for the endtime...

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# ~The Treasure Map~

Brother Owen Jorgensen says: -

The first thing I did, I made my Treasure Map and after years of scrolling it open and shut every day, it started looking like what a pirate's treasure map would look like. But I liked that because —

# The Treasure is the revelation Of Jesus Christ.

There is no other treasure.

I said, 'I want to write a book that I wish was there when I came into the Message'

The lines coming down like railroad tracks represent the years of Brother Branham's life. The cross hatches, that look like the cross beams on a railroad track, those are the months of the years that Brother Branham was alive. Then I have spots where I wrote down where his birthday was in red, that's so I could keep track of how old he was at any given time in any part of the story. And then after I'd written this out and it was all blank, I took these thousand pages of notes that I had, stories and things, they had no year or date on when these things happened. Then I became a detective and I would read these stories and say, "where would this go in this time line?"

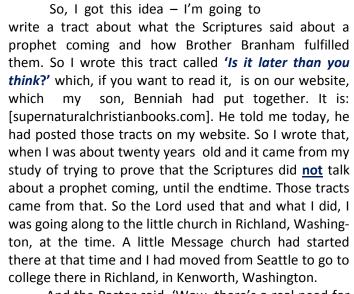
And I will give you an example. Brother Branham was ordained a minister in a Missionary Baptist Church, but nowhere in his sermons does he say when that happened. So I came across the story where he's talking about the healing of this one woman and in this story he said as he went to the woman's house, this happened right after he became an ordained minister, and when he went to her house there was her young daughter there, who thought it was all a big joke, and went and hid behind the Christmas tree. And I said "Oh, Ok, so it was around Christmas that he was ordained". That kind of thing especially in his younger years. Later, then there were a lot more clues to the days, especially as to the days when he preached his sermons. But back in the early life it was a little hard to identify some of these. So I started identifying where these things were and I would write them in in pencil, so I could erase it and put it in another spot when more information came out.

This is no joke - the hole in the centre that looks like the pillar of fire - that's where a puppy chewed on it.

## The Treasure Map

~Part 2~

And so I started listening to Brother Branham's Tapes and I wanted to tell everybody who I could get to who would sit down and listen just a little bit. I wanted to tell them about William Branham being a Prophet of God. And I would pick up hitchhikers. This was back in the sixties when kids were hitchhiking all around. And so there were a lot of hitchhikers around, and there wasn't one that I ever passed that I didn't stop and pick up and start to tell them the Message of the hour, and sometimes they would say, 'Oh, hey, I've got to get off here'. And so you know, I didn't seem to have enough time to go very far into my presentation.



And the Pastor said, 'Wow, there's a real need for these. You ought to print some of these up and I'll send it to a couple of ministers that I know and we'll see what comes of it. So anyway, I printed up 5000 copies and sent them out and one of them was to Bro. Samuel Johnson in Ann Arbor Michigan and that's how I got to know Brother Samuel Johnson and a few other places and I started getting requests for these tracts from other places - requests for more thousands and for many more thousands. By this time, I'm about a twenty one year old kid and I had a job and you can guarantee it wasn't a high paying job! And I'm putting out all this money, and I'm saying, 'You know, I can't afford to do this!' So, that's when Brother Samuel Johnson had written to me and said, 'Send me ten thousand more of these tracts! And I said, 'Brother Johnson, I can't afford to do it.' And he said, 'Well, let me take it over.' And so he took it over and he put many, many more out.

And then Brother Coffey took it over and later he did them nicely into little booklets, and he sent out hun-



Brother Owen Jorgensen

dreds of thousands of those little booklets all over the world. And so that was my first experience of writing and from that, I got to realise that there would be a real demand from writing the life story of William Branham. I thought I'd like to do that. I kinda started into the 'thinking about it' stage, because, as I said, I wanted to be a writer.

But then something happened that got me on a different track, and that's when I got married — although that's not so bad, but then I had kids and kids take up some time. And I ended up with four kids and I just got busy taking care of them — and I lost

sight of my idea to write a biography of William Branham.

And honestly, that was the Lord's doing because I didn't have the skill level as a twenty year old. There was no way that a twenty year old could have tackled that project and done it justice. I just did not have the skill level or the knowledge or the time to do it.

So — we're going to skip ahead in this story to when I'm thirty-five years old and at this time I had been farming for a number of years and I had pastored a church for a number of years and it was a very small church.

A lot had travelled to there and then certain conditions came up and a number of people fell away. Some got jobs and had to move away. So, pastoring was no longer an option. There weren't enough people left there in this little community to pastor. And farming is very cyclical. Sometimes there are very good years. In our area especially, because we're not irrigated, we are completely subject to rain and when it rains we do well in the good rains, but when it doesn't rain, we don't do so well.

We had some poor years and my wife, she decided to go to nursing school and she became a nurse. The college was sixty miles away and we bought a little house there and I was kinda working on the farm and went down to our other house on the weekends.

And in the winter I thought, well maybe I'll go to school and get some more education. Maybe I'll quit farming - I don't know what the Lord wants me to do. Maybe He wants me to go in a different direction. And so I went to college at thirty-five years of age — a junior college and they made some requirements i.e. they wanted me to take a writing class and I thought, that sounds great to me. I would like to write.

Well, when I took this writing class...you know, I'm thirty-five and I'm in with all these eighteen/nineteen year old kids who had just started college and they were saying, 'Oh, you got Mrs. Biggs? I heard that she is a really hard teacher.' And so, Mrs. Biggs gave us our first assignment and I did it and turned it in, and when they came in for the grading, these kids were there before me, looking at their grades and they said, "A 'D minus!' I worked on that for hours! Oh, she's such a hard teacher."

And I got my paper back and it said "A" on it. And then she had written on the side of it, 'Could I use this as an example for the rest of the class?' And this happened for every assignment I turned in. And you know, sometimes I'm a little slow, but after four or five weeks of this, I said to myself, 'Yes, that's right - God gave me a gift of writing!' And I'm still praying, 'Lord, what do you want me to do with my life?'

And I remember the exact spot where I was standing. I was over in the corner of this library and I just got in and I was praying in my heart, 'Lord, what do You want me to do with my life?' And it was the proverbial "struck by a bolt of lightning" and it was just like a hand – like the Lord whacked me on the side of my head. But it was in my head. I mean I hadn't even thought of the biography of William Branham for years upon years. That dream had just passed away decades ago. It was just like that. [Bro. Jorgenson smacked his hands in illustration]. God said, 'I want you to write the life of William Branham'. And I said, 'Well, that's what I'm going to do. I don't care if it takes me ten years. I'm going to do it.' I did not know it was going to take me twenty-three years. But I was so excited.

So I started immediately. Well, actually, what I did is, I went and I sat down. Computers were just coming out. So I sat down at the Computer and I started to write. I was going to write this biography, as I had been in the Message for years and by now I knew lots and lots of tapes and I knew the life of William Branham. And so I started writing this and I wrote a page.

And THEN I thought, wait a minute! Well, I know the basics, I know when the prophet was born and some of the things that happened — BUT the details, I don't know the details. If this is going to be valuable to people, I've got to present details. And so I stopped writing and went back and started listening to the tapes, and I didn't write another sentence for two years. I listened. And this was before the Computer 'Search', remember, all those early tapes were not in print, remember?

So I ordered all of Brother Branham's tapes and started listening to them in the order that he preached them. And when he would tell a story about his life, then I would type out a note and make reference to where it came from and it was put on the computer.

I did this for two years and I set a goal for myself:-Twelve hours a week and I kept to that through this entire project, although it really ended up being twelve hours a week if you average it because in the summer time there was no way, with my farm work, that I could keep that up. But then I would make up the hours during the winter. I kept track of the hours for years and years, and so I got the twelve hours a week in.

And just to let you know, that means that I have put into writing this biography, somewhere like twelve thousand hours. Twelve thousand hours was put into this book. And that's why you read it and say, 'Wow! This just flows. It's good. And look what happened here.' It's because I knew that this book was very important.

You know, it's not perfect and I'm not perfect and not everything I wrote was going to be perfect, but I did the very best I could and I did it for you. I'll tell you who I did it for in just a second. Well, I'll tell you right now.. I need to back up a little bit...

Okay, so I'm listening to all these tapes in order, and it was like following William Branham around the country. Every night that he preached, I was there. It was marvellous. I sat there and rejoiced and rejoiced! But when my wife went to school, she backslid. As soon as I began this project, satan began to fight me and my wife who was a marvellous, wonderful Christian woman and a very delightful person. She was a very memorable person. But I always said that she had two speeds. They were, "On and Off". She never did anything half way. She did everything with all her heart and when she was serving the Lord, she served the Lord with all of her heart, and when she backslid, she backslid the same direction.

Well, you know, there are trials in being a Christian and not everyone who claims the name of Christ is a good representative of the Lord Jesus Christ. She took a lot of those trials that we went through personally, and she would say, 'these people who say Brother Branham was a prophet, look what they did to us all. Look what they did.' And I would say, 'I cannot vouch for all of the people who gather around the Message, but I know you've got to keep your eyes on Jesus Christ. He's the true One. People will fail you every time we're imperfect, but Jesus Christ will never fail you. Keep your eyes on Him.

But she got her eyes off Him. She went that way and our marriage got very rotten and my kids became teenagers and a few of them started rebelling and just everything started falling apart in my life it seemed. Everything seemed to be just crumbling and yet I kept my eyes on Jesus Christ. Writing this book, I tell you, pulled me through on a lot of struggling years there.

So, I bring that in because it plays a part in this story as you will see a little later. So I'm writing, listening to Brother Branham and I learned so many things from those early tapes. I kept looking for details and of course, he told stories and every story I wrote down and I looked for other details in the prayer line.

For example, you know when you watch the movie, either in black and white or the colour movie of Brother Branham preaching, you would see that sometimes when people would come up to him in the prayer line, he discerned them but he didn't pray for them. He said, 'Your name, you're this, and then he said....You are healed.

Go your way rejoicing in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ' He didn't pray for them. How did he know that they were healed? Well, we could say he had a vision. I don't think that's right, because Brother Branham said, 'When people walk in the prayer line, when they come into the presence of that Angel of the Lord, he says, 'Don't be alarmed at that feeling that you feel. He's the Angel of the Lord. He won't hurt you.' And then he'd say, 'I feel a welcome spirit.' But what Brother Branham said on those tapes, not just once, but many times, 'When they come up on the platform, he knew who was a Christian and who wasn't because there wouldn't be a light around them, but if they were a Christian, there was a light around them and he said when he saw that light suddenly flash brighter, he knew they were healed. He didn't need a vision. He knew they were healed. All those little details I was spotting and making notes and putting them on the computer screen.

Two years go by...I have one thousand pages of type written notes, single spaced. I hadn't written anything yet. In all this time I had not told anyone of my Christian friends that I was planning on writing a biography of William Branham and the reason was, I still didn't know if I could do it. I knew it was a big project. I had no idea if I could pull it off. So I didn't want to have to tell everybody that I quit, so I just didn't say anything. Well, now I got this stack of notes so high and one day, I said to myself...and I hadn't got through all of Brother Branham's Tapes yet.

I had got to 1956 or 1958 or something like that and I hadn't been through all of his sermons yet, and I said to myself, "Owen, you've got enough notes now. You have enough material to start. Either you are going to write this, or you are not. If you are going to write it, get started and write something. If not, quit telling yourself you're going to do this. Just say that you've had a wonderful time listening to those tapes of Brother Branham's and go on rejoicing, but just quit kidding yourself".

I said 'OKAY' and I took a deep breath. Here we go! And the first thing I did, I made my **Treasure Map**. There we go. I got this big piece of paper. [Brother showed this paper that had been photographed and we are showing it on the front cover of this issue. And he explained the dark patch in the centre of the Map — That's where a puppy chewed on it!] We had this Map for twenty-one years now, and the reason I call it my **Treasure Map**, because I kept it rolled up, and with my rolling it and unrolling it all the time, it got these crinkly edges and it started to look like what you would imagine a pirate's treasure map would look like.

But I liked that because "the Treasure is the Revelation of Jesus Christ". That's the ONLY Treasure. There is NO other treasure.

So I'm going through these files and every time I'm going through the story, and I'm pretty sure this story happened here, and I have these file folders and I say they're labelled by the year and I put these stories into the file folder with lots and lots of notes.

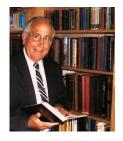
Then I began to write – and when I started in earnest, then I would pull out the file of the first stories of Brother Branham's younger years. And I would reread those, so that they were fresh in my mind - all of these stories that happened to him from birth. And then I started looking for details, because, remember, I said that I knew details were important to make this valuable. And when Bro. Green, who I sent a manuscript to, started to read this, by this time, the Message search program had come out. ( so in the incident ) when Brother Branham was a little boy, he said that a little bird talked to him and said that he lived in that little place in Albany. Well, Brother Branham said that he was a big brother and he was out trying to impress his younger brother with how strong he was, and he picked up this rock and he threw it into the mud and it slathered up the mud on to his belly. Bro. Green said he didn't remember that happening and so he told his secretary to go and search it. And yes, it was exactly what Brother Branham had said, happened.

But see, I took all those stories and I took a high-lighter pen and I said 'there's a detail!' and 'there's a detail!' And sometimes, Brother Branham tells a story a couple of times, and some stories he would tell thirty times you know. And I would look for details that he would tell in this one, but what he wouldn't tell in the next one and I would put it in this one. And I would take them all and put them together and now I would put them in my own words.

Now, when I started writing this, I actually wrote the first chapter twice. And I started off by typing the words, "William Branham was born in a log cabin in 1909 in the hills of Kentucky. His mother was Ella Branham, his father was Charles Branham" .....and this happened and that and all the details are there, but it seemed kinda dry. There's so much drama here. Now, how can I make use of this drama?

And then I began thinking, 'Who am I writing this for? Am I writing this for college professors? 'Cos I can write on college professor level with my vocabulary. And I thought who am I writing this for? Actually, I prayed about it for quite a while, and then I realised who I wanted to write this for...I realised who my audience was. I wanted to write this book for the boy I was - a seventeen year old boy I was when I first heard that William Branham was a prophet. And the years of listening to tapes and trying to sort out what happened and when: And to put this in my mind as to how this all came together, I said, "I want to write the book that I wish was there when I came in to the Message". And so I approached it by using the drama - and those who have read my books, know how it starts: with Ella Branham, fifteen years old and pregnant, living out in the hills. She was alone with nobody around when she goes in to labour, and the drama there. I wanted to use this to draw young readers in. After all, it doesn't make any difference if you have a wonderful book if they don't get past the first page. To be continued

### From the Editor's Desk~



Greetings, dear Brethren, in our Lord's mighty name.

This week I have been meditating on the activity of the Believers Newsletter – its objects and what it has achieved by His grace, and the question I ask myself, have we achieved the goal we set out to, in

fulfilling the object of the Believers Newsletter? And the answer I feel is, 'Yes'. Our foremost desire was/is to build a bridge of communication within the nation and now, worldwide, making an awareness of what is happening within the Message, by making your Testimonies known to believers and newly interested folk. Also, by raising support for the brothers out on the Mission Field so that it becomes more possible for their activity to prosper. And indeed, hasn't the Lord blessed the efforts in Vanuatu, as we see them now operating under the guidance of their own Pastors! Glory to His Name!

This wonderful endtime message is sent out via electronic means to our precious brethren who have a heart felt concern to pass the Word of the prophet on to others who are further afield and unknown to us — but known to God! And we receive back an email message from these interested folk, to ask if we would please add their name and details to the B.N.L. list so that they can also read the blessings of God's Word each month.

Are we perfect? No, no. But may the Word of our Lord Jesus be spread throughout the world by faith in <u>His</u> perfect Name! And so, each day, on we go, believing the Word and sending it out!

Bro. Malcolm Ferris will visit Vanuatu and minister to them there. Bro. Derrick Donaldson and Bro. Adrian Gray are soon heading on their missionary trip to P.N.G., Bro Richard Oliver to Mozambique and Kenya, and Brother Matthan Gray is heading to the Philippines. And now, we say, "Go forth, dear brothers and spread the Good Seed" and may we all help in watering the fertile soil by doing what we can - Sending our Testimonies? Do the Missionaries need our offerings? Most of our brethren rely on our financial help. I don't think I have met a wealthy missionary vet. But they step out in faith, that the Lord will meet their financial needs. None of us are self sufficient. We all make up the Body of our Lord Jesus! And that reminds me, Joan and I desire to give to our brothers working for our Lord in P.N.G. and in Sth. Africa. Here we are, Lord. Use us!

Our Committee Members, Bros. Adrian Gray, Bruce McCorkindale, Malcolm Ferris join me in wishing you all God's richest blessings.

Bro. Charles - Editor

## $\sim$ Keep Walking with the Lord $\sim$

The Scripture tells the story of

Enoch long ago

Who walked with God and was not –

Yet no one seemed to know

That he had been translated,

That death he should not see,

But walked off with his Saviour, into Eternity

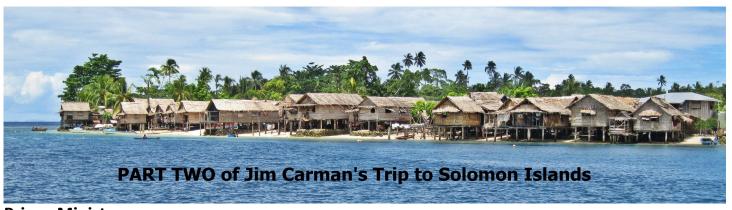
#### Chorus:

Keep walking with the Lord, Believing every Word
And do not set your heart on man made creeds
Let Jesus be your guide
When squeezed on every side
He will lift you far above On Eagle Wings.

One day, God's servant, Moses,
obeying Kis command'
Went up the distant summit
To view the promised Land
The people in the valley
beheld his face no more
For he had gone forever to his eternal shore

When God did send Kis Prophet,
Brother Branham here below
Ke started a great revival
o'er all the earth to go
And then this seventh angel,
God's Message did proclaim
The Bride to get in order,
O Glory to Kis Name!

Let us all pray for our brothers — Richard Oliver in Africa, Derek Donaldson and Adrian Gray in P.N.G., Malcolm Ferris in Vanuatu and Matthan Gray in the Philippines.



#### Prison Ministry.

Last year, Brother Alfius took me to the maximum security section of the Honiara prison, and twenty gave all their old rubbish heart to Jesus and received a "nufella" heart from Jesus. Alfius said they have all been going forward for God. This year, I went twice to the same prison, but we were allocated different sections. First visit - at the Juvenile section, four boys came, all accepted the Word and gave all their heart to Jesus. Two hugged and thanked me for sharing the Word to them.

On my last Sunday, it was the medium security section, another three were saved and several healed. One prisoner, who was saved and healed, was being released the next day. God's timing is really good! Alfius also took me to a minimum security prison south of Honiara, where three fully surrendered to Jesus and a couple were healed.

#### **Guada Canal Native Village.**



Alfius took me to a village in the bush, about 40mins walk down the hill, across a stream, then up a hill. The Lord really moved in this village. There were some present who still worshipped the creation rather than the Creator.

At the first meeting, I was led to call a young man forward. After first hesitating, he came and gave everything to Jesus. Little did I



know that his grandmother had come forward with two prayer requests; healing for herself and salvation for this boy. One request was met before praying for her. Two other young men from this first meeting, gave their heart to Jesus during my second visit. Jesus was present to heal during both these meetings, and at least nine gave their heart to Jesus.

#### House Meetings at Lengakiki District.

At a meeting at Alfius' home, his wife made a full commitment to Jesus. Also his brother-in-law, who was Catholic, gave his life to Jesus.

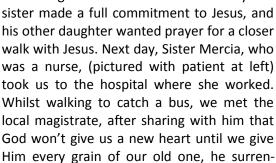
After this meeting, Alfius took me by a short-cut (up and down hill) through the area, back to brother Brian's home for another meeting. By the time we arrived it was dark. However, we located the meeting place, when we heard people singing and praying further down the road. After ministering (in Pijin English), a family who were visiting from Auki, Malaita, were healed by the power of God. The husband (Michael) of back injuries, his wife (Mercia) of a stomach ulcer, and the daughter of an intense fear. They said that I must visit Auki and stay with them. I was intending to visit Auki, but knew of nowhere to stay.

#### Auki, Malaita Island.

The first night, we had a house meeting with Brother Michael's family. His



sister made a full commitment to Jesus, and his other daughter wanted prayer for a closer walk with Jesus. Next day, Sister Mercia, who was a nurse, (pictured with patient at left) took us to the hospital where she worked. Whilst walking to catch a bus, we met the local magistrate, after sharing with him that God won't give us a new heart until we give



Anglican Minister and wife

At the hospital, I prayed for seven of Sister Mercia's patients. They were all healed and saved. One old lady was healed of gouty arthritis and hearing problems. (In picture on previous page) I told a man, who was visiting his wife, that he needed to give all his heart to Jesus. After some hesitation, he did. I later found out that he was an Anglican minister. When Mercia returned to work two days later, they had all been discharged.

Next morning, two younger brothers of Sister Mercia were saved and delivered. One could not sleep all night, and was going to visit the local minister, but instead came to his sister's home. The other was saved and delivered from a tribal curse, and immediately began praising God.



Lawrence gives his heart to Jesus (Sister Mercia's younger brother)

#### **Seventh Day Adventist Village (SDA)**

Last year I had visited a SDA village, where three had accepted Jesus. This trip I visited twice. At the first visit, six accepted Jesus, including two grandmothers. Brother George (who spoke their native tongue) prayed for the first grandmother, but told me to pray for the other grandmother. I had ministered in a mixture of English and Pijin English, and perceived that her understanding of English was limited.

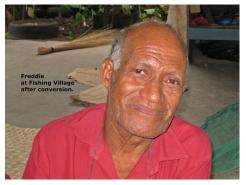
Now I needed to lead her in prayer, in Pijin English. After prayer her face really lit up, God had helped me with the language, she was saved. As we were about to leave, I was asked to pray for an uncle, who was a SDA Elder. He had a very bad back, but I told him that his heart was worse than his back, and that he needed to give it all to Jesus. He gave it all. I was being called to come to the taxi, but told them to wait, while I asked our Lord Jesus to heal the man's back. I then told him that he was healed, and commanded him to get up. He got up healed.

The last Saturday night, I returned to the SDA village. Fred from a nearby village was waiting for me. After I explained God's provided way to salvation, he told me, "This is what I need", and he gave everything to Jesus. Immediately he wanted to take me to his village, but his cousin told me to stay and talk to more of her "wantok" (relatives), five more gave their heart to Jesus. Brother Fred then took me to his village, which is known as the main "Beetle Nut" market,

Fred Talo's "wantok" (relatives) at Kukum

Satan's territory. As we entered, brother Fred walked up to the security guards and told them to get rid of all the religious rubbish in their minds and hearts, and get right with

and hearts, and get right with Jesus. I just listened. Bro. Fred was on fire for God. They were almost in tears. It was getting dark when we arrived at brother Fred's home. Six of his family gave their life to Jesus and two were healed. Bro. Fred said I should have come earlier and gone from house to house and taken the village for Jesus.



These are some of the things that I was blessed to see our Lord Jesus do in the Solomon Islands.

Pray for me, the Lord willing, I want to return soon and follow up the good contacts made during these trips. There is a hunger for the true Word of God for this day.



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### Prayer Requests

Bro Matthan Gray will be in the Philippines from April 13 to May 9. He will be ministering at the international youth camp on April 22, at Brother Bonie Tamayo's during Easter and at various other churches afterwards.

Pray for those gathering for the New Zealand National Convention being held at Lakes Ranch Rotorua over the second weekend of April.

Pray for the believers and the people of Japan at this time of heartache and hardship.





## ~Faith - Our approach to God~

But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him. Hebrews 11:6

This verse shows us firstly the imperative value of

faith, for without it there is no possibility of pleasing God. So without faith we can forget about a rapture for a start, for Enoch had this testimony: that he pleased God.

Secondly, we are given the prerequisites for a correct approach to God: you must believe that He is, also that He is a rewarder of the diligent seeker of Him.

Now in this twofold description of God we are given a complete view of God as to His attributes and His nature. For in understanding that He is, we see that He is the "I AM", not was or will be. He is a present tense unchanging God, and it is exactly this immutability that makes Him I AM, for if He cannot and does not change, then what He was, is what He is, and always will be, therefore He is I AM. This then is the attribute of His omniscience (all-knowing), because if He is omniscient then He knew the beginning from the end before anything ever came forth. His first decision is final and therefore He cannot change it.

We get a glimpse of this in the first word used to name God: Elohim, which means the strong one, bound by an oath. This oath was His own Word, which is the declaration of His own will to fulfill His own purpose. His oath is binding because He is omniscient; therefore, He can with confidence declare it and it cannot change, for He does not change. In addition, we are told that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. This shows us that He is able to perform His promises, that He is the strong one who is omnipotent (all powerful). In other words, He does not make a promise that He cannot or will not keep. He is able to perform that which He has committed Himself to by His Word.

Now these two attributes serve to give us confidence in Him, for if we know that He cannot nor does not change then we can be certain of His actions and the outcomes, and we can truly be certain, for He is also well able to perform His Word. However, omnipotence tells

us nothing of His intentions towards us, of His objectives and motives relative to us. We can know that He is the mighty One who creates and destroys. We can know that He is the all-wise one who cannot fail, because of His supreme knowledge, but we do not yet know Him in any way that is either personal or beneficial to us.

However, when we see that His intention towards us is for good and not evil, that He is a rewarder, then we can begin to know His true nature as a God of love. His omnipotence is not with a view to instill terror or fear, but to inspire hope and assurance, because that power is for us and not against us. And it is this, first and foremost, that is powerful towards helping our faith, for we truly perceive that all things are working together for our good, even the trials and tests that come before us. And God is a good God and will deliver us through all of these things, then our faith can stand sure and unmoving. Then only can we rejoice in tribulations and count it all joy to have our goods spoiled. Of course, knowing that God is both all-powerful and all knowing helps us considerably. These two unchanging and unchangeable features of our God give us strong consolation to lay hold upon the hope set before us.

It is imperative that we know these things about Him, and that we know our God. We can see therefore that the revelation of Jesus Christ - through which God is known, is central to our faith and that Christ is the center of the revelation to the believer. Indeed Christ is the foundation upon which our faith is built, the rock upon which the Church of God is founded.

On a final note, He is not the rewarder of those who casually seek Him, but those who are diligent, and who persevere through faith. Those who having done all to stand, are determined to continue to stand and take a calculated risk upon His Word and its effectiveness to them.

God bless you. Brother Malcolm Ferris

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## ~Jehovah Jireh~

#### Brother William Branham – CA 03-26-57

Notice, quickly, now. We're coming down to the end. After while to show how God did, one day when Abraham was setting out there under the tent. Sarah his wife, a beautiful woman, although old, real old and stricken in age... Abraham was setting out under his oak. And one day he saw three Men coming with dust on Their clothes. But there was something down in Abraham that recognized Who that was. It was God and two Angels. That's right. They walked up to him and Abraham said, "My Lord, come, sit down under the tree. Let me fetch a little water and wash Your feet, and let me bring a morsel

of bread; and refresh Yourself, and then be on Your journey. For this cause You came by to see me." And he ran in, said, "Sarah, knead just a little meal, or sift it out, put some bread on the hearth and make some cake." He ran out to the herd and got a fat calf, killed it, let a servant dress it.

36 And he come out there... And I'd imagine, like we used to in Kentucky, have an old fly bush to keep the flies away (And, how many knows what a fly bush is? My, my. All right.)--and keep the flies away. And Abraham standing there after he had washed Their feet... And They stood and ate the meat of the calf, drank the milk from the

cow, and the butter and ate corn bread. And One of Them was Almighty God. I said that to a person not long ago; they said, "Billy, do you mean to tell me that you believe that that was God?" I said, "The Bible said it was." He said, "How could you imagine God coming down with dirt on His clothes and so forth, and stand there and eat that meat?" I said, "You just don't know God." God is a Creator. Yes, sir. He had His back turned to the tent like that. And when He told Abraham what He was going to do, why, Sarah laughed. He said, "Why did Sarah laugh?" Now, you unbeliever, is that mental telepathy? What touched back there in the tent? Sarah said, "I didn't laugh." He said, "Oh, yes, you did laugh too." Certainly He did.

Walked right out and disappeared. You know what it was? Here's my opinion of it. God came down, and He was going down to see the sins of Sodom and Gomorrah. The only thing He done was get Him a little handful of calcium, potash, petroleum, cosmic light, said, "Phew. Come here, Gabriel; step in this." (That's right.), walked over and got Him another handful and put Michael on the other side, and just got a handful and stepped in it Himself, and was hungry because He had a body to hunger in, and then turned right around and vanished it right back, to come down to bring His Message. I'm so glad that my God is that kind of a God. What does it make any difference what happens to this old body, someday He will

speak and it'll come from the dust of the earth. Sure. Showing what He could do... He's God. And when He just spoke it, and there was a body, absolutely. Someday He will call and I'll rise from the dust of the earth. Watch Him, what He told Abraham. Said, "Look down and count the sands of the sea." He said, "I can't." "Look up and count the stars." He said, "I can't." From dust to stars: the resurrection, the seed of Abraham. From the dust of the earth to the stars in glory (Hallelujah.), Christ is the Morning Star, brightest, the Fairest of ten thousand, there He is, the Lily of the valley, the bright and morning Star.

How He told Abraham what would 38 happen, how He took Sarah, there, turned around and made a young woman out of her. He made a young man out of Abraham, standing there. Now, look, you might disagree with this. But I want to ask you something, brother, before you criticize it. Now, we know that Sarah was ninety years old and Abraham was a hundred. They'd lived together all these years, and she was barren. Now, we know if God was going to give birth to a child through Sarah, He would have to make her fertile again. Is that right? All right. They didn't

smoke cigarettes in them days like women do now and can't raise their babies on the breast. They have to put them on bottles. They didn't have bottles in those days. So in order to--to make her again so she could nurse her baby, He had to create milk veins and fix her over so the baby could nurse. Right? Now, I want to ask you; I'm your brother. You listen to a doctor. This is flat before a mixed audience, but I--I want you to understand as your brother. How could that woman go in labour with a heart that old? Couldn't do it, so He had to put a new heart in her. Know what He done? He never did that. He made a new woman out of her to show what He was going to do. I can see as He proved it by the Bible. The Bible's writ--so you have to read between the lines now.

Notice. Look at Abraham. Now, I can see him old with his staff in his hand, whiskers hanging way down, a hundred years old, one morning woke up and Sarah said, "Dad, the hump's going out of your back." He sure... He took God at His promise. "Your hair is turning back black again." Why, he said, "Sarah, your eyes are beginning to look lovely, like the dove again." And you know what God did, He turned them both back to a young man and woman. Now, you say, "Now, Brother Branham, you've met..." No, He did too. Watch to see what He did. Now, they took a journey from where they was (Mark it on your map.) down to the Philistine land, to Gerar, which is about three hundred miles. Quite a trip for an old



grandma hundred years old. And the strange thing when she got there, Abimelech the--the king was hunting him a sweetheart. And all those pretty Philistine girls around there, when he saw this old, hundred year old grandma come, he said, "That's the one I've waited for." Little grandma with a shawl over her shoulder, little dust cap, and all them pretty girls there, and here she comes down. And Abimelech said, "That's the one I've waited for. I want her."

40 Abraham said, "Now, --you tell him that I--I'm your brother." What would he have to do that for an old grandma hundred years old? See, God had turned her back to a young woman. That's what He's going to do to every one of the seed of Abraham one of these days. He's only showing what He was going to do. There God turned her back to a young woman, and made her well, and a beautiful young woman, when they said she was the most beautiful woman in the land. That's what He's going to do for every woman and man that's here, that's a seed of Abraham, that's been borned again. Someday this old body will be changed. Certainly. You'll go back again. God was showing what He was going to do.

41 Now, notice what happened. One day, God said, "Abraham, there's going to be some meetings down in about 1956 and '57. I want to prove to the people what I'm going to do. Now, I told you I was going to make you a father of nations. When you was an old man I give you this child. Now, I want you to take this thy only..." But an ordinary man, even today when we got gasoline feet, only walk twenty, twenty-five miles a day. Well now, he went--he went three day's journey from civilization. That would be about seventy-five miles back into the desert. And then he saw the mountain far off. Now, watch him when he comes to it. Gets right up close to the mountain, and he stops the little mule. And I can hear him as he begins to take the wood off of the mule, fix his little fire in his hand, lays the wood up on Isaac's back. And he said to the servant; he said, "You stay here, while the lad and I go yonder to worship. The lad and I will return." Oh, my. How's he going to do it? It's not his question to ask. It's what it is, to believe God made the promise.

He said, "I received him as one from the dead; God's able to raise him up from the dead." There you are. Oh, I love that, "The lad and I will return," Genesis 22. And we watch. He laid the wood on Isaac's back, perfect type of God in Christ, as Christ packed His own altar up the hill. Here goes little Isaac up, and he begins to get curious, and he said, "Papa?" He said, "Yes, my son? Here I am." He said, "We got the wood, and we got the fire, but where is the lamb that you're going to offer?" Could you imagine that father with his only son as he walked up the hill with him, without a quiver in his voice he said, "My son, God will provide for Himself a lamb for the sacrifice." There you are. See, he was still believing. He knowed Who God was, and He was able to keep His Word. Do you believe that, tonight? Can God keep His Word? If He doesn't, He's not God. If He does, then it's worth everything to turn loose and take God at His Word. Now, as he went on up the hill, little Isaac wondering where is that lamb coming from. "Papa ain't got no lamb; there's no lambs up here." He got up there and built the altar, laid the wood, clave it and laid it across, got the fires a burning, went back and got his own son. He loved God better than he loved his own son.

43 Brother if you ever amount to anything, you've got to love God better than your wife, your husband, your children, your pastor, yeah, everything that there is; you've got to love God first. God gets first place. We give Him about tenth place. But He deserves the best we got and the first we got, and all we got. But he tied his hands behind him, laid him up on the rock, pulled out the big knife, and raked the locks back from his face. Could you imagine? He looked up towards heaven, raised up his hand, as he pulled the head back of little Isaac, and was about to plunge this great knife into his little jugular veins in his throat to take his own son. And just as he started to come down with the knife, there was a Voice from heaven spoke. And the Holy Ghost grabbed his hand and said, "Abraham, stay your hand." Amen. God's right on the moment. The Hebrew children stepped right into the fiery furnace. But there was One there like the Son of man. God's in no hurry. You're the one that gets in a hurry, not God. God's right on time. Oh, brother, He's right on time. Let the rockets fly, the atomic bombs, the hydrogens; God's right on time. The church is going home one of these days right on time. Yes, sir.

44 As he started to plunge that knife, God caught his hand, said, "Abraham, stay your hand, for I see now that you love Me," making a double test. And about that time, a ram, behind him was hooked into the wilderness by his horns. Think of it. I want to ask you something, brothers. Where did that ram come from? Now, look. He's at least seventy-five to a hundred miles from civilization, in a country where hyenas and wolves and lions... Seventyfive miles from civilization, and besides that, he's way up on top of a mountain, where there's no water or nothing for the ram to be up there. Where did that ram come from? You know what it was? The same God that made Him a body to step in to talk to Abraham, spoke that ram into existence. For He is Jehovah-jireh, "the Lord will provide for Himself a lamb for the sacrifice."

It wasn't a vision. No, sir. He laid the ram on the altar, cut its throat, and the blood run out of it. Jehovah-jireh spoke a living lamb into existence and he died the next minute. For He's Jehovah-jireh; He can do whatever He desires to do. And He will do all things that He promised to do. He has to do it to be Jehovah-jireh. He's our provided Sacrifice. God has provided us a Sacrifice. And He's just as real tonight. He can speak you into good health. He can speak you in from a sinner to a Christian. He can do anything that you believe that He will do for you.

## ~And, lo, there was a great Earthquake~

Brother Vin Dayal – Pt 8

SHOUT:- See, the opening of the Seals. VOICE:"I will return according to the time of life; I'll ride this

trail once more, and Sarah will have a visitation. She will get some "Dunamis". Hallelujah! She'll receive strength to conceive seed. She will see that she is the channel; she will bring forth the promise." Amen. Glory. Then what happens? And then the promised son comes on the scene. The last Trump. Shout, Voice and Trump.

In the middle of the Bible He opened Seven Seals – Matthew 24. That's the Shout – open the Seven Seals. When He died on the cross and He cried with a loud voice, and the Old Testament saints awoke, that's the Voice of the Archangel. And then they were all gath-

ered up and taken up into glory. He led captivity captive. They ascended on high. Is that right? Under the Trump, He took them off the earth.

So here we see in this day: **Shout** – He opened the Seven seals. Then there's **a Voice of the Archangel** – will be the same Voice that called Lazarus from the grave. Amen. Will be the same Voice, amen, in the public crucifixion, when the squeeze comes. Amen. Because it was when He was publicly crucified, when the Masterpiece was smitten.

There is a building of the Masterpiece, there is a revealing of the Masterpiece, there's a smiting of the Masterpiece, and there's a ministry of the Masterpiece. Oh Hallelujah! The Masterpiece was built on the fourth foundation: Luther, Wesley, Pentecost and Malachi 4. Then there is to be a Bride in the Bride Age. Then there's to be a super Church. Then there's to be a building of the Masterpiece. Amen.

And from 1965 has been a building of the Masterpiece. Then there will be an unveiling of the Masterpiece. Because the Word Herself will take the Word Itself and prove a greater than Sarah is here; a greater then Rebekah is here; a greater than Ruth is here, a greater than Rahab is here, a greater than Esther is here. Hallelujah! Because all these women were mysteries unfolding the life and ministry of the feminish spirit of the Bride.

Seven Church Ages building up the Bride, each age producing part of the mystery. But then, at the end of the Seven Church Ages, in the Bride Age, all Seven Spirits become one Spirit – the Token. Hallelujah! All Seven mysteries become One mystery – Christ. Christ is the mystery, Christ in Bride form; Jesus in Bride form, in the Bride Age, in the Bride Coming.

That is not just a slogan. It is the Rising of the

Sun, he says, "The Bride Coming of Christ." Invisible Union he says, "Jesus in Bride Form." In Leadership he

says, "The Bride Age." Bride Age, Bride Form, Bride Coming. Same God Who was above us, same God Who was with us, same God in us. Not the corporal body; human flesh, the mystical body. A Body ministry on the earth. Hallelujah. Glory!

So, this great ministry of the Son of man, we see how it comes. **Shout:-** open the Seven Seals. **Voice:-** The resurrection, the public crucifixion. And then the **Trump:-** the call to the Wedding Supper, to be taken off the earth. So we are proving those things here for you.

I'm trying to show you three pulls – all ministries have three pulls. Son of man comes three times and does the same thing at each coming, amen. They all end with **an Earthquake and a Resurrection.** All are Shout, Voice and Trump. Coming of the Son of man is the mystery of the Seventh Seal, the coming of the Lord; His Appearing and His Coming – opening it up. See? The Lord appeared to Abraham. It was a time of investigation judgement.

Now let's look at something here. You listen close now. Take the two comings...first two comings, because those first two comings, to Abraham and Abraham's natural seed, is a type of the coming to the royal seed. We are the royal seed from all nations. "In thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed."

In Paul's time it was only out there in Asia Minor. In Irenaeus and Martin in France; Columba in Europe; Luther in Germany; Wesley in England. See? But this message, Amen, brother, has gone around the world. "This gospel must be preached in to all nations, and then shall the end come." Amen. "She will prophesy to many nations, kindred, tongues and tribes." Why? Because this is the age when he saw the Bride coming -Onward Christian Soldiers - from all the nations, hallelujah, to fulfil the promise that He spoke to Abraham. It's now being fulfilled. It wasn't fulfilled down through the ages, but it's now being fulfilled in the last days; a super Race, the family in heaven and the family on earth. Hallelujah! The dispensation of the fullness of times when He is gathering all things in Christ. Amen. Hallelujah.

So if we look at those two: the first coming to Abraham and His coming to Abraham's natural seed. If those two constitute the full picture and hold the mystery of what is happening today, we will know how we are walking into the promises.

Let's look at it. There was an investigation judgement – Abraham – the first coming to Abraham, there was an investigation judgement. The appearing of the Lord. Has there been an investigation judgement here? There has been the Supreme Judge. Abraham said, "You are the Judge of all the earth. Will the Judge of all the earth destroy the righteous with the wicked?" He said, "No".

Have we seen the Supreme Judge, the Judge of all the earth? Has He appeared in this investigation judgement? Then there was a last sign before the change, knowing the secrets of the heart. Have we seen that? Amen. Then there's a revealing of the hidden mysteries: "Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do?" An opening of the Seven Seals in Matthew 24. Have we seen the opening of the Seals in reality form?

Then there's a promise of a second ride: "I will return according to the time of life. I must go, but the Comforter will come. I'll come again to you." Amen.

Are we seeing that? It was there. Amen. Have we seen a Voice of the Archangel? He cried with a loud voice, and the Old Testament saints arose.

Was there a mercy seat in the Bride back there? When Elohim was being revealed as Judge, Abraham was standing in the gap, pleading, an intercessor in the hour of judgement. Hallelujah! "If there be fifty, would You spare the city? If there is forty, would You spare it?" Glory! Showing there's to be a mercy seat in the Bride here.

Was there a mercy seat in plain view that day on Calvary? As well, when He comes to the natural seed. Amen. Glory! Was there a preaching to the lost? Elohim went down to Sodom – that was the Third Pull, that was the finish. Jesus went down into hell – that was the finish.

When He comes to Abraham, when He comes to Abraham's natural seed...Is there to be a preaching to the lost here? Then, when will it take place? If we can see where it fits there, we know where it's gonna fit here. That was to reveal it here.

So we are not walking blindly; we are walking right in step with the Word. We are in step to the rhythm of the Word. The great symphony of God's drama is unfolding. We are not just coming to church; we are caught up in the mystery: the coming of the Lord. It is happening.

Was there a public crucifixion and an earthquake when He came to Abraham's natural seed? Sure there was. Amen. See? Back there too there was a public ... The Sodomites rejected the first pull, rejected the second pull. Lot was the first pull; the Angel was the second pull; and Elohim went down for the finish, and they were doomed. And then the earthquake sunk them. Is that right?

The Roman power united with the churches who couldn't believe together. Sadducees believed one thing, Pharisees believed one thing. They all came together and united, and then they gave their power and their support

to the Roman power to bring the persecution. Is that the Bible? Is that happening here?

Was there a perversion of flesh back there, those Sodomites? Do we have the same perversion of flesh back here? Given over to vile affections, to do unseemly things with their bodies; reprobate minds — can't retain God in their knowledge. Because they have no love for the Truth, they believe the lie; they have pleasure in unrighteousness. Glory Exactly. See?

Was there a coming of the promised Son back there? Did Sarah and Abraham receive the promised son? Are we going to receive this promised Son, be caught up to meet Him in the air too? Sure. Glory!

Now watch. Was the Gentile world burnt with fire back there? Is the Gentile world to be burnt with fire here? See? So on and on we could go like that, just to show you those two comings of the Son of man, to Abraham and to Abraham's natural seed, hold the mystery of all that is happening in this hour.

Now, why am I saying that now? I'm saying that for this purpose, if that ministry of the Son of Man started in 1946...Don't get confused with wrong theology; people say it started in 1963. Who is the young rabbi going out to heal the sick? When he was doing the discernment, when he began to thin down the crowd. See?

Notice how I said that just now – signs of the Son of Man, message of the Son of man; gifts of the Son of Man, Person of the Son of Man; Voice of the sign, the Giver and the gifts; the part they could impersonate and the part they cannot impersonate. See? So you watch how it comes all the way. See? And then the Third Pull.

Catch this, now. I told you it's gonna be a little deep here for you, now. See? You're trained in the Word. I told you, you have some of the finest ministers right here in the country, too.

Now, watch. The third pull has three parts.

Spoken Word – Let there be a squirrel"-third pull.

Opening of the Word, revealing the mysteries – that's the third pull. Preaching to the lost – third pull.

Jesus, in Matthew 17, "If you say to this mountain...No man eat from this tree any more."

Spoken Word. Speak to the storm, "Peace be still",

Spoken Word. See? Then Matt 24 – He opened the Word.

Then Matt. 27, He went into hell and preached to the lost

Preaching to the lost.

Watch the continuity how it comes. It doesn't come preaching to the lost first, then opening of the Word after. No, it comes opening the Word first, after the Spoken Word. 1959 – "If you say to this mountain". 1957 – "Little fishie, Jesus Christ gives you back your life". 1959 – "Let there be a squirrel here". 1959 – "Sister Hattie, receive your two boys".

Matthew 24 – Opening of the Seven Seals; 1963 – Seven Seals opened up. Amen.

To be continued

## Knowing the will of God - The Harbour Lights



Excerpts from a message by Brother Pearry Green - One in Seven Billion (T10-1219E) Brother Branham said "One of the greatest, hardest things to learn to know, Brother Green, is whether you're in the will of God or not". And that's when he told me the story about the three red lights...Brother Branham told me this story about this sea captain sailing this ship into the narrow hazardous harbour on a dark night. And the passengers were concerned. "How do you know you're going in at the right place - this is a treacherous thing" and he said "well you see that light over there on the bank, and there was one red light over there, "Now watch it" and he turned the ship off course, and when the ship was off course there were three red lights. And then when he turned the ship back on course and you could only see one light, he said "then I know I've got all three lights lined up". There's only one way it can go and that's right in the harbour....and Brother Branham said line up the three lights.....Brother Branham said the first thing to know something is the will of God, there will be no scripture against it. For example, you want to have a dance hall a liquor joint, there's scripture against it, you know that's not the will of God, no need to argue about it. Say you want to be a missionary, "Go ye into all the world preach the gospel" there's scripture for it – you've got the first light.

The second light Brother Branham told me is" If God wants you to do something Brother Pearry, He'll give you a desire to do it". He wont tell somebody else to tell you, that way then you're "man sent". So many people they go "I think you ought to do this, I think you ought to do that", and then you get off out there and you get in trouble. You're not persuaded, you don't have revelation, you don't have direction from God, you're dependent on somebody else's leadership. Next thing you know "Am I right? am I wrong? But brother Branham told me that if God wants you to do something He will give you the desire to do it. It wont be somebody else talking you into it. Now folks that's important. You are looking for the will of God in your life, not somebody else's. Now it's scriptural and you've got a desire to do it.

Now the third one Brother Branham simply said the circumstances will allow it to happen. You know I went to Bible school with young people who wanted to

**Above -** A harbour entrance - our example (Port Taranaki NZ)

**Below** - the red light beacons on the shore that the captain or pilot will line up to make a safe entry.



be missionaries. The scripture's OK, they had a desire, but once they got out of school they never got an appointment. No organisation hired them, they got no supporters and they've never been missionaries....Brother Branham said "If God wants you to do something, Brother Green - He'll pay the bills". He'll provide the way. It's scriptural. God gave you a desire, and here's the wherewithal to do it. And you wont have to beg for it. You wont have to persuade people to support you. If God wants you to go somewhere, if you don't have it, He'll lay it on somebody else's heart [to give it]. He'll provide somehow for you to do that and go do that thing. You want to live there and not here. No scripture against it. You've got a desire to do it, and God gives you the money to pay the rent, (don't expect somebody else - God provides that) - then you go live there. And folks I want to tell you - it's worked in my life - just line up the three lights.

In the message **Trying to Do God a Service** Jeff 65-0718 Brother Branham outlines five musts to consider. "No matter how sincere a man may be in doing God a service – these five must be there: It's got to be His time, His season (when He said it would be), and the man that He chose, and it must come to the prophet; and the prophet must be a vindicated prophet".

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## Fellowship On The Mystery

**Bro Ron Millevo** 

Greetings to one and all! It is my true observation that though we may not be of the same colour nor of the same race or nationality, but we, members of the Bride of Jesus Christ worldwide, have one common denominator – and that is the Revealed Word of the Hour. We may never have known nor seen each other before but we have the same supernatural language and supernatural understanding that sets us apart from other people in the world and which binds us all in Christian love. Such heavenly knowledge is producing an invisible union amongst the members of the Bride today as she approaches her full maturity, molding each member unto perfection, until we all come in the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ, as Ephesians 4:13 states. It has been God's will to reveal His Word to us, His elect. Jesus in Mark 4:11-12 always spoke in parables to hide it from the eyes of the wise and the prudent. "And He said unto them, Unto you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God: but unto them that are without, all these things are done in parables: that seeing they may see, and not perceive; and hearing they may hear, and not understand."

Apostle Paul spoke of the same concept in I Cor. 2:6-8 saying, "Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought: But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery\_wisdom, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory."

Such revelation of God's mystery to us His elect is indeed given to establish us in the faith, for faith itself is a revelation and the whole church of God is built upon this rock of revelation. "Now to Him that is of power to establish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began, but now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets.." (Rom. 16:25-26) "...that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ; and to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God..." (Eph. 3:8-12)

Yet God's mystery, before it could ever reach the understanding of His people, is always handed down by God first to His prophets or messengers. Amos 3:7 states, "Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but He revealeth his secret\_unto his servants the prophets." Revelation 10:7-" But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets."

We all indeed received today's revelations

through the prophet of Malachi 4 and God's seventh angelmessenger of Revelation 10:7. That, is our common denominator. There is again another people in the land today, who under their messenger, will be the final voice to the final age. As she gets the true revelation of herself as being Mrs. Jesus Christ, and that she can do the



greater works that Jesus said she will do (John 14:12). She will be an invincible army. She is a part of the great three-fold mystery of God: God revealed in Christ, Christ revealed in the Bride, and Eden being restored back again in the Millennium for Christ and His Bride to live in.

Five of the **major mysteries** that the Bride of Christ has been enlightened with are as follows:

- (1) The Mystery of the **Bride** as revealed in **Eph. 5:31-32**-"For this cause shall a **man** leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his **wife**, and they two shall be **one flesh**. This is *a great mystery*:\_but I speak concerning *Christ and the church*.
- (2) The Rapture Mystery in I Cor. 15:51-54 "Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be\_changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality."
- (3) The Mystery of the Bridegroom in I Tim. 3:16 "And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God\_was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory."
- (4) The Mystery of the Seven Church Ages and her seven messengers in Rev. 1:20, "The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches."
- (5) The Mystery of God's Arch-enemy as found in 2 Thess. 2:7-8 and Revelation 17. 5 "For the *mystery of iniquity* doth already work: only He who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. And then shall *that Wicked be\_revealed*, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of His mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming..." "And upon her forehead was a name written, *MYSTERY*, *BABYLON THE GREAT*, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH."

Brother Ron Millevo Philippines www.endtimemessage.info

## The History of APRONS~

Do our children know what an 'Apron' is?

The principal use of Grandma's Apron was to protect the dress underneath because she only had a few + It was because it was easier to wash aprons than dresses, and aprons used less material + But along with that, it served as a Potholder for removing hot pans from the oven + It was wonderful for

drying children's tears, and on occasion was even used for cleaning our dirty ears + From the chicken coop, the apron was used for carrying eggs, fussy chicks, and sometimes half-hatched eggs to be finished in the warming oven + When company came, those aprons were ideal hiding places for shy kids + And when the weather was cold, Grandma wrapped it around her arms + Those big old aprons wiped many a perspiring brow, bent over the hot wood stove + Chips and kindling wood were brought into the kitchen in that apron + From the garden, it carried all sorts of vegetables.

+ After the peas had been shelled, it carried out the hulls + In the fall, the apron was used to bring in apples that had fallen from the trees + When unexpected company drove up the road, it was surprising how much furniture that old apron could dust in a matter of seconds + When dinner was ready, Grandma walked out onto the porch, waved her apron, and the men folk knew it was time to come in from the fields to dinner. It will be a long time before someone invents something that will replace that 'old-time apron' that served so many purposes. REMEMBER: Grandma used to set her hot baked apple pies on the window sill to cool. Her granddaughters set theirs on the window sill to thaw. They would go crazy now trying to figure out how many germs were on that apron.

don't think I ever caught anything from an apron but – LOVE.



### God sees, God knows, God cares.

"Now, some of you give us some oranges and some grapefruit. One brother sent us a box of shells, and a little lamps and things to take home, many little things like that.

My boy told me someone give him a little special offering of a check a while ago. Sent one... Another fellow sent one in to make up the expenses. God seen every bit of that. He knows right where it... Many of you'd like to do it and you can't do it. God sees that just the same (See?); He knows." DO YOU NOW BELIEVE WEST PALM BEACH FL 12-06-53 Evening

## **Middle East: At This Time**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ;

Though dramatic events continue to unfurl in the Middle East, it is not the change of governments in Egypt, or Libya or any other Arab state that we were told to watch. It is how these events specifically relate to God's timepiece, Israel - and the beast of Rome, that gives us our "clues" to God's time.

A recent event unfolded that may have escaped the attention of many. It is one of enormous proportions in terms of end-time prophecy. As one journalist penned; "On the margins of the dramatic events worldwide, we saw a small, seemingly insignificant news story about the Pope exonerating the Jews of killing Jesus. On the face of it, this is a rather unspectacular story in the midst of a Middle Eastern storm, with regimes collapsing and the world changing right before our eyes. The preoccupation with who's at fault for the death of Jesus appears archaic, academic and detached. Nonetheless, this headline is especially significant precisely at this time.

Prime Minister Netanyahu in his public response wrote; "I commend you for rejecting in your new book the false claim that was used as a basis for the hatred of Jews for hundreds of years..." The Israeli prime minister added that he hopes; "...the clarity and bravery shown by Benedict will strengthen relations between Jews and Christians worldwide and promote peace in the next generations."

What is so unique about the Pope's statements, is how he added; "...the Church must not concern herself with the conversion of the Jews, since she must wait for the time fixed for this by God, 'until the full number of the Gentiles come in' (Rom 11:25)" This is certainly an important and historic moment for Catholic-Jewish relations, as Pope Benedict XVI is now moving ahead with implementing the second phase of the Vatican II initiatives laid out by the previous Pope John Paul, interestingly enough - dating back to 1965.

It's remarkable to see how the Vatican's actions are directly connected back to the very time when the Prophet was still on earth. Though the prophecy "lingered" these many years, we not only echo Elijah's prophecy, but we are witnessing the fulfillment of these events as well. Yet, we are not to be fooled by these ancient masters of deception. When one looks behind the "skirts" of this Babylonian harlot, her true motives are revealed. At the recent Catholic synod on the Middle East, the Catholic Patriarch of Jerusalem, Monsignor Fouad Twal states; "Israel should be replaced by a new state for Muslims, Jews and Christians..."

Look up Brothers and Sisters - our redemption draweth nigh!

Turkey: It was my pleasure to be in Laodicea, Turkey again this last weekend to minister. What a thrill it is to share the Gospel of love and grace with Muslims whose only concept of God is "FEAR". To answer questions like; "Why did God punish Adam & Eve

in the Garden?" or "...aren't women of the devil because

Eve caused the fall...?" One can see by questions like this, where their minds are and what unique challenges we face here.

How wonderful to show God's love, mercy and His desire to be SAVIOUR. Seeing faces brighten when told the truth of how God, in the body of Jesus Christ, acted out being the "lamb" who was sacrificed to save and redeem those who were condemned. Of course they've never heard anything like that from the Imam in the Mosque – or any denominational preacher. Another truth that touched these Muslim men was of boldly declaring that "God is ONE" – and not a TRINITY! Yasser confessed he'd never heard things like this, nor ever felt such a special "presence". He confessed his desire to ask the Lord Jesus to come into his life to give him the power to live the life he was intended to live.

Lebanon: Please pray for Brother XXXX who has been laid up with an infection. Prior to this he had made an excursion into the far south of

Lebanon to share the Message. The interest in the Word of God was such that he was invited to return. Your support and prayers also enable Brother XXXX and Bro XXXX to dedicate themselves to translating the Church Age book into Arabic - a first.

Syria: There was also recent outreach and follow up ministry in Syria. New opportunities were presented as new places were visited to preach the Word. A Pastor of a more "formal" church who we've been ministering to, has expressed his desire to have more concentrated meetings. Please pray for us as we make plans for this and also for this Pastor "D", who like the rich young ruler, will have to eventually choose between the popularity, position and riches he now enjoys — or to wholeheartedly follow the Truth.

lran: As featured in the last report, we were indeed thankful for Brother Berouze's release from prison. Last week the Iranian court ruled on the

charges of "Crimes Against The Islamic Order" against the five who had been arrested and were freed on bail. They are; Behrouz Sadegh-Khandjani; Mehdi Furutan; Mohammad Beliad; Parviz Khalaj; Nazly Beliad. The sentence handed down is that they are to serve one year in prison. They will remain free on bail during the appeal process, which can take weeks or even months. Let us not forget Brother Youcef who still waits in prison for a favourable ruling to his appeal of his death sentence.

Once again we sincerely thank each and every one for your prayers, your encouraging words and also for your unsolicited support that makes our work here in the Middle East possible. We keep pressing on in spite of the rigors and challenges we face as we know the Word of God must be heard here in the Middle East in these closing days of time.

Sincerely your Brother and Sister in Christ,

Brother Tony & Sister Rebekah

## More Mission Opportunities



On the Mission front, Brother Richard Oliver is planning to head back to **Africa**, at the end of April, 2011 and Brother Bruce caught up with him

to find out what he has in store.

#### 1. Where are you headed on this trip Bro Richard?

My plans are to visit and minister to message ministers in Mozambique, as well as in several churches in a 300k radius of Dondo, near Beira. I then go to Kenya to a group of non message ministers.

#### 2. Bro Richard what update can you give us on the work in Africa?

Regarding Uganda, there are now 21 Luganda messages on the Message Hub website at Cloverdale. All of the last ten that we sent earlier this month have been processed

and are now available. Two more translated messages have just been forwarded and they have just finished the layout for the Seven Church Ages.

For Kenya they now have a place for a ministers' library and a third set of materials have just left New Zealand. (Photo at right)

Another project I would like to get underway at the moment, is for a Pastor John in Rwanda who wants to translate the message into the Kinyarwanda language. Rwanda is just to the south of Uganda and when I am in Kenya this May, John is to try to meet me to discuss his plans. This translation has great potential in Rwanda as it is surrounded by; Congo, Uganda, Tanzania, and Burundi. Also, the Kinyarwanda language is common in all those border areas. Consequently Rwanda is an ideal site from which to supply message materials.





## 3. It's great to hear the Luganda translations are available on the Hub over the internet but what about the locals without such access?

As well as the printing done in Kamuli, an hour inland from the source of the Nile, we have equipped **Pastor Robert Kabasi** near Uganda's capital Kampala, with a print station for making messages available in print. He has also been to Rwanda and met with Brother John and they have discussed possibilities and practicalities regarding the Kinyarwanda language. **Pastor Robert** is well acquainted with all that is necessary to operate a print station and he is satisfied that, given the wherewithal, they certainly will produce the goods.

#### 4. So what is required for this to happen?

Overall it's quite a significant project. Firstly on equipment: They require a UPS (uninterrupted power supply), a computer, a small but commercial HP duplex printer, and a suitable generator. They will need programs; Windows, Word, ideally the Table program as well as the Message Hub program for non internet print stations.

Secondly on support: They will need regular funding of an estimated \$700 US per month, to help the two translators and a proof reader. This will enable them to spend time away from crops to do the work, plus cover the cost of petrol for the generator, paper and toner for the printer plus sundry stationery items. (As a guide our Uganda team costs run just over \$1000 a month but Rwanda will be a smaller set-up).

#### 5. How can people get involved if they feel prompted of the Lord?

For the project above, while we would love to do it we do not have the cash at present, maybe a church or someone would like to pick it up and run with this and leave us out, it can be their project, and that would be fine. All we would love to see is the Message being spread.

As I said, in Kenya, Brother Nguri and his helpers, have found a small place which is to be the Ministers' Library in Nyahururu. What is of paramount importance for these ministers to be really effective are message books; ideally either the red set or, if it can be afforded (at a little over \$NZ2,000) a set of Mamalis brown books. We are not able to afford to purchase these at present, but if anyone can offer such books or assist in funding that will be great.

Support can be channelled through the Eltham Message Church, contact:

email richard\_oliver@xtra.co.nz or phone 06 764 7358

Please remember to pray for our brother and the work that is going on in the countries above.

## =The Traditions of Men=

We are all familiar with the word 'Culture'. Culture is simply an internal belief externalised in the way a person lives and acts out their life.

One of the hardest things for a man to do is to change the way he thinks, especially when it comes to his ideas and beliefs. Culture is more caught than taught and is mostly environmentally learnt and absorbed (unconsciously) from a young age. It becomes such a part of a person that the person and their cultural upbringing becomes almost inseparably intertwined. A person 'is' what

he truly believes, and cannot help but act accordingly, and this explains why 'head knowledge' of the scriptures won't change the way we live on the outside. It has to become a faith and a culture within us. If a person is not expressing obedience to the Word in a certain area on the outside, it is because they 'don't fully believe it on the inside'; it hasn't yet become their true personal conviction and belief.

We have all been raised from young children in different natural and religious ways according to the convictions and beliefs of our parents, and these cultures can be for the most part the traditions, philosophies, and the second hand thoughts of other men passed down from previous generations, as the scriptures say ...

"There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death" Proverbs 14:12.

The word of God in this hour has come to wash us free from all man made cultures and traditions by the exposure to the absolute truth of the scriptures as revealed through the seventh angel's message.

In order for us to truly receive and become one with the culture of the fullness of the Word, it takes an inner surrender, repentance (a change of thought), and a dying out to a part of our own personal inner being (death to self). This can be a hard process for people to go through and requires time, patience, a few trials thrown in, and of course the help and guidance of the Holy Spirit. Yet we must die out to our own thinking before we can have a true change in our belief and character, when we truly come into full agreement with the Word over our own personal philosophy then we will automatically express a life lived according to the Word. A sheep grows wool automatically from the inside out. It is the literal life of the Word on display which is the token and the evidence of an inward change, and that is what's required of us in these last days.

It was the tradition of men that caused so much trouble and rejection of the Word when it was made flesh in the form of Jesus of Nazareth resulting in his rejection and crucifixion. Even among our own ranks this can be a problem because of the religious ideas and traditions of our previous denominational fathers that we carry over



into the message. We can unconsciously hold on to and mix in man's traditions with the message of the hour. This will result in hybridization of the original seed that has been restored to us through a prophet's message, and it will kill the effectiveness of the Word to the people and result in a backslidden church.

Our inward cultural beliefs must be washed from all man made conceptions and ideas in order for us to come into a

true relationship, understanding, and fellowship with Christ and for the Word of God to truly have its full effect in our lives.

God has made us all with a different personality and gift to be used for his great purpose. He has put us in different parts of the world and in different cultures to be expressed like beautiful flowers in his diverse garden of humanity. That is wonderful, but never let national, family, or religious culture reign above the Word or take the place of truth in our hearts. Let the old husband of the traditions of men die out from within us and let the Word of God take its full abode in our innermost beings. That is what this Message has come to do for us.

The Word of God in the light of the truth of this hour is designed to wash our minds and hearts of all of the impurities of man's ideas and traditions, may we all bathe in its life giving and cleansing stream. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. PSALM 51:7

God bless you all, and may His divine love find its eternal resting place in your hearts and lives is my prayer.

Your brother in Christ, **Dean Gilchrist. Wanganui** 

"Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit,

After the tradition of men,

After the rudiments of the world,

And not after Christ.

For in Him dwelleth

All the fullness of the Godhead bodily.

And ye are complete in Him,

Which is the head of

All principality and power."

Cal 2:8-10

## ~God has a Provided Way~

Victoria-BC 07-28-62 Brother Branham

## 7. Now, I want to draw from this Scripture reading out of Genesis the 22nd chapter, 8th verse:

"God will provide for Himself a sacrifice." And then in Saint John 12:32, where I've got my note and so forth, and my Scriptures wrote out that I wanted to speak on: "I,

if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all
men unto Me." | want to take a text from
that, "God

has a Provided Way." Now, you know, I'm so glad to know that there is a provided way. See, there's only two ways of anything: that's the right way and the wrong way. And that's your way or God's way. You can't have your own way and be in God's way; and you can't be in God's way and have your own

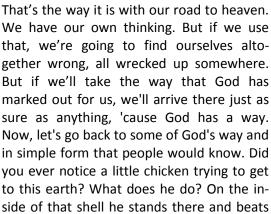
Way. See? So it's one or the other. It's ei-

ther your way or God's way. It's your thoughts or God's Word. See? You have to accept one. You can't take your own thinking. So man was borned a failure, and he's always been a failure. So why try to rely upon your own understanding? Why not take God's way of it, 'cause He always brings you out right. And now when He provides a way and the people doesn't walk in that way, then it's not God's fault.

For instance, a city here, they have semaphore, stop lights; and the city has provided those at dangerous intersections. Well, if that red light comes on and says, "Do not go now," and you run through that red light (See?), you haven't come the provided way. And you get a wreck, don't blame the city. They had the warning there. Don't blame the man that hit you. You did it yourself. See? And see, that's you using your way, or the provided way. For instance, when we start home tomorrow, well, now, what if I said, "Let me see which direction I live in now. I live something east, and south, and so forth. I'm going to take right straight that way and make a short cut, 'cause I've got to hurry home. All right. I'm going to go right straight that way." I'd find myself out here in the Puget Sound somewhere, sunk down in the ocean, or I'd find myself off in some muddy field. I can't do that. If I do, I--I'll never get anywhere. Well, the only way for me to do is get a road map, and there's a... The highways has been provided for me to travel. If I'll just take the road map and follow the road map, I--I'll get there. See? Just follow the markers, I'm bound to come there. It may take me wrong

to my thinking, but the road has already been provided.

9. And now, my thinking, if it's contrary to the way the road's provided, then let me not think of my thinking; let me go the way the signs point, and I'll arrive there.



away at that shell until he gets hisself free. What is it? God's provided way. He had a bill. Before he was ever able to peep on the shell he had a bill, 'cause God provided him a bill to work **in God's provided way**. See? Oh, He's a lovely Father. See, He makes everything just right. First He had to grow a bill on the bird, the fowl, that's borned inside of an egg. He's got to make a way for him to follow the provided way to get out. See how God does? **He makes a provided way.** 

Brother Branham once said to a nurse who was attending a patient who was dying 
"You are looking at the medical equipment;

I am looking at the **Promise**"

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