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*Go ye into all the world,
and preach the gospel
to every creature.
Mark 16:15*

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“Will God Change His Word For You?”

Isn't it amazing how some people seem to try to change God's Word just to fit their own life styles? They seem to think that just because it's the 21st Century that God will change just for them.

Friend, God has the same laws and rules for everybody and has never changed any of them. You say you love God? If you did, you would keep His Word. God said, "Come out of her and be a separated people." That's exactly what He meant. Oh you might shout and sing and put on a good show, but that is all you will have. You won't have a great walk with God because God will not walk with sin. He never has and never will. (Col. 2:20)

We were holding a revival in Dyersburg, TN and had to have the last service without lights. Tornadoes swept through the area killing several people. Thank God our group was spared, but pray for those who lost family and possessions.

**Brother David Hicks
Cleveland, Tennessee**

Editor's Note: Someone once told me their reasons for not fully obeying God's instructions. They said God understands why they don't. I said, "Yes, He does understand, but that doesn't change His judgements."

Questions and Quotes

In what way are Christians like camels?
They have to both get on their knees to
unload their burdens.

Kingsport, Tennessee

Bishop Lawson, Bishop David Hicks and Brother Dennis Hicks attended services in Kingsport, Tennessee at Brother Fred Greer's church March 7-8, 2006. During the services seven received the Holy Ghost. Praise God! Please pray for Brother Greer's health.

The pictures below were taken during this service.



**Meeting at Kingsport, TN
Church**



Bro. Fred Greer, Pastor



**Brother Hagan Webb
The presiding Bishop of
The Holiness Church of Jesus
Christ in Kingsport, TN**



**Bro. Clarence Webb,
Dennis and David Hicks**

"Little Is Much When God Is In It!"

On March 4th the Cleveland, Tennessee Church had a benefit singing to help raise funds for the Church Offices/Youth Building. The was another local church youth group, two or three singing groups and a group that did sign language using white gloves and black lights, a very impressive presentation. The Church of Jesus Christ Youth also were a blessing. Over \$500.00 was received.

There were two visiting ministers with us on Saturday night who stayed over for Sunday's services. Brother William Cumby from Defuniak Springs, Florida and Brother David Forsythe from Thomasville, Alabama joined us for our Sunday services. Brother Cumby is pictured below ministering for us on Sunday night. His message was "Get Out of the Boat" from Matthew 14:22-29. He brought a new meaning to the phrase, "Little is much when God is in it." He is only 39" tall but what a giant with the Word. Brother Cumby will be back with us on May 7 to start a revival. Come, be with us and get blessed!



Brother Cumby at the Cleveland Church

"Praise"

On January 8, 2006 we had Rev. Jonathan Atkins at the Cleveland Church. His wife, Kristen and son Jonathan David II were with him also. He preached at both services and his main topic was "PRAISE". He really brought a stirring to the saints.

After he got through Sunday night my arms were sore, my toes hurt as well as both feet. This preacher actually had the audacity to have the congregation to stand and clap almost throughout the whole sermon(s). He even asked, no demanded, that we clap our hands for at least fifteen 'SECONDS'. Can you imagine that? In my mind I thought back to other times when someone would ASK the people to give a handclap of praise and I counted the times "I" would do it and only come up with 6 or 7 times, and I seemed please. I felt my flesh becoming offended by the GALL of this man ordering us to do that much clapping and standing. He said sometimes we just give "lip service" to God, when He wants us to SHOW Him.

As if the morning sermon on Praise wasn't enough, he came back in the night service with, "When God is Silent, What do you do?". He took his text from Matthew 15:21-28, keying on verses 23 and 25. (I'm not trying to re-preach his message, just telling how God dealt with MY issues about the message.) His point was that "sometimes" God wants PRAISE and WORSHIP before He speaks to us.

My mind, again, went back to a time when I worked in a stove foundry operating large presses that punched holes in the steel being worked to make stove parts. Sometimes there were 3 or 4 persons working on one press. For safety reasons the control buttons were mounted above the work area to keep everyone's hands out of the press. I remember some days when I was dealing with spirits in my mind, I would say, "Praise the Lord", "Thank you Jesus", or other words of praise. About the 5th or 6th time raising my hands on the buttons I would begin to feel the Spirit and begin to speak in other tongues and the other men would have to wait for me to get back. Fortunately they were from other churches and they didn't complain.

The bottom line of this story is that we have gotten away from spontaneous worship. We mostly wait to be prodded and wonder why God does not speak to us like He used to. I think it is time to SHOW God that we are different from the rest of the world, and quit trying to tell the world how different we are. Can I get a big AMEN?

Elder Stough

Prayer Support for World Disasters

The Cleveland, Tennessee Church Headquarters has received letters from several of our Foreign Ministers requesting much prayers and support considering the recent world disasters. We ask for any church who can to send donations to the Headquarters Office so it can be recorded and sent to the designated areas. Thanks for your efforts.

The ministers we received letters from are: Bishop G. Thomas from Tenali, India. Pictured below are Sis. Thomas and Bishop Thomas and Parliament members distributing rice packets to flood victims.



A medical camp for flood victims is pictured above. Below are the flood victims being fed.



Also letters came from Pastor John Solomon, S.D., Tamulnadu, So. India; Bishop Mogoi, Kayole, Kenya, Africa; and S.D. Esther Jasmine Giandhi, Tamilnadu, So. India.

We also received a letter from a minister in Casa Grande, Arizona. Bro. Christino Castillo visits the Apache Nation there. He is also hoping to start a Spanish speaking Church of Jesus Christ in some area. He will, we hope, be attending the Convention this year.

We invite more of you to send in correspondence and pictures and articles or short messages to be published in the paper.



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Announcement

The Cleveland, Tennessee Church will be holding an Easter Revival in April on the 14th through the 16th with Evangelist Dennis Hicks and also with special singers.



In Christian Love and Sympathy

Bishop Lawson and Bishop David Hicks went to Otter Creek, Florida for Bishop Lawson to conduct the funeral for Pastor Percy Booth who passed this month (March). Our condolences go out to Sister Booth and her family.

Brother Falon Rogers has assumed the Pastorate of the Otter Creek Church.

79th GENERAL CONVENTION – CHURCHES OF JESUS CHRIST, INT. MAY 28 – JUNE 4, 2006

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