

WHO IS WHO in C.S.H. church:

VICE* PRESIDENT of the N.D.

CORDELIA WARD BLAIR, was born in the year 1887, in the state of Tenn. Parent's name were ANTHONY and SEPTIMY WARD. Sister BLAIR was deprived of her mother and father before she was quite a year old, and was left in the hands of her grandparents to rear. She attended grade school in Tenn.

The family moved to Brinkley Ark. where she attended the Baptist Academy for two years. Then she went to Philander Smith college for three years in Little Rock, Ark.-- she taught school in the rural district for the purpose of continuing her education. Again death stepped in and took her grand-parents-both- within six months, leaving her almost alone in the world, seemingly, but the Lord was with her. She received her early religious training in the Methodist church, of which she was a member also from her sainted grand mother--who had a godly home with the family altar. Having had such, quite naturally their passing left her much disturbed and she wondered "Lord where shall I go and what shall I do?"

She went to Vanburen Ark. to live with an uncle "Rev. A.L. Stevens,, and later came to the state of Mo. to live with her brother the Rev. E.E. Treadwell, who at that time was pastoring WARRENSBURG and Centerview, but is now pastoring COFFEYVILLE, Kans. She resumed studies again in the GEO. R. Smith college---- Sedalia, Mo. Thro' the assistance of Dr. J.C. Sherrill she received her board and tuition for three years from the board of education of the Methodist church and thereby able to graduate from the Normal dept. or Teacher's course. Upon her first visit to Centerview with her bro. and wife for services, she met and married Bro. Ed. Blair (she had previously been told she would meet a young man with brown hair and sandy moustache who would play an important part in her life)

Amidst the many things that happened Sis. Blair always remembered her conversion and early training and felt, from her youth up that she was a chosen vessel for the Lord and his work. Altho she did not live up to her conversion, so she said, she held on until she heard of a more excellent way. The way of Holiness. In 1923 a band came to Centerview telling of this high-way of Holiness, she heard and obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered to her. She was licensed to preach in 1928 and was ordained in 1929. Served as pastor of Sedalia, Mo. Holden, M o. and Centerview, Mo. which office she now holds, in connection with this she has served as sec'y of the investigating board, later as pres. of same board, has served on the district mission board in various capacity from pres. of the women's mission on down. Have held district treasuries and etc. A conscientious and faithful worker, very dependable which caused the district to make her our vice president, which she so capably do hold at the present. Under her administration she has helped to add to the church extension 1 lot and church building, have entertained the annual conference twice and the ministerial board of Elders are to meet with her and her folks next April of 1949 if God permits.

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Prov. 3;5,6.

BIBLE FACTS:

The first five books are called the pentateuch (a greek word which mean five-fold book or the first five books of Moses. The first book of Moses is called Genesis, also a greek word meaning origin. In the Hebrew it is called 'book of creation'. ---It deals with the creation of the world and the beginnings of life and society, the patriarchs and the voluntary descent into Egypt. In point of time, Genesis covers a greater period than the remainder of the bible combined. Genesis covers approximately 2,300 years and the rest of the bible covers approximately 1,796 years. The book of Genesis contains 50 chapters.

BIBLE NAME QUIZ:

1st. Key:

I was one who belonged to the innermost circle of the friends of Jesus. Together with my brother I was one of the first to heed the call of the Master: "Follow me" - and my home was in Galilee, and I was a fisherman by calling. On three different occasions I was especially honored by my Lord. It plainly showed that he reposed special confidence in me as his follower. Because of my vehemence the Lord labeled my brother and myself "Sons of Thunder". I am the author of five books of the new testament. Only in the fifth book is my name mentioned as author. One of my epistles is the only book in the bible dedicated to a woman. I played a prominent role in the history of the early Christian Church. I out-lived all the other apostles. WHO AM I ??????

Correct answer will appear next month.

Answer to last month's quiz: --- " ELIJAH."

JUNIOR CHURCH NEWS:

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA

Greetings to the saints every-where, the young saints of Cedar rapids are so happy to yet be able to report victory thro' the atoning blood of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Sister Irene Griggs has returned to us from Omaha, seemingly in the best of health after a period of convalescing following a very severe operation. We do thank God, who is so able to heal.

Sunday was a high day in Zion with the saints. It was the Young folks day to conduct the services and we had as our guest speaker the Rev. E.G. Scott. He preached at both the afternoon and night service.

Subject in the afternoon was " CHRIST MAKES THE DIFFERENCE" and at the night service he preached on " STEADFASTNESS". A program preceded both messages. The Bethel A.M.E. young people and the Mt. Zion Baptist youth as well as our own youth took an active part in the program.

Devotional leaders for the afternoon were SIS. FELICE TROSPER and Bro. LEO GRIGGS.

Evening leaders: Sis. LAURA MILLER and son, LEROY.

Do pray our steadfastness in the Lord in this evil day.

VIOLA GIBSON, pres.

LAURA MILLER, sec.

ELDER DARDEN, pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.

The Lord has been blessing us in our services for him. Truly we can say He is our all in all. Our last young people's day-Sept 12th was a wonderful and inspiring challenge to each one of us. The meeting was in charge of our president Sis. Saunders. Madeline and Marlene Saunders rendered a duet. The message was brought by Sis. Georgie Martin from St. John:1-9. Truly our hearts were encouraged as we sat and listened to the word of God. LUCILLE SAUNDERS, pres. IDA RILEY, reporter

ELDER J.M. MELVIN, PASTOR

GLANCES AT THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS:

By V. Gibson

In the closing quarter of the year we have a series of lessons which should help us to appreciate the great book of books--THE BIBLE.

The lessons are so arranged to give us samples of the different kinds of literature the book contains. A glance through the lessons reveals that we shall consider biography, law, history, wisdom-literature, drama, prophecy, poetry, parables, letters, and apocalyptic literature.

The bible is a library of religious literature.

Let us glance at lesson 1.---- It is an introduction to the lessons to follow. In Psalms 119, we have a remarkable series of utterances by a soul that has found God and whose desires are in harmony with God's law, and when I say 'Law' I mean God's testimony, judgements, statutes, word or words, precepts, commandments, etc. To the Psalmist the precepts of the Lord are not a burden or an irksome restraint. Rather they are a comfort and a delight and are like a lamp unto his feet. He found joy as he meditated upon them.

The bible is a vast store-house of wisdom, and by diligently searching in it, the seeker after knowledge, can reach every one of its gems and become richly laden with moral power and righteousness.

The value of the bible is emphasized by two great facts: The first of these is the fact that it 'IS' God's inspired word to man to guide him in all things.----The second fact is: that for centuries it has held a paramount place in literature and in the hearts and minds of all Christian people because it met their deepest religious needs and satisfied the most earnest longings of the heart.

We need have no fear of losing the bible because as we study prayerfully, the spirit do imprint upon our minds and engrave upon our hearts the things we learn there-from.

The purpose of the scriptures or the bible was pointedly and concisely stated by Paul in Timothy's second letter 3:15--" They are able to make you wise unto salvation thro' faith which is in Christ- Jesus". They are the record of a revelation made by God to man, which if acted upon, will lead to Eternal life. The bible will not accomplish its purpose concerning us unless it assists in leading us to God. It then causes us to grow in grace and in the knowledge of God. Let us read it with the purpose of finding out what God has to say that will be of practical value in our lives. Paul also instructs us to "Study to shew thy-self approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth " 2 Tim. 2:15.

Lesson 2: Gives us the biography of Abraham "The Father of many nations". A good man, truly great, who is held in honor even to this day, not by christians alone but also by Mohammedans and Jews. It was with Abraham that God made a covenant, promising him and his seed a goodly land, a land that flowed with milk and honey.

Lesson 3: ---- Law in the bible:

The moral laws or the Ten commandments, the Ceremonial and Civil laws Christ and the law. The law was given that it might help man to go straight, but it failed, and Christ showed, and made possible a more excellent way----after fulfilling the law he hung them all on two as related in the memory selection: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind... and thy neighbour as thyself." Matt. 22:37-39.

Lesson 3: Gives us history in the old testament.

The history tells of the nation of Israel, primarily, all the books from Joshua through Esther are historical.

This lesson tells of the reign of King Solomon. It was during his reign that the Hebrews attained their greatest prestige among the nations, and it was back to that period that the Jews of later ages looked when they contemplated the time of Israel's greatest glory.