

# FAITH BAPTIST TRUMPET

“For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?” I Cor. 14:8KJV

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## THE TITANIC ENCOUNTER

(by George G. Benes)

It was a splendid ship! Everything a ship designer could imagine was built into it. It was beautiful, magnificent, TITANIC!

Not only was it the biggest, it was sleek, fast, and absolutely unsinkable. Did not the designers guarantee it? Every proven safety feature and several new ones went into its construction.

It slid out to sea from Liverpool, England on a serene April morning. Gleaming against the sky, it was majestic. The pride of Britannia rode out to sea. New York was its next harbor.

The notables of society were its passengers and they basked in the splendor of its luxury. Elegance was the word for Titanic's interior. Lavish in its décor, menus, and entertainment, it surpassed the highest expectations of its passengers.

Three-quarters into its maiden voyage—on the fringe of Newfoundland's frigid banks—the Titanic became a catastrophic (continued on page 7 )

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## Appalachian Mountain Foreign Language

(by Pastor Darwin Robinson)

Two years of foreign language was required in the Bible college I attended in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Majoring in Bible and History, I elected to take New Testament Greek. However, while pastoring the country church in the Appalachian mountains nearby, I wished I had taken 'mountain language.'

They have their own way of talking and sometimes it is impossible to understand them. You really need an interpreter when you start dealing with them.

While on visitation, I was visiting one of the many R families living way (continued on page 2)

***Building Stones of the United States of America***

(The following quotation is taken from *AMERICA'S GOD AND COUNTRY Encyclopedia Of Quotations*—William J. Federer)

**James Madison** (1751-1836), Known as the "Chief Architect of the Constitution," was the 4<sup>th</sup> President of the United States, 1809-17. He was an instrumental member of the Constitutional Convention, speaking 161 times (more than any other founder except Gouverneur Morris). James Madison's records of the debates in the Constitutional Convention are the most accurate and detailed that exist. At the Convention, James Madison moved, seconded by Roger Sherman, that Benjamin Franklin's famous appeal for prayer be enacted in their assembly.

James Madison authored 29 of the 85 *Federalist Papers*, which argued successfully in favor of the ratification of the Constitution. He was also a member of the first United States Congress, where he introduced the Bill of Rights, which addressed religious freedom as the first item.

He was appointed by President Thomas Jefferson as U.S. Secretary of State, and while in the office, he engineered the Louisiana Purchase of 1803. As acting President and Commander-in-Chief during the War of 1812, James Madison had to flee the White House before it was captured and burned by the British.

In addition to being a lawyer and planter, he was a member of the House of Delegates. As a Virginia Legislator, he helped write the Constitution of Virginia.

Home-schooled as a child, Madison attended Princeton University.... The college had declared, "Cursed be all that learning that is contrary to the cross

of Christ."

On June 20, 1785, James Madison wrote in regard to the relationship between religion and civil government, "Religion [is] the basis and Foundation of Government."

James Madison, known to regularly lead his household in the observance of family devotions, was an adamant defender of religious liberty. His strong position of defending religious freedom began when, as a youth, he stood with his father outside a jail in the village of Orange and listened to several Baptists preach from their cell windows, having been imprisoned for their religious opinions [convictions]. James Madison, who had studied for the ministry before he took up the study of law, said:

*Religion, or the duty we owe to our Creator, and manner of discharging it, can be directed only by reason and conviction, not by force or violence;*

*and, therefore, that all men should enjoy the fullest toleration in the exercise of religion according to the dictates of conscience, unpunished and unrestrained by the magistrate, unless under color of religion any man disturb the peace, the happiness, or safety of society, and that it is the mutual duty of all to practice Christian forbearance, love and charity toward each other.*

**Appalachian...**(continued from page 1)

back in the woods. After our conversation and prayer on the porch, Mrs. R told me, "Bro. Robinson I want to 'hope' you."

I thanked her for the offer and said, "I'm not sure I need 'hoping' just now." I honestly had no idea what she wanted to do to me.

She said I was a good man and if I ever needed her to 'hope' me, just let her know. I then understood. She wanted to 'help' me anyway she could.

Another time, a mountain man told me to come into his house and he would (continued on page 6)

**WHICH CHURCH SHOULD I ATTEND?**

*(The purpose of this column is to give the facts about true churches of the Lord and facts about the Devil's counterfeit "churches". Check this column in each issue of FBT to see the Scripture proofs given of what kind of church God wants us to go to.)*

**"Church"/"Churches" usage 1 of 114---  
Matthew 16:18**

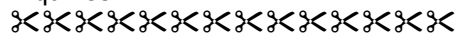
**"And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."**

In the previous edition we saw from this verse that nothing including the gates of hell has prevailed against the Lord's church through all the years since the Lord Himself founded it during His earthly life and ministry. Of the 114 usages of the words "church" and "churches" many of these prove its beginning during Jesus' life and ministry, all of them agree with its beginning then, and none of these usages disprove its beginning during His life and ministry.

Referring to this verse again for this edition of FBT, Peter's name is found in this verse. It is noteworthy to scripturally prove that Peter was not the first pope as some people claim. One of these proofs is that Peter was married unlike the popes. I Corinthians 9:5 says, "Have we not power to lead about a sister, a wife, as well as other apostles, and as the brethren of the Lord, and Cephas?" Also, Peter would not tolerate being worshipped as the popes are. Acts 10:25,26 says "And as Peter was coming in Cornelius met him, and fell down at his feet, and worshipped *him*. But Peter took him up saying, Stand up; I myself also am a man."

So when considering "Which Church Should I Attend?", we can by process of elimination narrow the choices by rejecting those that make such false claims.

If you have questions about this or other beliefs of Faith Baptist Church, we welcome your inquiries.



**IF JESUS CAME TO YOUR HOUSE**

**If Jesus came to your house to spend an day or two,  
If He came unexpectedly, I wonder what you'd do.**

**Oh, I know you'd give your nicest room to such and honored Guest,  
And all the food you'd serve to Him would be the very best,  
And you would keep assuring Him you're glad to have Him there,  
That serving Him in your own home is joy beyond compare.**

**But, when you saw him coming, would you meet Him at the door  
With arms outstretched in welcome to your heavenly Visitor?**

**Or would you have to change your clothes before you let Him in?  
Or hide some magazines and put the Bible where they'd been?  
Would you turn off the radio and hope He hadn't heard?  
And wish you hadn't uttered that last, loud, hasty word?**

**Would you hide your worldly music and put some hymn books out?  
Could you let Jesus walk right in, or would you rush about?**

**And I wonder, if the Saviour spent a day or two with you,  
Would you go right on doing the things you always do?**

**Would you go right on saying the things you always say?  
Would life for you continue as it does from day to day?**

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**IF JESUS CAME...**(continued from page 3)

Would your family conversation  
keep up its usual pace?  
And would you find it hard each  
meal to say a table grace?  
Would you sing the songs you  
always sing, and read the books  
you read,  
And let Him know the things on  
which your mind and spirit feed?  
Would you take Jesus with you  
everywhere you'd planned to go?  
Or would you, maybe, change your  
plans for just a day or so?

Would you be glad to have Him  
meet your very closest friends?  
Or would you hope they'd stay  
away until His visit ends?  
Would you be glad to have Him  
stay forever on and on?  
Or would you sigh with great relief  
when He at last was gone?  
It might be interesting to know the  
things that you would do  
If Jesus Christ in person came to  
spend some time with you.

-Lois Blanchard Eades

### **BAPTIST MISSIONS**

TESTIMONIALS OF BRO. FRANK &  
JUDY COMBS

#### **Testimony of Bro. Frank Combs**

In 1958, while in the U.S. Air Force, a pastor called on my wife, Jo Ann and I and went through the plan of salvation. We both prayed and asked the Lord to save our souls. Jo Ann got up saved, and I got up lost. In 1959 I was sent to Germany and one year later, in 1960, I heard the Word of God preached in a church for the military families off base. God spoke to my heart and convicted me of my sins. I repented and believed the Gospel (Mark 1:15). I asked

Jesus to save me (Rom. 10:9,10) and received Him as my Saviour. (John 1:12)

One year later I was called to preach and two years following my salvation, we started our first church in our home in Bitburg, Germany. After eight years in the Air Force, God moved in my heart to get some training and then return to Germany. During the next fifteen years, with God's leading He helped us start five churches in Germany for our military families within a period of 15 years.

Our sixth church was started in Tupelo, MS. The seventh church was in Cass Lake, MN to the Chippewa Indians where we stayed for 13 years. Now we are on our eighth church on the Iron Range of MN. I spent 3½ years in Hibbing, MN. We tried to find a building and were unsuccessful and building was much too expensive.

While at Hibbing, I lost my first wife, Jo Ann. We had been married for 43 years and she was such a blessing to our lives and ministry. I knew I needed a wife to stay in the ministry, to be my help mate, so I prayed and asked God for help. He gave me a wonderful wife from Michigan. Her dad was a preacher and her first husband was also. She had lost her first husband to cancer and had been praying for several years for a preacher husband.

Then one day the Lord led me to drive around Virginia, MN (A town approx.20 miles east of Hibbing). Almost at the end of our drive going street by street we found a church building for sale and God led us to move the work and our home from Hibbing to Virginia.

Please pray for us as we so want to please our Lord and be faithful in getting folks saved, baptized and then teaching them.

#### **Testimony of Judy Combs**

My testimony actually begins before I was born. In April 1940 my mother gave birth to her first child--a boy who only lived for two short days. That was one event God used to start working in the hearts of my parents. Just five months before my birth in July 1941

my parents were marvelously saved in a Baptist church in central Michigan. My Dad's sister and her husband were saved early in the week of special meetings and then invited them to attend. They both walked the aisle that night unaware that the other had gone forward. From their testimony, their lives totally turned around. Within three years Dad was attending Bible college to prepare for the ministry.

I made a profession of salvation when I was five years old but made sure I was saved when I was twelve. God used many people to influence my life and early on I was encouraged to pray daily for the husband God would one day bring into my life. I remember long before my high school days praying God would bring me the right husband – and He did. I met my first husband, Norm, when attending Bible college. We were married two years later and he went into the ministry. God chose to take him home to Heaven in 1996 and the church then called our youngest son to take his father's place. What a blessing that has been.

After Norm's death I did miss being a pastor's wife, but tried to be content in my situation. The Lord led me to be a church secretary in Lansing MI which I enjoyed. But I still found myself being a little discontent and felt guilty about it. So I really prayed that the Lord would help me to be content or send another preacher into my life.

After several years of praying I prayed one final time and told the Lord that I wasn't going to pray for a husband anymore. I felt that praying for a husband was causing me to be discontent so I told the Lord that if there was a preacher needing a wife He would just have to send him my way. Approximately three months later, on a Saturday afternoon, I received a call from Bro. Combs. I had never even heard his name before that day, but God had used mutual friends to give him my phone number.

My desire is not only to know for sure that I'm on my way to heaven (which I do know--

I John 5:13) but to live my life to honor and glorify my Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.



### The Silver Bullet

A famous radio program of the early to mid 1900's was the well-known *Lone Ranger*. In their ever-vigilant pursuit of law and justice, many complimentary things can be said about the Lone Ranger and his faithful Indian companion, Tonto. It is sad that much of today's entertainment is of far less quality in comparison. The difference in entertainment morals of now and then is a night and day difference.

Tonto and the Lone Ranger dedicated their lives to fighting against outlaws and for justice, to make the western U.S. a better place for the settlers to live. In these efforts, they did not try to work against the men in positions of authority. Only if an authority had himself gone corrupt would the Ranger try to bring him to justice. Also, the Lone Ranger did not shoot outlaws to kill. He shot to capture the criminals and bring them to the law and to the place where they could be on trial. These efforts remind us of the wording of the *Bill of Rights*—the right to a trial and the right to bear arms. Today many wicked and ungodly people are trying to give the rights to the criminals and take the freedoms and

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Silver Bullet (continued from page 5)  
 rights away from the law-abiding citizens. (By the way, don't vote for these people.)

Among the complimentary tokens found in the *Lone Ranger* program, is a symbol he used as a token of justice—silver bullets.

As a short reminder—glimpse of how far we've come today (in the wrong direction), I would like to comment briefly on the silver bullet toward the end of this article.

Today people are getting worse and worse instead of "better". Humanism also teaches that we're really "goin' places". The world is getting worse and worse and Jesus Christ is the Answer to every problem in the world. The Bible says, "But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived."

Now the comment on the silver bullet: The Lone Ranger, when asked if he would have a drink of some liquor one time, is quoted to have said, "I never touch spirits." This he said firmly and with conviction, and we need a lot more people using his answer today. In his remark concerning liquor, the Lone Ranger is certainly a good role model. The poison industry of today has a drink they call a "Bloody Mary" (a queen named Mary was nicknamed "Bloody Mary" because she martyred many, many

Christians a few centuries ago. This is an historical fact.) Please, don't drink "Bloody Mary"s. Drinking is promoted as "okay" by so many people today, but the Ranger had good advise, "I never touch spirits!" The poison industry today has a drink they call the "Silver Bullet". Which kind of silver bullet will you choose? Will you choose a token of shame or a token of right? Proverbs 20:1 "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

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**Appalachian...(continued from page 2)**

give me some of his potatoes out of his 'poke.' I curiously wanted to see where he kept those potatoes. They were in a 'bag.'

I soon got used to the words 'you'ns' and 'us'ns'.

Also, they live just beyond the 'crick' and in the next 'holler.' That's a lot like my West Texas language of 'creek' and 'draw.'

Then there was 'het' for 'heat', 'kivver' for 'cover' and 'clum' for 'climb.'

The words 'et' for 'eaten' and 'pizen' for 'poison' all became very familiar to me.

I forced myself not to use any of these words in my preaching. I wanted to preserve my West Texas 'English drawl.'

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**OUR SOLDIERS** (continued from page 7)

The only thought in  
their head,  
Will this be my last  
day?

As thoughts go through  
minds,  
Of their families in  
fear  
Will my loved one  
Come home to us here.

So before you lay your  
head  
On your pillow tonight,  
Send a prayer to God  
For our soldiers who  
fight.

*Patricia Barnes*

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**Appalachian...**(continued from page 6)

I did my best to preach the Bible in the 'Texas language' that I had been 'raised up' with and I vowed that if it was good enough for the Apostle Paul, it was good enough for me.

"Y'all come to see us now!"

MORAL OF THE STORY: "*Friends come in all languages.*"

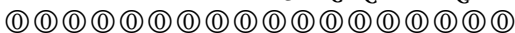
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***HAPPY  
NEW  
YEAR!!!***

*"Therefore if any man be in Christ,  
he is a new creature: old things are  
passed away; behold, all things are  
become new."*

II CORINTHIANS 5:17



**CHURCH PLANTING**

Faith Baptist Church is endeavoring to be a church-planting church. Pastor Watt has continuously instilled the importance of this in the members of Faith from the Word of God.

The Lord started His church while He was here on earth and left it with important work to do. This work includes telling people about His ability to save their souls, then after salvation to scripturally baptize them. Also, the Lord wants them to be very faithful to a local church of His that they can attend—not to somehow keep themselves saved, the Lord keeps that, but to attend simply because they love the Lord and want to live for Him and obey Him.

For this reason it's easy to see the need for scripturally started churches in towns and cities across the world. Faith Baptist Church is a product of this exact process, produced by Faith Baptist Church of Spokane, MO. Contact us for details if you, your friends or family are interested in seeing a Baptist church started in your locality.

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