shall speak at a time, and shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator, when he is about to speak.

4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator until he is done.

5. He shall strictly adhere to his subject and in nowise reflect on the preceding speaker, but define his ideas on the proposition for debate, so far as he can.

6. No person shall abruptly absent himself from the Association without leave of the same.

7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on any subject without permission from the Association.

8. No member of the Association shall have the liberty to laugh during the sitting of the same, nor whisper in time of public speech.

9. No member shall address another in any other form or term than that of "Brother."

10. The Moderator shall not interrupt a brother or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his views on the subject unless he shall violate the Rules of Decorum.

11. The names of the several members of the Association

shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called as often as the Association may require.

12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled, but he shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided, in which event he shall give the deciding vote.

13. Any member who shall willfully and knowingly violate any of these rules shall be reprimanded by the Association as it may think proper.

CONSTITUTION

Having by unanimous voice changed our organization from an annual meeting to an Association, we therefore propose to keep order and rules of an Association according to the following form of government.

1. The Association shall be called the Indian Bottom Association.

2. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying to their appointment, these shall be entitled to a seat.

3. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their full number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restoration, application, dismissed, excluded and deceased since our last Association.

4. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord over God's heritage nor shall they have any clerical power over the churches nor shall they infringe on any of the rights of any of the churches in the union.

5. The Association, when convened, shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum.

6. The Association shall have a Moderator and Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk, and Treasurer, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

7. New churches may be admitted to this union, which shall petition by letter and delegates, and if found upon examination to be orthodox and orderly, shall be received by the Association, and manifested by the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

8. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

9. Every query presented by the churches to the Association, being first debated in their own church shall come under the consideration of the Association.

10. Every motion made and seconded shall be considered by the Association, except it be withdrawn by the party who made it.

11. We think it absolutely necessary that we have an Association fund for defraying the expense of the same. For the raising of which we think it the duty of each church in the union to contribute such sums voluntarily as they think proper, and send it by their delegates, to be deposited with treasurer, who shall be responsible to the Association for and pay the same out as the Association may direct.

12. There shall be an Association book kept in which the proceedings of every Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary, who shall receive annual compensation for same.

13. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

14. Amendments to this plan of government may be made by majority of the union when in regular session, when so desired.

15. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the Association, the best methods of effecting the same shall be determined by the Association.

16. All matters coming before the Association shall be decided by will of the majority of the members present.

17. The Association shall have the power to decide for the general union of the churches and to preserve an inviolable chain of communion among same, giving churches all necessary advice in matters of church difficulty; inquiring into the cause why any church shall have failed to represent itself any time in the Association, appropriate the money received to any purpose it may think proper; appoint any member or members by their consent to transact any business which it may think necessary; withdraw from any church in the union which may violate any of the rules of the Association or deviate from the orthodox principals of religion; admit any orderly minister of our faith and order to a seat in the Association and adjourn to any time or place it may deem necessary.

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FORM OF CHURCH LETTER

We the church of Jesus Christ of Old Regular Baptist Faith and order, now in session with the _____ Church, being found in love and fellowship, sendeth greetings, our christian love and salutation to the ministers and messengers that may compose the _____ Association, when convened, assembled and in session at our Association House and Headquarters, Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky, being hosted by our dear sister the _____ Church to commence on Friday before the _____ Saturday, in September, _____ and the two following days.

Dear Brethren; we are glad that we can correspond with you, and we have chosen these our beloved Brethren, to bear this our letter to you, to wit:

DELEGATES

1 _____
 2 _____
 3 _____

ALTERNATES

4 _____
 5 _____
 6 _____

Dear Brethren, receive our letter and these Brethren to sit with you in council. May the Lord bless you in all your work. We are at peace among ourselves.

The state of the church is as follows:

ORDAINED MINISTERS

NAME

POST OFFICES

Received by Experience and Baptism _____ Letter _____ Restored _____
 Application (and or) Recommendation _____ Dismissed by
 Letter _____ Died _____ Excluded _____ Membership _____
 Money sent _____ Meeting Time _____ Saturday and Sunday of
 each month.

Dear Brethren, pray for us, that Zion may have a traveling spirit among us.

Done and signed by order of the church.

Elder _____, Moderator

Brother _____, Clerk

Clerk's Address _____

Kell Combs
New Home.

The Twenty Third Psalm

The Lord is my Shepherd: I shall not want:
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the
paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me: thy rod and
thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the
presence of mine enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil:
my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow
me all the days of my life: and I will
dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

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