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Church of God
of the
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Church Book

Dundee

Indiana



Dundee

Blackford Co.

Indiana

December 6<sup>th</sup> 1873.

We whose names are here annexed, having believed the things concerning the Kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, in order the more effectually to serve him, here by organizing ourselves into a body to be known as the Church of God. At Dundee, Blackford County, Indiana, and agree that we will assist each other in our several duties, by a mutual watch care, and by a Godly conversation, and an upright walk, acknowledging Gods word as our only rule of Faith and Practice.

The fore-going being unanimously adopted. We then selected the officers. The name of Bro. J. Roby was proposed being the choice of his Brethren, he was appointed Elder of the Church of God at Dundee. Bro. J. M. Trazier and J. M. Swain were appointed Deacons, of the same organization. This December 6<sup>th</sup> 1873. Dundee Indiana.

Names of members of Church of God

Nathaniel Roby  
Mary E. Roby  
J. M. Trazier  
Katie Trazier  
J. M. Swain  
Rebecca Swain  
John T. Brotherton  
Abie Brotherton



Ira Vernon.

Emily Vernon

Samuel Mincer December 6. 1873.

Elmira Mincer

George Mincer

February 5" 1874.

Samuel Griffith

Charlotte Griffith

March 14" 1875

Leander Bonham.

June 5" 1876.

John A. Griffith

Mary A. Griffith

Elizabeth Griffith

Nancy Griffith

Hester E. Mincer

November 1877.

Amanda Henderson.

December 30 1883.

Mary Griffith

Adeline Griffith

June 24 1888

Robert Frazier

Jacob Dunkhorn

Martha Griffith

January 1889

Frank Hard

Mary Hard

Minnie Roby

Cornie Roby

Frank Heller

Mary Heller

John Cochran

Jacob Balsley

Andrew McConkey

McVei 1893.

Clara McVei

Annie Gelfer April 10 1892.

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1888  
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Dundee Blackford Co.  
Indiana.  
February 10<sup>th</sup> 1874.

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The name of Bro. Nathaniel Roly & Thos. Swindle  
were appointed Elders of the Church of  
God at Dundee.

Brothers George Hodson & John. Vernon  
were appointed Deacons.

Bro. John. A. Griffith was Elected Sec'y  
Bro. J. W. Brotherton " " Treas





Names of members of Church of God.

- 1873. X Nathaniel Roby
- 1873. X Mary E. Robb
- 1873. X John Traasert
- Katie Traasert
- X John T. Brotherton
- X Abbie Brotherton
- Ira Vernon.
- Emily Vernon.
- Samuel Mincer
- X Samantha Mincer
- 1874-09 X Charlotte Griffith Samuel
- 1876 John A. Griffith
- X Mary A. Griffith
- X Elizabeth Cochran.
- X Nancy Schmidt
- 1877 Amanda Henderson.
- 1883. X Mary Smithgall
- X Robert Traasert
- 1888 X Martha Griffith
- 1889 Frank Hard
- X Mary Hard
- X Mentie Roby M.E.
- X Annie Roby Roll
- X Frank Heller 8
- X Mary Heller 9
- X Jacob Balsley 11
- X Andrew McCorkley 11
- 1893 M. R. McVeie
- Clara McVeie
- Amir Zeffler
- 1906 Noah Rix
- 1894 42 Alice Rix
- Eliza Yates
- X Thomas Swindler 12
- X Olive Swindler 13
- X John Vernon.
- X Almada Vernon.



x George Hodson 14

x Melvir Johnson III

x Mimit Haley

x Maggie Johnson IV

x Bell Griffith  
Ella Ketchum  
Robert Ketchum  
Eliza Ketchum

x Sarah Swindler

March 15 1877 x Ada Griffith -

x Ora Brubaker - 16

February x Ward W. Roll VI

25-1878 x Clint Brotherton 16

x Claud Swindler 17

Bert Swindler

Russell Swindler

Jan 17 1902 x Arthur M. Kelley M.C.

x Effa Mullen Hoken

Jan 19 Muller  
Muller

Jan 23 x Nellie Kiley

x Lida Woodard 18

Jan 26 x Laura Henderson

x Missie Swindler 19

x Maggie Griffith 20

Jan 29 x Levia Lerman

x Ella Lerman

x Ethel Johnson Schmidt U.S.

Nov 13 1907 x Clara Byall Swi - Advent

x Perla Schmidt 23

x Gracie Schmidt 24

Nov 14 x Maggie Johnson 25

x Ora Johnson 26

x Mable Schmidt 27

x Marion Riehy 28

Feb 8 1909 x Adda Cochran World VII



|                |                         |              |
|----------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| June 9-10      | John G. Swindler        | 29           |
| " " "          | Bertha Swindler         | 30           |
| " " "          | Ellen Balsley           | 31           |
| " " "          | Sylvia Balsley          | 32           |
|                | in Cochran              | 33           |
| Mar. 3, 1912.  | Cantwell Drabenstott.   | 34.          |
| June 14, 1914  | Rebecca Hodson          | July 25 1918 |
| Sept. 21, 1914 | Edward N. P.            |              |
| Apr 25, 1915   | J. V. Griffith          |              |
| " " "          | Clarence Griffith       |              |
| " " "          | Mrs. " Griffith         |              |
| " " "          | Lottie Griffith         |              |
| May 23 '15     | Clifford Griffith       |              |
| " " "          | Mrs. Bertrude Griffith. |              |
| aug 12 '17.    | Ivoton Ely              |              |
| " " "          | Louraine Ely            |              |
| " " "          | Lewis Furnish           |              |
| " " "          | Mercy Trolle.           |              |
| April 17 1918  | Vaughn Long.            |              |
| May 22 1918    | Clayton Long            |              |
| July 14 1918   | W.M. Long.              |              |
| June 25 1926   | Mary Swindler           |              |
| June 17, 1927  | Alene Griffith          |              |
| Aug 29 1928    | Furr                    |              |



## Funds for Evangelist Work

Oct 14 - 1900

|                        |                    |           |
|------------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| Alvah Casterline       | 15 1/2 for Mo Pain | \$ 2.00   |
| R. A. Trazier          | 8 1/3 " " "        | Paid 1.00 |
| Mrs Arthur M. Kelley   | 8 1/3 " " "        | Paid 1.00 |
| Lizzie L. Wickham      | 8 1/3 " " "        | Paid 1.00 |
| Mollie A. Griffith     | 8 1/3 " " "        | Paid 1.00 |
| Charlotte Bennett      | 8 1/3 " " "        | Paid 1.00 |
| G. F. Wells            | 7 1/2 " " "        | Paid 1.00 |
| Mary C. Jones          | 8 1/3 " " "        | Paid 1.00 |
| W. W. Roll             | 15 " " "           | Paid 1.50 |
| Anna Roll              | 10 " " "           | Paid 1.20 |
| Jacob Balesley         |                    | Paid .25  |
| Ollie Swindler         |                    | Paid .50  |
| T. R. Swindler         |                    | Paid .50  |
| Ora Ely                | 10 " " "           | Paid 1.20 |
| J. T. Brotherton       | 20 00 " " "        | Paid 2.50 |
| Mrs J. T. Brotherton   | 10 00 " " "        | Paid 1.20 |
| Mr & Mrs Nathan Kelley | 25 00 " " "        | Paid 3.00 |
|                        | Total              | 21.15     |

Forward to Ezra Bunker  
 Nov 12 - 1900 Plymouth Church

Oct 14 - 1900 - Mrs. Minnie Kelley was  
 Elected Secretary to fill vacancy of office  
 for the Church of God





We the Undersigned agree to pay  
 the amount set opposite our names  
 to the Church of God Roll Indiana  
 for the services of A. W. Zinner for  
 One year once a month beginning  
 February 1901 to February 1902  
 With privilege of paying per  
 month or in advance  
 Mas Arthur M Kelley Sec.  
 J. T. Brothers Treas.

|                              |         |
|------------------------------|---------|
| H. W. Zinner                 | 10.00   |
| Nathan Roby                  | 36.00   |
| Mary B. [unclear]            | 12.00   |
| Art Roby                     | 3.00    |
| John [unclear]               | 10.00   |
| J. R. [unclear] Paid in full | 2.00    |
| J. C. Balesley               | 6.00    |
| [unclear]                    | 6.00    |
| Marion Griffith              | 3.00    |
| L. H. Wells                  | \$12.00 |
| S. W. [unclear]              | 3.00    |
| [unclear]                    | 6.00    |
| Jeri S. Franier              | 3.00    |
| Charollie Griffith           | 8.00    |
| William Franier              | 20.00   |
| H. C. Templeton Paid in full | 5.00    |



March 1 1902.

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We the under signed agree to pay  
 the amount set opposite our names  
 to the Church of Reed Hill, Indiana  
 for the services of W. H. Jilgor for  
 one year "once a month" beginning  
 April 1902 to April 1903.  
 With privilege of paying per month  
 or in advance.

Wm Arthur M. Kelley Sec.

|                |                 |         |
|----------------|-----------------|---------|
| Katie Frazier  | Paid            | 3.00    |
| C. H. Kelley   |                 | \$12.00 |
| J. C. Cathey   |                 | 3.00    |
| Geo. Hodson    |                 | 6.00    |
| G. B. Swindler |                 | 3.00    |
| W. Smith       |                 | 12.00   |
| John Miller    |                 | 6.00    |
| Arthur Robey   |                 | 3.00    |
| Elias Vernon   |                 | 5.00    |
| Leslie Vernon  |                 | 5.00    |
| Alda Woodard   |                 | 5.00    |
| Lizzie Frazier |                 | 5.00    |
| Robert Frazier |                 | 9.00    |
| Joseph Oshheit | Paid in advance | 3.00    |
| A. M. Kelley   |                 | 1.00    |
| H. G. Triplett |                 | 10.00   |
| S. W. Griffith |                 | 5.00    |
| J. B. ...      |                 | 10.00   |
| Wm. Robey      |                 | 42.00   |
| Mary O. Robey  |                 | 42.00   |
| Charles ...    |                 | 12.00   |
| Harold ...     |                 | 8.00    |



Church Of God  
 Evangelist Funds for 1903

We the undersigned agree to pay the amount of \$1100.00 in installments for the year 1903 of the list, made to the

To be paid in quarterly payments to be paid

|                |          |      |
|----------------|----------|------|
| Second payment | March 31 | 1100 |
| Third payment  | June 30  | 1100 |
| Fourth payment | Sept 1   | 1100 |
|                | Dec 1    | 1100 |

Wm Arthur M. Keby Secy

|    |                |      |    |    |
|----|----------------|------|----|----|
| 70 |                |      |    |    |
|    | paid           |      |    |    |
|    | mar June Sept  |      | 20 | 00 |
|    | 1.25 1.25 1.25 | 1.15 | 5  | 00 |
|    | Jan            |      |    |    |
|    | paid           |      | 25 | 00 |
|    | March June     |      |    |    |
|    | 25 25          |      |    |    |
|    | paid           |      | 1  | 00 |
|    | mar 25         |      |    |    |
|    | paid           |      | 2  | 00 |
|    | 50 50          |      |    |    |
|    | paid           |      | 2  | 00 |
|    | 1.00 1.00      |      |    |    |
|    | paid           |      | 1  | 00 |
|    | 1.50 1.50      |      |    |    |
|    | paid           |      | 3  | 00 |
|    | 2.00           |      |    |    |
|    | paid           |      | 4  | 00 |
|    | 1.25 1.25      |      |    |    |
|    | paid           |      | 5  | 00 |
|    | 2.50 2.50      |      |    |    |
|    | paid           |      | 10 | 00 |

42  
 33.00



230 P.M. Church of God

Business Meeting Jan 21-1903

Chairman Bro G. R. Dwindler  
Secretary Mrs Minnie Kelley

It was moved & second that we take business separate as follows

Donations. Toward Chairs.

|              |       |              |
|--------------|-------|--------------|
| A. M. Kelley | Total | \$ 9.00      |
| Arthur Robey | "     | 7.00         |
| Nathan Robey | "     | 1.50         |
| Ward Pol     | "     | 6.00         |
|              |       | <u>23.50</u> |

Chairs

|                    |               |
|--------------------|---------------|
| A.M. Kelley Debter | 216.09        |
| Freight            | 9.79          |
|                    | <u>225.88</u> |

Chairs Sold

|                    |           |               |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|
| Nathan Robey       | 41 Chairs | 71.75         |
| J. L. Brothers etc | 21 "      | 36.75         |
| A.M. Kelley        | 61        | 106.70        |
|                    |           | <u>215.20</u> |

Feed fragment sold seat

|                    |             |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Nathan Robey       | 2.00        |
| Arthur Kelley      | 5.00        |
| J. L. Brothers etc | 2.00        |
|                    | <u>9.00</u> |

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Jan 21, 1903

Repair of Church

Donations

|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Nathan Robey                   | \$9.50       |
| F. M. Muller                   | 8.00         |
| Mary E. Robey velvet for stand | .75          |
| Ward Poll work on windows      | 4.00         |
| J. T. Brotherton               | 9.00         |
| A. M. Kelley                   | .50          |
|                                | <u>31.75</u> |

Expence paid out

|                    |               |
|--------------------|---------------|
| J. T. Brotherton   | 74.08         |
| Nathan Robey       | 49.01         |
| A. M. Kelley       | 4.05          |
|                    | <u>127.14</u> |
| Money Recd         |               |
| A. M. Kelley       | 6.00          |
| Charlotte Griffith | 1.50          |
| Nathan Robey       | 16.00         |
| Frank Weller       | 3.00          |
|                    | <u>26.50</u>  |

Arthur M. Kelley was nominated  
 & Elected Trustee to act with  
 J. T. Brotherton &  
 Nathan Robey

Closed at 4.30 P. M.

Chairman T. P. Duridley  
 Secretary Minnie L. Kelley



Business Meeting call to order  
at 8 o'clock Saturday evening  
Apr 15 - 1905 -

Ellis Vernon Elected Chairman  
Minnie Kelley Secretary  
Expenses for Wood-house paid out  
by Nathan Robey.  
Paid to Mercer Lumber Company for  
Pine Lumber

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| C. M. Morgan Rough Lumber         | 5.50        |
| Nails, Hinges, Lock, Hooks & cts. | <u>2.70</u> |
| Total                             | 28.20       |

|                                 |                |
|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Money Collected by A. M. Kelley |                |
| Jac Balsley                     | \$3.00         |
| Hans Byak                       | 3.00           |
| Sam Griffith                    | 5.00           |
| J. P. Brotherton                | 5.00           |
| A. M. Kelley                    | 3.00           |
| Nathan Robey                    | 5.00           |
| John Weller                     | .50            |
| Frank Weller                    | 2.00           |
| Michael Johnson                 | .75            |
| Willard Griffith                | 5.00           |
| Joe Helmeett                    | .25            |
| Arthur Robey                    | 2.00           |
|                                 | <u>\$34.50</u> |
|                                 | <u>28.20</u>   |

It was moved & second that balance of 6.30  
be left in treasure for future expenses

Receipt presented by A. M. Kelley from  
Nathan Robey of \$28.20

Nathan Robey Paid out for Window glass \$10.16

& Remains unsettled.

Window glass settled in full

It was motioned to have the minutes read at  
next regular meeting Saturday evening.

Ellis Vernon Chairman  
Minnie Kelley Secretary



Amount collected in Winder

|                  |         |
|------------------|---------|
| Henry Gembleton  | \$ 2.00 |
| Frank Miller     | .50     |
| Nathan Robey     | 1.00    |
| Jac Bailey       | .50     |
| J. P. Brotherton | 1.00    |
| Adam Schmidt     | .50     |
| Mary Ann Vernon  | .50     |
| Jac Bailey       | .50     |
| Frank Miller     | .50     |
| J. P. Brotherton | 1.00    |
| Nathan Robey     | 1.66    |
| Ellis Vernon     | .50     |

Amount collected & paid 10.16

Akronian  
Minnie R. Sec

Dec 9 - 1905 - Paid for paint 2.33

Dec - 1906 - Paid for wood 3.00  
to Ellis Center

July 18  
Exp. ... Glass 197



We the undersigned agree to pay the amount set opposite our names, to the Church of God, Gilead, Indiana for the services of A. H. Gilmer for one year, once a month beginning Aug 1903 to Aug 1904, with privilege of paying per month or in advance.

1.00  
2.00  
.50  
.50  
4.00

1 Mrs Arthur M. Kelly Sec.

A. M. Kelley  
 Geo H. Miller  
 Samuel Griffith  
 W. M. Kelly  
 J. B. [unclear]  
 H. C. Templeton  
 Jake Gausley  
 John Byall  
 Elizabeth P. [unclear]  
 [unclear]  
 Adam Schmidt  
 Ed Swindler  
 [unclear]

15.00  
 \$12.00  
 10.00  
 40.00  
 15.00  
 5.00  
 6.00  
 6.00  
 1.00  
 1.00  
 10.00  
 12.00  
 0.00





We the undersigned agree  
 to pay the amount set  
 opposite our names  
 To the Church of God Roll-  
 Indiana for the services of  
 A. H. Filmer for One Year  
 Once a month, beginning January  
 1905 to January 1906  
 With privilege of paying per  
 month or in advance  
 Mrs Arthur M. Kelley Sec

|                  |    |    |
|------------------|----|----|
| Arthur M. Kelley | 15 | 00 |
| John Bursley     | 6  | 00 |
| Edam Schmidt     | 10 | 00 |
| Sam Griffith     | 10 | 00 |
| Francis White    | 4  | 00 |
| Kane Wynn        | 6  | 00 |
| George Madson    | 12 | 00 |
| Mary Ann Vernon  | 6  | 00 |
| Relig. Vernon    | 6  | 00 |
| J. H. Swindler   | 12 | 00 |
| Mary Abby        | 6  | 00 |
| H. H. Abby       | 42 | 00 |
| Chas. Wolf       | 3  | 00 |
| Frank Sellers    | 12 | 00 |

J. F. Brotherton

150 00  
 75 00  
 225 00



We the undersigned agree to pay  
 the amount set opposite our  
 names to the Church of God  
 Roll, Ind. for the service of  
 A. H. Zilmer for one year once a  
 month beginning January 1906  
 to January 1907 with privilege of  
 paying per month or in advance  
 Mrs Arthur M. Kelley Sec.

|                    |     |    |
|--------------------|-----|----|
| A. M. Robey        | 42  | 00 |
| John Bausley       | 6   | 00 |
| John Keller        | 6   | 00 |
| Wm. H. Miller      | 5   | 00 |
| G. R. Smallen      | 10  | 00 |
| Arthur A. Robey    | 3   | 00 |
| G. H. W. Kelley    | 112 | 00 |
| Mrs Ethel Johnson  | 83  | 00 |
| Edw. H. Johnson    | 6   | 00 |
| A. M. Kelley       | 5   | 00 |
| Mrs. S. D. Dindler | 5   | 00 |
| Charlotte Griffith | 10  | 00 |
| Mollie Lammie      | 6   | 00 |
| Mary E. Robey      | 6   | 00 |
| Udelle Schudick    | 10  | 00 |

181 00  
 182 00



Business meeting was called to order Jan 4, 1910 7:30 o'clock  
Bro J. R. Swindler Chairman  
Paul M. Schmidt Secy.

Moved that Bro. Vernon be elected as trustee for one year the same being elected.

Moved that Bro. [unclear] be elected as trustee for two years the same being elected.

Fraser was elected for three years.

Moved that Bro. Swindler be elected as first elder the same being elected.

Moved that Bro. Hyde be elected as second elder the same being elected.

Moved that Bro. [unclear] be elected as deacon the same being elected.

Moved that Bro. Swindler be elected as deacon. The same being elected.

Robert Fraser was elected as Secretary.

John B. Burton was elected as Treasury.

J. R. Swindler Chairman  
Paul M. Schmidt Secy.



Business Meeting called was  
called to Order Jan 3 - 1907

Bro P. R. Swindle Chairman

Minnie Kelley Secretary

Moved & seconded that same trustee  
be relected the same being Nathan Robey  
John P. Brotherton Arthur M. Kelley

Moved & seconded that Elders be  
relected the same being Nathan Robey  
Thomas R. Swindle

Moved & seconded that same deacons  
be relected the same being Geo Hodson  
John Jordan. Moved & seconded that  
Marion Richey - wife of same act  
as deacon. The same being elected

Moved & seconded that same  
act as Secretary the same being  
elected

Moved & seconded that Mrs Mary Robey  
be appointed to collect Hallel  
Character the same being elected

Moved & seconded that Geo Hodson  
act as Treasure same being elected

Church debt \$2,03 - 75 = \$1,28

Church debt \$128

Name of same with

Mrs A - Brotherton

25 - unpaid

30 - unpaid paid

Chairman Thomas R. Swindle  
Sec - Minnie Kelley





Church of God.

The following amount was paid to Bro. Beard for services Jan. 28 to Feb. 8, 1904.

|                     |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Mr. & Mrs. Vernon   | \$ 7.00         |
| H. M. Robey         | 3.00            |
| Arthur Kelly        | 7.50            |
| J. J. Brotherton    | 5.00            |
| Mr. & Mrs. Frazer   | 7.00            |
| Mrs. Schmidt        | 7.00            |
| Mabel Schmidt       | .50             |
| Clara Byall         | 1.00            |
| Mr. W. B. Wall      | 7.00            |
| Mrs. H. M. Robey    | .50             |
| Mr. D. F. Weller    | 1.00            |
| Samuel Griffith     | 7.00            |
| Mr. J. R. Swindler  | 1.00            |
| Mrs. J. R. Swindler | 7.00            |
| Mr. Lemuel Johnson  | .50             |
| Mr. Jake Balsey     | .50             |
| Mr. Geo. Hodson     | 2.00            |
| Arthur Robey        | 7.00            |
| Charlotte Griffith  | 7.00            |
| Willard Griffith    | .50             |
| Edw. Swindler       | .50             |
| Mrs. Jake Balsey    | .25             |
| Clifford Griffith   | .50             |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>\$ 26.25</b> |

\$25.00 amount paid to the preacher leaving \$1.25.

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Mrs. Helmick's wages were | \$2.50      |
| H. M. Robey               | .50         |
| J. J. Brotherton          | .50         |
| Arthur Kelly              | .50         |
| Jake Balsey               | .25         |
| <b>Total</b>              | <b>1.75</b> |
| From above                | .75         |

\$1.50 Left in Treasury }  
 carried over }  
 2.00 paid to Mrs. Helmick }  
 Pearl Schmidt Sec. }  
 Geo. Hodson Treasury }



## The Church of God

The following amount was paid to Bro. Wagner  
for services on May 27-30, 1911.

|                    |               |
|--------------------|---------------|
| W. M. Raby         | \$ 1.00       |
| Walter Bennett     | .25           |
| Wm. Mackey Bennett | .50           |
| Mr. & Mrs. Vernon  | 1.00          |
| J. R. Swinler      | 1.00          |
| J. T. Bratcher     | 5.00          |
| Mr. & Mrs. Frank   | 1.00          |
| Magge Bennett      | .25           |
| Arthur Raby        | .50           |
| Mrs. Mary C. Raby  | .50           |
| Geo. Kesson        | 1.50          |
| Mr. Beall          | .50           |
| Wm. Samuel Bennett | 1.00          |
| Wm. Arthur Beall   | .75           |
| Mr. Buckley        | .50           |
| Frank Waver        | .50           |
|                    | Total \$15.75 |

\$15.00 was paid to Bro. Wagner for expenses of the house.

The following amount was paid to Bro. Wagner  
for services on June 20-22, 1911.

|                    |               |
|--------------------|---------------|
| J. T. Bratcher     | \$ 6.00       |
| Mr. & Mrs. Vernon  | 1.00          |
| J. R. Swinler      | 1.25          |
| Frank Waver        | .50           |
| Mr. Beall          | .50           |
| Arthur Raby        | 1.00          |
| Mr. & Mrs. Vernon  | .50           |
| Mrs. Nancy Bennett | .50           |
| Walter Bennett     | .25           |
| Geo. Kesson        | 2.00          |
| Arthur Beall       | .75           |
|                    | Total \$14.25 |

\$17.25 + 5.00 from the treasury makes the required amount  
of \$22.25

The Senator being paid in full.



We the Undersigned agree to pay the amount set opposite of name to the Church Of God Roll Fund for the Services of some preacher for the Month of May 1907.

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Nathan Robey              | \$ 3.00 Pd. |
| A. M. Kelley              | 1.25 Pd     |
| Mary E. Robey             | .50 Pd.     |
| Geor Hodson               | 2.00 Pd     |
| Mary & Elias Vernon       | 1.00 pd     |
| Mr. J. R. Swindler        | 1.00 Pd     |
| Elizabeth & Robert Frazer | 1.00 Pd     |
| Mr. Marion Richey         | 1.00 Pd     |
| Mr. Frank Walker          | 1.00 Pd     |
| Mr. Adam Schmidt          | 1.00 Pd     |
| Mable Schmidt             | .50 Pd      |
| Mr. By all                | 1.00 Pd     |
| Willard Griffith          | .50 Pd      |
| Charles Griffith          | .50 Pd      |
| Arthur Robey              | .75 Pd      |
| Ed Swindler               | .25 Pd      |
| Mr. Walter Rutliff        | .50 Pd      |
| Mrs. Samuel Smith         | 1.00        |
| Mr. Jake Bailey           | .50 Pd      |
| Mr. Melvin Johnson        | .50 Pd      |
| Maudie Borden             | 1.00 Pd     |
| J. J. Brotherton          | 6.10 Pd     |

Total amt. Pd. \$25.35.

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| J. J. Brotherton | .50 |
| Robert Frazer    | .25 |
| J. R. Swindler   | .20 |
| Mary E. Robey    | .05 |

Total amt. 1.00 paid to Mrs. Helmet for janitor work

The \$25.35 was paid to Mr. L. E. Gonsler for the services from May 3-6, 1907.



## The Church of God.

July 24-25, 1909. The following persons payed the amount set aside their name for the services of Bro. Williams.

|                        |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Mr. & Mrs. V. W. ...   | \$ 1.00     |
| Mr. & Mrs. Frazer      | .50         |
| Frank Waler            | .50         |
| J. K. Swinner          | 1.00        |
| L. J. Brewerton        | 6.00        |
| Eura Dwyell            | .50         |
| Jake Pileary           | .50         |
| H. M. Koby             | 2.00        |
| Arthur Koby            | .50         |
| Mrs. Nancy Schmidt     | 1.00        |
| Arthur Koby            | 1.00        |
| Maggie Griffith        | .50         |
| Mrs. S. D. Kirkpatrick | 1.00        |
| Grace & Matt Schmidt   | .50         |
| Geo. Hodson            | <u>1.00</u> |

Total \$17.50

\$16.75 payed to Bro. Williams, leaving \$0.75

Wm. Koby payed \$2.50 for Sanator fee

.75 + .25 = \$1.00 in Treasury.

Sanator fee .50 being payed by \$1.50 in Treasury.





We the undersigned agree to pay the amount set opposite our names to the Church of God, Hill, Ind., for the services of Joseph Williams for one year, one month, beginning Aug. 1897, Aug. 1900 with privilege of having an advance on per month.

|                                       | Rev. W. S. Grier Sec. |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| J. J. Bortner                         | \$ 60.00              |
| Chas. G. Kirkpatrick                  | 26.00                 |
| Mrs. J. J. ...                        | 2.00                  |
| Thos. Luffin                          | 6.00                  |
| Mrs. B. A. ...                        | 3.00                  |
| R. A. ...                             | 3.00                  |
| Adeline ...                           | 11.00                 |
| Mrs. Charlott Griffith                | 6.00                  |
| Mrs. Mary E. Hooper                   | 5.00                  |
| Miss Mabel M. Schmidt                 | 3.00                  |
| Miss Grace H. Schmidt                 | 3.00                  |
| A. W. ...                             | 10.00                 |
| Arthur A. Robey                       | 5.00                  |
| Arthur Kelley                         | 12.00                 |
| Mr & Mrs Vernon                       | 12.00                 |
| J. R. Swindler                        | 12.00                 |
| C. E. ...                             | 3.00                  |
| M. M. Richey                          | 5.00                  |
| Frank Waller                          | 6.00                  |
| Geo. D. ...                           | 16.00                 |
| Nancy Schmidt                         | 6.00                  |
| Chas. Byall                           | 6.00                  |
| Miss Maggie ...                       | 1.00                  |
| Geo. ...                              | 1.00                  |
| Lecture Course donated (To be 10) Pd. | 95.00                 |



|                         | Aug 21 - 22 <sup>1907</sup> | Sept 23-26 09  | Radm. Sch        |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| J. J. Bro. Entol.       | 8.41.                       | \$5.00         | \$5.00           |
| Mrs J. G. Karpitsch     |                             |                | 1.00             |
| Mrs. Clara Griffith     | .25                         | .25            |                  |
| Mrs. Maggie Griffith    |                             | 1.00           |                  |
| Mr. & Mrs. Ira Frasier  | .50                         | .50            | .50              |
| Ada Cochran             |                             | .25            |                  |
| Mrs. Charlotte Griffith |                             |                | Willard Griffith |
| Mrs. Mary E. Roby       | .30                         | .50            | .50              |
| Grace Schmidt           | .25                         | .25            | .25              |
| Mattie Schmidt          | .25                         | .25            | .25              |
| W. M. Roby              | 2.00                        | 2.00           |                  |
| Arthur Roby             |                             | 1.00           | 1.00             |
| Arthur Keller           | 1.00                        | 1.00           | 1.00             |
| Mr & Mrs. W. W. Wason   | 1.00                        | 1.00           | 1.00             |
| F. F. Swindler          | 1.00                        | 1.00           | 1.00             |
| G. E. Swindler          |                             |                |                  |
| M. M. Richey            | .50                         | .50            | .50              |
| Frank Walker            |                             | .50            |                  |
| Geo. Hodson             |                             | 3.00           | 1.50             |
| Nancy Schmidt           | .50                         | .50            | .50              |
| Clara Byal              | .50                         | .50            | .50              |
| Maggie & Ora Johnson    |                             | Orn .50        |                  |
| Mr. Jake Salsley        | .50                         | .50            |                  |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>\$17.16</b>              | <b>\$20.00</b> | <b>\$14.50</b>   |

6.66 payed to Bro Willey .50 & Mrs. Hodson

\$50 carried over.

\$17.00 payed to Bro J. Williams .50 cts to Mrs. Aldret. leaving \$2.50 + .50 = \$3.00 in Treas.

+ \$3.00 in Treas = \$17.50  
\$16.20 was paid to Bro Williams  
\$1.30 Mrs. Aldret leaving 75 cts

Oct. 23-24 '09







Summary of preceding pages, as the account stands concerning the subscription stands, which was pledged after to Bro Joseph H Williams from Aug on acct 1909 to August 1910.

| amt paid after on acct | 1909 | to August 1910 | Unit Sub.              | Unit Pd. | paid Unit over | Unit due     |                    |
|------------------------|------|----------------|------------------------|----------|----------------|--------------|--------------------|
|                        |      |                | \$60.                  | \$67.41  | \$7.41         |              |                    |
|                        |      |                | J J Brotherton         | \$6.     | \$2.00         |              | \$4.00             |
|                        |      |                | Mrs J C Rishpatrick    | \$2.     | 50             |              | \$1.50             |
|                        |      |                | Mrs Clara Griffith     | \$6.     | \$6.00         |              |                    |
|                        |      |                | Mrs Maggie Griffith    | \$6.     | \$7.75         | \$1.75       |                    |
|                        |      |                | Mr & Mrs R A Frazier   | \$1.     | \$1.           |              |                    |
|                        |      |                | Adda Cochran           | \$6      | \$1. by R.W.   |              | \$5.00             |
|                        |      |                | Mrs Charlotte Griffith | \$5      | \$7.50         |              | \$3.50             |
|                        |      |                | Mrs Mary E Robey       | \$3.     | \$2.75         |              | .25 pd             |
|                        |      |                | Grace Schmidt          | \$3.     | \$2.75         |              | .25 pd             |
|                        |      |                | Mabel Schmidt          | \$20.00  | \$4.00         |              | \$16.00            |
|                        |      |                | N M Robey              | \$5.00   | \$2.00         | nov 5. 1911. | \$3.00 pd          |
|                        |      |                | Arthur Robey           | \$12.00  | \$3.00         |              | \$9.00             |
| \$2.50                 |      |                | Mr & Mrs E T Vernon    | \$12.00  | \$12.00        |              |                    |
|                        |      |                | J R Swindler           | \$12.00  | \$12.00        |              |                    |
|                        |      |                | G. E. Swindler         | \$3.00   | \$ .50         |              | Paid 1-3-11 \$2.50 |
| 50                     |      |                | M M Richey             | \$5.00   | \$5.00         |              |                    |
|                        |      |                | Frank Weller           | \$6.00   | \$1.00         |              | \$5.00             |
|                        |      |                | George Hodson          | \$18.00  | \$17.50        | \$1.50       |                    |
|                        |      |                | Nancy Schmidt          | \$6.00   | \$5.50         |              | .50 -              |
| 50                     |      |                | Clara Byall            | \$6.00   | \$6.00         |              |                    |
|                        |      |                | Maggie Johnson         | \$1.00   | \$1.00         |              |                    |
|                        |      |                | Bra Johnson            | \$1.00   | \$1.00         |              |                    |
|                        |      |                | Pearl Schmidt          |          | \$1.00         |              |                    |
|                        |      |                | Jake Balsley           |          | \$2.00         |              |                    |
|                        |      |                | W Richardson           |          | \$1.00         |              |                    |
|                        |      |                | Lecture Course         |          | \$5.00         |              |                    |





June 6, 7, 8, 9 - 1910.

The services of L. E. Connor bore fruit  
and the following persons were received  
into the church.

John C Swindler, Bertia Swindler  
Ellen Balsey, Sylvia Balsey.

The following persons contributed to the  
expense of the meeting.

|                  |                |
|------------------|----------------|
| Martha E. Vernon | \$1.00         |
| " " R. A. Frazer | 1.00           |
| Frank Weller     | 50             |
| George Hodson    | 2.00           |
| Maggie " " "     | 1.00           |
| Lucie Swindler   | 50             |
| J. Brotherton    | 5.00           |
| Nancy Schmidt    | 50             |
| Walter Byall     | 1.00           |
| Jacob Balsey     | 1.50           |
| Mabel Schmidt    | 25             |
| T. R. Swindler   | 1.00           |
| Samuel Connor    | 50             |
| John Connor      | 1.00           |
| Mert Connor      | 50             |
|                  | <u>\$17.25</u> |

|                                |      |
|--------------------------------|------|
| Paid direct to L. E. Connor by |      |
| Virgie Pichey                  | 1.00 |
| Martha Dickpatrick             | 1.00 |
| Prof. C. Kirkpatrick           | 1.00 |



The following Table shows the amt and by whom paid and for whose services for last part of the year of 1910 commencing with Aug.

|                    | August         | Sept | Oct  | November |
|--------------------|----------------|------|------|----------|
| J T Brotherton     | \$5.00         | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00     |
| George Hodson      | 1.50           | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00     |
| E F M A Vernon     | 1.00           | 50   | 50   |          |
| Jake Edden Balsley | .75            |      | .75  |          |
| Clara Byall        | .50            |      | 50   | .50      |
| T R Swindler       | 1.00           |      | 1.00 | \$1.00   |
| R A Frazier        | .50            | 50   | 50   | .50      |
| M. M. Richey       | .50            | 50   | 50   | .50      |
|                    | <u>\$10.75</u> |      |      |          |
| Claude Swindler    |                |      | 25   |          |
| Nancy Schmidt      |                |      |      | .50      |
| Bertha Swindler    |                |      |      |          |

Three removers by J. E. Navarra for one August 27, for 28th 1910.

There were a number of removers as to conveyance from Hartford Ct, Bro. Wagoner removed to his home and money was sent by Wagoner.

Two removers by Joseph W. Williams on November 26, 27, 1910.

August: \$10.75  
 Sept: \$10.50  
 Oct: \$10.50  
 November: \$10.50







This record shows the amount, and by whom paid for the service of L. E. Conner, for March 20<sup>th</sup> 1911.

|                                  |      |     |
|----------------------------------|------|-----|
| J. J. Brotherton                 | 1.00 | cts |
| Jacob Pulsley                    | .50  | "   |
| Clinton Brotherton               | 1.00 | "   |
| Samuel Griffith                  | .50  | "   |
| Geo. Nelson                      | 1.00 | "   |
| Ura E. Johnson                   | .50  | "   |
| Marion Richey                    | .25  | "   |
| Walter Hatfield                  | .25  | "   |
| J. R. Swinbler                   | .25  | "   |
| Claude Swinbler                  | .25  | "   |
| John Swinbler                    | .50  | "   |
| Mr. Stewart                      | .10  | "   |
| Edgar Schmidt                    | 1.00 | "   |
| Frank Heller                     | .25  | "   |
| W. B. Johnson                    | .50  | "   |
| Total                            | 7.65 | "   |
| Janitor fee                      | .25  | "   |
| Leaving for L. E. Conner service | 7.40 | "   |

W. B. Johnson, Secy.  
J. J. Brotherton, Treas.









|                    |                |                |                |                      |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|
| Frank Weller       |                |                | \$ .50         | \$25                 |
| Jake Balsley       |                |                | \$ 1.00        |                      |
| Mr. Vernon         |                |                | \$ .50         |                      |
| J. R. Swindler     |                |                | \$3.00         | \$1.00               |
| J. J. Brotherton   | \$10.00        | 7.08           | \$11.66        | \$10.00              |
| George Hodson      | \$ 2.25        | \$ 7.50        |                | \$ 8.40              |
| Walter Rathliff    | \$ 1.00        |                | \$ 2.00        | \$1.00               |
| Mrs. Nancy Schmidt | \$ 1.00        | \$ 1.00        | .50            | \$ .50               |
| Miss Peggy Simson  | \$ .50         |                |                |                      |
| Pearl W. Schmidt   | \$ .25         | \$ .50         |                |                      |
| Centwell Drakehoff | \$ .50         | \$ .50         |                | \$ .50               |
| Earnest Drakehoff  | \$ .50         |                | \$ 1.00        | \$ .50               |
| Mrs. Clara Smith   | \$ .50         |                | 51.50          |                      |
| Adam Schmidt       | \$ 1.00        |                |                |                      |
| Robert Frasier     |                | \$ 2.00        | \$ 3.00        |                      |
| Marion Kichey      |                | \$ .50         | .50            | \$ .50               |
| Miss Ora Sandson   |                | \$ .50         |                |                      |
| Miss Mabel Schmidt |                | \$ .25         |                |                      |
| John Weller        |                | \$ .50         |                |                      |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>\$17.50</b> | <b>\$16.83</b> | <b>\$17.16</b> | <b>total \$23.45</b> |

Mr. Byall  
 O. Swindler  
 Andrew McConkey  
 Mrs. Robey  
 Mrs. Kirkpatrick

\$17.00 was paid to Geo. W. Williams for three  
 payments Jan. 6-7, 1912.  
 250 cents was paid to Mrs. Williams for same in inst.

\$16.83 was paid to Geo. W. Williams Feb. 3-4, 1912  
 \$1.00 was paid to Mrs. Kirkpatrick

\$16.66 was paid to Geo. W. Williams Mar. 3-1912  
 \$1.50 was paid to Mrs. Swindler

Ben. Drakehoff (D.C.) total \$1.00 paid to Mrs. Drakehoff for lunch with work  
 Ben. Drakehoff \$1.00 total \$1.00 paid to Mrs. Drakehoff for lunch with work

\$23.45 was paid to Geo. W. Williams April 18 to 21, 1912.

\$10.50  
 \$1.00 was paid to Mrs. Williams for Jan. 1912



| June | July  | Nov   | Dec.  |
|------|-------|-------|-------|
| .20  | \$.25 |       | \$.50 |
|      |       |       | .50   |
|      | 2.00  | 1.50  | 1.00  |
| 9.41 | 10.41 | 10.08 |       |
| 2.00 | 1.50  | 2.60  | 2.50  |
| 1.50 | 1.50  |       | 1.00  |
| .50  | .50   | 1.00  | 1.00  |
|      |       |       | .50   |
| 1.00 | 1.00  | .50   | .50   |
|      |       | 1.00  |       |
|      | .50   |       |       |
| .50  |       |       | .50   |
| 1.00 |       |       |       |
|      | .50   | .50   |       |
|      |       | .00   | .50   |
|      |       |       | .25   |
| .50  |       | .50   |       |
| 1.50 |       |       | 1.00  |

9 11.75  
 #11.75  
 #17.83  
 #17.16

#11.75 was paid to Williams for three  
 months from 1912 to 1914.  
 25 7 30 = \$17.60 which was paid to Williams  
 #17.83 was paid to Williams for three months  
 from 2-3 1912.  
 150 was paid to Williams for three months  
 250 was paid to Williams for three months  
 #17.16 was paid to Williams for three months  
 from 1912 to 1914.  
 #16.66 was paid to Williams for three months  
 from 1912 to 1914.  
 500 was paid to Williams for three months  
 from 1912 to 1914.

#10.09 was paid to Williams for three  
 months from 1912 to 1914.  
 #10.09 was paid to Williams for three  
 months from 1912 to 1914.









|      | 1914   | 1914  | 1914  | 1914   | 1914      | 1914                                            | 1914                                                |
|------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
|      | April. | May   | June  | July   | Aug. July | Sept.                                           | Oct.                                                |
|      | 11-12. | 9-10  | 13-14 | 11-12. | 27-30     | 15-27                                           |                                                     |
|      | amt.   | amt.  | amt.  | amt.   | amt.      | amt.                                            | amt.                                                |
| 5.50 | 6.25   | 0.25  | 6.25  | 6.25   | 8.25      | 17.50                                           | 8.75                                                |
| 2.25 | 3.00   | 2.50  | 2.75  | 2.75   | 3.00      | 2.25                                            | 2.50                                                |
| 1.00 | 1.00   | 1.00  | 1.00  | 1.00   | 1.00      | 1.00                                            |                                                     |
|      | .50    | .50   | .50   | .50    |           |                                                 | 3.50                                                |
|      | .50    | .50   | .50   | .50    | .50       | .75                                             | .50                                                 |
|      | .50    | .50   | .50   | .50    | .50       | .50                                             | .50                                                 |
|      | 1.00   | .50   | .50   | .50    | .50       | 1.50                                            | .50                                                 |
|      | .50    | .25   | .25   | .25    | .25       | .50                                             | .25                                                 |
|      | .50    | .50   | .50   | .75    | .50       | .50                                             |                                                     |
|      | 3.25   | 4.25  | 8.25  |        |           | 4.50                                            |                                                     |
|      | .50    | .50   | .50   |        |           | .50                                             |                                                     |
|      | 1.00   | .50   |       | 1.00   | .75       | 1.00                                            | .50                                                 |
|      | 1.00   |       |       |        |           |                                                 |                                                     |
|      |        | 1.00  | .50   |        |           | .50                                             | .25                                                 |
|      | .25    | .50   | .50   |        | .50       | .50                                             |                                                     |
|      | 1.00   | .50   | 1.00  |        | 1.00      | 1.00                                            | .50                                                 |
|      | .50    | .25   | .25   | .25    | .25       | .50                                             | .25                                                 |
|      | .25    |       |       |        |           | .50                                             | 1.50                                                |
|      | 1.00   | 1.00  | .50   | .50    |           | 1.00                                            |                                                     |
|      | 19.00  | .50   | .50   | .50    | .50       | 1.00                                            | .50                                                 |
|      |        |       | 16.75 | 14.75  | 17.50     |                                                 |                                                     |
|      |        | .50   |       |        |           |                                                 |                                                     |
|      |        |       |       |        |           | .25                                             |                                                     |
|      |        | 1.00  |       |        |           | 1.00                                            |                                                     |
|      |        | 19.00 |       |        |           | .25                                             |                                                     |
|      |        |       |       |        |           | 33.50                                           | .50                                                 |
|      |        |       |       |        |           | H. J. Hutchinson<br>\$30.00<br>Mrs. Helmut \$50 | 20.50<br>Paul R.<br>\$10.00<br>Mrs. Helmut<br>00 \$ |



The following was paid for conference expenses for the year 1914.

|                         |        |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Mr. T. R. Swindler -    | \$ .50 |
| Mrs. T. R. Swindler -   | -.25   |
| Mr. J. T. Brotherton -  | -.50   |
| Mrs. J. T. Brotherton - | -.25   |
| Mr. E. Vernon -         | .50    |
| Mrs. E. Vernon -        | -.25   |
| Mr. Geo. Hodson -       | -.50   |
| Mrs. R. A. Frazier -    | -.25   |
| Mrs. U. V. Griffith -   | -.25   |
| Mrs. M. M. Richey -     | -.25   |
| Mrs. J. Balesy -        | -.25   |
| Mrs. Nancy Schmidt -    | -.25   |
| Miss. T. M. Schmidt -   | -.25   |
| Miss. M. M. Schmidt -   | -.25   |
| Mrs. G. H. Ratliff -    | -.50   |
| E. Drabenstott          | .50    |

Jan. 10, 1915.

The following subscriptions were made for an acetylene light plant to be installed in the Church

|                             | \$  | ¢  |
|-----------------------------|-----|----|
| Mr. & Mrs. J. T. Brotherton | 50. | 00 |
| Mr. & Mrs. Geo. Hodson      | 30. | 00 |
| Mr. & Mrs. T. R. Swindler   | 5.  | 00 |
| Mrs. Nancy Schmidt          | 5.  | 00 |
| M. M. Schmidt               | 5.  | 00 |
| John Swindler               | 2.  | 00 |
| E. R. Drabenstott           | 2.  | 50 |
| C. Drabenstott              | 2.  | 50 |
| Mrs. J. C. Kirkpatrick      | 5.  | 00 |
| Mr. & Mrs. J. C. Balesy     | 5.  | 00 |
| Clarence Griffith           | 1.  | 00 |
| Clifford Griffith           | 1.  | 50 |
| Clara Smith                 | 1.  | 00 |
| Ham Byvall                  | 3.  | 00 |
| Pearl M. Schmidt            | 1.  | 00 |

E. Drabenstott Secy.







Election of Church officers Jan. 10, 1915.  
There was no election of officers for the year 1914.

After election was declared in order, the quorum present decided to elect two elders in-stead of first and second elder, as they were the first to be elected.

Nominations were declared in order and T. R. Swindler and Geo. Hodson were nominated and elected by acclamation.

Next in order was nominations for trustees; Geo. Hodson and John Swindler were nominated and elected by acclamation. Then vote was taken to see which would hold two years and which three years. Mr. Hodson was elected for two years with a vote of 5 and Mr. Swindler was elected for three years by a vote of 7.

Nominations for deacons; C. Swindler, Elias Vernon, and E. R. Drabenstott were nominated and nominations were closed.

Moved and seconded that we elect three deacons instead of two and these three were elected by acclamation.

Nominations for secretary; Mrs. J. C. Kirkpatrick and E. R. Drabenstott were nominated. Nominations were closed.

Vote Mrs. J. C. Kirkpatrick 1 vote  
E. R. Drabenstott 10 votes

E. R. Drabenstott declared elected.

Nomination for treasurer; J. T. Brotherton elected by acclamation.

Adjourned.

C. Drabenstott  
Secretary





Jan. 1915

|                       | Jan. | Feb.  | Mar.  | Apr.  |
|-----------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| J. T. Brotherton      |      | 6.26  | 6.50  | 6.50  |
| Geo. Hodson           |      | 3.00  | 3.00  | 3.00  |
| T. P. Swindler        |      | 1.00  | 1.00  | 1.00  |
| Jno. Swindler         |      | 1.00  |       | 1.00  |
| Claude Swindler       |      | 1.00  | .25   | .25   |
| J. Balsley            |      | .50   | .50   | .50   |
| Mrs. J. Balsley       |      | .25   | .25   | .25   |
| Hamilton Byall        |      | .50   |       |       |
| Mrs. Kirkpatrick      |      | 1.00  |       | 1.00  |
| Mabel M. Schmidt      |      | 1.00  |       | .50   |
| Mrs. A. Schmidt       |      | .50   | .50   | .50   |
| Mrs. B. Griffith      |      | 1.00  |       | 1.00  |
| C. Drabentatt         |      | .50   | .25   |       |
| E. C. Drabentatt      |      | .50   | .50   | .75   |
| Grace Pattiff         |      | .50   |       |       |
| Emma Byall            |      |       | .50   |       |
| Mrs. M. Smith         |      |       | .50   |       |
| S. B. Griffith        |      |       |       | 1.00  |
| Clara Griffith        |      |       |       |       |
| Robert Frazier        |      |       |       |       |
| Mrs. Robert Frazier   |      |       |       |       |
| Frank Keller          |      |       |       |       |
| Mr. M. M. Pichey      |      |       |       |       |
| Mr. Clifford Griffith |      |       |       |       |
| Leftover              |      |       | .25   |       |
| Total                 |      | 18.51 | 14.00 | 17.25 |
| Quitor fee            |      | .60   | .60   | .60   |
| Remaining             |      | 17.91 | 13.40 | 16.65 |
| Paid Bro. Anderson    |      | 17.66 | 13.40 | 16.65 |
|                       |      | .25   |       |       |

No preaching



| May   | June  | July  | Aug. | Sept. | Oct.  | Nov.  | Dec.  |
|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 6.25  | 8.25  | 6.25  |      |       | 6.25  | 6.30  | 6.85  |
| 3.00  | 3.00  | 3.00  |      |       | 3.00  | 3.00  | 3.00  |
| 1.00  | 1.00  | 1.00  |      |       | 2.00  | 1.00  | 1.00  |
| .50   |       | .50   |      |       | .50   | .50   |       |
| .25   | .25   | .25   |      |       | .25   | .25   | .25   |
| .50   | .50   | .50   |      |       | .50   | .50   | .50   |
| .25   | .25   | .25   |      |       | .25   | .25   | .25   |
|       |       | .50   |      |       |       |       |       |
| 1.00  |       |       |      |       | 1.00  | .50   | .50   |
| .50   | .50   | .50   |      |       | 1.00  | .50   | .50   |
| .50   |       | 1.00  |      |       | 1.00  | 1.00  |       |
| 1.00  | .50   | .50   |      |       | .50   |       | .25   |
| .50   | .50   | .25   |      |       | .50   |       |       |
| 1.00  |       |       |      |       |       |       |       |
| 1.00  |       | 1.00  |      |       | .50   | .50   | .50   |
|       | 2.00  |       |      |       | 1.00  |       |       |
| 1.00  |       | .50   |      |       | 2.00  | 1.00  |       |
| .50   |       | .50   |      |       |       | 1.00  |       |
| .50   |       |       |      |       |       |       |       |
| .50   |       | 1.00  |      |       |       |       |       |
|       | .50   |       |      |       | .50   |       |       |
|       |       |       |      |       | 1.50  |       |       |
|       |       |       |      |       | 1.00  | 1.00  | .50   |
| 19.75 | 17.25 | 17.50 |      |       | 23.25 | 17.30 | 14.10 |
| .60   | .60   | .60   |      |       | .60   | .30   | .60   |
| 19.15 | 16.65 | 16.90 |      |       | 22.65 | 17.00 | 13.50 |
| 19.15 | 16.65 | 16.90 |      |       | 22.65 | 17.00 | 13.50 |

*M. Greening*

*1000*



Jan. 1, 1916 to Jan 1, 1917.

|                     | Jan.  | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. |
|---------------------|-------|------|------|------|
| J. J. Griffith      | 2.00  | 1.00 |      | 2.00 |
| E. Dradenstatt      | 2.00  |      |      |      |
| E. R. Dradenstatt   | 1.00  | .50  |      |      |
| J. R. Swiguler      | 1.00  | 1.00 |      | 1.00 |
| Mrs. A. Schmidt     | 1.00  | .50  |      | .50  |
| Mabel Schmidt       | .50   | .50  |      | .50  |
| Mrs. P. V. Griffith | 1.00  | 1.00 |      |      |
| Emma Puffell        | 1.00  | .50  |      | .50  |
| Claude Swindler     | .25   | .25  |      | .25  |
| George Hodson       | 10.00 | 3.00 |      | 3.00 |
| J. J. Brotherton    | 10.25 | 6.25 |      | 6.25 |
| J. J. Swindler      |       | .50  |      | .50  |
| Mr. Babely          |       | .50  |      | .50  |
| Mrs. R. A. Frazier  |       | 1.00 |      |      |
| Lawrence Griffith   |       | 1.00 |      | 1.00 |
| R. A. Frazier       |       | .50  |      |      |
| Elias Vernon        |       |      |      | 1.00 |
| Mrs. Babely         |       |      |      | .25  |
| Mrs. Kirkpatrick    |       |      |      | 1.00 |
| Clifford Griffith   |       |      |      |      |
| Clara Smith         |       |      |      |      |
| Mrs. Robinson       |       |      |      |      |
| M. M. Richey        |       |      |      |      |
| Mrs. J. R. Swindler |       |      |      |      |
| J. Weller           |       |      |      |      |
| L. Farnick          |       |      |      |      |

No. 1000

|               |       |       |  |       |
|---------------|-------|-------|--|-------|
| Total         | 30.00 | 18.00 |  | 17.25 |
| Quitar fee    | 60    | 60    |  | 60    |
| Paid Minister | 29.40 | 17.40 |  | 16.65 |

Hugging



Bro J. H. Anderson Pastor.

| May   | June  | July  | Aug | Sept  | Oct   | Nov. | Dec   |
|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------|-------|------|-------|
|       | 2.50  | 2.00  |     | 2.00  | 2.00  |      | 1.10  |
|       |       |       |     |       | 1.50  |      | 1.00  |
| 1.00  | 1.00  | 1.00  |     | 1.00  |       |      | .50   |
| .50   | .50   | .50   |     | .50   | .50   |      | 1.00  |
|       |       | 1.10  |     | .50   | .50   |      | 1.00  |
|       |       |       |     |       |       |      | 1.00  |
| .50   | .50   |       |     | .50   | .50   |      | 1.00  |
| .25   |       |       |     |       | .25   |      |       |
| 3.00  | 3.00  | 3.00  |     | 3.00  | 3.50  |      | 5.00  |
| 8.50  | 7.35  | 6.25  |     | 7.25  | 5.00  |      | 6.00  |
| .50   | .50   |       |     |       | 1.00  |      |       |
| .50   | .50   | .50   |     | .50   | .50   |      | .50   |
| .50   |       |       |     |       |       |      | 1.00  |
|       |       |       |     |       | .55   |      | .50   |
| .25   | .25   | .25   |     | .25   | .25   |      | 1.00  |
|       |       | 1.00  |     |       |       |      | 1.00  |
| 1.00  |       |       |     | 1.00  | 1.00  |      | 1.00  |
|       |       | 2.00  |     |       |       |      |       |
|       |       | .25   |     |       |       |      |       |
|       |       |       |     | .50   |       |      |       |
|       |       |       |     |       | 1.25  |      | .50   |
|       |       |       |     |       | .50   |      |       |
|       |       |       |     |       |       |      | 50    |
| 16.50 | 16.10 | 17.75 |     | 17.00 | 18.80 |      | 21.50 |
| 50    | 60    | 60    |     | 60    | 60    |      | 1.20  |
| 16.00 | 15.50 | 17.15 |     | 16.40 | 18.20 |      | 20.30 |

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H. J. J. J.





Dec. 24, 1916

## Evangelistic fund.

Mrs. J. R. Swindler 1.00  
 Mrs. Geo. Hodson 1.00  
 Mrs. " " " 50  
 Mrs. J. C. Kirkpatrick 1.00  
 Mr. J. J. Bratherton 1.00

Jan. 1917.  
 Members of the Church of God  
 met for the purpose of selecting  
 officers for the coming year.  
 E. R. Drabestett Chairman.

Bro Geo. Hodson was elected Elder  
 " E. Drabestett was " 2<sup>nd</sup> "  
 " Elias Vernon " " Deacon  
 E. R. Drabestett " " Secretary  
 " Chas. Swindler " " Treasurer  
 " J. J. Bratherton " " "

Duane Ely - organist.  
 " Jehudi S. Sindle - Organist.

Trustees: Bro. Geo. Swindler  
 " J. J. Bratherton  
 " Geo. Hodson

E. R. Drabestett

Secy.



Pursuant to previous arrangements the members of the Church of God met on Jan 2 1912 at the church for the purpose of electing officers for <sup>the</sup> coming year. The slot being about 1300. After the reading of a portion of <sup>the</sup> scripture and prayer by Bro Swindler the first Elder the election of officers resulted as follows

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| Trustee   | George Hodson               |
| 1st Elder | Thomas Swindler             |
| 2nd Elder | George Hodson               |
| Deacon    | Elias Vernon                |
| Deacon    | Marion Pickey               |
| Sect.     | Pearl Schmidt               |
| Treas.    | J. T. Brotherton            |
| Organist, | <del>Primitiva Brough</del> |
|           | R. A. Frazier               |
|           | Sect. Proton                |

Raymond Schmidt.

Hartford City.

Miss Pearl M. Schmidt

Miss Pearl M. Schmidt

Pearl M. Schmidt  
 1912



## War Resolutions

The Church of God of the faith of Abraham at Rolland, took action upon, and the members present at this meeting, May 27, 1917, voted unanimously in favor of the war resolutions, and adopted them as published in the "Restitution" of May 15, 1917. They are as follows.

### The Civil War Resolutions.

We believe that the members of the body of Christ must not participate in war.

Therefore we whose names appear upon the membership rolls of the Churches of God of the faith of Abraham, subscribe to the following war resolutions, as adopted by the Church of God of Waterville, Washington, on the 19th day of March 1893.

To-wit: Whereas we are living in perilous times specifically pointed out by the sure word of prophecy, and whereas the same unerring prophecy points with unmistakable certainty to the fearful doom which shall come upon this world resulting eventually in the battle of Armageddon (Rev. 16: 14-16; Zech. 14: 1-3).

And whereas it is apparent that the governments of the present time are making unparalleled preparations for war in preparing war material, and marshalling and training men as soldiers to go into the awful scene of blood and carnage,

And whereas civil governments are established and maintained by the sword and will thus continue during this dispensation,

And whereas all civil governments are swayed by the political parties in power, and that all political parties are war parties, and the governments of this world by their



military strength will depose the Lord Jesus Christ when he comes to establish his Kingdom (Psa. 2: 1-9), under whose authority righteousness and peace will be established upon the earth (Jer. 23: 5, 6; Dan. 7: 13, 14, 27; Rev. 5: 9, 10; Rev. 11: 15).

and whereas the Scriptures forbid Christians in engaging in taking the lives of their fellowmen or to avenge themselves of imaginary or real wrongs (Rom. 12: 19).

Therefore be it resolved, that we as members of the Church of God of the faith of Abraham, in whatever locality situated, do hereby solemnly declare that we cannot conscientiously engage in the scenes of political strife, or engage in war, thus participating in the cruel destruction of those supposed to be or known to be enemies of the civil governments under which we live (Matt. 26: 52; Matt. 5: 21; Luke 3: 14).

We are willing to go where the word of God directs us, and do what his word commands us. For the protection of our rights and our property, allowing us to live quiet and peaceable lives, we are willing to pay taxes, or tribute, custom and honor; and every thing we can do, not conflicting with the law of God, until the establishment of the Kingdom of God upon the earth, when and where righteousness will prevail (Luke 1: 31-33; Isa. 11: 1-9; Isa. 35: 1-10).

Carroll Drabunston  
Secy Pro. Tem.





## Names of Members of Church of God

- 1873 John T. Brotherton.  
 1876 Mary A. Vernon.  
 Elida Vernon.  
 1876 Nancy Schmidt.  
 1876 Elisabeth Frazier.  
 Robert Frazier.  
 1883 Mary Smithgall.  
 1888 Martha Kirkpatrick.  
 1889 Mary Ward.  
 1889 Annie Roll.  
 Feb. 25, 1898 Ward W. Roll.  
 1889 Frank Weller.  
 1889 Mary Weller.  
 1889 Jacob Balsley.  
 June 9, 1910. Ellen Balsley.  
 1894 Almedia Vernon.  
 1894 Olive Swindler.  
 1894 George Hodson.  
 June 14, 1914 Rachael Hodson. July 25 - 1918.  
 1894 Minnie Haley.  
 " Milvie Johnson.  
 " Maggie Johnson.  
 " Bill Griffith.  
 " Sarah Swindler.  
 Mar 16 1897. Ida Skinner.  
 Feb 25, 1898. Clint Brotherton.  
 Jan 23, 1902. Ada Brotherton.  
 Feb 26, 1898 Claude Swindler & Bert A. Swindler.  
 Jan 26, 1902 Maggie Griffith.  
 April 25, 1915. Samuel V. Griffith.  
 Jan 26, 1902. Virgie Richey.  
 Nov. 14, 1907. Marion Richey.  
 Nov. 13, 1907. Pearl M. Drabenstott.  
 Mar 3, 1912. Cantwell Drabenstott.  
 Nov. 13, 1907. Grace H. Ratliff.  
 Nov. 14, 1907. Maggie Johnson.  
 Jan 23, 1902. Nellie Roby. Jan 27, 1902. Leslie Vernon.  
 " 2 1902. Laura Hester. "



Mar. 15, 1897. Ora Ely.  
 Nov. 14, 1907. Ora Bird.  
 Nov. 14, 1907. Mabel M. Alexander.  
 Feb. 1909. Adda Harold.  
 June 9, 1910. John C. Swindler.  
 " " " Bertha Swindler.  
 " " " Sylvia Farr.  
 " " " Effie Cochran (Dawson).  
 Sep. 27, 1914. Ernest Drabenstott.  
 Mar. 1917. Laura Drabenstott.  
 Apr. 25, 1915. Clarence Griffith.  
 " " " Clara Griffith.  
 Apr. 25, 1915. Lottie Furnish.  
 Aug. 12, 1917. Lewis E. Furnish.  
 May 23, 1915. Clifford Griffith.  
 " " " Gertrude Griffith.  
 Aug. 12, 1917. Ivolu Ely.  
 Aug. 12, 1917. Louraine Ely.  
 Aug. 12, 1917. Mercy Roll.  
 April 14, 1918. Vaughn Long.  
 May 22, 1918. Clayton Long.  
 July 14, 1918. W. M. Long.



1946 -

Report of the class July 7, 1946  
Bro Cantwell, Moderator Teacher  
Attendance 9  
Collection 5.45  
Brought Forward 289.11 Copied  
Amt in Treas 294.56

Report of the class July 14, 1946  
Bro. Chas. Shurt Teacher  
Attendance 8  
Collection 4.70 Copied  
Amt brought forward 294.56  
Total 299.26  
To Cantwell 5.00  
Amt. in Treasury 294.26

Report of the class July 21, 1946  
Bro Cantwell, Moderator Teacher  
Attendance 9 Copied  
Collection 5.70  
Forward 294.26  
In Treas 299.96



## H. E. Yarrington Pastor

Jan 1. - 1919

We the undersigned agree to pay the amount of visitations as follows for preaching at the Church of Great Hill Ind

|       |                   |          |          |          |
|-------|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| 75.00 | J. T. Brotherton  | Jan 625  | Oct 625  | Mar 625  |
| 6.00  | Ward Kirkpatrick  | " 30 "   | " 50 "   | " 50 "   |
| 12.00 | Clarence Griffith | " 1.00 " | " 1.00 " | " 1.00 " |
| 12.00 | Clifford "        | " "      | " "      | " "      |
| 24.00 | Sam. "            | " 2.00 " | " 2.00 " | " 2.00 " |
| 12.00 | F. C. Swindler    | 1.00     | 1.00     | 1.00     |
| 12.00 | J. C. Babler      | " 1.00 " | " 1.00 " | " 1.00 " |
| 6.00  | Matel Alexander   | 1.00     | 1.00     | 1.00     |
| 2.00  | Geo. Hudson       | " 2.00 " | " 2.00 " | " 2.00 " |
| 6.00  | Nancy Schmidt     | " 50 "   | " 50 "   | " "      |
| 12.00 | Leora Kernish     | " 1.00 " | " 1.00 " | " 1.00 " |
| 6.00  | C. E. Swindler    | " 25 "   | " 25 "   | " 25 "   |
| 3.00  | Ellen Babler      | " 25 "   | " 25 "   | " 25 "   |
|       | Carroll Kaufman   |          |          |          |
|       | Maggie Johnson    |          |          |          |

On June 12<sup>th</sup> 1920 Bro. G. E. Cyner pre-  
gladly accepted for which he receives





April 6.25 - May 6.25 - June 6.25 - July 6.25 - Aug 6.25 - Sept 6.25 - <sup>7.50</sup> Oct 6.25

|      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 2.00 | 2.00 |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.50 |
| 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |      | 1.00 |
| 2.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 3.00 |
|      |      |      |      |      |      |      | 3.00 |
| 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |
| 25"  | 25"  | 25"  | 50"  | 50"  | 50   | 50   | 50   |
| 25"  | 25"  | 25"  | 25"  | 25"  | 25"  | 25"  | 25"  |
|      |      | 50   | 50   | 50   | 50   |      |      |
| 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |

Ed. giving us three sermons which was \$32.00  
 Maudie Kirkpatrick Sec



1921

On April 2 - Bro L E Connor  
 came to preach, and will come  
 every <sup>1921</sup> four week here after till  
 Nov. for which the members  
 agreed to pay \$40 each trip.  
 Each donation is here recorded.

|                    |         |     |
|--------------------|---------|-----|
| Geo. Hodson        | \$3.00  | ++  |
| John "             | \$1.00  | ++  |
| Sam Griffith       | \$5.00  | +++ |
| Mr. "              | \$2.50  | +++ |
| Clarence "         | \$4.50  | +++ |
| Clifford "         | \$2.00  | +++ |
| Mr. R. Frasier     | \$1.00  | +++ |
| Mrs. Schmidt       | \$2.00  | +++ |
| Martha Kirkpatrick | \$5.00  | +++ |
| J C Balsley        | \$2.00  | +++ |
| Mrs. "             | \$1.00  | +++ |
| J T Brotherton     | \$10.00 | +++ |
| Robert Schmidt     | \$1.00  | ++  |
| J C Swindler       | \$1.00  | +++ |
| Wicks "            | \$1.00  | +++ |
| Earl Alexander     | \$1.00  | +   |
| E. Fernon          | 25+     |     |
| Lewis Kinnish      | \$2.00  | ++  |

Wm J. C. Kirkpatrick  
 Sec -



On June 25 - Brother Anderson came to preach and will come every four weeks for one year for which the ministers agree to pay \$23.50

|                       |          |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Mr George Hodson      | \$ 3. 00 |
| " " " "               | 2. 00    |
| Mrs Earl Alex         | 3. 00    |
| Mr S V Griffith       | 2. 00    |
| " " " "               |          |
| " Clifford " "        |          |
| Miss Emma Byall       | 2. 00    |
| Mrs Nancy Schmidt     | 2. 00    |
| " " Maude Kirkpatrick | 2. 00    |
| Mr Jacob Balsley      | 1. 00    |
| Mrs " " "             | 1. 50    |
| Mr O Drabinstott      | 2. 00    |
| " " " Long            | 1. 00    |
| Mrs Ora Egly          | 2. 00    |
| Mr P A Trajir         | 1. 00    |
| Mr Claude Swindler    | 50       |
| " " " " "             |          |
| Miss Magie Johnson    |          |
| Mrs Iraline Schmidt   |          |
| Mr Lew Tunnish        |          |

|                | June | July | Aug  | Sept | Oct        | Nov             | Dec             | Jan | Feb | March | April | May  |          |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----|-----|-------|-------|------|----------|
| O Drabinstott  | 2.   | 5    | .60  | 5.   | 6          | 6               |                 |     |     |       | \$5.  | \$5. |          |
| Mabel Alex     | 4    | 3.   | 5    | 5    | 3          | 3               |                 |     |     |       | 6.    | 5.   |          |
| Emma Byall     | 5    | 2.   | 5    | 2    | 2          | 2               |                 |     |     |       | 2.    | 2.   |          |
| Geo Hodson     | 2.   | 3    | 3.50 | 5.   | 2.60       | 6               |                 |     |     |       | 5.    | 6.   |          |
| Mrs " " "      | 2.   | 2.   | .60  |      |            | 2               |                 |     |     |       | 2.    | 1.50 |          |
| Mrs J C Kirk   | 2.   | 2.   | 3.   | 5    | 3          | 3               |                 |     |     |       | 5.    | 3.   |          |
| S V Griffith   |      | 2.   |      | 2.   |            |                 | ferage<br>\$.60 |     |     |       | 2.    |      |          |
| J Balsley      | 1.60 | 1.50 | 1.   | 1.00 |            |                 |                 |     |     |       |       | 2.   |          |
| Adam Schmidt   | 3.   | 2    | 3    | 3.   | 3          | 3               |                 |     |     |       | 3     | 3.60 |          |
| O Egly         |      |      |      |      | 3<br>under | 3<br>P A Trajir |                 |     |     |       | 2.    | 1.   | 2nd year |
| Louise Egly    |      | 2.   |      |      | 75¢        | 2.              |                 |     |     |       |       |      | 2nd      |
| Iraline Sch-   |      |      |      |      | 9 ferage   |                 |                 |     |     |       | 1.    |      | 50       |
| Frank Wells    |      | 1    | 1.   |      | 3nd year   |                 |                 |     |     |       |       |      | aug      |
| Mrs S V Trajir |      |      |      |      | 1.60       |                 |                 |     |     |       |       | 1.   |          |

Mary Schmidt and Mrs P C Kirkpatrick  
 sent \$10.17 for Anderson

Mrs J C Kirkpatrick  
 2nd year  
 50  
 aug



On June 24 1923

Brother Anderson will come ever third Sunday during the year, that he possibly can

|                       |          |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Mr George Hodson      | \$ 3. 00 |
| Mrs " " "             | 2. 00    |
| Mrs Earl Alexander    | 5. 00    |
| S. V. Griffith        | 2. 00    |
| Clarence Griffith     |          |
| Clifford Griffith     |          |
| Miss Emma Byall       | 2. 00    |
| Mrs Nancy Schmidt     | 2. 00    |
| Mrs Wanda Kirkpatrick | 3. 00    |
| Mr Jacob Balsley      | 1. 00    |
| Mrs " " "             | . 00     |
| Clarence Drabneroth   | 5. 00    |
| V Long                | 1. 00    |
| Mrs Ora Ely           | 2. 00    |
| R A Traquin           | 1. 00    |
| Clarence Swindler     |          |
| Miss Magie Johnson    |          |
| Mrs Evaline Elephardt |          |
| Mrs Lura Turmick      |          |

|                | June | July | Aug  | Sep  | Oct | No. | Dec | Jan | Feb  | Mar  | Apr | May |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|-----|-----|
| Hodson         | 3    |      | 3    | 2    |     |     |     |     | 3    | 3    |     |     |
| Mrs "          | 2    |      | 2    | 2    |     |     |     |     | 2    | 2    |     |     |
| Earl Alex      | 5    |      | 5    | 4    |     |     |     |     | 5    | 5    |     |     |
| S. V. Griffith |      |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |      |      |     |     |
| Emma Byall     | 2    |      | 2    |      |     |     |     |     | 2    | 2    |     |     |
| N. Schmidt     |      |      | 3    | 3    | 3   |     |     |     | 2    | 3    |     |     |
| W. Kirkpatrick | 5    |      | 3    | 3    | 3   |     |     |     | 3    | 3    |     |     |
| J. Balsley     |      |      | 2    | 1    |     |     |     |     | 4    | 1    |     |     |
| Mrs " " "      |      |      | 1    | . 00 |     |     |     |     | . 00 | . 00 |     |     |
| Cl. Draper     | 5    |      | 5    | 5    | 5   |     |     |     | 5    | 5    |     |     |
| V Long         |      |      | 1    |      |     |     |     |     |      |      |     |     |
| Ora Ely        | 60   |      | . 00 |      |     |     |     |     |      |      |     |     |
| M. Johnson     |      |      |      |      | 50  |     |     |     |      |      |     |     |
| E. Schmidt     |      |      | 1    |      |     |     |     |     |      |      |     |     |
| W. K. Ketter   |      |      | 1    |      |     |     |     |     |      |      |     |     |

Mrs J. C. Kirkpatrick  
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## Members of Roll Church of God

- Mar. 25, Ernest R. Drabenstatt  
 1917 Laura Ott Drabenstatt  
 at Cleveland, Ohio by Bro. Robert G. Higgins
- Sept. 9, Laura Ott Drabenstatt  
 1929 George H. Ott  
 Mary C. Ott  
 at Travel. Pitt Hall, Ind. by Cantwell Drabenstatt  
 Herman O. Drabenstatt  
 Pearl Schmidt (Drabenstatt)
- Jan. 9, 1921 Emma B. Byall (Smith)  
 Apr. 17, 1932 Joyce Byall (Price)  
 Earl Alexander Jr.  
 B. Eugene Alexander  
 Robert A. Smith  
 Above all baptized by Bro. Cantwell Drabenstatt
- Nov. 26, 1939 Kathryn E. Hardy (Smith)  
 Member of Cleveland, Ohio Church - by Bro. Robt. G. Higgins
- Julian Johnson Drabenstatt  
 Marjorie Brakaw (Long)  
 1951 Arvin Brakaw  
 1951 Janet Brakaw (Ross)
- Bernice Johnson Alexander  
 Eleanor J. Myers (Ellis)
- Pearl Jean Price (Cline)  
 Member of Selins, Ohio Church - by Bro. George Taber  
 Mary Ayres (Brakaw) by Bro. Arvin Brakaw  
 Murray Long  
 1959 Roscoe Ross



1951 ? Glenn Brakaw  
 " Esther Rice Brakaw

Jon D. Drabenstatt  
 Jane M. Drabenstatt  
 Barbara L. Smith (Brooks)

Oct. 18, 1970 Mark L. Drabenstatt - by Cantwell @ Brakaw's Pond  
 Aug. 25, 1974 David Hamilton Smith - by Bro. Vaughn Long  
 at Perryville, Ky.



Michigan  
Ypsilanti, Mich. Apr. 11 1923.

Mrs. J. C. Kirkpatrick  
Roll Ypsilanti.

Dear Sir:-

Your kind letter  
and \$10<sup>00</sup> received. Thank you  
and Sir. It would be for the money  
so much needed. I shall accept  
it as a gift but to go to  
Con. Board let be myself. Jim  
and Clark to us. We had been trying  
to take some money to buy some  
furniture and car for the child  
en. However, the expenses have  
taken it. My wife goes and  
unless we work her employ me  
another year I have no way to  
live and support my children.  
May you wish to know such  
trouble as mine. My wife  
was conscious to the end.



"She named the 'wavy Loir'." Before she died she spoke of her hope of the coming of Christ, the resurrection of the dead and that I am the wanted one her way. I asked her not to worry. My time is up in prayer and I must go. I will need my job & see no way to live. Hope to be at Koll next Her Son, the Lord willing. May God bless you and Bro. S. for your kind words to her.

Yours truly,

J. H. Thompson.





Michigan town  
Dord. Feb. 29 1922.

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:-

I have been called  
and \$23.00 came to day.  
As I have been some be-  
cause I myself was not  
able to collect the money.  
I would like to refer to  
the Rev. Board and I  
know they will appreciate  
it. Am sure better and  
hope to be at all the  
next month's service and  
will call.

Yours truly  
Wm. J. Anderson.

Roll Indiana  
5/27/07

To whom this may concern:-

This is to certify that Russel L. Swindler was a full  
pledged member of the Church of God at Roll, and is in good standing  
having made the good confession and was baptised on the 25 day of  
February 1898.

Elder - Nathaniel M. Robey  
Sec. - Mrs. Mimmie Kelley



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 W. A. Chandler



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 Payment for preceding June 7-8, 1913.  
 J. Q. Sawyer

STATEMENT

Hartford City, Ind., Aug 31, 1922  
 Mrs. J. C. Kirkpatrick  
 Roll Indiana

IN ACCOUNT WITH  
**HARTFORD HARDWARE CO.**  
 THE WINCHESTER STORE  
 Hardware, Stoves, Tin Work, Sporting Goods and Mill Supplies

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above for  
 Church of God.

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# **CHURCH OF GOD**

OF THE

## **ABRAHAMIC FAITH**

ROLL, INDIANA



***Centennial***

1874 — 1974

***Dedication Service***

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 1974



ELDERS

Glenn Brokaw  
Ernest R. Drabenstott  
Herman O. Drabenstott

DEACONS

Glenn Brokaw  
Jon D. Drabenstott  
Roscoe Ross

DEACONESSES

Janet Ross . and Pearl Jean Cline

TRUSTEES

Ernest R. Drabenstott  
Herman O. Drabenstott  
Roscoe Ross

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Mabel Alexander  
Glenn Brokaw  
Ernest R. Drabenstott  
Herman O. Drabenstott  
Roscoe Ross

HISTORIAN

Kathryn E. Smith

GENERAL CONTRACTOR

BANTER CONSTRUCTION-Ira Banter

ELECTRICIANS:

CLEVELAND, OHIO BRETHREN:

Mark A. Samsonas                      Paul R. Samsonas  
Daniel Schaen                          Roger Titman

SUPPLIES

Hartford Hardware Co. -Cline Click Lumber Co.  
Hartford City, Ind.                      Warren, Ind.

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REWARD FOR SERVICE

*Luke 16:13 Rom. 12:1.*

Beautiful are youth's sweet flowers,  
If one cultivates them well;  
They will be our greatest treasures,  
None of which we'll care to sell.

It will be our greatest pleasure,  
When we've grown old and gray;  
Just to glance at them at leisure,  
If we've fought and won the day.

If you have become disheartened,  
And have almost lost your way.  
Let at once your hope be strengthened,  
And enlist with God today.

Your reward is life eternal,  
Will you stand and look aghast  
At your many sins internal,  
Till your present life is past?

Better quit yourself a soldier,  
Don God's armor with delight;  
What did Christ deem holier  
Than to quit himself and fight?

*E. R. Drabentott.*

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## WAITING

Long years we have been waiting,  
Since first we heard the cry,  
"Behold Messiah cometh,  
Redemption draweth nigh".  
Long years of pain and trial,  
Long years of hope deferred,  
But still, though faint and weary,  
We've trusted in His word.

We've watched the signs that tell us  
The Lord will soon appear,  
Plainly as budding fig tree,  
Foretells the summer near;  
We've seen the scoffer walking  
In unbelief and pride,  
And heard from lips unholy  
The Word of God denied.

Now wrong and evil triumph,  
And make their lofty boast,  
While right and truth and justice,  
Are trampled in the dust;  
We've reached the days of peril,  
By holy ones foretold,  
When men have turned to fables,  
And faith and love grow cold.

Long years we have been waiting  
And still we wait in hope,  
While men in blindness grope;  
Still shines the word prophetic,  
A light upon our way,  
To warn us of its dangers,  
And guide us to the day.

Long years we have been waiting,  
And we will wait until  
Messiah reigns in glory,  
Enthroned on Zion's hill;  
We'll watch the signs around us,  
With truth our hearts we'll gird,  
And while we walk in peril  
We'll trust His Holy Word.

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MORNING WORSHIP

10:00 A.M.

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PRELUDE 9:50  
Mark R. Drabensstott

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS 10:00

HYMN #211 *Rejoice All Ye Believers*

OPENING PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC Perryville, Ky.  
Bro. & Sis. Marvin Carpenter &  
Bro. & Sis. Kenneth Vocum

EXHORTATION "Dedication"  
Bro. Vaughn Long Perryville, Ky.

ROLL CHOIR *May God Be Gracious Unto Us*

EXHORTATION  
Bro. Walter D. Weingart, Salem, Ohio

OFFERATORY

PRAYER

HYMN # 60 *In Remembrance*

COMMUNION SERVICE

PRESIDING ELDER: Bro. Eugene Alexander  
Portland, Oregon

ROLL CHOIR *God So Loved The World*

POSTLUDE - Meditation  
(Congregation remain seated)

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## HISTORY

### CHURCH OF GOD OF THE ABRAHAMIC FAITH Roll, Indiana

From a copy of the RESTITUTION of March 24, 1875, it was reported by D. T. Halsted that a visit to Dundee, Blackford County, Indiana had revealed that a new church had been organized.

"The church is young--organized last year--but is thoroughly alive, having a zeal according to knowledge. Their influence is felt throughout the entire community. Their Elder, Brother Roby, is of good report, within and without the congregation, intelligently informed, rapidly growing in knowledge, and withal, quite an effective speaker."

The Church was founded on the principals of Faith and Practice. From an earlier record we read the following:

Dundee, Blackford County, Indiana

December 6, 1873

We whose names are here annexed, having believed the things concerning The Kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, in order the more effectually to serve Him, hereby organize ourselves into a body to be known as The Church of God at Dundee, Blackford County, Indiana, and agree that we will assist each other in our mutual watch care, and by a Godly conversation, and an upright walk, acknowledging God's word as our only rule of, Faith and Practice.

The foregoing being unanimously adopted, We then selected the officers. The name of Bro. Nathaniel Roby was proposed being the choice of his Brethren, he was appointed Elder of the Church of God at Dundee. Bro. Wm. Frazier and Wm. Swain were appointed Deacons of the same organization, this December 6, 1873.

Names of members of Church of God:

Nathaniel Roby, Mary E. Roby, Wm. Frazier, Fattie Frazier, Wm. Swain, Rebecca Swain, John T. Brotherton, Abie Brotherton, Ira Vernon, Emily Vernon, Samuel Mincer, Elmira Mincer, George Mincer.

This was the foundation laid to carry the Truth forward. Life moved at a slower pace in those days and the labors of the dedicated men and women were rewarded in a group of believers who held fast to the Gospel that was preached among them.

Their meetings were held at the Bailey School House, two miles west and one mile north of the Courthouse in Hartford City. At other times, services were held in barns or other buildings large enough to shelter those who gathered to hear the word of God preached.

The speakers travelled from one group to the next, and through their efforts, many new members were brought into the church.

A wagon was the transportation used by William H. Hornoday, who, with his wife and three children worked diligently to further the cause. He became identified with the church previous to December, 1873, when the earliest accounts of his travels to this region first appear.



D. T. Halstead, in reporting to the RESTITUTION, spoke of the hardships encountered as he worked to continue the meetings. Arriving on March 6, 1875, he was just in time to be at the burial of one of the members, Bro. Jacob Mentzer, aged 76. Through the efforts of Bro. Hornaday, he had come into the church in December of 1873 and died in full confidence of the life to come. Halstead remained at Dundee and continued meetings until the 13th of March and reported that he had immersed one. "Some four or five intelligent families," he was fully persuaded, "would yield obedience soon and he would try to visit them again."

From Dundee, according to previous arrangement, Halstead went to Hartford City, or the church some two miles west of there and he preached to a crowded house in memory of the death of Bro. Joseph Miles, who had been a resident of the county some thirty-five years preceeding his death, and was highly esteemed in the community. The church had lost one of its most effective members. He had become obedient to the Faith and united with the church during Bro. Halstead's visit in November, 1873. He died at the age of 49, in full confidence of a better resurrection.

The day of the funeral was remarkably warm and the roads muddy. Speaking to a house packed with people, he took his leave from them reluctantly, and with heavy overcoat and satchel packed, plodded his way on foot, much exhausted, in company with an older brother and sister who lived there, walking toward the town--meditating by the way the times that the beloved Bro. Hornaday, after a hard days' work, holding meetings at night, weary, and sometimes sad, but with a hopeful heart, had walked back and forth over the same road.

We use these as examples of the dedication expressed by these sturdy men of character. Their efforts were rewarded, and always when they returned, their welcome was made known by the large group of listeners who gathered to hear the Word of God preached.

A faded Journal of old church records reveals the names of Members of the Church of God with the year of their entry into the Church also recorded:

- 1873 The previously named 13 members.
- 1874 Charlattie Griffith
- 1876 John A. Griffith, Elizabeth Cochran, Nancy Schmidt
- 1877 Amanda Henderson
- 1883 Mary Smithgall, Robert Frazier

The year 1888 brought changes to the Church. Property was purchased upon which to build a permanent building for the group. For the consideration of \$40.00, a lot measuring approximately 60' x 145' was purchased from Maurice Roberts on the north side of what in those days was known as McGeath Pike but which now is State Road 18.

A frame structure was built and occupied in the same year and an record we find the following in the Courthouse of Blackford County:

#### TRUSTEES OF DUNDEE CHURCH OF GOD

At a regular meeting of the members of the Church of God, the following named persons, Larkin McIntire, J. N. McConkey, Ira Vernon, Nathaniel Roby, and J. F. Bratherton were elected Trustees for the said Church. ---Robert F. Frazier, Secy.---Recorded Mar. 9, 1888 in Misc. Record 2, page 481.

In the same year, 1888, Martha Griffith Kirkpatrick was entered on the Church rolls. The following year there were eight more: Frank Ward, Mary Ward, Minnie Roby, Annie Roby, Frank Weller, Mary Weller, Jacob Balsley, Andrew McConkey.

Records were carefully kept and as each new member was baptized, his name was added to the list.



Records too were kept of the Preachers who came to Dundee. Some were for a period of one month, while others came for a year or longer. In each case, the method of paying the salary of the Preacher was the same. Those in the church who wished to contribute a sum ranging from 25¢ to \$6.50 or more, would sign the church records and the amount to be contributed marked apposite their name. The average salary paid was \$12.50 for three services.

The following is a list of some of the men who came to Dundee to preach:

|              |                                  |
|--------------|----------------------------------|
| 1901 to 1906 | A. H. Zilmer                     |
| 1909         | L. E. Conner, Joseph H. Williams |

At this time, approximately 26 members agreed to contribute \$10.00 a month for the services of the preacher.

|              |                                                |
|--------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 1910         | D. C. Robinson, J. F. Wagoner, D. E. VanVactor |
| 1911         | L. E. Conner                                   |
| 1912         | Joseph H. Williams                             |
| 1913         | S. J. Lindsay                                  |
| 1914 to 1916 | J. H. Anderson                                 |

Memories are recalled of other men who left their mark upon the small group. They too came to minister to the body of believers and while the list cannot be complete, the names of Ezra Railsback and D. E. VanVactor, both of Argos, Indiana, T. M. Wilson, A. M. Legg, Bro. Guthrie from South Carolina, Arthur Johnson, Paul Johnson and one whose name many here at present can recall --- Almus Adams.

We cannot compile this list without the mention of Bro. George A. Tabor and Bro. Robert G. Huggins, both of Cleveland, Ohio. Bro. Huggins and his wife Edna made numerous trips to the church at Roll. Their visits were eagerly anticipated as it afforded the group the opportunity of hearing him speak from the pulpit or wherever two or three were gathered. Long friendships were renewed and strengthened when Bro. and Sis. Huggins made their regular visits to the community.

So many good men, faithful and willing to give their time and efforts to preach the Word of God, Bro. Vaughn Long left the area to make his home in Perryville, Kentucky. There he continues in his endeavors, teaching and preaching the Truth, having a strong band of followers who make up the Church at Perryville. His return to the Roll Church is always an occasion for joy and the encouragement he and his wife Elsie impart to the group here is of great worth.

On January 10, 1915, Church records indicate that subscriptions were made for an acetylene light plant to be installed in the church. A total of 15 members subscribed to a sum of \$119.50 to carry out this endeavor.

The year 1917 was remembered as the year the Church of God adopted the Civil War Resolutions as adopted by the Church of God of Waterville, Washington on March 19, 1893. The Church went on record officially as taking the scriptural stand that the members of the body of Christ must not participate in war.

Those who held fast to the Faith continued to strengthen "those of like precious faith" and the body of believers continued to keep the Truth alive. They looked for the Second Coming of Christ and the establishment of His Kingdom on the earth. 11 Peter 1:4 reads:

"Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is the world."



The Church continued in the old building in what was now called Roll, Indiana. The name of Dundee having been discarded due to the name being used by another town in the State of Indiana. The Post Office was called Roll, Indiana and gradually the name of Dundee faded and the Church group now is referred to as the "Roll Church".

Sometime close to the year 1930, services were discontinued for a short period of time. Church records are not available from the years 1923 to 1946 so the date is only a guess. This was not to be for long and soon the building was open again to believers who desired to continue the ministry of the Word of God.

In its day, the building vacated this year of 1974 had undergone many changes. At one time there had been a gas well located on the back of the Church property. The building was heated and lighted with natural gas from this source.

There were two stoves, one on either side of the room, which served as heating units for the building. In later days, a large coal furnace was installed inside the building and this continued to furnish heat for the cold winter days until sometime in the 1950s. At that time a new oil furnace was installed in a room added to the back of the Church building. Part of this was later remodeled to become a Sunday School classroom for the younger children of the congregation.

At this time, Elder Cantwell Drabenstott was the Preacher, having followed Bro. Vaughn Long in the spreading of the Gospel. His death in 1967 was felt by all the congregation and since that time, the pulpit has been capably filled every Sunday morning by the following brethren who take their turn at speaking: Ernest R. Drabenstott, his son Herman O. Drabenstott and Rascoe Ross. A third generation has matured to stand at the pulpit and take his place, as Mark R. Drabenstott is continuing to carry on in the service of God. At present he also serves as the Pianist.

The building by 1970 was badly in need of repairs...it having been used for over 80 years. It was felt by the congregation that it had served its purpose and plans were put into action to build a new meeting house. Sis. Mabel Alexander (Schmidt) envisioned a new Church building on a corner of her farm and in 1973, ground was aquired from her by the Trustees of the Church of God and soon after, evidence of a new structure could be seen.

Through the diligent efforts of the brethren the new building that we Dedicate today has been raised. The words of Solamon came to mind when we read his words in 11 Chronicles Chapter 6: "O Lord my God, hearken unto the prayer which thy servant prayeth before Thee: That thine eyes may be open upon the place whereof thou hast said that thou wouldst put Thy name there... this house that we have built is called by Thy name."

Our hearts rejoice in this day. It is a joyful occasion that we share with you. It is with deep gratitude that we thank our many brethren and our friends for assisting us in our endeavor. Help has come in all forms and from all directions and we say a sincere thank you to one and all. It is our prayer that the Truth will continue here in this, our new house of worship.

"For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.

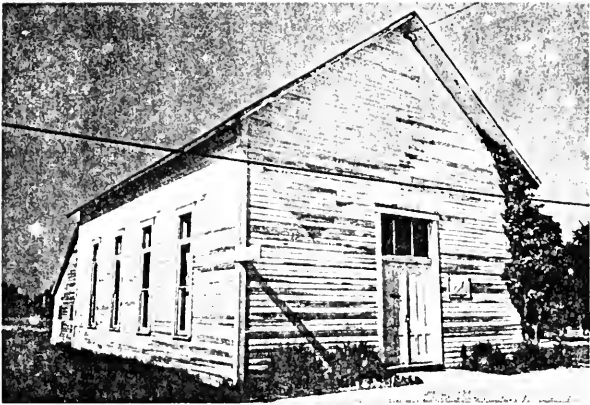
Remembering without ceasing, your work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father; Knowing, brethren beloved, your election of God...waiting for his Son from Heaven, whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus."

Come Lord Jesus, quickly come.

Amen







1888 — 1974



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**Our  
Confession  
of Faith**

**The  
Church of God**

*Let us hold fast the confession of  
our faith without wavering.  
Heb. 10-23*

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## The Bible

### I. THE BIBLE IS GOD'S ONLY WRITTEN REVELATION

The book currently known as the Bible, consisting of the Scriptures of Moses, the prophets and the apostles, is the only written revelation God has given to man. This revelation was made by the Holy Spirit through God-selected men, is without error, and is the word of God (2 Tim. 3:16; 1 Cor. 2:13); Heb. 1:1; 2 Peter 1:21; 1 Cor. 14:37; Neh. 9:20-30; John 10:35).

### II. BELIEF OF THE SCRIPTURES ESSENTIAL TO SALVATION

We must believe the doctrines that are taught in the Bible in order to be saved (Matt. 15:14; 2 John 9:12; John 15:6,7; Mark 16:16; 2 Thess. 2:10-12; Rev. 21:8; Heb. 3:12-19; 2 Thess. 1:10; John 4:41,42; 5:34; 12:48).



## The Word of God in Threefold Aspect

### I. AS REVELATION

THE SCRIPTURES have been revealed and inspired by God and are "in truth the word of God" (2 Tim. 3:15-17; 4:1-4; 2 Peter 1:19, 20; 1 Peter 1:10, 11; John 11:51; Num. 16:28; Gen. 41:16; Dan. 2:30, 28; 1 Thess. 2:13).

### II. AS AUTHORITY

Revealed and inspired by God, the Scriptures are the only infallible standard of right. Their unique and exclusive authority destroys all inimical and false standards of authority which are prevalent in the world, among which may be mentioned specifically:

(a) On hearts (Num. 15:37-40; Deut. 29:19, 20, 29; Prov. 28:25, 26; Jer. 9:13, 14; 11:7, 8; 23:16, 26);

(b) Our thoughts (Acts 26:8-12; John 16:2; Isa. 55:7, 8; 2 Cor. 10:45);

(c) Our conscience (Acts 23:1, 2; 1 Tim. 1:13; 2 Tim. 1:3);

(d) Our ways (Judges 2:19; Isa. 53:6; Hos. 10:13; Isa. 55:6, 7, 8); and

(e) Our wills (Gal. 5:16-21; John 5:30; 6:38; Rom. 15:3; Luke 22:40-42; Heb. 10:7).

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III. AS THE CRITERION OF  
GOD'S BLESSINGS AND CURSES

(a) Blessings, if we obey His word (Psa. 32:8, 9; 73:24; Deut. 30:11-20);

(b) Curses, if we disobey it (Acts 20:27; Isa. 30:8-10; Psa. 81:12; Luke 7:30; Prov. 1:24, 25; 2 Chron. 36:15, 16; Psa. 107:10, 11; Prov. 13:13; Isa. 5:24; Zech. 7:11, 12; Matt. 15 chapter).

**The Gospel of the Kingdom;  
the Only True Gospel**

I. MEANING OF THE WORD "GOSPEL"

THE WORD "gospel" comes originally from "god-spell," "god" being an Anglo-Saxon adjective for "good" and "spell" meaning "news." The go pel, then, both etymologically and scripturally, means "good news" or "glad tidings" (Luke 2:10; 8:1; Isa. 61:1).

II. THE GOSPEL IS PREACHED  
IN BOTH TESTAMENTS

The glad tidings of the gospel, instead of being limited and confined to the pages of the New Testament, as is generally supposed, are also published in the writings of the Old Testament. These were preached to

(a) The antediluvians (1 Peter 4:6; 2 Peter 2:5);



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## 6 The Subject Matter of the Gospel

- (b) Abraham (Gal. 3:8);
- (c) The Israelites in the wilderness (Heb. 4:1, 2);
- (d) The contemporaries of David (Heb. 4:7);
- (e) The people contemporary with John the Baptist (Mark 1:1, 14, 15; Luke 16:16);
- (f) The house of Israel before the death of Christ (Luke 4:16-22; Mark 1:14; Luke 20:1); and
- (g) All who received "the ministry of the prophets" prior to the birth of Christ (Hos. 12:10; 1 Peter 1:9-12).

### III. FOUR GOSPEL CONDITIONS REQUIRED OF SINNERS

God has conditioned the sinner's salvation upon

- (a) Hearing (Deut. 30:10-20; Rom. 10:5, 17; Matt. 13:23);
- (b) Believing (1 Cor. 1:21; 15:1, 2; Mark 1:14, 15; 16:15-16; Rom. 1:16);
- (c) Confessing (Rom. 10:8, 9, 10; 1 Tim. 6:13; Heb. 10:22, 23); and
- (d) Obeying the gospel (1 Peter 1:22-25).

### IV. SUBJECT MATTER, OR "THE THINGS" COMPOSING THE GOSPEL

The gospel consists of "the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ" (Mark 1:

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14; Luke 4:18-43; 8:1; 9:2-6; Acts 8:12; 19:8; 20:25; 28:23, 30, 31).

V. "THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM"  
THE ONLY TRUE GOSPEL

"The gospel of the kingdom," consisting of "the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ," is the only true gospel. A double curse has been pronounced against either man or angel who shall dare to "pervert" this gospel, or preach "any other." (Gal. 1:6-9).

**The Things Concerning  
the Kingdom of God**

I. WHAT THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS

THE KINGDOM of God will be a divine political dominion established upon the earth (Dan. 2:44; 7:13, 14; Rev. 11:15; Isa. 32:1; 11:9, 10; Hag. 2:22; Psa. 2:8-9).

II. WHEN THE KINGDOM  
OF GOD WILL BE SET UP

At the close of the times of the Gentiles, God will send Christ in person to the earth to "set up" the kingdom of God (Acts 3:20-21; Psa. 102:13, 16, 21; 2 Tim. 4:1; Luke 19:12-16; Acts 1:9, 11; Dan. 7:13-27; Matt. 25:31-34).

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## 8 The Things Concerning the Kingdom

### III. WHERE THE KINGDOM OF GOD WILL BE LOCATED

The kingdom of God will be established on earth in the land bequeathed to Abraham for an everlasting inheritance. It will be the kingdom of Israel restored (Micah 4:6-8; Amos 9:11, 15; Ezek. 37:21, 22; Jer. 23:3, 8; Gen. 13:14-17; Heb. 11:8-9; Gal. 3:16; Lev. 26:42; Micah 7:20).

### IV. WHAT CONSTITUTES "THE THINGS" CONCERNING THE KINGDOM OF GOD

"The things concerning the kingdom of God" are its component parts. Analytically collocated "the things" which compose the kingdom are:

(a) **The King:** Christ (Zech. 9:9; 14:9; John 19:19-22);

(b) **The Associates of the King:** The saints of all generations, developed and immortalized by resurrection, if dead; changed to immortality "in the twinkling of an eye" if living when Jesus comes—both constitute, with Christ their head, the collective "seed of Abraham" in whom all the families of the earth shall be blessed (Dan. 12:2; Luke 13:28; Rev. 11:18; 1 Thess. 4:15-17; John 5:28, 29; 6:39, 40; Luke 14:14; 1 Cor. 15:50-58; Matt. 25:31, 34);

(c) **The Laws:** Such as Christ and His associate rulers (the saints) shall make, and by

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## The Kingdom Things Collocated 9

which they will govern the world in justice and love (Isa. 2:3; 42:4; Zech. 14:16-19);

(d) **The Subjects:** Both Jews and Gentiles the Jews and Israelites (the twelve tribes) being "the first dominion" and the Gentile the second (Isa. 11:12; Jer. 31:10; Zech. 8:7, 8; Micah 4:6-8; Luke 1:31-33; Matt. 19:28; Zech. 2:11);

(e) **The Capital City:** "Jerusalem, the city of the Great King" and the metropolis of the whole earth (Matt. 5:34, 35; Jer. 3:17; Micah 4:8; Joel 3:16, 17; Isa. 24:23; Zech. 2:10, 12; Psa. 48:1-8; 122:2-7; 132:11-18); and

(f) **The Territory:** Palestine primarily, and "the uttermost parts of the earth" finally (Matt. 6:10; Rev. 11:15; Psa. 2; Dan. 7:27).

### Setting Up the Kingdom a Destructive and Constructive Work

#### 1. SETTING UP THE KINGDOM IS A DESTRUCTIVE WORK

WHEN CHRIST returns to establish the kingdom of God, the earth is baptized in judgment-fire (Isa. 66: 15, 16; Psa. 50:3-6; Mal. 4:1-2; Jer. 30:23, 24; Psa. 21:9; 11:6; Jer. 25: 33).

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## 10 The Kingdom, Destruction, etc.

### H. SETTING UP THE KINGDOM IS ALSO A CONSTRUCTIVE WORK

Nevertheless in wrath God remembers mercy. The out-goings of His wrath are destructive, deadly, and extensive, but not universal (Hab. 3:2, Gen. 6:7, 8, 17, 18; 7:23; 8:1, 18, 19-22; 9:1; 2 Peter 2:5; Isa. 34, 35; Jer. 4; Zeph. 1; Acts 2:19-21; 3:19-23).

### III. THE SUBJECTS OF THE KING- DOM SCRIPTURALLY DEFINED

In mercy God also remembers justice. The out-flowings of His mercy are constructive, rehabilitating, and magnificent, but circumscribed. In the advent judgments of Christ, the mercy and justice, the goodness and severity of God (Rom. 11:22) operate to spare some (the minority) and destroy others (the majority). In direct opposition to world burners who depopulate the earth, and Restorationists who repopulate it by a universal resurrection that all may have a "fair chance" to be saved during the reign of Christ, we affirm that

(a) The subjects of the kingdom consist only of a "remnant," a residue composed of the meek, willing, and well-disposed of mankind who are alive at the time of its estab-

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ishment (Isa. 1:19, 20; 24:6; 11:11, 16; Zeph. 3:12; Zech. 14:16; Micah 4:7; Ezek. 39:2; 20:33, 38).

(b) These "remnant" subjects are composed almost entirely of infants and children. (Deut. 1:39; Psa. 8:2; Matt. 21:15, 16; Psa. 22:30, 31; 102:18, 28; 127:3; Isa. 11:6, 8; Zech. 8:5; 13:7-9; Luke 18:16).

## The Thousand Years' Reign of Christ

### I. THE GRACIOUS PURPOSE OF CHRIST'S REIGN IS TO SUBDUE "ALL ENEMIES"

THE MISSION of Christ's reign on earth is to extirpate "all enemies" from the earth, which is now "subject to vanity" (Rom. 8:20). The specifications of evil here given as vanquished by His reign are representative only:

(a) All human governments shall be abolished (Isa. 24:21-23; Rev. 19:11-20; Isa. 17:13, 14; Psa. 2:4, 5; 110:5, 6; 1 Sam. 2:10; Dan. 2:44; 7:13, 14; Psa. 74:20; Rev. 11:15; Psa. 72).

(b) There will be but one kingdom "under the whole heaven," the kingdom of God (Psa. 2:1-12; 72:8; Dan. 2:44; 7:27; Num. 24:17; Rev. 11:15; Zech. 11:9; 9:10).

(c) There will be but one religion, the true one, the religion of Christ and His kingdom (Isa. 45:23-25; 52:1, 7-10; 66:17-23; Zech. 14:16; 8:23; 9:7; Rev. 5:9-14; Zeph. 3:9; Mal. 1:11).



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(d) All idols and idolators shall be destroyed (Isa. 2:18; 42:17; Psa. 97:7; Zech. 13:2).

(e) War "shall cease to the ends of the earth" (Psa. 46:9; Isa. 2:4; 9:5; Hos. 2:18; Zech. 9:10; Ezek. 39:9, 10; Rev. 20:1-3).

(f) Premature death will exist no more (Isa. 65:20-23; Zech. 8:4, 5).

(g) The land of Israel shall be transformed from barrenness to fertility, being made beautiful, fruitful and glorious (Isa. 35:1; 41:18, 19, 20; Amos 9:13-15; Isa. 60:13; 65:17-25; Zech. 8:3-8, 12).

(h) The city of Jerusalem will be built again, broadened, enlarged and adorned by "the precious things" of all nations (Psa. 72:10; Isa. 26:15, Revised Version; Zech. 14:20, Revised Version; Isa. 33:17, Revised Version; Jer. 31:38; Isa. 60:10-18; Hag. 2:6-9; Jer. 3:17).

(i) The Jews and Israelites will become fast friends and a united nation, with whom the Gentiles will join to yield a national and happy obedience to the King of kings, the Lord of hosts and Ruler of the whole earth (Zech. 8:23; Jer. 3:17, 18; Rev. 15:1; Isa. 25:7, 8; 2:2, 3; 45:14-25; Ezek. 37:21-24).

(j) There will be a sevenfold increase of light, both solar and lunar (Isa. 4:5; 30:26; 60:19; Zech. 2:5; 14:6, 7; Rev. 21:11, 18, 22-26; 22:5).

(k) The earth and its animal inhabitants, to a large extent, will partake of the blessings of the times (Isa. 11:6-9; 65:25; Hos. 2:18; Ezek. 34:25, 28; Rom. 8:19-23; Rev. 22:3).

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## The Reign of a Transitional Period 13

### II. THE REIGN OF CHRIST IS A TRANSITIONAL PERIOD

The subjects of the kingdom of God, the remnants of the Jewish and Gentile nations who "find grace" (Jer. 31:2) and survive as "the left of the nations" (Zech. 14:16) at the coming of Christ and the setting up of the kingdom of God, multiply rapidly with the pangs of child-birth mitigated. They soon develop into numerous and strong nations. Some of the people are righteous, and some of them are wicked. Sin and death continue among both classes in a modified form during the reign of Christ (Gen. 3:15, 16; 1 Tim. 2:15; Ex. 1:19; Isa. 66:7-9; Lev. 23:10-20; 1 Cor. 15:23-26; Mal. 3:18; Jas. 1:18; Rev. 14:1; 5:10; Ezek. 44:22, 25; Isa. 65:20; Zech. 8:4; Isa. 60:21).

### III. A "LITTLE SEASON" OF JUDG- MENT AFTER THE REIGN EXPIRES

During this "season" the just and the unjust of that age, including both the living and dead, are judged. The righteous are approved and immortalized; the wicked are rejected and

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## 14 Beginning of God's Supremacy

consigned to shame and the second death. Mortality has now been abolished by salvation and destruction, and death, "the last enemy," destroyed (Rev. 20; 21; 1 Cor. 15:24-28).

### IV. CHRIST'S SUPREMACY ENDS; GOD'S DIRECT SUPREMACY BEGINS

With the abolition of "all enemies" from the presence of the Lord and from the face of the earth, there comes a change in the administration of the kingdom of God. With all the wicked "cut off," none remain but the righteous, who are redeemed, glorified, and immortalized, and who inherit the earth forever. Christ's work as Prophet, Priest, Saviour and King is finished; and He presents a redeemed earth and a glorified people to His Father, who takes the kingdom into His own hands and reveals Himself without meditation (Matt. 5:8; 1 Cor. 11:3; 15:23-28; Eph. 1:10, 22; Heb. 2:5-9; Rev. 21:1-7; 22:3).

## The Father and Son

### I. THERE IS ONLY ONE GOD, THE FATHER

THE "ONE GOD" of the Old Testament is revealed as "the Father"

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## Christ a Mediator and Advocate 15

in the New Testament. The popular doctrine of the Trinity confuses the revealed relations of the Father, and Holy Spirit, and destroys monotheism to make room for polytheism—supplants Christianity to establish Paganism (Deut. 6:4; Mark 12:29-32; 1 Tim. 2:5; 1 Cor. 8:4-6; Eph. 4:6; John 17:3; Isa. 45:5).

### II. JESUS CHRIST IS THE SON OF GOD

Jesus Christ is the Son of God, having been begotten of Mary by the Holy Spirit without the intervention of man (Luke 1:35; Matt. 1:20; Isa. 9:6; Acts 2:22; 10:38; John 1:10; Matt. 3:16, 17; John 3:34-35; 5:30; 14:28; 7:16; Matt. 19:17; Mark 15:34).

### III. JESUS CHRIST IS BOTH A MEDIATOR AND ADVOCATE

Notwithstanding the miraculous manner of His conception and His subsequent anointing with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was made of our nature. He died, was buried, rose again, and ascended to heaven where He is now an officiating mediator between the Father and sinners who come to God by Him, and an advocate for His own house, the church of God (1 Tim. 2:5; Rom. 8:3; Heb. 2:14; Gal. 4:4; 2 Cor.

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## 16 Posthumous Probation Wrong

5:21; 1 Cor. 15:21-45; Rom. 5:15, 19; Heb. 2:17; 3:1; 4:14, 15; 8:1; Luke 24:31; Acts 5:31; 15:14; John 17:9; 1 John 2:1).

### IV. POSTHUMOUS PROBATION AND SALVATION UNSCRIPTURAL

Christ's mediation for the world and His advocacy for the church provide adequate means for the salvation of all in the world and in the church who make their calling and election sure. Probation for both, therefore, is limited to this life (Isa. 38:18-20; Psa. 88:10-12; Eccl. 9:5-10; 6:3-6; Hos. 13:14; 2 Cor. 6:1-3; Luke 4:19; Psa. 69:13; Isa. 53:3-6; Heb. 3:6, 7, 13, 15). Posthumous probation\* is exceedingly reprehensible as it either represents the means of salvation which God has provided as insufficient, or repudiates Christ's mediation for the world altogether. The following indictments of the doc-

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By "posthumous probation," as here used, is meant probation in purgatory immediately after death, as taught by Roman Catholics, the "intermediate state" of renovation, as taught by some Protestants, and also the post-resurrectional opportunity to be saved, as taught by Russellites.

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trine are sufficient to show its anti-scriptural nature:

(a) Posthumous probation belittles angelic ministrations (Psa. 68:17; Dan. 7:10; Psa. 103:20; 34:7; Matt. 2:13, 10, 20; 4:11; 26:53; 18:10; Ex. 23:20-23; Heb. 1:14; Acts 8:26-39);

(b) It slurs the work of the Holy Spirit (John 14:6; 16:7-14; Rom. 8:26);

(c) It emasculates the word of God (Acts 13:44-48; John 17:19, 20; Acts 18:10, 11; Isa. 55:10, 11; Heb. 4:12; Jer. 23:28, 29; Num. 11:23);

(d) It demes the sufficiency of Christ's mediatorial prerogatives (Luke 23:24; Acts 2:23, 37-41; John 1:46-49; Acts 5:31; Matt. 28:18; 1 Peter 3:22; Heb. 2:18; 4:15, 16; 5:2; 7:25; Rom. 8:26-28, 32-39); and

(e) It charges God with incompetence and insufficiency (Gen. 21:17, 20; 1 Sam. 2:18, 23; 3:1, 7, 19; Isa. 45:1, 4; Jer. 1:5; Luke 1:15; Gal. 1:16; John 1:23; Acts 8:10; Isa. 45:19; 59:1, 2, 3; 55:6, 7, 10, 11).

#### V. DESTRUCTION OF THE DEVIL

##### BY THE SACRIFICE OF CHRIST

The death of Christ was a necessary sacrifice for sin in order that the law of sin and death, introduced into the world by the disobedience of the first Adam, might be nullified through the obedience of the second Adam who obtained a full discharge of its claims by a temporary surrender to its power. Thus, immortality by resurrection was acquired in His



own case, and through Him will also be acquired by all believers in harmony with the law of obedience. In Christ, sin is taken away, and righteousness is established. The devil, a word which is used interchangeably with "sin," has been abolished in the person of Christ; and its power will also be abolished so far as His people are concerned when He redeems, immortalizes, and makes them like Himself (John 1:29; Heb. 9:26; Jno. 3:16; Gal. 1:4; Titus 2:14; Acts 10:43; Rom. 3:25; Acts 4:12; Rom. 1:3, 4; 2 Cor. 13:4; 6:9; Eph. 1:20, 21; Heb. 2:14; Rom. 6:23; Heb. 9:26; 12:4; John 13:2; 6:70; Acts 5:3, 9; Jas. 1:14, 15; Eph. 2:2; 1 Tim. 5:14, 15; Matt. 16:23; Mark 8:33; Luke 4:8; 1 Thess. 2:18; Rev. 2:10, 12, 13; Psa. 68:21; Jer. 51:20).

## The Holy Spirit and Its Gifts

### I. THE SPIRIT OF GOD IS

#### DIVINE, RADIANT POWER

THE SPIRIT of God is not a distinct person from the Father, but His radiant power and energy in universal diffusion (Gen. 1:2; Psa. 139:2-12; Job 33:4; 26:13; Psa. 104:30; Judg.



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## Spirit Gifts Only Temporary 19

14:6; Num. 27:18; Neh. 9:30; 2 Peter 1:21).

### II. THE HOLY SPIRIT IS THE POWER OF GOD IN OFFICIAL MANIFESTATION

The Holy Spirit is God's "free spirit" gathered up, concentrated, and focalized for the work of creation, the bestowal of miraculous gifts, and the accomplishment of divine results (Psa. 51:11, 12; Luke 1:35; Acts 10:38; 1:5-8; 2:11:15, 16; 8:17-19; Micah 3:8).

### III. THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT WERE ONLY TEMPORARY POWERS

The gifts of the Holy Spirit which were bestowed upon the official members of the church in the days of the apostles, accomplished the purpose for which they were given and, accordant with reason and revelation, they ceased from the earth, not to exist again until the kingdom of God comes. That they were only temporary gifts and powers appears from the considerations following:

(a) The gifts of the Holy Spirit are "the powers of the world to come" (Heb. 6:4, 5).

(b) When they were bestowed upon men in the past, they were given in a limited and measured form, except in the case of Christ. They were but foretastes, first-fruits, ear-

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## 20 Spirit Gifts Not Extant Today

ness, and prophetic intimations of the feast of heavenly powers which we shall enjoy in full when the kingdom of God shall come (Matt. 10:7; 12:28; Luke 9:1; 11:20; Rom. 8:23; 2 Cor. 5:5; Eph. 1:13, 14).

(c) Christ excepted, they have been seldom possessed and rarely exercised in the past (1 Cor. 12:27-30; Eph. 1:8-12; 1 Sam. 3:1; Luke 4:23-28; John 4:41).

### IV. THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT ARE NOT EXTANT TODAY

The following arguments are conclusive on this point:

(a) When the gifts of the Holy Spirit were possessed they were employed punitively in association with their benevolent uses (Ex. 4:6-8; 8:13, 17, 29; 9:22, 29; Num. 12:10, 13; 2 Kings 5:14, 27; Isa. 38:1, 2; Acts 6; 8:20, 21; 13:9-11).

(b) The design and purpose of God in giving them was fulfilled in a confirmed word and completed revelation. Spirit gifts now are superfluous, and if they existed they would discredit the word of God (John 14:26; 16:12; Eph. 4:7, 8, 11-16; 2 Cor. 13:9; 1 Thess. 3:9, 10; Col. 2:10; Acts 20:17-23; John 20:30, 31; 1 John 5:10-13; 2 Tim. 3:15-17; Jude 3, Greek).

(c) The prophetic word requires the cessation of miraculous powers now, and existing facts corroborate the prophecy (Psa. 74:7-10; Micah 3:6-12; 1 Cor. 13:8-13).





## The Nature of Man

### I. THE SOUL

SOUL as used in the Bible means primarily, a creature or person, and is employed to express the variety of aspects in which that creature can be contemplated, such as person, life, mind, disposition, etc.; but in no instance does it express the idea of immortality (Gen. 1:20, 24, 30; Job 12:10; Num. 31:28; Isa. 29:8; Prov. 6:30; Jos. 11:11; Jer. 2:31; Job 7:15; Psa. 105:18, margin; Judges 16:30; Acts 3:23; Isa. 38:17; 53:11, 12; Matt. 10:28; Rev. 16:3).

### II. THE SPIRIT

"Spirit," as employed in the Bible, signifies breath, life, energy, mind, disposition, etc; but it is never used to express the idea of an immortal principle in man (Gen. 6:17; 7:15; Eccl. 3:13-21; Psa. 104:29-30; Jas. 2:26; Jos. 5:1; Gen. 3:8, margin; 8:1).

### III. THE GHOST

"Ghost" does not refer to an immortal entity in man, but to the expiration of his life (Gen. 6:17; 7:21, 22; 25:8; Mark 15:37, 39; Luke 23:46).



IV. MAN IS A CREATURE OF THE  
DUST AND MORTAL BECAUSE OF SIN

(a) Man is often declared to be mortal (Job 4:17; Rom. 5:12; Gen. 3:19, 22, 23; 1 Cor. 15:22; Psa. 49; 89:48; Gen. 7:22; Isa. 2:22);

(b) Man is affirmed to be unconscious in death (Psa. 6:5; Eccl. 9:5, 6, 10; Psa. 146:3, 4; Isa. 38:18, 19; Job 3:11-17; 14:10-12; 10:18, 19; Psa. 39:12; Acts 2:29-34; 13:36; Gen. 15:15);

(c) Immortality is a conditional gift offered to man through Christ (2 Tim. 1:10; John 6:40; Rom. 2:7; 6:23; 1 John 2:25; 2 Tim. 1:1; Titus 1:2; 3:7; Rom. 8:24, 25; Gal. 6:8; Mark 10:30; Luke 20:35, 36; John 17:2; 1 John 2:17);

(d) Man obtains immortality at the resurrection (Dan. 12:2; John 5:28, 29; Luke 14:14; John 6:39, 40, 44; 11:24; 1 Thess. 4:16; Isa. 26:19; Acts 24:15; 1 Cor. 15:13, 14, 42-44, 51-53; Job 19:25-27; Phil. 3:8, 11, 20-21); and

(e) After he obtains immortality he enjoys it on the earth (Prov. 10:30; 11:31; Matt. 5:5; Psa. 37; Rom. 4:13; Heb. 11; Rev. 5:10; Dan. 7:27).

V. IRRESPONSIBLE MEN ARE NOT  
RAISED FROM THE DEAD

Those of mankind who are ignorant of the gospel are not eligible to either reward for obedience or punishment for disobedience post-resurrectionally. They are irresponsible, and



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## The Resurrection of the Dead 23

they pass away in death as though they had never existed.

(a) They are irresponsible, mortal, and comparatively worthless (Psa. 39:5; 103:14-17; 144:3, 4; Isa. 40:6, 7, 8, 15, 17; Dan. 4:35);

(b) Their existence terminates forever in death (Isa. 26:13, 14; Jer. 51:39, 57; Prov. 21:16; Eph. 4:17, 18; 2 Cor. 4:3; Psa. 49; Isa. 43:17; Psa. 17:14; 73:22; 88:4, 5; Amos 8:11-14; Oba. 16; Job 3:11-19; 10:18, 19; Eccl. 6:1-6).

## The Resurrection of the Dead

RESURRECTION is a future awakening to life and consciousness of people who are dead and in the dust of the earth (Job 14:13, 14; 19:26, 27; Psa. 17:15; 49:15; Isa. 26:19; Dan. 12:1, 2; 1 Cor. 15).

### II. THE SUBJECTS OF RESURRECTION

Those who are raised from the dead consist of two classes only; the just and the unjust, the righteous and the wicked, both of whom have enjoyed the privilege of a knowledge of the gospel (John 3:18, 19; 9:40, 41; 15:22, 24; Jas. 4:17; Rom. 4:15; Acts 17:23, 30, 31; Luke 12:47, 48).

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## 24 Rewards and Punishments

### III. THE REWARD OF THE RIGHTEOUS

The righteous are those who have learned, believed and obeyed the gospel. They come forth at the resurrection invested with immortality (in company with "the changed" among the living (1 Cor. 15:50-54) to reign with Christ as joint-heirs of the kingdom, co-possessors of the earth, and joint administrators of God's authority among men in everything. The kingdom of God is the inheritance to which they are called by the gospel, and it is that which is presented as the object of hope (1 Thess. 2:12; Luke 12:32; Jas. 2:5; Matt. 25:34; 2 Peter 1:11; Luke 13:29; John 3:5; 1 Cor. 15:50; 6:9).

### IV. THE DESTINY OF THE WICKED

That class which is called "the unjust" embraces apostates and all others who have known the gospel whether they have believed and obeyed it or not. They come forth at the resurrection and, in company with the wicked who are alive at the time, are

(a) Cast into hell (Mark 9:43; Isa. 66:24; Matt. 10:28; Jude 7; Isa. 34:8-10; Matt. 3:12; Psa. 21:8, 9; Heb. 12:29; Mal. 4:1-3; Rev. 21:8; Rom. 1:32).

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(b) Where they are consigned to death with attendant circumstances of shame and suffering (Psa. 37:10, 20, 34; 2 Thess. 1:9, 10; Job 20:5-8; Psa. 115:20; 104:35; Job 21:30; 2 Cor. 2:10; Prov. 13:13).

### V. RESURRECTION OF THE RIGHTEOUS AND WICKED IS SIMULTANEOUS

Both classes have

(a) A simultaneous resurrection (Dan. 12:1, 2; John 5:28, 29; 1 Cor. 15:51, 52; 1 Thess. 4:16; Rev. 11:15, 18); and

(b) A simultaneous execution of judgment (Matt. 10:32, 33; Mark 8:38; Rev. 21:7, 8; 22:12-15; Matt. 16:24-27; 7:21-23; 25:10, 11-46; 13:38-43; John 5:28, 29; Acts 17:31; Rom. 2:5-16; 2 Cor. 5:9-11; 4:5; 2 Thess. 1:6-10; 1 Cor. 3:12-15; Col. 1:28; Heb. 13:17; 1 Thess. 2:19, 20; 1 John 2:28; 4:17; Rev. 3:5; 1 Tim. 5:24, 25; 2 Tim. 4:1).

## Baptism: Acts, Subjects and Design

### I. THE ACT

IMMERSION is essential to the ordinance of baptism as evidenced from

(a) The meaning of the word baptism (Mosheim's Eccl. Hist., 1:8; Schaff's Hist. Apostolic Church, pp. 568-9; American Cyclopedia, Article "Baptism"; Stanley's Hist. Eastern Church, Scribner's Edition, p. 117; Coybeare and Howson on Rom. 6:1; Barrow's Sermon on the Doctrine of the Sacraments);



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(b) The figurative uses of the word (1 Cor. 10:2; 1 Peter 3:20, 21; Luke 12:50; Mark 10:38, 39; John 3:5; Rom. 6:3, 4, 5; Acts 1:5; Luke 21:49; Acts 2; 2 Cor. 5:2-4); and

(c) The combination of circumstances attending the ordinance (Matt. 3:6, 16; John 3:5, 23; Acts 8:36-39; Rom. 6:4, 5).

### II. THE SUBJECTS

(a) Only believers of the gospel are proper subjects for baptism (Mark 16:15, 16; Acts 2:37-41; 6:7; 8:12, 36, 37; 10; 11:14; 16:30-34; 18:8; Eph. 4:5);

(b) The immersion of those ignorant of the gospel is invalid. After such have learned and believed the gospel of the kingdom they must be immersed again (Eph. 4:5; Rom. 16:26; 8:24; Greek; Acts 19:1-5; Bible Lesson 1:10, 11; 3:7, 8, 9).

### THE DESIGN

Baptism expresses the faith of the candidate in the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is the means of his introduction into Christ beginning a union which is preparatory to perfect assimilation at the resurrection. To the sinner, therefore, it is essential to

(a) The remission of sins (Mark 1:5; Luke 1:76, 77; Acts 2:38-41; 10:43, 48; 1 Peter 3:21; Col. 2:12, 13; Titus 3:5-7; Rom. 6:3-5, 17, 18); and

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(b) An adoption into Christ with an heirship of the gospel, salvation and the kingdom of God (Mark 16:16; John 3:5; Rom. 6:3-5; Gal. 3:27-29).

## The Commandments of Christ

### I. THE COMMANDMENTS OF MEN MUST NOT BE OBSERVED

THE COMMANDMENTS and doctrines of men are legion (Col. 2:22). Here we have only space to mention

(a) Keeping the Sabbath in this dispensation (Gal. 3:8, 17; Gen. 2:3; Ex. 19:18; 2 Kings 18:11, 12; Bible Lesson 3:3, 4; Deut. 5:2, 3; Neh. 9:13, 14; Gal. 3: 4; 2 Cor. 3; Col. 2:16-22; Acts 15:28, 24);

(b) Ceremonial footwashing (John 12: 1-3; 13:1-16; 1 Tim. 5:9, 10); and

(c) Numerous annullments and emendations relating to the Lord's supper (Matt. 26:26; 1 Cor. 11:24; 10:10; 11:26, 28; Gen. 9:4; Lev. 17:14; Acts 15:29).

### II. THE COMMANDMENTS OF CHRIST AND HIS APOSTLES MUST BE OBEYED

(a) After baptism our final salvation depends upon keeping the commandments of Christ (Matt. 28:20; John 15:14; 13:17; Matt. 7:21; John 15:10; 1 John 2:4; Rev. 22:14).

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(b) The commandments of Christ include those which He gave by His apostles (1 Cor. 14:37; Luke 21:15; John 16:7; 15:26; Matt. 10:19, 20; Acts 2:33; 1 John 4:6; John 20:21; Matt. 10:16).

### III. SOME OF THE COMMANDMENTS DEFINITELY STATED

The commandments of God are numerous. The following are definitely specified because they may be overlooked by the servants of God, and are entirely ignored and disobeyed by the world. Christ and His apostles

(a) Condemn retaliation and all evil speaking (Matt. 5:44; 1 Peter 3:9; 2:1; Rom. 12:14);

(b) Insist on peace-making and personal, private communication with the offender with this in view (Matt. 55:24; 18:15; Col. 3:13);

(c) Command kindness to the undeserving and the evil (Matt. 5:44; Luke 6:35; and

(d) Prohibit participation in war (Matt. 26:52; Rev. 13:10; Matt. 5:39-41; John 6:15; Luke 12:13, 14; 1 Peter 2:21, 23; Isa. 53:9; Jas. 5:6; 2 Cor. 11:20; Rom. 12:19-21; 1 Thess. 5:15; Heb. 12:14).





IV. THE BREAKING OF BREAD  
IS A COMMANDMENT OF CHRIST

(a) From the observance of this ordinance the Church of God must debar the world, exclude adherents to false religions, and excommunicate its own members for doctrinal and moral transgressions (Matt. 18:17; Rom. 16:17; 1 Cor. 5:8-11; 2 Thess. 3:6; 2 Tim. 3:5; Titus 3:10; 2 John 10, 11; Gal. 5:9, 12; 6:14).

(b) Its observance on the part of baptized believers is essential to acceptance with God (Psa. 116:12-14; Cant. 1:12; John 6:53-56; Matt. 26:26-28; Ex. 12; 1 Cor. 5:7, 8; Heb. 10:22-29, 38, 39; 1 John 1:6-10; 2:1-3; 5:3-6).

V. THE BREAKING OF BREAD

(a) The Church of God is the house of God (1 Cor. 3:16, 17; 1 Peter 2:5; 1 Tim. 3:15; Heb. 10:21);

(b) In the house of God there is always the table of the Lord (1 Cor. 10:21; Ex. 25:30; Lev. 24:5-9; Heb. 3:6);

(c) The breaking of bread includes the drinking of the cup as part of the institution (Matt. 26:27; 1 Cor. 11:20; Iliad 2: lines 381-399; 8:53-66; Acts 2:46; 1 Cor. 10:16; Acts 2:42);

(d) The breaking of bread is a weekly memorial of the Lord's death, and is an indispensable part of worship in all stated meetings of the Church (Acts 2:42; 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:2; 11:20-26; 10:26; Matt. 26:29).



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