

The clergy speak out . . .

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"THE SONG OF A CHRISTIAN"

Text: Matt. 26: 30 "And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the Mount of Olives"

In a world wrapped in sorrow with broken hearts, broken health and broken lives—many are made to wonder if there is anything other than sadness and gloom. But when we look in the right direction, we see a multitude of blood-washed saints of God living above the clouds of this present evil world and enjoying all spiritual blessings in Christ Jesus—with the joy of the Lord as their strength and a SONG in their hearts!

It can truly be said that Christianity stands solitary and alone as the Religion of SONG! The Hindu mutters cabalistic sentences, the Confucianist beats a tom-tom, the Moslem shouts from his tower, "to prayer! to prayer!" The Christian makes melody in his heart, singing spiritual songs unto the Lord!

Our first SONG is the song of Salvation. None but a Christian can sing it. No other religion (outside of Christianity) has the cross. No other suggests redemption from sin. We are delivered from the horror of the mislaid past, and rejoice in the hope of everlasting life. Like Israel, we had no song while we were in the dwelling place of sin, but in Exodus 14, we see that God delivered them with a high hand.

With the Red Sea before them, and Pharaoh and his army close behind them—they were filled with fear and anything but a song!—but Moses their leader, called upon God and He heard his cry and delivered them out of all their troubles by issuing their marching orders—"GO FORWARD!"

The angel of the Lord (as a pillar of cloud by day and a fire by night)—which was before them, went behind them—thus obliterating their enemy's view of them. Verses 21 and 22 tell us that when they arrived at the Red Sea, (and Moses obeyed God's command) that the waters parted and walled up on each side and Israel passed through on dry ground, Moses obeyed God's command) that the waters

parted and walled up on each side and Israel passed through on dry ground, (Exodus 15:1,2) (part) "Then SANG Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the Lord and spake, saying, "I will sing unto the Lord. The Lord is my strength and son and He is become my salvation!" David also says, (Ps. 40:2, 3) "He brought me up also out of a horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock," and established my going. And He hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God!"

These songs are fruitful! There is nothing so attractive and propitious such a compelling force to bring unsaved men and women to Christ as a happy, singing, smiling-faced Christian! The Jews, on their way to the annual feasts at Jerusalem, marked the stages of their journey by singing the "Psalms of Degrees."

Incidentally, it shall be my happy privilege to visit the Holy Land shortly and see the hillside where David sang the beautiful Psalms, and also where Jesus, on the night before His crucifixion—"Sang a hymn" with His disciples and then went out to drink the bitter cup of Gethsemane and the cross.

We are pilgrims and strangers, for our citizenship is in Heaven, from whence we look for the Saviour, our Lord, Jesus Christ, and we have no fixed and abiding habitation here, but we desire a better country that is an Heavenly and a city to dwell in—not made with hands eternal in the Heavens. (Heb. 11:10) "The ransomed of the Lord shall—come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away."

When Paul and Silas, imprisoned, sang praises unto God at midnight, God miraculously delivered them and set them free and their songs of praise had such a profound effect upon the jailer that he was converted and became a Christian, one, who whether rich or poor materially, could sing:

"A tent or a cottage, why should I care?
They're building a palace for me over there,
Though exiled from home, yet still I may sing,
"All glory to God, I'm a child of the King!"



ACTON JEHOVAH WITNESSES are busy these days building the new Kingdom Hall on 25 Highway at the town's northern outskirts. The new building is being constructed alongside the old Lorne school which has served as a meeting place for the religious group for several years. (Staff Photo)



Report from Ottawa

by rud whitling

The House continues in session. Discussion centred around the proposed rule changes in House procedures. It had been originally hoped to wind up the business of the House on June 27 and give Members of Parliament an opportunity to get home to their ridings and have a vacation. It was my intention to take two weeks off and then visit with people in the riding. Whether or not, and when, I will be able to do this remains to be seen.

What is actually going on here in Ottawa is a filibuster continuous talk in an attempt to wear down Members by the sheer weight of words. The irony of the whole thing is that the matter under discussion in the House is to prevent such a thing as a filibuster from happening, but the point that is being stressed in the House now is that of parliamentary freedom.

Under the present rules a Member may speak and express his views on any piece of legislation before the House. Under the new proposal this will

Ottawa I find can beat Halton when it comes to summer heat. In fact I have never been as hot in a hay field as I have been on some of the days here this week. The trouble in the House is that we are talking and not making hay.

Strange to say neither I, nor other Members to whom I have talked, are receiving much play back from our constituents as to what is going on here on Parliament Hill. Usually when legislation is before the House I get many letters and calls from constituents but this time there has been relatively little reaction from Halton. Perhaps it is because this legislation does not directly affect the average citizen. Or it may be that people are more interested in the astronauts on their way to the moon.

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Steam show

Antique steam lovers will be interested in the fourth annual show of the Georgian Bay Steam, Gas, Automotive and Antique Association to be held at Cookstown fair grounds August 2-3-4.

Among the many exhibits will be portable and traction steam engines, threshing grain, mechanical wood splitters, stone crusher and restored antique cars, trucks and vehicles as well as a collection of pioneer utensils and implements.

Golden Age club plans picnic, bus trip to CNE

Mrs. Elsie Reed
Several courageous members braved the heat to attend a pleasant meeting of Acton Golden Age Club, July 15.
R. L. Davidson, 2nd vice president, presided owing to absence of the president and first vice-president.
Sympathy was expressed for

Mrs. Fryer in the sudden death of her son-in-law in Toronto.
A decision was reached to hold the annual club picnic in the local park instead of the regular afternoon meeting Aug 5. In event of bad weather disrupting the picnic, the club would go to the Luxton Hall and have their meeting.

A bus trip will be taken to the C.N.E. on Aug. 19 when the admission will be free. A show of hands indicated a general wish to leave the C.N.E. at 8.30 p.m. in order to arrive home at a reasonable hour.

Committee is to arrange for club picnic, games and contests. Mrs. Fryer, Mrs. Creesey and Mrs. Agnew. All available men were requested to be on hand to help with tables etc. in the park.
As a pleasing change from the usual program of music etc., euchre and crokinole were enjoyed.

Prizes went to: euchre ladies, Mrs. R. L. Davidson, Mrs. Wilderspin; gents, Mrs. Cam Winn, Mrs. M. Graham; crokinole ladies Mrs. Cossar, Mrs. Reed; gents R. L. Davidson, Robert Winton.
July birthdays include, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Nesbitt and Mr. Davidson.
A tasty lunch was served by Mrs. Wilderspin and her helpers.

Free Press

Church Notices

CHURCHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH
Churchill Road North
Minister:
The Rev. A. Walter Fosbury, B.A., B.D.

SUNDAY, JULY 27th, 1969
The services for Sundays, July 27th and August 3rd are withdrawn.

ACTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Founded 1842
Pastor: Rev. Stanley Gammon
Res. 144 Yidey Ave., Phone 853-1615.

SUNDAY, JULY 27th, 1969
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
"If" and "Then".
No Evening Services during June, July and August.
Wednesday, 8 p.m. — The Study Hour.
"Study to show yourself approved of God."
2 Tim. 2: 15.
All Welcome

BETHAM
CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Minister — Rev. P. Brouwer, B.A., B.D.
Acton, Ontario

SUNDAY, JULY 27th, 1969
10:00 a.m.—English Service.
11:10 a.m.—Sunday School.
4:00 p.m.—English Service.
Everyone Welcome

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH
Minister:
The Rev. Gordon B. Turner, B.A., B.D.
Director of Music:
Dr. George Elliott, M.A., Ph.D.

SEVENTH SEASON — COMBINED SUMMER SERVICES
IN TRINITY UNITED CHURCH
Preacher, Rev. Gordon B. Turner.
SUNDAY, JULY 27th, 1969
10:00 a.m.—Divine Worship.

EVANGEL PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE
P.A.O.C. 33 Churchhill Road
Rev. S. M. Thoman, Pastor, 853-2715.

SUNDAY, JULY 27th, 1969
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
7:00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.
Evangelist Ella Parmenter will be guest speaker at both services.
Tuesday, 8 p.m. — Prayer Service and Bible Study.
Thursday, 8:00 p.m. — Christ's Ambassadors.

1 John 4, 10 — "Here in His love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His son to be the Propitiation for our Sins."

MAPLE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH
81 Maple Ave., Georgetown
Pastor: Rev. Robert C. Lohnes

SUNDAY, JULY 27th, 1969
Here is our sincere invitation to the whole family to attend church.
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School. All ages.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Service.
7:00 p.m.—Evening Evangel.
Georgetown 877-6665

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Rev. H. J. Dawson, B.A., B.Th.

SUNDAY, JULY 27th, 1969
Trinity VIII
10:00 a.m. (One Service)
1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays—Eucharist.
2nd and 4th Sundays—Mattins.
Saints Days as announced.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA
KNOX CHURCH, ACTON
Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie, B.A., B.D.
Minister
Mr. E. A. Hansen, B.A.
Organist and Choir Master



The Bible today

By the Canadian Bible Society

The Bible Society of Nigeria supplied a number of copies of Braille Scriptures to students at a school for blind children in Lagos, run by Catholic Sisters. The Sister in charge wrote, "Already the Scriptures are in constant daily use."
One of the children also wrote on his special typewriter designed for use by blind people saying, "What a nice, enjoyable time it was that morning when the Bibles arrived and were given to each one of us. We were particularly intrigued by the number of Bibles which, due to one reason or another, found their way into our school library!"
Reading through the pages we had one joy after another as we met the familiar words. We assure you we will make the best and wisest use of them. They will help us tremendously during classes, and in particular they will help us to know more about God and all His works."

Suggested Daily Bible Readings
Sunday, July 20: Acts 19: 21-41.
Monday, July 21: Acts 20: 1-16.
Tuesday, July 22: Acts 20: 17-38.
Wednesday, July 23: Acts 21: 1-14.
Thursday, July 24: Acts 21: 15-26.
Friday, July 25: Acts 21: 27-40.
Saturday, July 26: Acts 25: 1-12.

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