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## And other sheep I have, which are not of this Fold

Philip C. Bennett

Today, Christendom is in confusion with thousands of denominations - but this is not, and has never been the will of God. God is not the author of confusion; He is a God of unity. When Jesus came to earth, He established one Church and left it in place. It is the will of God for all of His sheep to be gathered into the One Fold. St. John 10:14-16: *"I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd."*

In St. Matthew 15:24, Jesus said He was sent unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. St. John 1:11-12: *"He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:"*

The Jews boasted of the fact that they were children of Abraham. They may have been the children of Abraham outwardly but they were not inwardly.

The Church was established by Jesus Christ on the foundation of the prophets and Apostles, who were all Jews.

St. Mark 3:13-15: *"And he goeth up into a mountain, and calleth unto him whom he would: and they came unto him. And he ordained twelve, that they should be with him, and that he might send them forth to preach, And to have power to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils:"*

On the day of Pentecost, the Church was endued with power when they were filled with the Holy Ghost. After the day of Pentecost, the Church grew at a phenomenal rate.

Acts 2:46-47: *“And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.”*

Paul, who was later converted and became a member of the Church, warned of the coming apostasy which would engulf the Church. Acts 20:28-31: *“Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood. For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears.”*

Despite the warning, we know that the Church went into apostasy with the signing of the Nicene Creed in 325AD. For 1,578 years, the Church was covered over by man-made creeds and doctrines until she arose on the 13<sup>th</sup> June 1903 in Cherokee County, North Carolina, USA.

In 1922/23 there was a major disruption and falling away with the adoption of the Constitution. This would make the Church a legislative body rather than a judicial one. When Bishop A.J. Tomlinson attempted to rectify the situation, ten of the twelve Elders would not accept the changes. They continued on to become what is now the Elders Church in the USA and the New Testament Church of God worldwide.

After various court hearings and name changes including, **The Church of God over which A.J. Tomlinson is General Overseer**, the Church became known as **The Church of God of Prophecy**.

Despite losing most of our members and property, the Church again grew into a major organisation until another falling away in 1993.

When we reaffirmed our covenant with our present administration, many felt that this was it and there would be no more disruptions. But the refining process is continuous *“Till we all come...”* (Ephesians 4:13).

*“Till we all come,”* includes every member being **saved, sanctified** and **filled** with the **Holy Ghost**. We cannot be perfected without having these experiences.

When we took the Church covenant we promised to walk in the light, but some refuse to go any further. Some no longer seek sanctification or the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Just like the Scribes and Pharisees who boasted that they were children of Abraham, many in today's last days Church of God boast in the fact that they are a member of the Church of God. It is good to be in The Church of God and it is God's will for all of His sheep to be in the Church; but just being a member of the Church of God will not save us.

John the Baptist told those who came to be baptised that they should first bring forth fruit meet for repentance. There must be convincing evidence that one has been born again.

Today, there are many of God's sheep in the denominational world but God is going to lead them to the One Fold. At the same time, some who are presently in the Church will depart, *“...giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils.”* (1 Timothy 4:1)

*“And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”* (St. Matthew 8:11-12)

*“They shall ask the way to Zion with their faces thitherward, saying, Come, and let us join ourselves to the LORD in a perpetual covenant that shall not be forgotten.”* (Jeremiah 50:5)

Sometimes, we look down on those in the denominational world but many of them are serving God to the best of their knowledge and ability. The full gospel has not been revealed to them yet. As long as they are sheep, one day they will hear the voice of the Shepherd and accept the full gospel and will be led to the One Fold. Jesus said: *“My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:”* (St. John 10:27)

They may lack our organisation and structure e.g. our auxiliaries, but many of the Kingdom saints live a more consecrated life than some members of The Church of God. If every member of The Church of God lived a consecrated life daily, I believe that more of the Kingdom saints would now be among us. When we do not live consecrated lives, we bring no glory to God and cause others to dishonour Him.

God appointed Eli to be the high priest of Israel. Despite numerous warnings, he refused to discipline his sons who were serving as priests in the House of God. God sent him one final warning with the following preface: 1 Samuel 3:11: *“And the LORD said to Samuel, Behold, I will do a thing in Israel, at which both the ears of every one that heareth it shall tingle.”*

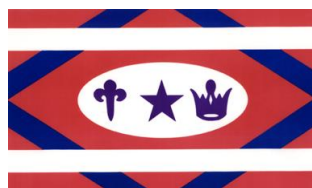
### **What was the outcome?**

1. The two sons of Eli were slain.
  2. Israel was defeated in battle.
  3. The Ark of the Covenant was taken by the Philistines.
  4. Eli, the high priest died.
  5. Eli’s daughter-in-law gave birth and died.
- All of these events occurred in one day.

I have previously stated, God is going to perfect those who will allow Him, but those who are self-willed are going to be shaken out. When the shaking is over, every one remaining in the Church will be holy: Isaiah 4:2-4: *“In that day shall the branch of the LORD be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel. And it shall come to pass, that he that is left in Zion, and he that remaineth in Jerusalem, shall be called holy, even every one that is written among the living in Jerusalem: When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning.”* 📖



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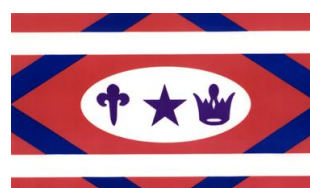
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## From the Overseer's Desk

Since our last edition, a number of activities have taken place. Brother James Mwila did a grand job in moderating his first National VLB Convention. We also held our Vacation Bible School and Family Fun Day. Sister Jennifer Thompson is to be commended for planning and implementing both of these events, which were a blessing to all in attendance. As usual, great reports followed the National Ladies Retreat and enquiries have been made by those who attended to Pastor Anderson about making the event longer in the future.

Below are extracts from a letter from the World Mission Department about an event to take place next year: *On behalf of the World Mission Department and the Women's Missionary Band, you are cordially and enthusiastically invited to be part of "The Revival of the Islands" to take place June 26-28, 2020, in the beautiful Commonwealth of the Bahamas! You will be hosted by the National Overseer, Bishop George C. Forbes, and joined by our General Overseer, Bishop Oscar Pimentel, our General Auxiliary Coordinators, General Headquarters Representatives, and National Overseers from the surrounding region. Most importantly, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost will be our honoured guests! It will be a weekend of the Bahamas "rediscovering" the fire of the Holy Ghost, the glory of holiness, and the vision of The Church of God!*

*This exciting mission trip will be for 4 nights (Thursday-Sunday) and the approximate costs will be: Hotel Room: \$80 per person, per night (2 per room), Food: \$45 per person, per day for meals (you will be responsible for your own drinks and snacks during the day), Plane Ticket: \$600 for round trip airline ticket from Atlanta, Georgia, to Nassau, Bahamas. Total: \$1,100.*

*Please send a deposit of \$600 by May 4, 2020, to General Headquarters marked for "The Revival of the Islands." This will allow us to purchase your airline ticket in time. You may bring the remaining \$500 with you on the trip to be given to our World Mission Coordinator, Robert Hawkins. We kindly ask that your efforts to raise money to attend this event do not interfere with any regular mission offerings and that they don't include the use of Internet fund-raising sites. This event will provide us an enjoyable time of fellowship with brethren we may never, otherwise, have the opportunity to see, and for those who are not able to attend the General Assembly – this may be the next best thing! National Overseers, please advertise this in your local churches and encourage our people to earnestly pray for this event. Those under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. This event will be advertised in a Bahamian national newspaper and on Caribbean social media for everyone to see! Won't you come and be a part of making Church history? Souls are waiting for us to take them the good news about Jesus Christ! In Isaiah 60:9, God declares, "Surely the isles shall wait for me... to bring thy sons from far... unto the name of the LORD thy God... because he hath glorified thee." It is time for The Church of God to arise and shine with the glory of God in the islands once again! For questions or more information, please call the World Mission Department at 1-423-339-8264 and dial extension 220 or send an email to: [rhawkins@thechurchofgod.org](mailto:rhawkins@thechurchofgod.org)*

### Upcoming Events:

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|--------------------------|---|---|
| National Convention      | - | Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July to Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2019 |
| International Youth Camp | - | Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> to Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> August 2019    |
| General Assembly         | - | Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> to Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> August 2019  |



## **ABM BOOST**

**Cynthia Opoku - National Assembly Band Movement Co-ordinator**

The general Assembly Band Movement theme for the assembly year 2018-2019 is:

**'Till we all come'**

(Ephesians 4:13)

Greetings my beloved brethren in the name of our Lord and soon coming King.



All things around us show that the coming of Jesus Christ is right at the door - we have heard it over and over that we should be ready for the Rapture.

In Romans 13:11-14, Paul's advice was to know and discern the times that we are living in.

Now, play time is over and we must get serious about our salvation. It is time to put away any form of spiritual darkness and put on Jesus' light. The general ABM theme:

**'TILL WE ALL COME'** helps us to know we are in this battle together, as soldiers support each other when wounded or weak. They are on the same side and work in unison to combat the enemy.

Let us encourage each other and continue to pray and the God of heaven will see us through. LET US DO WELL TO ATTEND PRAYER MEETING.



EVANGELISM  
DEPARTMENT

## EVANGELISM BOOST

Claudine Brown - National Evangelism Co-ordinator

The general Evangelism theme for the assembly year 2018-2019 is:  
**'Power of Prayer'**



### Plant the Seed

Greetings to our dear Chronicle readers. I pray that this article finds you well, and willing to be used on God's programme. Until Jesus returns, His divine programme for the Church will continue. The Great Commission found in St. Matthew 28:18-20 will be a requirement until the Church's chapter on earth ceases. Let us strive to be found in the number of labourers that our Lord can rely upon to get this precious work done.

The inspiration for this article came from the words of a song which plays in my car. I have heard this song over and over again, but for some reason, on this occasion, the words just popped right out to me. They go like this:

*"You planted the seed, it needs some time to grow,  
And when it full blooms, you may not even know,  
Continue your work, know it is not in vain,  
You planted the seed, in due time you shall reap"*

(V. George Smith & C. Williams)

This song is a real encouragement for the planter. In the physical planting of a seed, as depicted in the picture above, the planter will get the visual and inner reward of their work. Once roots have grown, and the plant has received light and water, you will see the growth process right before your eyes. It is not always so with the planting of a spiritual seed.

You may not always see what becomes of the seed you planted with a passer-by, with the inhabitant of the house where you dropped a tract, of the shop keeper that you return the extra change to due to Christ living in you, to the person at the bus-stop who hears you singing a Gospel song, to the visitor who hears you preach and teach the Word of God – and these are just examples of the many ways that you can plant that seed. This got me thinking about the following Scripture from the Apostle Paul in 1 Corinthians 3:6-8: **"I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase. So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase. Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour."**

Paul recognised that the work being done in the hearts of those he had shared the gospel with, was progressive. He had planted, another minister had watered, and God was the one doing the overall work of bringing the increase. In planting the seed, we are getting the work started, but we are not to be discouraged when we do not see the finished article – we are to leave that to God. Can God do it? When He created the heaven and the earth, and every plant and herb of the field, before they grew and before there was a man to till the ground, Genesis 2:6 tells us: **"But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground."** This mist, together with the light that God had already spoken into being, were exactly what those plants needed to grow. God knows how to complete the process and to bring the increase.

Another song by Andrae Crouch encourages us to "Tell them..." Once we have done that, we can be satisfied that we have 'got the work started' in that soul. If we are privileged enough to remain in contact with them, we can of course continue on in nurturing them through encouragement and sharing the Word, but if we never see them again after that initial seed-plant, as the song I quoted at the start goes:

*"Continue your work, know it is not in vain,  
You planted the seed, in due time you shall reap."*

As another song by The Winans says:

*"For we will never know all the people we have touched  
For we may never know all the lives that we have reached  
But we know You know, for a record You do keep  
And when the end does finally begin  
We will receive a great reward for what we've done."*

Praise the Lord for these anointed songwriters. Whether we reap here, or over in that eternal land of Heaven, as our brother the Apostle Paul encouraged in 1 Corinthians 3:8:

**"...every man shall receive his own reward according to his labour."**

God bless you as you continue planting seeds wherever you go.



Sunday School Department



**The Church of God**

# **SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOST**

**Jennifer Thompson - National Sunday School Co-ordinator**

The continuing general Sunday School theme for the assembly year 2018-2019 is:

**'Embrace the Vision'**

Our Text Book is the Bible  
Our Teacher is the Holy Ghost

**Treasures of Wisdom and Knowledge**

***"In whom are hid all the treasures of  
wisdom and knowledge."***

(Colossians 2:3)

Wisdom is a priceless treasure, spiritual knowledge is a treasure that helps us to know God and His will.

These treasures are essential for Christians and we must seek to understand the deep things of God.

As we pray and sincerely study the Word of God, the Holy Ghost will open our understanding and bring to light the truth of His Word.

Study the "Word" as a miner digs for gold, or as a diver plunges into the depth of the sea for pearls.

May God bless us as we seek for the hidden treasures of wisdom and knowledge in Christ Jesus.



# VICTORY LEADERS BAND BOOST

James Mwila - National Victory Leaders Band Co-ordinator

The general Victory Leaders Band theme for the assembly year 2018-2019 is:

**'Enemies on the Run'**

(Judges 7)

## FEAR



VLB 2018 - 2019

In a battle, one of the main areas that your opponent will look to capitalise on is fear. In Judges Chapter 7, we see how God with His wisdom was able to weed out those individuals among the 32,000 who were fearful before the battle commenced.

### What is fear?

1. an unpleasant emotion caused by the threat of danger, pain, or harm.
2. be afraid of (someone or something) as likely to be dangerous, painful, or harmful.

### How does fear affect us?

Fear can cause paranoia, anxiety, lead us to make irrational decisions, can paralyse us, it can cause a lack of confidence, can also affect those around us. Fear causes worry.

Spiritually, if we fear the enemy, we will not be effective in our service to God and instead of advancing and standing our ground against the enemy, we will retreat and fold into our shells.

### Where does fear come from?

Fear does not come from God, as the Scripture says in 2 Timothy 1:7: ***“For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.”*** God has given us the spirit of power and not of fear. God has granted to us power for service through the Holy Ghost and power to resist Satan and make him flee. With God we have the victory to overcome anything that the enemy brings to us - even fear itself.

The Bible on dealing with fear:

***“Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.”*** Isaiah 41:10

***“Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.”*** Joshua 1:9

***“The LORD is on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me?”*** Psalm 118:6

***“The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?”***  
Psalm 27:1

How can we overcome fear?

***“I sought the Lord, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.”*** Psalm 34:4

It is only through Jesus Christ that we can overcome fear. David sought the Lord and He heard him and delivered him from all his fears. Prayer worked for David and if we can also pray sincerely, God will hear our prayer and deliver us from all fear.

***“And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us.”*** 1 John 5:14

Should we fear the enemy? No!!

***“And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, all power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.”***

St. Matthew 28:18-20

If we are walking with God, being obedient and observing His commandments, God will be with us at all times. The Spirit of God in us will give us the power to overcome all evil.



## WMB BOOST

**Beverley Anderson - National Women's Missionary Band Co-ordinator**

The general Women's Missionary Band theme for the assembly year 2018-2019 is:

### 'The Lifeboat'

(St. John 3:15)

*'...there is a place by me...'* (Exodus 33:21). I thank God for bringing us through another Ladies Retreat and for those on programme who allowed the Lord to use them for His glory. I was blessed by this topic. I believe that the Lord wants us to move from where we are to the next level in Him. No matter where we are in God spiritually, we have to keep climbing. I also believe that God gave us good instructions about how to reach this place in Him. We need to recall in our minds what He has told us.

I know that I must continue to give Him **at least the first hour of my day**. I must talk with Him and allow Him to talk to me. We need God's divine covering before we face the day, or step out into the enemy's territory.

We are in the last days and Satan is working hard to deceive as many as possible. The Scripture states: ***'Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.'*** (1 Corinthians 10:12)

We need to constantly check ourselves spiritually, to see if we are still standing firm in God. We need to ensure we are in the cleft of the rock, which we know is Christ Jesus. In the cleft, we fall into Jesus' loving arms and He is able to hold us secure and keep us from falling.

We also need to have faith that **staggered not** at the promises of God (c.f. Romans 4:20). Abraham's faith defied nature's logic, in that he was a hundred years old and Sarah 90 years when the seed of promise came. He believed that God was able to honour His promise and it was **'imputed'** to Abraham **'for righteousness'** by God. (Romans 4:22)

Romans 4:23-25 declares: ***'Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him; But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead; Who was delivered for our offences, and raised again for our justification.'***

We, like Abraham have to against hope believe in hope that God is able to do all things. (Romans 4:18)

# National Youth Convention

## The Church of God (England)

### 20<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Our Convention theme was: *'Walking as He Walked'* (1 John 2:6) and moderated by Brother James Mwila, the newly appointed National VLB Co-ordinator.

The Lord spoke to us through Brother Justin Clarke, VLB leader for Druids Heath Church, as he preached on the topic **'Intimacy with God'**. We were encouraged to get familiar with God like Abraham did, who was a friend of God (Genesis 18:17-33). Abraham maintained close communion with God. We need to be more than acquaintances with God, and build a strong prayer life so we can be called His friends.

In St. John 5:30 we see that Jesus had a close relationship with God. We cannot rely on others to build our relationship with God, as it is personal. Brother Justin stated, "a good relationship with God will keep you, strengthen you, test you, prepare you, motivate you, and it will ultimately save you."

Brother Joshua Anderson, VLB leader for Handsworth Church's sermonette was on **'Obedience and Holiness'**. Brother Joshua said "it is better to be obedient than to sacrifice. God wants us to be the best version of ourselves that we can be, so He sent Jesus to be our example." 1 Samuel 9:2 tells us king Saul was a choice and goodly young man. We later learn he was disobedient. Disobedience will result in the grace of God leaving us and we'll find ourselves doing things we would not otherwise have entertained. God does not desire any of us to lose our souls through the sin of disobedience.

The Gleaners were not forgotten, but blessed us through singing and playing instruments to the glory of God. We also heard encouraging words and testimonies from our Pastors throughout the day.

Brother Jerome Solomon gave a presentation on 'End Time News', encouraging us to be aware of the signs of the times. He reminded us that God's promises are true. He also boosted the online General VLB magazine show 'Greater Things'.

Our VLB's and Gleaners marched around the building, singing the VLB fight song. This was followed by a message based on the Convention theme from the National VLB Co-ordinator. Brother James asked "how do we learn to walk with God?" We accomplish this through intimacy, by getting to know Him through prayer and reading His Word (St. John 8:12 and St. John 14:6).

Jesus is our perfect example because whilst on earth, He was in the flesh and experienced everything we do. Jesus suffered rejection, betrayal, temptation, persecution, even death, but He overcame all things.

Brother James stated we must seek after God, then we will truly be fulfilled and overcome the world. The world teaches our children that they can do as they please, because it is their right and that no one can tell them what to do. With this mind set, it can be difficult to get through to the youth of today.

The Bible teaches us that in order to find peace and contentment; we must surrender our will to God. We will then be able to 'walk as he walked' (St. John 15:4).

Brother James quoted lyrics from '*Stepping in the Light*' by Eliza E. Hewitt, declaring these steps are not the easiest to follow as they take endurance, dedication and strength. Our will power is limited, so we need Jesus to guide us through this world. If we follow Jesus, we will have life everlasting.

We were blessed in songs by the Wilson sisters and the National Choir.

Sister Rebekah Wilson, VLB Leader from London's Church gave an exhortation entitled '**Separation from Evil**'. (Isaiah 5:20) Sister Rebekah said, "We cannot always blame the devil for our woes. Some of our problems come from within us (St. Matthew 7:21-23). Many will be deceived, but we need to separate ourselves from the world (2 Corinthians 6:17). The closer we are to God, the further away we will be from the world and it's evil. Others will notice the difference and want to be like us." (Proverbs 3:6)

Deacon Stuart Brown delivered the final sermon: '**Walk by the Spirit**' and reiterated other points that were made throughout the day. Brother Stuart declared, we have every advantage to make it through this life, because Jesus was our perfect example. Walking by the Spirit must be seen in our actions, speech and lives; therefore we 'live by the Spirit'. Galatians 5:16-17 tells us about war in the flesh, but the V in VLB means victory. Living a Christian life is about winning, as Jesus wants us to be victorious. Jesus conquered Satan through prayer and fasting (St. Luke 4:1-2). Fasting and prayer is a serious weapon and when we use it against Satan, we will always win, (Galatians 5:16-17).

The message concluded with a video clip of famous celebrities, explaining that their fame and fortune had not brought them happiness: 1 John 2:16:

***"For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world."***

We are grateful to the Lord for yet another anointed National Youth Convention. To God be the glory!

## **Testimony from Brother James Mwila, National VLB Co-ordinator:**

*"At National Men's Retreat 2018, Pastor Bennett called me aside and asked what I thought about being appointed as National Victory Leaders Band Co-ordinator. At the time, I was National Evangelism Co-ordinator and enjoying it. I responded "if that is what the Lord wants, then I will do it."*

*Pastor Bennett advised it would be a challenging role working with the youth of the Church, planning the National Youth Convention and other activities to keep the youth encouraged and motivated in God's service.*

*It was not until National Ministers' Convention that it sunk in how big a role this is. I received so much encouragement and support from the brethren and this really helped.*

*A meeting was scheduled with Pastor Bennett to set dates for events during the year and go over plans. The meeting was helpful, and I was encouraged to seek the Lord for wisdom and guidance. I then started working with the local church VLB Leaders, we met and shared ideas and plans for the year ahead. Sometimes as a leader you feel like you must do everything, but I'm glad all the local church VLB Leaders were so willing. They have continued to assist and volunteer in certain areas.*

*As great and challenging a role this is, I have enjoyed it. National Youth Convention was one of the most challenging events I've had to plan and organise, but thanks be to God, He made it possible. I could not have prayed enough during the planning process. Every time I prayed, I felt I hadn't prayed enough, so I continued praying, seeking for guidance and wisdom.*

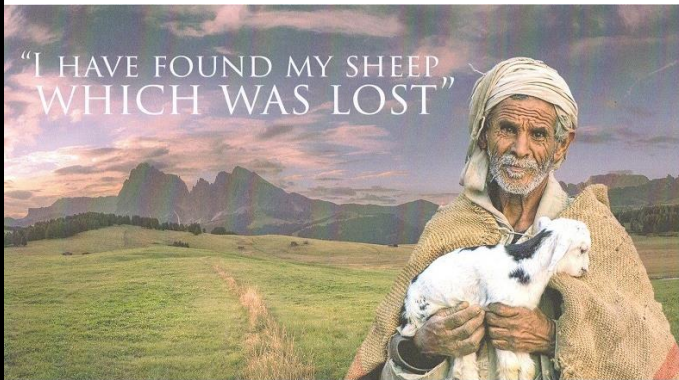
*With my secular job, some evenings had to be sacrificed to do the work of the Lord. It was a challenging, demanding time but if you ask me if I would do it again, I certainly would without a doubt. Despite the flesh being worked and tired, it was spiritually edifying and strengthening. Thanks, and appreciation to everyone involved in the Convention from start to finish.*

*I thank the Lord for strength, guidance, wisdom and everything He has done throughout this whole year. I would not be the brother I am today without His blessing."*

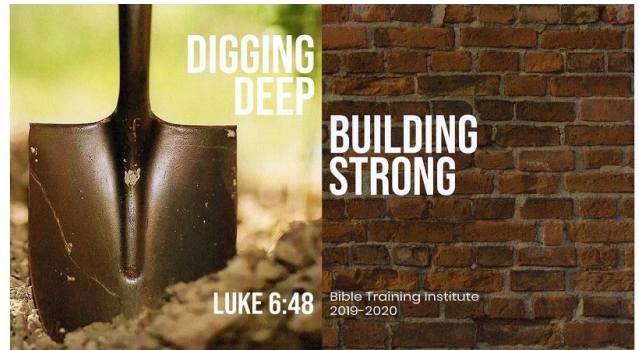
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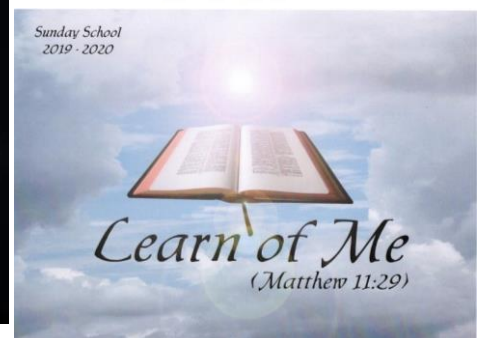
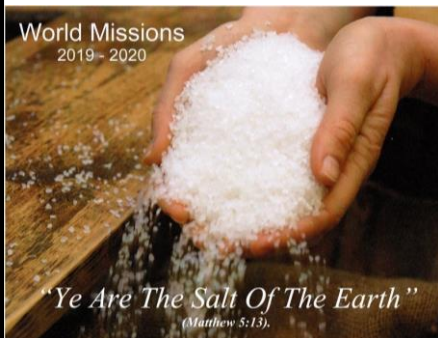
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