

The Holy Way

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*A highway shall be there,
and it shall be called the Holy Way.
ISAIAH 35:8*

The world cries for help.

"IBI Mysterious Fire is the Finger of God"

According to our reliable source, who has been to the village twice since the inception of the awesome occurrence, the mysterious fire at Ibi was a predicted punishment.

It all started when a Muslim living near a missionary cemetery desired to extend his compound by taking over part of the cemetery's land.

A Christian approached the village head twice with warning against such action. The village head, who also is a Muslim, ignored the warning. The mysterious fire started since then.

The selective fire has continued from December till our time of going to the press.

GOODNEWS also learned that Christians who dare sympathize with their Muslim friends were also visited by the fire.

A Muslim parent, who beat his child for, joining some Christians in prayer meeting, had his house gutted the night the same evening.

GOODNEWS also learned that the fire has pursued the properties of these people to neighboring villages where they are carried. For example, some items carried to Wukari were burnt by the fire while other items in the same

house were not affected.

Efforts to avert the plague through sacrifices and prayer as solicited by the continuous village head have proved futile.

A Ministry, "Love Divine Ministries" based in Kaduna, held a Crusade there in February, under the leadership of Rev. Simon Kwasau.

After Mysterious Fire (Ibi Receives the Good News)

The mysterious fire, which for close to three months unsettled the people of this town in Gongola State, has paved the way for the Good news to the village.

The fire, on which GOODNEWS carried a story in its March issue, mysteriously continued unabated starting in December last year. It started after a warning through a man of God to desist from desecrating a missionary graveyard in the town was ignored by the village head and his predominantly Muslim subjects. The fire, which selectively burnt the property of Muslims and their sympathizers, claimed not less than 3,000 houses as it defied all efforts to control it. However, neither human beings nor animals were affected.

If the incidence was a pitiable one, its challenge to ministers of God's Word cannot be over emphasized.

The Love Divine Ministries based in Kaduna, under the auspices of her founder and leader Rev. Simeon Kwasau, took the challenge with tremendous boldness.

In conjunction with a ministry (Jesus People Mission) based in the town, a three-day gospel crusade was launched to the town. Indeed it was three days of "rain after fire." The combination of film shows and the Word preached under great unction drew a crowd which rose to over 2,000 souls on the last night.

Many remarkable miracles took place, of which the salvation of about 444 souls, with 100 receiving the Holy Ghost, and the healing of Simeon Zarchis, who had been paralysed for four years, were the most outstanding. The chief and his officers also attended the crusade. Earlier, during a courtesy call by the crusade team to his house, he admitted that their dilemma was the result of their rejection of the gospel. Other sources of government revenue which accrue from Christians should be used to demonstrate our superiority as the light of the world.

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Heaven Came Down

When heaven came down on the students of The Holy Way College, Aba, in the Imo State of Nigeria on Wednesday September 28, 1988, it was not to confound the tongues of men as He once did to those ambitious builders of Babel of the post-diluvium time. No; instead it was to harmonize and bless the different students who had gathered in one accord, praying to the One living God called El-Shaddai.

As the 'drums' beat and the songs rose and joyful noise ascended into heaven, the Holy noise ascended into heaven, the Holy Spirit in turn descended on open hearts and miracles started happening right, left and center.

Before my own eyes, and with my own ears, I saw and heard a student prophesy that God said He was pleased with our worship; that He has come to bless us; that three torches have been lighted (one each beside two student-pastors and in the midst of the other students). The Lord says that those lights symbolize His Holy Spirit at The Holy Way Bible College; and that we should see it that they are not extinguished.

Another revelation was from a female student. She said she heard God say: "I the Lord giveth and I the Lord taketh away." A further revelation from her was: "God says, Love is the most important thing; you students here must love yourselves if I must continue to visit with you." We went into prayer session immediately. We prayed that God should kindly give us more of the spirit of love so that we may continue to experience what we experienced that night.

Of course Satan was not pleased with what was happening that night; and accordingly some drama ensued simultaneously. Demon possessed students whined and snarled and jerked like the Gadarene demoniac of Jesus' time. Read that drama in Mk. 5:1-20. And praise God; that old-time power of Jesus was made available that night. In a tough spiritual warfare that ensued, we were able to exorcise those demons. Confessional statements began to come out involuntarily: A female student who has been having clandestine affairs with evil forces and who has persistently denied this fact finally owned up that night; and promised never to have anything to do with them any more. A male student, who also has been in alliance with Mammy Water, decided to call it quits that night henceforth, and even promised to return his "engagement ring" to the maritime spirit. It was a solemn moment full of the presence of the Omnipotent God.

And, as if to authenticate *my* own part of that experience, I dreamed that night of having regained an important job I lost in 1982. I held that job briefly for only 9 months, and, just as I was about to be given a car, *fiam!* Satan struck. In my dream, I regained that paradise lost. Then the words of the prophet came rushing back to me with a new significance: I shall restore back to you the years that the locusts have eaten.

Now tell me, brethren; did heaven not come down that night?

Gabriel



Samuel Mammah

Brother Agus

Reports from the Field

Nigerian Christians Told to Wake Up

An Indonesian theologian seconded to The Holy Way Bible College, Aba, in Imo State of Nigeria, Agus Endarsa, has said that Nigerian Christians need to double their efforts to hasten up the second advent.

Evangelist Endarsa was speaking at this year's Youth Day celebrations, organized by Christ Bible Mission of Nigeria, Nassarewa, Jos, last Sunday. The occasion also witnessed the dedication of the New Child of the Church Superintendent, Rev. B.O. Nweke.

Basing his sermon on the text, "Now then we are ambassadors for Christ" (2 Cor. 5:20), Brother Endarsa said that every Christian is an ambassador of Christ, commissioned to go into the world to preach the good news to all nations.

This, he said, would help to hasten up the second coming of Christ to establish His Kingdom here on earth.

The Evangelist quoted from the book of Daniel: "And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the Kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High, whose kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him." ,

None of the great things God demands of us Christians, says Endarsa, can be achieved without love.

"Let's love one another," he says. "Grow in love; don't fall in love. God never falls in love; for He is love itself" he concluded.

Present at the occasion was the Executive Director of the Holy Way Bible College, Rev. Samuel C., Mammah, who is also the Nigeria representative.

Letter To Brother Bill

Dear Brother Bill,

It is with pleasure that I write to send you and your family and all the saints there my Christmas and New Year greetings in Jesus' name.

I wish to thank God for work He has been using you to accomplish especially at this end time and it is my fervent prayer that our Lord will strengthen you the more for a greater task ahead. The work which God through you entrusted into our care barely a year ago is really moving on despite Satan's desire to disorganize and cause confusion. We thank God that at every stage of our existence in this work, we have emerged victorious-Praise God.

Our victory is evidenced in our recent penetration to Fos where we now have a church with fairly large numbers of trusted Christians. This will sound difficult in a Moslem-dominated area of Northern Nigeria. But with the ministration of Brothers Agus and Wilfried in that city in August, 1988 (barely a week after their arrival from Indonesia), we have been able to succeed.

Recently, to be precise on the 20th of November, 1988, all of us including the students, Wilfried and Agus embarked on a practical evangelism which lasted for one month. This exercise took us to Amumara with Agus leading and to Fos with I myself leading. The exercise was a successful one as the Lord added souls to His church. We returned on the 20th of December, 1988 to enable the students to join their parents for the Christmas celebration.

With respect to brother John Jonas Adgei, there is no problem any more. His misunderstanding with brother Sammuell Mammah some time ago has since been resolved and we are all working as one strong team for a common goal.

The only problem we have now is in respect to his passport and visa which expired some time ago and has been a source of constant harassment and embarrassment by the immigrations department here in the state. Recently the expired passport was impounded and he was threatened with deportation except for our pleadings and a letter of transfer, in which we explained that he is here temporarily. Nevertheless, immediately we have to renew the passport and there will be no more problems.

Finally, I wish to thank you and all the board members of the Holy Way for the work our Lord is using you to accomplish. May He grant love, peace and prosperity in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Accept and extend my greetings to your family and all the saints.

Yours very sincerely,
John V Mammah

Report From Indonesian Team

Peace in Jesus Christ.

We are getting along well. Our heavenly father is with us. Thank you for your prayer support.

For the last month, we have been touring various cities. This southern part of Nigeria is largely Christian. The land is fertile, with the same kind of vegetation as in Indonesia. The food is quite different. We find the food here bitter. One day we visited the parents of Samuel Mammah, who lives in a village. The green vegetation made the place cool and quiet. The whole village is Christian.

We also went to a city called Jos, somewhat to the north. It is a ten hour bus ride or a twenty-eight-hour train ride from Aba. Jos is in the hills. The temperatures are cool. The city is clean and good. We ministered in a church called the "Christ Bible Mission." The pastor wants to work with us. With his help we were able to get our visa extended until November 28, and then will be able to get extended again.

We were in Jos for ten days. Their worship traditions are very rigid with strong human leadership. The clergy here are generally referred to as prophets. The singing can go on for one or two hours. Services are often five hours long. (Recently we were in a church in Aba where the service lasted seven hours).

Twice in services we saw people dancing as in idol worship. But the pastor prayed and things quieted down. People need complete deliverance from idol

worship. There is also lots of sexual immorality.

Both water and food were scarce in that city. They eat mostly taro root and corn. They need lots of help.

The cities in Nigeria are big, but lack city planning.

Team from Indonesia

Agus & Wilfrid

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