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David Wise

## Revival in Paradise

The conditions in "paradise" were less than inviting in the early 1800's. Child sacrifice and cannibalism were normal cultural practices in the Hawaiian islands, and marriage as the Bible defines it was totally unknown. The first American missionaries arrived in 1820 to find that, though the conditions were bad, Tahitian missionaries had begun to pave the way for transformation of the islands by faithfully sowing Gospel seed and targeting pagan practices for elimination. The Lord blessed their labors. They even saw some members of the royal family profess conversion and legislation enacted that paved the way for morality and education. By 1836, there were 17 churches on the islands and 1/6 of the population had enrolled in mission schools. The darkness was beginning to recede

as the Gospel took root in this needy land. This process would greatly accelerate as the American missionary Titus Coan came to pastor the church at Hilo in June of 1835.

Titus Coan was a product of the great revivals that swept through the Northeastern portion of the United States under the leadership of Charles Finney. After Coan's conversion and call to the ministry, he labored with Finney for a short time, Born with severe defects, his mother attempted to kill him at birth

and his ministry and mindset was forever shaped by his time with the famous evangelist. Upon arriving in Hawaii, he fully expected to see a reproduction of what was taking place in America occur in Hawaii. He was not to be disappointed. Shortly before his arrival, groups of native Hawaiians began meeting for corporate prayer meetings. The prayer leader was a native by the name of Bartimeus Pua'aiki, also known as the "Blind Preacher of Maui." He was born with some severe birth defects, and his mother even attempted to kill him at birth. The meaning of his name, "Little Pig," reflected the feelings of his mother for him. He was a hula dancer in the court of the King, but in **Continued on page 7** 



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A man of great wealth, prominence, and learning, who is the owner of extensive mining interests in Pennsylvania, had unfortunately become an infidel and almost a blaspheming atheist. He had in his employ a man of desperate character, a man whose profanity and wickedness was shocking even to him, infidel and atheist as he was; but such was his value as a workman that he disliked to give him up. At last this wicked, lost man was brought under religious influences, through a meeting held by a Methodist minister for the benefit of sinners. He was soon brought under conviction for sin, and after a fearful struggle, was happily converted to God. His whole manner of life was at once reversed. His terribly passionate nature gave place to one as gentle as a child's. His fearful profanity was supplanted by a spirit of prayer and praise, and his insubordination gave place to fidelity of the strictest type. Soon after his conversion he became anxiously concerned about his employer, but could not gather up sufficient courage to go to his home and speak to him about his soul.

At last, some six months after his conversion, he became so deeply concerned upon the subject that he could not sleep; and one morning early, after spending a sleepless night, he determined to go to his employer in the name and strength of his divine Master, and speak to him about his soul. He started with trembling on his way. As he approached the house he saw that, early as it was, there was a light in a lower room. He knocked timidly at the door; his employer answered in person, and by his appearance and manner showed that he had not retired during the night. No sooner was the door opened than the poor miner grasped his employer's hand and cried out, "I hope you will forgive me, but I am so concerned about your soul, I cannot sleep; so I thought I would come and speak to you." The man of wealth and culture pressed the hand of his poor, ignorant employee, and in a voice choked with emotion said, "Come in, Thomas, come in; I am so glad you have come; God must have sent you. I am so unhappy. I have been trying all night to pray, but cannot. I want you to pray for me." They

It was your life that led me to Christ knelt down together and the astonished miner poured out his soul in prayer for his distressed employer; and there they remained weeping and praying until the master was happily converted to God.

He then, in reply to the inquiries of Thomas as to how he came under conviction, made this statement: "I

have long been an infidel. I did not see much difference between the lives of many Christians with whom I associated and my own, and that strengthened me in my infidelity. At last you professed to be converted. I knew what a terrible man you had been, and determined to watch you and see the result. I did so. I watched you when you were not aware of it, but I saw nothing with which I could find fault. On the contrary, your consistent and marvelously changed life condemned me. And as I thought about it, I found I was a sinner in the sight of God, and lost forever unless He would save me. It was your life, Thomas, that led me to Christ."

## Pentecostal Preaching

By: Rev. Thomas Ramsay

Ministers of the Gospel, in order to have boldness to rightly declare the Word of God, need to be filled with the Holy Ghost. One who is empowered by the Holy Ghost will show forth wisdom and understanding that God alone can and will give to everyone who seeks to be endued with power from on high. Every minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ who is willing to proclaim the Word of God needs to realize it takes courage to lift the voice up like a trumpet and cry aloud and spare not. It takes courage to preach about the love, wrath, and judgments of a righteous and holy God. The greatest need of our churches today is clergy who will dare to preach the Word of God without fear and favor of men and their opinions. What kind of preaching is this?

- 1. The kind of preaching that reflects a life that has been baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire.
- 2. The kind of preaching that proceeds from lips that have been touched with coals off the altar of God.
- 3. The kind of preaching that sends forth the sweet-smelling aroma of the Holy Spirit, whereby people are motivated to seek full salvation.
- 4. The kind of preaching that is not dependent upon natural ability, scholastic achievements, personal magnetism, or a pleasing personality, but upon a holy anointing.
- 5. The kind of preaching that is produced by hungering and thirsting after righteousness, making a full consecration on the altar of God, and staying before that altar until power is endued from on high.

My utmost concern and prayer is that everyone called of God to preach this Gospel should tarry until they are baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire!

## Salvation For A Scoundrel

A.M. Hills adapted from "The Uttermost Salvation" Allegheny Publications; Salem, OH, reprinted May 2000

Jesus can save infidels, and has saved hundreds of them. We have seen some of them who were rare trophies of grace. We knew one, Elijah P.

Brown, who of all the infidels in the United States, was chosen to deliver an address in honor of Tom Paine before a convention of infidels. When he was an editor of a paper in Cincinnati he would print all the names of God with a small letter to insult his Maker. He built a mansion, and filled the niches on his walls with the busts of famous infidels. The bust of Robert Ingersoll had the place of honor, and he pointed to it proudly as his "pastor." He took

Jesus conquered and saved the proud infidel

a dreadful oath that no preacher should ever darken his door. Out of curiosity he went to hear Moody preach, and was converted after the second sermon. He at once founded and published the "Ram's Horn," one of the most aggressive Christian papers. Jesus had conquered and saved the proud infidel.

## God's All-Dowerful Agency By: Oswald J. Smith from "The Man God Uses"

Intercessory prayer is God's all powerful agency for the outpouring of the Spirit. No revival has ever yet been given apart from this ministry. Someone has prayed. Go, if you will, to the records of the great awakenings for years past and you will find that the secret, the source, has been prayer. God has burdened a little group here and there, sometimes only two or three in number, but these have so given themselves to intercessory prayer that the result has been a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

The mystery of the great awakening under D. L. Moody in the church where he preached one Sunday night in England, when hundreds were swept into the Kingdom, for some time remained unsolved, but at last the secret came to light.

Two sisters, we were told, lived together. One was an invalid. Some years before, she had picked up a newspaper and read an account of the work of the great American evangelist, D. L. Moody. A burden settled down upon her. From that day she began to pray that God would send Moody to England and that he might preach in her church. At last after praying daily her request was granted. Her sister came home one morning and told her that a man by the name of Moody had preached.

Under a great burden the invalid shut herself in and refused to be seen. All that afternoon, she pled with God, with the result that showers of blessing fell upon the congregation and hundreds were saved at the close of the evening service. That was the beginning of Moody's great work in the British Isles . . . and it all came about as the result of an invalid's intercession.



## The Theme Of The Ages

Jesus Christ came to meet humanity in the highway of its need, in the breakdown of its undoing; where sin wrecks and ruins and smites and curses and damns. Jesus came into our world to deal with that thing that drenched the world with blood and bleached it with bones and filled the air with the sound of groans. Jesus Christ came into our world to deal with that thing that breaks hearts and wrecks homes and digs graves. Jesus Christ came into our world to deal with that thing that insulted God and killed the prophets and

robbed heaven and filled hell. Jesus Christ came into the world for the one great objective, to meet men and women such as we are, who will have to go out from this tabernacle into tomorrow to live in the

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surroundings and atmosphere and environments that are unholy. Jesus Christ came into the world and laid hold of sin, and sin laid hold of Jesus Christ, and they fought it out in the dark until He said: "It is finished" and put a bridge over hell and shut the very jaws of damnation and threw open the gates of gold.

He came to save from sin. He came to bring us out of our moral alienation and bring us home with God. He came to meet that thing that throttles human life and set us free as if the archer of hell had never shot us through. He saves from sin provisionally. The world is already saved provisionally. He doesn't need any more smoking altars or long-robed priests. We are through with the whole outfit. Jesus has been here, and, blessed be God, He not only saves provisionally but proposes to save actually, and He saves actually in two senses, by the forgiveness of sins and by the cleansing of our moral nature. His language is: "Though the sins are as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be as crimson, they shall be as wool; though they be numerous as the sands of the seas and as black as hell's black walls, they shall all be remedied with this grand and glorious religion."

Lift up your heads, all broken, struggling, battling humanity; you shall be set free from hell's archer and be just as free as if he had never shot you through.

Will Huff "The Glory Of His Mission" a series of sermons preached at Cadle Tabernacle, Indianapolis, IN in Sept. 1923

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1820 he became one of the first converts in Hawaii and was radically changed by his new faith. He was greatly burdened for revival, and his gift for prayer sparked a desire in his fellow native Christians to seek the Lord for their homeland. As Coan began his ministry, other missionaries marveled at the fervency of the Hawaiians in their early morning prayer meetings. There was a very real sense among the "praying crowd" that God was about to visit their land.

The emphasis Coan had learned under Finney was put into action right away in his ministry in Hawaii. Filled with a burning love for souls, Coan's anointed preaching brought thousands out to hear the Word of God as he made frequent preaching tours of the island. The power of God was poured upon "good ground," and some of the most notorious characters on the island were soundly converted. The six-foot six-inch tall high priest of the volcano goddess was the most feared man on the islands. His radical conversion sent shockwaves through the island as the name of Jesus was greatly magnified. The emotions ran high in Coan's meetings, but he always grounded the converts in the Word of God and faithfully discipled them in the things of the Lord. His ministry was exceedingly fruitful, and when he left Hawaii for the last time in 1870, he left a church in Hilo that was the largest Protestant church in the world at that time.

Many of us have earnestly longed to see real revival in our day. We live in a time when discouragement and fear run high in Evangelical America. Much we have taken for granted has been yanked away from us, and we feel a very real kinship with oppressed Christians in other lands. Yet, our Gospel is still the "power of God unto salvation." Jesus Christ is still the same "yesterday, today, and forever." The promises of God for revival are still the same, and the darkness of the nation is creating a climate where questions are being asked by those who previously seemed uninterested in spiritual things but

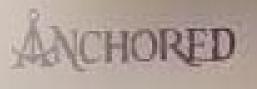
Many of us have earnestly longed to see real revival in our day who now wonder if there is a force able to pierce the darkness they see taking over their country. It would seem as though the stage is being set for humble and hungry vessels to seek God for His hand of mercy to be extended in revival power. It is ironic that the intercessory prayer leader of the great revival movement in Hawaii was a little, physical

misfit. Though Bartimeus was scorned, mocked, and rejected by most, God saw a noble and tenacious heart and made him a "giant" in the things of the Lord. The prayer movement he spearheaded would eventually bring down the "Goliath" of the island to a place of true repentance and Christian testimony. If it is true that the "cloud of witnesses" is able to watch the events taking place on planet earth, I wonder if the former hula dancer and the pagan high priest are longing for us to take hold of the promises of God and see rough, sinful souls come to Christ.

Forlam not ashamed of the **gospel** of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. **ROMANS 1:16a** ily 2021



Central Dennslyvania Youth Convention January 27-31, 2021



We give God praise for His presence that was evident in an unforgettable way in the 2021 Youth Convention! In a year of adversity, we proved God faithful. God used the ministry of Harry Plank and others in a powerful way! Over 1,200 people attended this year's convention from 20 different states, but most importantly God came, many spiritual victories were won and young people were Anchored! To God be the glory! Thank you for being an important part of this year's convention! —Matt Maloyed MAKE PLANS to attend next year.

January 26-30, 2022

Main Speaker Steve Stetler



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W. P. Nicholson was once engaged in this conflict over the surrender of his will to God. He had been soundly converted after returning home from seven years at sea. As days passed, he became increasingly aware of spiritual difficulties. He had given up outward sin and knew that he was a child of God, but was beset with such carnal traits as malice, jealousy, envy, and particularly the fear of men. For nearly seven months he engaged in a conflict with his inner weakness and sin before he learned, through a Bible Conference, of the way of victory. He learned that the Holy Spirit could apply the blood of Jesus, to sanctify his heart, and maintain the life of holiness and victory within him.

After the conference Nicholson went out under the stars and made a complete consecration to God, inviting the Spirit to come and take complete control. The test of his sincerity was soon to come.

On the following Saturday night the Lord asked him to go out on the street where two young women officers of the Salvation Army were holding openair meetings. One young fellow, with very meager mind, but good grace, had joined them and carried the flag as they marched down the street. He wore a red jersey, on the back of which the women had written in large white letters, "Saved from public opinion."

Horrible fear and dread possessed Nicholson as he saw the corps with which the Lord was asking him to join himself. His friends would mock and laugh. He had pledged to mind God fully, however,

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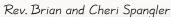
so he started out. It seemed that nearly all of his acquaintances were there as he drew near and stepped into the ring. When the little band knelt in the street to pray, he heard the laughter and taunts of the crowd. He was dying hard, but determined not to

let two young ladies and a half-wit display more courage than he did.

When they arose from prayer, the officer placed a tambourine in his hand asked him to lead the way to the barracks down the street. As he started there came a sudden realization that the bondage of fear was completely broken. He marched joyously along, wholly unmindful of the jeers of the multitude. Natural shyness was submerged in a mighty sense of freedom and courage. Something was lost there which he never wished to find again, and the joy and victory of the Holy Spirit's fullness was found, which he never wanted to lose. The Holy Spirit was given to a man who obeyed Him.

# Saved from public opinion





Minister of the Year 3

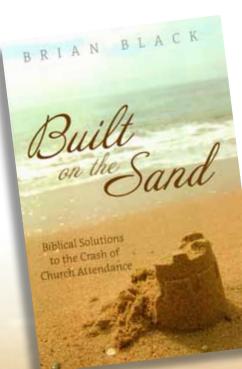
Rev. Brian Spangler, pastor of the God's Missionary Church at New Columbia, PA, was honored as the "Minister of the Year" during the GMC Minsterial.

Congratulations!



## Andrea Bliss Gray

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## Built on the Sand

Biblical Solutions to the Crash of Church Attendance

A new book by Dr. Brian Black, Built on the Sand: Biblical Solutions to the Crash of Church Attendance, was published in February 2021 by Wipf and Stock Publishers. This book provides a new and throughly researched analysis to the problem of church growth. Both sociological research and biblical evidence show that along with many of the principles of the church growth movement a strong emphasis upon biblical truth is a necessity. Accordingly, denominations which emphasize their beliefs and practices grow while those who compromise their core principles decline in attendance. While much of the book will focus upon the holiness movement to exemplify the difficulties faced by modern conservatives, the scope is broadened to include all evangelical groups. Similar factors which caused mainline churches to begin shrinking in the 1960s are now causing the decline of evangelical churches today; history is simply repeating itself. Evidence of evangelical decline is charted over the last several decades. The concepts in this book give insight to the problem by placing church growth in a proper sociological and scriptural framework.

The book is available from the publisher or brian.black@pvbi.edu.

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**Feb. 04-06:** I was involved in the rehearsal and wedding of Daniel and Roseanna Hubble. We believe both are going to continue to serve Christ and be a blessing to their church.

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**Feb. 08-13:** Pension board meeting. Administrative work for G.M.C. Ministerial and sermon preparation for speaking for Outreach Convention.

**Feb 15-17:** Camp Hebron, G.M.C. Ministerial. Rev. Keith Ledford did an outstanding job ministering the Word of God. He also shared many practical insights during our afternoon sessions.

Feb. 18-19: Sermon preparation for Sunday and travel notes.

Feb 21: Lancaster. God is using the Hartman family to minister to many children and families in their outreach ministries.

**Feb. 22:** Penns Creek, Kids Camp board meeting, and World Mission zoom board meeting. We appreciate their vision and commitment to God's work.

**Feb. 23-24:** PVBI school revival. Rev. Rick Maloyed preached on "We are made in God's image." He exhorted and encouraged all the young people to remember, "We are all valuable to God."

Feb. 25-27: Sermon prep for Sunday and Outreach Convention.

**Feb. 26:** It was a privilege to be at Rebersburg and Mt Road. We appreciated the good spirit in each of the churches and liberty to share God's Word.

**March 01-05:** UBC for Outreach and Bus Convention. I was honored to be the main speaker this year. We thank God for all the wonderful sessions to equip and encourage us to do God's work.

**March -07:** Blue Knob. We appreciated the great meal and fellowship with the McCartys after church.

Lewistown. It was wonderful to see Sis Donahey in God's house. Keep praying for her.

**March 08-13:** PVBI Board Meeting. The preachers and teachers played a basketball game against the high school boys. I had a Home Mission board meeting and a lot of administrative work this week. I also went to the Headquarters building to work.

**March 14:** Newport. I appreciated all the kind comments about the sermon. I have really enjoyed talking with people in the vestibules of each of our churches.

March 15: Sermon prep for my revival meeting in Ohio.

**March 16:** GMYC board meeting for final preparation for our youth camp. We believe God is going to save, encourage, and call young people to Bible school and into His work.

**March 17-22:** Era, Ohio for a revival meeting. Pastor Hunter and Pastor Bud did a good job inviting some new ones out to revival. We praise God for some new people out to the services.

**March 23-25:** Work at the Headquarters building and sermon preparation for our revival in Chambersburg.

**March 26-28:** Chambersburg revival. It was thrilling to see around 110 different children, youth, and adults come out on the Lord's day.

March 30: Sermon preparation for a Good Friday service.

**March 31:** Sunbury. Revival with Rev. Eric Kuhns. He preached a serious and challenging message: "To set your house in order."

April 01: General Board meeting. We appreciate their passion



and wisdom in directing our conference.

**April 02:** Penns Valley, Good Friday Communion Service. Rev. Josh Neidermyer shared about "The Roman Cross," Rev. Michael McMillan, "The Rustic Cross," Rev. Jacob Martin, "The Royal Cross," and many specials brought us into God's presence.

JACOB MARTIN

**April 03:** I went trout fishing in the morning and caught 3. When finished with fishing, I went to mow the lawn at the Headquarters building.

**April 04:** I went to visit Rev. Gerald Moore in the Lewisburg hospital. It was nice to talk to him on this Easter Sunday. There are better days ahead for the child of God.

**April 05-10:** New Mexico and Arizona, IHC convention. Host pastors Nathan Bryant and Stuart Wheeler did an excellent job hosting the convention. My co-workers, the Nathen Shockley family, also ministered effectively. I was blessed to see several friends who have moved out west come into the convention.

April 11: Berwick. It was exciting to preach to some new people in the service.

**April 12-16:** IHC in Gatlinburg, TN. God moved in some incredible ways; in the offerings, singing, and preaching. I was so blessed and encouraged by Bro. Miranda's final message.

**April 18:** Coopersburg. I appreciated how everyone seemed to give something in the offering, and then the usher bowed his head and gave a simple, quiet prayer over the plate.

New Columbia. It was nice to preach to a good Sunday night crowd. The song service and testimonies added a lot to the service.

April 19: General Board meeting. We opened election ballots, and I called each pastor with the results. I also mowed the Headquarters building today.

**April 20-21:** PVBI Founders Banquet. We appreciated the great giving, meal, and fellowship. It was a joy to have Bro. Phil Case and wife spend a couple nights. He drives the Hobe Sound College bus for their choir services. I also did administrative work and travel notes.



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#### 86th Annual Conference God's Missionary Church: Thursday and Friday, July 22 and 23

Prayer: Daily at 7:30 AM and 6:30 PM Penn View Bible Institute School Service:

### Sunday, July 25-2:30 PM God's Missionary Church **Ordination Service:**

Sunday, August 1, 2:30 PM Missions:

7:00 PM—weeknights Fort Myers Rescue Mission: Saturday, July 24, 7:00 PM Lebanon Valley Gospel Band: Sunday, August 1, 6:30 PM

### Welcome

Conference President Jacob Martin and the entire Camp Board welcomes you!

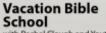
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### Youth Program:

A full schedule of youth activities is provided. Youth services are held July 26-31 at 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM in the Mountain Road Church under direction of Youth President Christian Claycomb. Youth Sunday School is at 9:15 AM. Minors without an adult chaperon must register in advance at:

www.godsmissionarychurch.org/pccyouth





with Rachel Clough and Youth Crusaders at 10:30 AM & 2:30 PM in Spitler Hall Monday-Friday, and both Saturday's (Sunday at 9:15 AM)



**RV Reservations:** Contact Phil Brenizer 717-606-5807

#### Accommodations:

Meals and rooms are available on a free-will offering basis. RV sites available at limited cost. Some rooms are available with air conditioning, all others are suitable for a small window air conditioning unit. For room reservations write:

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