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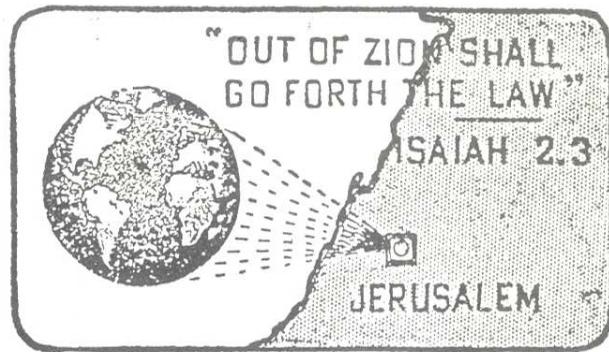
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As Prevailing Princes We Have Power With God

By W. C. Moore

Persistence and determination in prayer, in the power of the Holy Spirit, are omnipotent. Prevailing prayers must be persevering prayer.

There must be in our prayers an unyielding perseverance — as we set our faces day and night to seek the Lord for His swift and direct interposition in the tide and affairs of men and nations, and our own lives.

Perseverance is the grandest quality possible for a created being to have — as it corresponds with the attribute of divine immutability in God.

Jacob said: "I will not let Thee go, except Thou bless me." — Gen. 32:26. The most important and mightiest act man can do on earth is to prevail with God in prayer.

In Christ's parable of the widow and the unjust judge He asks: "And shall not God avenge His own elect, which cry day and night unto Him?" — Luke 18:7. The Lord teaches in this parable that we are to besiege the throne of grace day and night until we receive an answer.

In the wrestlings of Jacob and Elijah, the pleadings of Abraham and Moses, the confessions and supplications of Samuel and David, and in the parables of Christ, there is rich and sacred instruction as to the importance of importunate, intercessory prayer. "Shall not God avenge His own elect, which cry day and night

unto Him?... I tell you that He will avenge them speedily." — Luke 18:7-8.

Men and women who have mightily prevailed with God in prayer, have done so, often, simply because of their indomitable perseverance. Their unwearing, unyielding pleading has carried with it their faith to Pisgah — heights of blessed victory.

"If I Perish, I Perish!" — Esther 4:16

If our resolution to pray through for the interposition of God in national and world events does not commit us to complete victory at all costs, we cannot fully prevail. There must be in the heart a complete commitment. Such a commitment in fast and pray for divine intervention and for a revival of civic righteousness must be made in such whole-souled reliance on the Spirits help, as will shut us up, if necessary, to day and night persistence for the answer.

Such a commitment implies a vigorous, venturing faith. It also implies a complete submission to all the will of God.

Again and again in the Scripture we read how unswearied perseverance became a humble and holy violence. Fervency alone may last but an hour. There must be in our prayers an un-

yielding perseverance as we set our faces day and night to plead for divine intervention in the affairs of men and nations.

Behold Jacob's perseverance. After the angel of the Lord had touched his thigh and put it out of joint, utterly depriving him of all power to wrestle, Jacob still cried: "I will not let Thee go, except Thou bless me!" — Gen. 32:26. A fully surrendered soul refuses to give up as he rises in holy violence, explaining: "Thou almighty friend and lover, except Thou bless me and yield to my request, I will not let Thee go."



"All things, whatsoever ye shall ask in Prayer, Believing, ye shall receive." Matt. 21:22.

Unyielding Perseverance Implies Strong Faith

Such a commitment implies a vigorous, venturing faith, claim humbly, but unyieldingly, our full rights in Christ, His dearly beloved Son and our Saviour. Thus Jacob did violence to the covenant angel and hung on with omnipotence! Hallelujah!

"Let me go, for the day breaketh." — Gen. 32:26. So God says to every persevering, wrestling soul. Jacob perceived in the request that the angel of the Lord might not go without his (Jacob's) consent. "O, loving, willing captive too, for I will not let Thee go except."

Conquering prayer depends on how much will power we put into our effort. God has made many things in the execution of His will depend on the will of man. When God reveals in His Word and His promise His willingness to help and bless us, the responsibility for the execution of that will rests with us. Will power in prayer is one of the most important conditions of prevailing prayer. All spiritual giants have had great will power.

They became spiritual giants because they willed to conquer, then conquered, through Christ, — the world, self and Satan. The mightiest conquerors who have won the greatest spiritual victories have conquered on their knees because they willed that they would fully surrender and did it, and because they willed that God, in fulfillment of His promise, should sur-

render to them and He did it.

This is not irreverence but a Biblical statement of a roving Father's pleasure and plan. — Jer. 29:11-13, 33:3; Eph. 3:20.

To make us resolute as Jacob bold as Moses, persistently humble as the Syrophenician woman, and incorrigibly persistent as one who has an just judge to worry down, God permits wrestling in prayer to develop in us force — will power! In this way our Lord seeks to beget in us the utmost power implied in desperation and consistent with reverence. — Matt. 15:21-28.

He would gird us up in our righteous personality to the highest point possible, and then having set up and energized and developed our infirm personality to royalty, He declares that He will enthrone us in the ages to come to reign with Him, because as prevailing princes, we have power with God and have prevailed. — Rev. 3:21, 22.

Thus in this fateful, dreadful hour — wrestling day and night in fasting-prayer to prevail with the High and Lofty One Who inhabits Eternity, for divine and direct intervention in world affairs, furnishes in us that discipline and hardness the soul needs to transform it into the likeness of Christ; for did not He, in the violence of His effort, sweat great drops of blood while He prayed and prevailed? — Isa. 57:10; Luke 22:39-46.

Here Is An Open door

The Heavenly Father has provided here at Jerusalem an "Open Door" for all of those who wish to follow in the footsteps of the Master, and "Feed the Lambs and Sheep" over the world, in many languages, and also to send forth to Israel the "True Religion" of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, as preached by the apostle Peter on Pentecost. Hundreds of thousands of silent messengers (tracts and booklets) are being printed on our printing presses. That portion of your life represented in riches that the Heavenly Father has helped you to gather will be used in this way for His glory. As the funds flow in, the outgoing stream of tracts in 7 languages will flow out to Israel and to the world. Pray about this and the Holy Spirit will direct you.

LIFT UP YOUR HANDS

"Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the Lord. The Lord that made heaven and earth BLESS THEE OUT OF ZION." — Psalms 134:2, 3.

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BLOW THE TRUMPET IN ZION

"Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in My Holy Mountain. Let all the inhabitants tremble for the day of the Lord cometh. It is nigh at hand." — Joel 2:1.

Our Heavenly Father is All Powerful and All Mighty

THE HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL

"He changeth times and seasons. He removeth kings and setteth up kings." — Daniel 2:21. The will of the Father is going to be carried out in the affairs of man, whether civil or religious. He has a definite program to be put over, which He has made known in the scriptures of truth, and He is abundantly able to see that it goes over. His arm is not shortened neither is his purpose changed. He is "the same yesterday, today and forever."

Therefore, the only safe course to follow is daily seeking wisdom from the guiding hand of Him who has "declared the end from the beginning and from ancient time the things that are not yet done." — Isaiah 46:10. All of His counsel shall stand and He will do all His pleasure (verse 10). If we are fully in line with the purpose and work of the Lord our efforts will be assured of His blessings and will be crowned with success. It may not be success as men see it, but it will be according to the purpose of Him who has called us, and will be for the glory of His Name.

Don't Worry about the Church

We often see people worried about the affairs of the church, and some even smite their fellowservants with gossip about things they hear, because certain ones do not go along with or exactly follow them. Such things only bring down the wrath of heaven upon the cause they try to build. It is like the golden wedge and the Babylonian garment were to Israel. Such a course permitted and encouraged by any group of the Church of God, will assure their defeat today just the same as it brought defeat to Israel then. (See Joshua 7:1-20).

While this sin was stealing, which brought upon them defeat from their enemies, the other is bearing false witness and there is no difference. Ministers of any group bearing false witness, condemning and judging ministers of another, which has been practiced by some in the past, will bring the wrath of God with defeat upon them, and also upon the group by which they are authorized and sent out; just the same as it brought defeat upon Israel, as given in this chapter.

The Holy Spirit will not operate among any people who are openly violating the holy precepts of God. Any group that permit this will be overcome by this world, and Satan will soon have complete victory over them. Their ambitions will be for worldly show, and a display of ownership of the things of this world, just like uncovered Peter, who thrice denied his Lord.

It was also while in this same condition that his ambition was to build a great tabernacle: one for Moses, and one for Elijah and one for Christ. — Luke 9:28 to 33. Our Saviour told him that after he was converted he would strengthen the brethren. — Luke 22:32. How true it was! After the experience of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, he became a powerful magnet, and drew sinners by the thousands, as on the day of Pentecost when three thousand were baptized! — Acts 2nd chapter. His ambitions were then to "feed the lambs and the sheep," instead of to build great tabernacles for a show, and in this worldly way appeal to the lost and unsaved.

The minister of any group, who tries to make an appeal by driving a brand new up-to-the-minute model car, is on the wrong track, and needs just what Peter received on the day of Pentecost. The appeal of the gospel is the presence of the Holy Spirit, with the minister that spreads abroad a divine virtue of Holy magnetic power touching the hearts of sinners, until they cry out: "What shall I do to be saved?"

The Power of Money, or the Power of the Gospel?

Any group of the "Church of God" that may set their affections on the ownership and control of property, either to make an appeal to the world, or to hold a church congregation within a certain line, has drifted far away from the teachings of their Master whom they try to follow. Such conditions are always the fruit of the ways of the flesh, and not the fruit of the spirit. They spring forth from the lives of a leadership void of the baptism or the anointing of the Holy Spirit, and as a result of a lack of prayer and holy consecration.

Any group looking to the power of money instead of the power of the gospel of Christ will be a spiritual failure. They may by erecting a mercenary system which makes a big show here from the viewpoint of the world, but will only be a very small spot in the kingdom of God.

Exercising Authority over God's Children

"Jesus called them unto Him (James and John), and said unto them: Ye know that they which are accounted to rule over the gentiles exercise lordship over them, and their great ones exercise AUTHORITY UPON THEM But so shall IT NOT BE AMONG YOU." — Mark 10:42, 43.

Whenever church leaders begin to practice this thing which our Saviour here has positively forbidden, their power will cease in converting the unsaved to the way of eternal life. They may build up a big mercenary system with a show of worldly wealth, but when void of the real Spirit and the "Power of the Gospel", it will be mostly wood, hay and stubble. Therefore, let the laity watch, and the ministry beware how they proceed, and weigh carefully the precious words of the MASTER, in the foregoing text.

There Are Others Besides Ours

There were different groups of the Father's children two thousand years ago, just as there are today, according to the record of the gospel. The apostle John came across one of these, according to the following text. "John answered him saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and HE FOLLOWETH NOT US, and we forbade him BECAUSE HE FOLLOWETH NOT US." How similar is this to conditions today, where one condemns and forbids another because he "FOLLOWS NOT US."

What did the Master say? Dear reader, it was just exactly as He would say today. Here is His answer: "Forbid him not: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me. For he that is not against us is on our part. For whosoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name, because YE BELONG TO CHRIST, verily I say unto you, HE SHALL NOT LOSE HIS REWARD." — Mark 9:38-41.

In the first part of Paul's letter to the Corinthian brethren, he speaks of these condition also and of finding those who were of Paul and some of Apollos, and some of Cephas and some of Christ. — 1 Cor. 1:12, 2:5. He condemned this condition as one of carnality. — 1 Cor. 3:4. Just so is it today. Let all of the groups of the Church of God remember that every member among each of them, if living the life according to Revelation 12:17, is one of the true Church of God, the body of Christ, with the only true record in heaven the Lamb's Book of Life. Let us pray that every wall between them, that the enemy erects, shall crumble and fall.

When speaking of these carnal conditions in which the apostle Paul mentions the Apollos and Cephas groups, he also says in verse 9: "For we are laborers together with God. Ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building." — 1 Cor. 3:9. "For other foundations can no man lay than that is laid, which is CHRIST JESUS." — Verse 11. "Fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is." — Verse 13.

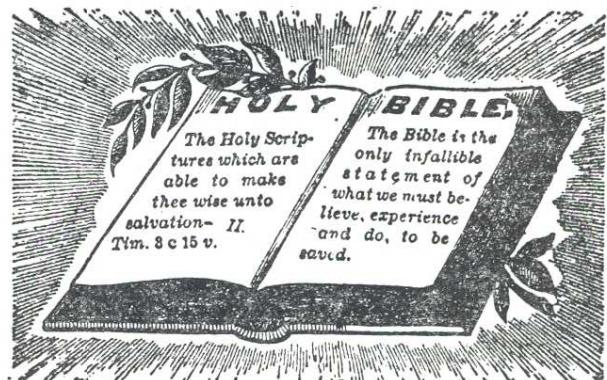
Vengeance Is Mine — I Will Repay

The apostles were winning souls to Christ under the power of the Holy Spirit, and their enemies rose up to kill them. Gamaliel, a doc-

tor of the law, under whose teaching Paul had been taught the perfect manner of the law, etc., rose up in the council of the Pharisees and said:

The Speech of Gamaliel

"He said unto them: Ye men of Israel, take heed unto yourselves what ye intend to do as touching these men. For before these days rose up Theudas, boasting himself to be somebody; to whom a number of men, about 400, joined themselves: who was slain, and all, as many, as obeyed him, were scattered and brought to naught. After this man rose up Judas of Galilee in the days of the taxing, and drew away much people after him: he also perished; and all, even as many as obeyed him, were dispersed.



"And now I say unto you: Refrain from these men, and let them alone: for if this counsel or this work be of men it come to naught. But if it be of God ye cannot OVERTHROW IT, lest happily ye be found to fight against God. And to him they agreed. And when they had called the apostles and had beaten them, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus and let them go." — Acts 5:35 to 40.

Here they smote them with the lash, but today men of different groups in some cases are smiting one another with the tongue, by spreading every evil report they can get, which in most cases is not true. Hence they break the commandment that forbids "bearing false witness", and drive away the Holy Spirit from their midst. The work of the Church of God is to feed the "lambs and the sheep" (John 21:15-17), to strengthen the brethren (Luke 22:32), and to spread abroad "good tidings of good that publisheth salvation." — Isa. 52:7.

"By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples. IF ye have love one to another." — John 13:35.

by the late Elder A. N. Dugger

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE PEACE
OF JERUSALEM

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— Hippocrates Health Institute

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Plain Talk From Sadat

Three statements made in one day's interviews by President Sadat this week presented a sharp contrast to evaluations of his motives by our government's negotiating team. The government appears to have ignored them completely. As for the newspapers, some did not even publish the statements.

Sadat said that the proposed autonomy for the West Bank and Gaza would be the first step towards the creation of a "national home for the Palestinians"; that he regards the "Palestinian Liberation Organization as the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people, *in accordance with the Rabat summit decision of October 1974*"; that the Camp David agreement did not affect his obligations towards the other Arab States. If Israel attacks any of them, Egypt will come to their aid.

Sadat's statements not only reflect upon the perspicacity of the Israel government but also emphasize the incredible degree to which many people throughout the world and (more dangerously) in Israel have been brain washed into accepting Arab mythology and semantics.

The Arab theme, developed after 1967, looks very simple: the core of the dispute is the problem of the Palestinians. What then is this problem, as propounded by the Arabs? It is their homelessness. How did it arise? Through the Zionist aggression of 1948, which drove them from their homeland. What is the solution? To restore them to their homeland, and to establish a Palestinian state. Where would the state be established? In Judea, Samaria and Gaza (or the West Bank, as it is now called by many Israelis hastening to help the Arabs erase the proofs of the Jewish relationship with Eretz Yisrael)?

But the Arabs who left their homes in 1948 (at the behest of their leaders) did not live in Judea, Samaria and Gaza. They lived in Jaffa, in Haifa, in Lod, in Acre. How then will the establishment of a Palestinian state in the "West Bank" restore the Arabs to their homes — in Haifa and Ramla and Lod?

Precisely at this point the wishful thinking of many Israelis (compounded in many cases by sheer ignorance) takes on wings. They persuade themselves that precisely when, after years of Arab struggle to bring about Israel's disappearance, the country has been reduced to the 1949 lines and appears vulnerable enough to justify a renewed effort to apply the final thrust, the Arab states and the Arabs of Judea and Samaria and Gaza will give up the struggle, pronounce a blessing on Israel's remaining in Jaffa, Acre, Ramla — and declare an end to the dispute.

This thesis of course bears no relation to the history of the conflict, to its unique nature, or to its present reality. The thrust of all Arab propaganda and education, the purpose of the monumental Arab campaign to falsify history, is aimed at the goal of "restoration". It is not a coincidence that just now the Arabs of Judea and Samaria have become vocal on this issue. At the rally of dignitaries, including several mayors, in Shechem a fortnight ago, the central theme was opposition to the Israeli autonomy proposal because, *inter alia*, it is far from adequate: their eyes and their de-

claration are already fixed on Jaffa, on Haifa, on Acre (not to mention Jerusalem).

Their attitude, unchanged and unchanging, is reflected and reasserted by Yasser Arafat's statement last week: the Zionist State will be eliminated. This, in all its simplicity, has been the declared purpose of the Arab states since 1948 when, amid apocalyptic threats of utter annihilation, they attacked the minuscule State — and there were no "refugees" at the time, and Judea, Samaria, and Gaza were there for the taking.

The Fatah itself came into being before 1967 in order to destroy Israel within the Armistice lines. Subsequently the combined P.L.O. became the arm of the Arab States, which provided them with funds, arms, training facilities, and diplomatic "cover". That is why it was perfectly natural for the Conference of Arab States at Rabat on October 29, 1974, to adopt resolutions reaffirming "the right of the Palestinian people to return to its homeland," and "the right of the Palestinian people to set up an independent national authority, under the leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organization as the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people, in every part of Palestine liberated." Moreover, "the Arab States are obligated to support this authority, from the moment of its establishment, in all spheres and at all levels"

This is the policy that Sadat took pains to reaffirm on November 20, 1978 — while in the midst of negotiations for peace with an existent Israel. Just a few days earlier the Arab States at the Baghdad conference decided to allocate \$300 m. of their special budget to the P.L.O.

The opposition to Sadat of the Baghdad conference states, if it is not actually coordinated with him, inevitably reinforces the argument of Sadat's American allies that Israel must be generous in her concessions in order to help him outflank the opponents of his policy.

It has also often been said that the Arab States, unable to overcome Israel by force, must inevitably choose the diplomatic option. This is no doubt true. By using the diplomatic option they aim at their preliminary objective: the shrinkage of Israel. Then, a shrunken Israel can be overcome by force, perhaps by a single thrust.

And they are all busily preparing for that thrust. Why else the hundreds of planes, the thousands of tanks piling up in all the Arab States?

The rationale of the Prime Minister's policy towards Egypt was not based on a belief that the other Arab States could not and, in the foreseeable future, would not, have sufficient military strength to give them the confidence needed for an offensive against Israel.

This is no doubt true of Jordan and Syria; but the thesis suffers from the defect that it has not kept abreast of developing reality. To the inadequate (though ever-increasing) strength of Syria and Jordan must now be added the massive growing and "fully available" power of Iraq.

Since 1975 Iraq has been free from the inhibitions previously imposed on her by the prolonged Kurdish revolt and by her traditional territorial quarrel with

Iran. Her relations with the Soviet Union are excellent, and from that source she is acquiring a massive and sophisticated arsenal. Now, Iraq's quarrel with Syria also patched up, an anti-Israel military past between the two countries is coming into being.

No less significant is the spectacular build-up of Saudi Arabia which, within a few years, will be able to give substantial support in the air (and some in the field) — as well as massive supplies — to any offensive on Israel's eastern front; and to open a fourth front to the south.

To complete this prospect, every passing day exposes the hollowness of the astonishing pretence by Israeli government spokesmen that the loss of Sinai will make no substantial difference to our strategic stance.

With formidable Arab power building up against an outmanned and outgunned and, prospectively, territorially cramped Israel, who will dare to say that the Arabs will not summon enough confidence to attack her — even without Egyptian participation?

Now in case we did not know, Sadat has told us, in effect, to forget the assumption that Egypt will keep out of all future conflicts. If Israel attacks any of the Arab States, Egypt will go to their assistance. But every Israeli military operation is, according to Arab doctrine, an "attack" — because every Arab attack is a defensive action against the original Zionist aggression.

Moreover, an attenuated Israel will not be able to afford to wait to be attacked: a single lost battle with-

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the enemy. This would provide the formal justification for Egypt's "rushing to the aid of the victim of Zionist aggression". And then of course there's Sadat's renewed pledge to the P.L.O. and the Palestinian people.

A remarkable phenomenon of the Hitler era was that although the Nazi leader had set out quite explicitly in "Mein Kampf" his proposed policy of domination and destruction, nobody paid attention to it. Some of the most experienced and allegedly canny statement in Europe (Lloyd George, for example) subsequently accepted at face value Hitler's tactical protestations of peace and goodwill. The last victims of this myopia were Chamberlain and Daladier.

Is it a coincidence that Anwar Sadat — who has never concealed his admiration for Hitler — boldly makes it clear that after the present massive Israeli concessions are implemented and after he has signed a peace treaty with Israel, he will be prepared to make war on Israel for the remainder of the period that the Pan-Arab objective is unfulfilled; and reaffirms his pledge to give unwavering support to the organization described, correctly, by our Prime Minister as the most implacable and barbarous enemy we have had since Hitler?

The author is Prime Minister Begin's former adviser on overseas information. From "The Jerusalem Post"

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PRESSURE AND THE TEST By Elder Baker

There is a prevalent idea that the power of God in a human life should lift us above ALL TRIALS and conflicts, but the truth is, the power of God always brings a conflict and a struggle. (Satan does not intend for the life of a child of God to be an easy one.) One would have thought that on his great missionary journey to Rome, Paul would have been carried by some mighty providence above the power of storms and tempests and enemies; but on the contrary, it was one long, hard fight with persecuting Jews, with wild tempests, with venomous vipers, and all the powers of earth and hell, and through them all he was saved by a narrow margin by swimming ashore at Malta on a piece of wreckage and barely escaped a watery grave.

Was that like a God of infinite power? YES, just like Him. And so Paul tells us that when he took the Lord Jesus Christ as the life of his body, a severe conflict immediately came unto him; indeed it was a conflict that never ended — a pressure that was persistent, but out of which he always emerged victorious through the strength of Jesus Christ. The language in which he describes this is most graphic. "We are troubled on every side, yet

despair;

~~ay, the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the also of Jesus might be manifested in our body."~~



IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

Are you DENYING YOURSELVES anything to send this message? Do you obey your Master and give a tenth of your income to the same work for which HE GAVE HIS LIFE? Our covenant of eternal life is SEALED BY SACRIFICE. (Psalms 50:5). Prayerfully read Matt. 23:23, 25:30; Malachi 3:8-11.

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We have many large parcels of miscellaneous tracts containing a few hundred each, to be sent out to "Volunteer Willing Workers", in many part of the world. The cost of these with the postage is \$20.000. You will be casting bread upon the waters, and proving yourself to be a profitable servant of the Lord, to send money for one or more of these parcels to be sent out to those calling for them. Thanks in advance.

If you feel led to help in this, you will be helping to spread the gospel, thus fulfilling the will of the Father. In this way you will be spending part of your life where our Saviour spent His.

"He that Soweth Sparingly shall Reap Sparingly.

"He that Soweth Bountifully shall Reap Bountifully."

— 2 Cor. 9:6



Shown here are most of the Youth Choir of the Jerusalem church, together with two of our recent guests.

The New Testament Church

From time to time someone says to me that the church of today should be like the New Testament Church. That it should be like the church was in the days of Christ and the apostles. Some even say that their church is like the one of the early days of Christianity. In order to find out what that early church was like, let us go to God's Holy Word, the Bible, and see.

First of all, the early church was a praying church. The Founder of the church prayed all night at times. Luke 6:12: "And it came to pass in those days, that He went into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God." For ten days, one hundred and twenty disciples of Christ prayed in the upper room. Acts 1:14: "These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Christ, and with His brethren." (Read all Acts chapter 2). Again they prayed and the place was shaken and great power came on them to witness for the Lord. — Acts 4:31-33. When Peter was cast into prison, prayer was made without ceasing for him until an angel opened the doors of the prison. — Acts 12:1-19. Yes, the early church was a praying church. Is your church a praying church?

Second, the early church was a giving church.

A poor widow gave all her living. — Mark 12:42-44. Almighty God gave His only begotten Son. — John 3:16: "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that who soever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." After the day of Pentecost the disciples gave all their material possessions that all might have sufficient. They also gave all their time in service for their Lord. — Acts 2:44-47, 4:34-35. Stephen gave his life as the first Christian martyr. — Acts 7:58-59. My, but the early church was on the giving side. How does your church compare to the early church in giving?

And third, the New Testament Church was a going church. Acts 5:42: "And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and to preach. Acts 8:4: "Therefore they that were scattered abroad went everywhere preaching the Word." They not only went everywhere, they went with power; the power of the Holy Ghost, convicting and converting wherever they witnessed.

They preached the Gospel in Jerusalem, in Judea, in Samaria and to the uttermost parts of the known world. The world was their parish. The storms of nature and the wrath of men could not stop them. If they were stoned out of one town, they praised God in the next.



View of the northeastern corner of the Old City of Jerusalem and the Mount of Olives. Over the top of the Wall can be seen part of the dome of the El Aksa Mosque. The valley is the Kidron Valley.

The world was nearer being converted at the close of the first century than it has been at any time. Friend, how far has your church gone in pointing men and women, boys and girls, to the Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world?

We are living in desperate days today! We need a church like the early church. The only way we can ever have a church like that church is to have disciples like the early disciples. Praying disciples, giving disciples, going disciples. May I ask, just what kind of a disciple are you?

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Prayers at the Western Wall.

Extracts From Readers' Letters

STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN. —

Dear Sister Dugger and All,

Greetings from Stockholm and thank you ever so much for the letter I received. I am delighted to hear that you all are well there. It is always interesting to hear the news from Israel, our Saviour's native country that now has become almost the center of the whole world, which the others are loving but others hating.

It seems almost impossible that human beings can bring about peace. You hear so much about wars and rumours of wars, terrorism, as if the whole world were in the power of an evil spirit. But with God's help, all is possible.

May God bless and keep you and your co-workers and the Israeli nation.

Yours in His service,
K. L.

CALIF., U.S.A. —

Dear Ones,

Christian greetings to you all. Thanks for the calendars, also your letter giving some news from Jerusalem.

Many things are going on here in the States which are not good, but we still have a lot to be thankful for.

Enclosed is a check for an offering for the work there. Our prayers are for you and yours there in Israel.

J. M.

SWITZERLAND. —

Greetings in the most Holy Name of Jesus our Redeemer. Thanks very much for answering my letter.

I'm very happy to hear of the work that is going on there. It's important that we work very hard, because all signs are pointing to the coming of Jesus Christ. I hope I'll be in His kingdom when this old earth shall be made new. This is my greatest wish, so you please pray for me as I'm just a young girl and the dragon is trying his best at me. I'm praying also for you. God bless you.

D.

KENYA. —

Dear Effie Dugger and Gordon Fauth,

I greet you in the name of Yahshua Messiah, all the workers in the Lord's service in Jerusalem, Isreal.

I request you to send me the following: "Daniel and Revelation" and "The Prophetic Chart", because many people are interested to learn about the beasts in "Daniel and Revelation".

All the Christians from the Church of God send their greetings to you, and they are indeed happy in the Lord and for the Word of God

coming from Israel, and Jerusalem the city where the Lord put His Name.

Pray for us.

Yours in Christ,

J. K. A. K.

PHILIPPINES. —

I have read your good news from Jerusalem where Jesus Christ was born. When I read your news it is the way to life, and I think that if God will help me to understand maybe I will be one of you in the kingdom.

Therefore, if possible, send me all your tracts that I may know all. I wanted life evermore if it is true that there is. When I look at "The Mount Zion Reporter", it contains hope and the way to God the Father.

M. B.

SOUTH AFRICA. —

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Greetings to you in the Name of our soon coming Messiah. I'm pleased to hear from you at Jerusalem and I hope that will continue until the kingdom of our Father in Heaven comes. I'm thanking you for the work you are doing there in the Holy City of Jerusalem, and am praying the Almighty to be with you all the time.

A. R.

NIGERIA, AFRICA. —

My Good Friends,

Thank you so much for the wonderful biblical booklets you kindly sent to us. These booklets are very educative. They are very interesting to us.

Pray for us. We are praying for you. Please convey my greeting to all.

Your Friend,
Pastor A. U. I.

PORT OF SPAIN, TRINIDAD. —

Kindly send me details of how I can receive "The Mount Zion Reporter" and all sorts of books you have.

Thank you, I remain yours faithfully,
E. J.

S.C., U.S.A. —

Dear Sister Dugger,

I think of you and wonder how you are. I did receive "The Mount Zion Reporter". It is so good to hear from Jerusalem, once in a while. Sister Effie, I was so glad to get your letters and to know you are praying for me. We sure need to pray for each other as we are approaching the end of this age and His soon coming. We are living in a very serious age, as there is so much sin and sickness. Please continue to pray for me and I will be praying for you.

Mrs. R. C.

Questions And Answers

QUESTION. —

When did the first printed copy of the Bible appear?

ANSWER. —

About 500 years ago at Mentz, Germany. It was a reproduction of the Latin Vulgate. This is variously called the Mezarin, the Gutenberg, and the Forty-two Line Bible. The Bible was the first book to be printed from movable type (1452). There are some fifty copies of the Gutenberg Bible in existence.

QUESTION. —

What was the first American edition?

ANSWER. —

The first Bible printed in America was a missionary project, a translation into the Massachusetts Indian language by John Eliot, published in 1663. The first Bible in English was printed in 1782 by Robert Aitken in Philadelphia at the recommendation of the Congress. Earlier a German Bible had been printd by Christopher Suer in Germantown, Pennsylvania in 1743.

QUESTION. —

How many books, chapters and verses are there in the Bible?

ANSWER. —

For convenience, the text has been divided into chapters. This was done by Cardinal Hugo in 1250, and the New Testament was divided into verses by Robert Stephens, a French printer, in 1551. The first English Bible to bear both chapter and verse numbers was the Geneva Bible, published in 1560. These divisions we still use.

Following are the Bible divisions:

	Old Testament	New Testament	Total
Books	39	27	66
Chapters	929	260	1,189
Verses	23,214	7,959	31,173

QUESTION. —

What are some other interesting facts?

ANSWER. —

The Bible was the first printed book; the King James or Authorized Version is the best selling book in the world; the 19th chapter of 2 Kings and the 37th chapter of Isaiah are practically identical; the middle verse of the Bible is Psalm 118:8; the twenty-first verse of the seventh chapter of Ezra contains all the letters of the alphabet, except J; the longest verse is Esther 8:9; the shortest verse is John 11:35; the 119th Psalm is the longest chapter in the Bible — all except three of its 176 verses con-

tain a reference to the Word of God; the shortest chapter is Psalm 117; the word Lord occurs 1,855 times; the longest word is Isaiah 8:1; in the New Testament there are about 243 direct quotations from the Old Testament; 250 titles are given Jesus in the Bible; the name "Jesus" occurs 973 times; the title "Christ" occurs 556 times; the title "Lord" occurs 730 time; the name "Jesus" means literally: "God who is salvation"; the New Testament may be read through in a year by reading five chapters each Sabbath — the entire Bible by reading three chapters each week day and five every Sabbath; reading time of the entire Bible at average speed: 70 hours

Note. — The above facts about the Bible are courtesy of the New York Bible Society.

LORD'S SUPPER DATE

This year, the Passover date of Nisan 14 corresponds with Aprit 11, 1979. Leviticus 23:5 reads: "In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the Lord's Passover." Today we are instructed to follow the example of Christ and the apostles in observing the Lord's Supper (see Cor. 5:7, 8; 1 Cor. 11th chapter). We are to partake of the emblems, the "fruit of the vine" (grape juice) and unleavened bread, in solemn remembrance of the Last Supper and crucifixion of Christ. We are to follow His example, and are instructed not to forget the washing of feet (see John 13th chapter).

The "even" of day is always the beginning of the day, in the Bible. "The evening and the morning were the first day." — Gen. 1:5. The Biblical day always began with the setting of the sun, just as we observe Sabbath from sundown Friday to sundown Saturday. Therefore, the correct time to observe the Lord's Supper is at the beginning of the 14th day of Nisan; that is, on the Roman calendar, after sundown on the preceding Roman date, which is when the 14th of Nisan begins. As this year the 14th of Nisan falls on April 11, 1979, the correct time to keep the Lord's Supper is after sundown on Tuesday, April 10.

There are some who observe the Lord's Supper on a different date than Nisan 14, having erroneously based their calculation. We do not condemn or criticize such people, as they are acting in honest error, and as the important thing is to remember the Lord's Supper. However, we do believe that it is always proper and best to observe a date according to the calendar on which it occurred. As the Hebrew calendar was the one used by Christ and His disciples in instituting the Lord's Supper, and the one used by the early churrch, we believe that the Jewish calendar today is the correct to follow in this, and believe that the calculations as set forth above are correct.

◊ IN MEMORY ◊

On January 5, 1979, Elder Robert Clifford Watson, of Loveland, Colorado, passed away at the age of 59.

In addition to serving for many years as pastor of the Loveland Church of God (7th Day), Elder Watson also served his community as sheriff of Larimer County, a position which he held for the past 8 years, after serving 25 years as a patrolman and later assistant chief of police. He was sheriff during the devastating Big Thompson flood in 1976 and was director of the rescue operations. His whole life, in fact, is one long record of service. His death came after he had spent three weeks working non-stop, against doctor's orders, to solve a baffling case involving the brutal murder of two young women. By unflagging work, sheriff Watson, more ill than he let on, succeeded in finding the leads which broke the case. The murder suspect had just been arrested, and sheriff Watson was working on a few final details of the case, when he suffered a fatal heart attack and died in the arms of his son, Lt. Rick Watson.

Elder Watson had suffered from a heart condition for some time, and had been hospitalized for over a week the month before. He was in ill health, and was due to step down from the office of sheriff on the day of his funeral. In his last days in office he pushed himself relentlessly in an effort to find a solution to one of the most baffling murder cases in the history of Larimer County. Although he succeeded, many feel that his devotion to duty cost him his life.

Funeral services were held at the Campion Academy Church, with Elder Calvin Burrell and Elder Emmett Presler (both of the Denver Church of God) presiding. An indication of the deep respect felt for Elder Watson was the very large number of people, in the thousands, attending, which included the governor of Colorado, County and State officials and people from all walks of life.

William M. Howard, soloist, and organist Mrs. David Overfield, rendered two hymns, "Farther Along" and "The Love of God". Burial was in Loveland Burial Park.

He leaves behind his wife, Leona, of Loveland; three sons, Monte, Rick, and Rande; a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Key; his mother, Mrs. Christine Canell, of Loveland; two sisters, and ten grandchildren.

Elder Watson served both his church and his fellow man with a selfless devotion which is difficult to find. He loved Israel, and all through the years he and his family have been an encouragement to us and the work here. We will miss him and pray that the Lord will strengthen and comfort his family and loved ones. Although Brother Watson has departed this life we know that death really has no claim to embrace him. He is resting only for a little while, sheltered from the storms and labors of this life, safe in the tender arms of Jesus, asleep and waiting there for His voice on that bright resurrection morning.

IN MEMORY

Deaconess Adell Johnson, of Kingston, Jamaica, passed away July 28, 1978, at the age of 73.

She was born in the Parish of St. Elizabeth on the 31st of July 1904. After growing up, she met and married Alan Whilley Johnson, who preceded her many years ago. From this union came three children, Mrs. Joyce Jack, Mrs. Cynthia Ranglin and Easton Johnson; six grandchildren, and three greatgrandchildren.

Sister Johnson accepted the Message of the Church of God in the year 1938, through the teaching of her father and mother, the late Elder and Sister Abraham Lindsay. She was baptized by her father on January 14th, 1939. She passed away on the 28th of July, 1978, just three days short of her 74th birthday.

One remarkable example of her health, constancy and devotion is that in all her 39 years in the faith, she attended two thousand and fifty five Sabbath meetings without missing one! The only Sabbaths she missed were July 22nd, while she was in the hospital, and July 29th, the day she was called home. Praise the Lord! This is a record which few can match.

Sister Johnson laboured devotedly and with vigor in the work of her Lord and Saviour, and there are many in the nation of Jamaica today who love and respect her memory. Now her labours are over, and she has departed from us; but we have the blessed assurance that we shall soon meet her again on that glad and glorious morning when the Redeemed are gathered in! Praise the Lord!

IN MEMORY

We regret to announce that Sister Reba M. Maurer, of Pasco, Washington, passed away February 10, 1979, at the age of 72.

She loved the Lord and also Jerusalem, and we will miss her kind letters of encouragement. We extend our deepest sympathy to her family and loved ones, with the promise that God gives, that the time is soon coming when Sister Maurer, along with all the faithful, will meet again in the wonderful kingdom of our Lord and Saviour, with the crown of everlasting life.

IN MEMORY

Florence B. Hobart of Cothenburg, Neb. passed away on October 12, 1978, at the age of 90.

Sister Hobart loved to study the Bible, and had been a member of the Church of God all her life. Her father, Joseph L. Herriman, was a minister of the gospel for over 40 years.

She is survived by several nieces and nephews. Her husband, Frank, a Spanish American war veteran, preceded her in death.

Elder Bill Watson officiated at the services, which were held at the Fort McFerson Cemetery. She was laid to rest by the side of her husband, and now waits the coming of the Lord and that glad day when death and sorrow shall be no more.

"They that trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth for ever. As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about His people from henceforth even for ever." — Psalms 125:1, 2.

NEWS DIRECT FROM ISRAEL

All Items from "The Jerusalem Post"

OVER ONE MILLION TOURISTS IN 1978

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A total of 1,071,000 tourists spent 23 million nights, and \$610 m. in Israel in 1978, Deputy Minister Yoram Aridor announced yesterday.

The number of entries increase 9 per cent from 1977's 987,000, and income come up 30 per cent (from \$460 m.). The 22 nights per person average is among the highest in the world.

Aridor admitted that expectations had been even higher. He blamed the shortfall on delays in instituting charter flights, late publication of their fares, and high prices of tourist services. If these problems are solved, he said, tourism for 1979 could soar by 20 per cent. Peace with Egypt and an increase in volume of charters are factors too, Aridor commented.

Other figures released included the number of Israelis travelling abroad — 320,000, compared to 240,000 in 1977; visits by civilians and U.N. soldiers from Lebanon — 105,444 up from 20,000; and 140,000 summer visitors across the Allenby Bridge an increase of 7 per cent.

Nevertheless, according to Aridor, the tourism industry's profitability fell in 1978, due to rising costs and the falling dollar.

COUNTRY'S JEWS REACH 3,135,000

The total population of Israel stood at 3,730,000 as 1978 bowed out, according to the Central Bureau of Statistics. Of these, 3,135,000 were Jews and 595,000 Arabs (excluding the administered areas).

The Arab population increased by 3.3 per cent of over the past year, and the Jewish population by 1.9 per cent.

About 26,000 olim arrived in Israel during 1978, compared to 21,300 in 1977, Jewish Agency aliyah department director Yehuda Dominitz said on Sunday.

Addressing a meeting of emissaries who returned from abroad in the past two years, Dominitz noted that 12,000 Jews immigrated from the Soviet Union last year — nearly double 1977's figure of 6,300. He expects this trend to continue in 1979, he said, with total aliyah coming to 35,000.

Dominitz's prediction takes into account a possible increase in aliyah from the West following conclusion of a peace treaty with Egypt.

LIQUORICE BECOMING INDUSTRIAL CROP

HAIFA. — Liquorice, a plant growing wild in Iran, Turkey and several other countries of the Middle East, is being domesticated here to be used as an industrial crop. Its roots are needed to make an extract used to flavour soft drinks, certain foods, tobacco and pharmaceuticals.

Fertilizers and Chemicals manufactures this extracts on a large scale and exports it to many countries. Last year these exports came to over \$3 m. Up to now the roots were imported from Iran at a cost of over \$500 a ton. For some times now experiments at growing liquorice as a field crop have been going on. "The

plant grows wild in various parts of the country, mainly in the Jordan Valley. The variety found in the Maoz Haim area was found most suitable and it was planted experimentally in a 12-dunam field at Gan Rawe, near Rehovot," F. and C. executive Yair Misch said yesterday.

BEGIN SAYS FAREWELL TO SWAZI PREMIER

Prime Minister Menahem Begin bid farewell early yesterday morning to Swazi Premier Maphevu Dhlamini at the end of his six-day visit to Israel. Dhlamini and his colleagues were seen off at a modest ceremony at Ben-Gurion airport.

Before leaving, Dhlamini revealed that I.D.F. Chief of Staff Rafael Eitan had presented him with two full I.D.F. military uniforms, including beret's and paratrooper's boots — one set for himself and the other for his military aide. The Swazi Premier is also his country's chief of staff and foreign minister. — Itim.

SOVIETS STRIP KORCHNOI OF CITIZENSHIP

TEL AVIV. — Soviet authorities have relieved international grandmaster Victor Korchnoi of his Soviet citizenship.

Korchnoi reported this in a telephone conversation this week with M.K. Samuel Flatto Sharon, who is organizing the grandmaster's visit to Israel this month.

Korchnoi said the news was given to him through the Soviet embassy in Switzerland, where he now lives. He added that it come as a "peasant surprise". Korchnoi defected to the West in July 1976.

TECHNION UNVEILS NEW METHOD OF EXTRACTING OIL FROM SHALE

HAIFA. — A new technique for extracting oil and gas from oil shale, based on the use of lasers and claimed to be at a cost competitive with drilling for crude oil, was announced by the Technion yesterday.

The method, developed by Professors Joseph Rom and Joseph Schwartz, both of the Aeronautical Engineering Faculty and Dr. Israel Alterman, an outside consultant, has already undergone initial laboratory testing the Technion spokesman said.

There are oil shale reserves in virtually every country. Israel itself has known reserves of two billion tons, estimated to be sufficient to provide the country's fuel needs for more than 25 years. But so far, extracting has been the stumbling block to the large scale exploitation of shale. Currently available methods require excavation, tunelling, blasting and burning, and are highly expensive. Disposing of the excavated shale also presents a tremendous ecological problem after it has been burned for oil extraction.

On the Technion method no soil is removed. Shallow borings are made directly into the shale and a moderate power laser beam is directed through a small diameter pipe in the boring. The beam is then deflected by mirror onto the sides of the bored shale, which ra-

pidly ignites. The small pipe allows a flow of air to cool the mirror, kindle the flame, and extracts the gas, which is collected at the top of the burning. Some of the gas condenses into keroten, which can be burned as fuel, and the rest remains as combustible gas.

The two major advantages of the proposed process are the relatively inexpensive industrial equipment needed and the fact that keroten and combustible gas can be used directly without further refining.

The scientists said that the next step is to develop pilot plant facilities and field testing. They estimated that this would take up to four years and would cost several million dollars.

MEDAL FOR HUNGARIAN WHO SAVED JEWS

When the fascists came to power in Hungary in 1944 and began their systematic campaign of extermination against that country's Jews, Dr. Tibor Baranszky was a 21-year-old theology student.

He took it upon himself to distribute travel documents, some of which he knew to be forged by the Zionist movement, among the Jews, and accompanied a trainload of Jews on the notorious "death march" of November 1944 that transported Hungary's Jews to the Austrian border and from there to the Nazi concentration camps.

Baranszky managed to save a large number of Jews from the train, at great risk to himself, and to return them to Budapest, where he continued to concern himself with their safety, despite the fact that his activities were known to the authorities.

Baranszky, who now lives in the U.S., is visiting Israel, and at a Yad Vashem ceremony he will be awarded the Yad Vashem medal and plant a tree in the Avenue of Righteous Gentiles.

PREDATOR WANTED

HAIFA. — Lake Kinneret (Sea of Galilee) renowned for its fishing since biblical times, is to get its first predatory fish.

The predator is to be deliberately introduced in order to keep down the number of fry of the lake's famed St. Peter's fish and sardines and give them more breathing space for them to grow to commercial size.

Meir Bar-Ilan, of the Fisheries Department, said studies are under way to find the right type of predator for the lake. It must be small enough to go after the baby fish only and not attack those close to commercial size. Furthermore, the experts will carefully choose a predator that will not reproduce in the lake, to make sure that the predators won't get out of hand.

Experiments with certain types of small sea predators able to adapt to sweet water are under way in Eilat, he said. The object is to get the scheme going in the early eighties as part of a large project to stock additional types of commercial fish in the lake and raise the catches.

The experts believe that the lake could yield much greater catches if properly stocked and if the fish population were properly controlled.

In an exhaustive paper on the subject, published in the latest issue of the "Israel Fisheries Quarterly", an expert, K. Reich, writes that while in biblical times the Kinneret was famous for its abundant fishing, records

showed that during the 18th and 19th centuries the fishing had declined to a single boat. The Ottoman government effectively killed off the fishing with its policy of selling fishing rights and taxing the catches.

The British mandatory government reversed the process in 1920, when it abolished the system and permitted fishing by everybody willing to pay a licence. This greatly fostered the fisheries but also led to over-fishing, resulting a serious depletion of the lake's fish stocks. To reverse this trend, the Israeli experts started re-stocking the lake with new types of fish during the past 30 years, gradually increasing the fish population.

During the past 40 years, average annual catches have thus been increased almost tenfold, from 265 tons in 1965 to nearly 2,000 tons now. A total of 18 different types of fish now populate the lake; some do not pawn in captivity and must be put in the lake every year.

EGYPTIANS KEEP PLAYER FROM TENNIS MATCH WITH ISRAEL

TEL AVIV. — Egyptian Ani Nazar refused to play Israel's Tommy Frischer in the recent World Cup junior tennis championships in Mexico City, following instructions from the Egyptian embassy there.

The captain of the Egyptian team contacted his embassy for instructions when the two youngsters were drawn to meet in the second round of the major youth tournament, which is an extension of the World Junior Tennis Championships in Miami Beach.

The embassy's reply was that they were unable to make any change in Cairo's 30-year-old practice of allowing no competition between Egyptian and Israeli sportsmen.

Nazar expressed regrets to Fischer at being unable to play him, and the boys reportedly parted on good terms.

EGYPTIAN ARMY LARGELY ON PAPER

The Egyptian army is capable of cutting its forces from 10 divisions to six without firing a single man, experts here estimate.

The subject of Egyptian troops cuts has come up persistently as one aspects of an Israel-Egypt peace treaty.

According to these experts, there are currently more army jobs on paper than men serving, and that by cancelling the non-manned positions the Egyptians could, in effect, cut their forces by about four divisions.

ARABS PURSUE MORE HOSTILE POLICY IN U.N., SAYS BLUM

Israel's U.N. Ambassador Yehuda Blum said on Monday that the Arab states have harnessed the U.N. to their objectives and are pursuing an increasingly hostile policy towards Israel. They are exploiting the world body and its administrative apparatus, Blum said in a report on the U.N. assembly session to the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee.

"They can count on an automatic majority of 65, but we can count on a maximum of 30 countries," Blum said. "They are conducting an intensive ideological campaign aimed at stripping Israel of its legitimate right to exists."

Israel must mount an ideological counter-attack against

the Arabs, Blum said, To some degree, he admitted that Israel's struggle was futile, since the delegations got their orders from their home governments and the Israelis could do nothing to budge them.

GUR, AIMING FOR PREMIERSHIP, SAYS PEACE NOT POSSIBLE NOW

Former chief of staff Mordechai Gur, who is due this afternoon formally to join the Labour Party Bureau, over the weekend called for Israel to develop its relations with Egypt more slowly and not to aim for full peace (or full withdrawal) at this time.

Launching his political career with an admission that he has hopes of becoming prime minister, Gur told an Israel Television interviewer that while he did not have doubts about the nature of peace, he did have doubts about the Egyptians' ability to make a full and separate peace with Israel that would open an era of tranquillity in the region.

Indicating that this should have been clear even before Sadat's 1977 visit to Jerusalem, Gur said: "I was ready to take many risks with regard to the peace process with Egypt." But, he continued, when he had asked his Egyptian counterparts during military committee talks in Cairo a year ago as to how Egypt would behave in the event of hostilities on Israel's eastern front, "I was not able to get a reassuring answer."

He had asked the Egyptians, with whom he had friendly relations, whether an inch of Jerusalem was any less holy than an inch of Sinai. They had answered that Jerusalem was very holy indeed. And when he has asked whether that also applied to Tel Aviv and Haifa, the Egyptians had answered: "You have a problem there."

Gur said the Egyptians wanted to make peace — but only if the other Arab states and the Palestinians got all that Egypt was getting, meaning complete Israel withdrawal. He said that the doubts as to Egypt's ability to make real peace should have been apparent from the beginning — even before Sadat's visit and certainly after his speech to the Knesset.

SENATOR RICHARD STONE WARNS: TAIWAN MOVE MAY AFFECT MIDEAST PEACE PROCESS

WASHINGTON. — The abandonment of Taiwan, "a faithful ally of the United States," as part of the normalization of relations with China, is likely to complicate the Middle East peace talks.

This warning was issued yesterday by Senator Richard (Dick) Stone on the "Face the Nation" television programme.

Stone, a Florida Democrat who heads the Middle East subcommittee of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said that the U.S. always tells Israel that it will supply it with advanced weapons "and for that you should give up your buffer territory."

It was this, the senator said, that had led Israel to make concessions and permitted the great breakthrough at Camp David. But, he said, "to the extent that this reliability and trustworthiness has been lessened by this move, this makes further concessions rather difficult."

Stone said that he saw a parallel between Taiwan, which until now was a secure air and naval base, and Israel, which has similar facilities. At a time when the

U.S. 7th Fleet is in a position of numerical weakness, and the situation in Iran is deteriorating, the U.S. should continue to depend on Israel, to guarantee oil supplies not only to itself, but also to Western Europe and Japan, the senator argued.

"U.S. DECISION ON TAIWAN SERVES AS WARNING TO JERUSALEM"

Several government sources yesterday said the U.S. decision to dump Taiwan and establish full diplomatic relations with China should serve as a warning to Jerusalem, Israel Television reported last night.

The officials, described as members of Prime Minister Menahem Begin's cabinet, said the U.S. move could affect current Middle East peace efforts, according to the television report.

ARAB PRESS: SHOULD DUMP ISRAEL

BEIRUT (AP). — Lebanese newspapers, which reflect all shades of thought in the Arab world, said yesterday the U.S. would eventually drop Israel as it sacrificed Taiwan for an American-Chinese reproachment.

"The message is there," said columnist Rafik Khoury of the conservative Beirut daily "Al Anwar". "President Carter eventually wanted to demonstrate that the boom could be lowered in Israel as it was lowered in Taiwan."

The English-language "Ike", also independent, said that the U.S. finally chose to recognize the reality of close to 1 billion people in mainland China against only 16 million in Taiwan.

"There are 150 million people in the Arab world and only 2.5 million Israelis," said "Ike". "This is another reality."

RETIRED U.S. GENERALS URGE CARTER TO BACK ISRAEL

WASHINGTON. — More than 170 retired U.S. generals and admirals wrote to U.S. President Jimmy Carter yesterday urging him "to lead in building a coalition for genuine peace in cooperation with the N.A.T.O. nations, Japan, Israel and other proven friends and allies who share our commitment to freedom and human dignity."

The former officers, including retired admiral Elmo Zumwold, Jr., former chief of naval operations, called on the president "to recognize that Israel's value as a strategic asset depends on its ability to defend itself, and to reinforce Israel's military capability so that we will not be forced to deploy our own armed forces to the Middle East."

They referred to a recent U.S. government inter-agency study on the global military balance which concluded that in the event of a non-nuclear superpower conflict in the Middle East Israel, by itself, "might deter Soviet combat forces intervention or prevent the completion of such deployment."

The generals warned that at this stage, "no other society in the area can be counted on to mobilize reliable, battle-tested ground and air units, or to make available secure access points."

"In brief," they continued, "if not for the proven capability of the Israeli armed forces, we would be forced now to station a significant number of men and substantial material in that region."

The letter was released by Foreign Policy Perspectives, a conservative, Boston-based organization which has warned of a growing Soviet military threat to America's security. Among those signing were retired Maj. Gen. John Singlaub, former chief of U.S. forces in South Korea who was reassigned after publicly criticizing U.S. efforts to reduce troop levels there, and retired Maj. Gen. George Keegan, Jr., former chief of U.S. Air Force intelligence.

ARAFAT AND KHOMEINI DENOUNCE ISRAEL AS THEIR COMMON ENEMY

Arafat, the first prominent foreign visitor to come to Iran since the Moslem takeover, flew in unexpectedly on Saturday for a three-day visit underlining the definite anti-Israeli swing expected in Iranian policy under the new "Islamic republican" regime.

Arafat said: "This revolution will affect the whole region. It will specially affect imperialist and royalist regimes that support the Israeli and imperialist presence."

When he arrived unexpectedly at Teheran airport Saturday with half a dozen aides, Arafat, in his customary keffiyeh and dark glasses, said that he felt as if he had "come home", adding: "When we flew into Iranians airspace I thought I was visiting Jerusalem."

He was escorted by Iranian air force Phantom jet fighters as soon as his plane entered Iranian air space. Radio Iran quoted him as saying that it was the first time he had seen American-made planes which were not hostile to him.

Creation of a strongly pro-P.L.O. regime in this country of 34 million people makes it doubtful that Iran would sit on the sidelines during any future confrontation with Israel.

"The people of Palestine and myself have given our blood and will continue to do so, but you have greater resources," Arafat told the Iranians. "The United States confronted the Iranian revolution as it did the Palestinians and now with the United States and Israel are frightened."

Arafat quoted Khomeini as saying many of the world's leaders had warned the Shah he should respect the religious movement among his people, but he ignored them.

"We warned about Palestine 15 years ago and we are still backing our words," Arafat quoted the Ayatollah as saying. "After we rebuild Iran from the ruins left by the Shah, we shall think about Israel more deeply."

Since the ouster of the Shah, the P.L.O. has been more open about its role in training and financing Iranian revolutionaries, compared to a discreet silence over the last few years when approached on the subject.

IRANIANS VOW AID AS ARAFAT TAKES OVER ISRAELI LEGATION

TEHERAN. — Iranian guerillas will fight alongside P.L.O. terrorists against Israel, P.L.O. leader Yasser Arafat said here yesterday.

He was speaking as he officially took over the former Israeli diplomatic mission and proclaimed it the office of the P.L.O. in Iran. He raised the P.L.O. flag to the cheers of 200 onlookers.

"We freed Iran today and we will do the same with

Palestine tomorrow," Arafat said. "Under the leadership of Ayatollah Khomeini and with the help of Iranian freedom-fighters, we will free Palestine."

Seyyed Ahmad Khomeini, son of the Ayatollah, also spoke at the opening of the new office. The bearded, black-turbanned Seyyed Khomeini said: "We will continue our struggle until we free all Islamic countries and hoist the Palestinian flag together with ours."

The government of the ousted Shah of Iran, who maintained unofficial diplomatic and trade relations with Israel, accused the P.L.O. and other Arab groups of training and financing some Iranian guerrilla movements, now operating openly after playing an important role in the revolution which ousted the monarch.

Arafat flew into Iran unannounced on Saturday, the first prominent visitor to revolutionary Iran. He declared that Iran's revolution has turned the strategic balance in the region "upside downside". He has been treated by the Iranians as virtual royalty and all newspapers splashed his visit as the front-page lead.

"We have always been together and have one motto," Arafat told the crowd. "We are all Moslems under the same flag of Islam and we shall continue our struggle against Zionism."

Khomeini has reportedly assured Arafat that after Iran has been rebuilt from the "ruins" left by the monarchy of Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlevi, "we will turn to the issue of victory over Israel."

U.N.I.F.I.L. BOMB SMUGGLING PROTESTED

Israel's Ambassador to the U.N., Yehuda Blum, lodged a formal protest with Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim over the collaboration of a soldier of the U.N.'s U.N.I.F.I.L. force in Lebanon with Palestinian Arab terrorists. The soldier, a member of the Senegalese contingent, was arrested in Acre as he was transferring explosives and detonators to a terrorist from the West Bank.

Waldheim expressed regret over the incident and promised to investigate.

The soldier handed over to the terrorist a car spare wheel in which were hidden 30 bricks of plastic explosives and 101 electric detonators. It is believed that the arrest has uncovered an "explosive trail" through which sabotage material was smuggled to Fatah cells in Judea and Samaria from southern Lebanon, for use against civilian targets in Israel.

The suspected U.N.I.F.I.L. man, whose rank was not revealed, entered Israel on a routine trip, in an official U.N.I.F.I.L. jeep, at the Rosh Hanikra border post in the morning. He drove towards Acre and near the town met the suspected terrorist, who appeared to be waiting for the meeting, and passed the spare wheel of the jeep to him.

Both men were arrested for investigation.

It is learned that it has been established that this was not the first such case of explosives-smuggling. The security services suspect that other U.N.I.F.I.L. members may be involved in arms-smuggling for the terrorists.

The Senegalese suspect, like other U.N.I.F.I.L. members, travelled frequently to Israel in his official vehicle.

Life in Israel

by Effie Dugger

Shalom!

This is a lovely sunny day in Jerusalem. As I write this, I am sitting out on our balcony enjoying the nice weather. My pets — a little dog and a cat — are here on the balcony with me. We have been having many sunny spring-like days lately. The almond trees have already bloomed, other trees are blooming and budding and everywhere there is green grass. Jerusalem is even more beautiful than usual this time of year, and we thank our Heavenly Father for the many blessings He has given us, and especially for the way He is blessing Jerusalem and Israel.

This is a very prophetic age we are living in, and we are privileged to be able to witness with our own eyes the return of the Jews to the Holy Land and the rebuilding of the nation of Israel. This and the other prophecies which are now being fulfilled surely point to the soon return of our Redeemer and King. Praise His Name! "And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away." — Isaiah 35:10.



The three Dugger sisters with their mother. From the left: Naomi, Orabelle, Effie Dugger, and Mary.

We enjoyed a very nice visit with my daughters Mary Fauth and Orabelle Youngs, who were visiting us from America. Mary and her husband Sam Fauth, with their four children and also with Sam's mother Pauline Fauth, arrived in the first of December. Orabelle came about a month later, in company with a friend, Alice Weaver. They all left together February 1. We are thankful that they were able to be here in Jerusalem with us this year, and we really enjoyed their fellowship. This is the first time that my three daughters, Orabelle, Naomi and Mary and I have been together at one time since my late husband and myself first moved

to Israel in the early 1950's. At that time, Mary came with us, but soon after she returned to the States to marry Sam Fauth. It is interesting to note that Sam and Gordon Fauth (husband of my daughter Naomi) are cousins.



Left to right: Adolph Fauth, Gordon Fauth, Fern Fauth, Naomi (Dugger) Fauth, Mary (Dugger) Fauth, Sam Fauth, Orabelle (Dugger) Youngs, Effie Dugger.

Mary and Sam and their family, and Orabelle were truly a comfort and a help to us during their time here, and it is our hope that someday they will be able to return to Israel. We were also thankful for the opportunity to meet Pauline Fauth and Alice Weaver, and enjoyed having them with us. Truly the Almighty has been good to us, and we pray that He will continue to watch over us and to have His way with our lives.

The recent situation in Iran has been causing much concern in all the western countries of the world. It also now appears that the new government of Iran is linked to the P.L.O. terrorists and may take part in any future wars against Israel. Considering Iran's great oil wealth and the ultra-modern weapons it has purchased in recent years from the U.S. and other countries, this is cause for concern. We rest assured, though, that God will continue to watch over and keep little Israel as He has promised.

We are thankful for the way the Lord has blessed "The Mount Zion Reporter" and His work in Jerusalem. We are especially thankful for all those around the world, who have been led to help in this work, and thank each and every one of you for your prayers and support.

"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem. They shall prosper that love thee." — Psalms 122:6.

Shalom!
Effie Dugger

"If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning.
If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my
mouth, if I prefer not JERUSALEM above my chief joy."
Psalms 137:5, 6



Rachel's Tomb — Located between Jerusalem and Bethlehem, this is the tomb of Rachel, wife of the Patriarch Jacob. This site is revered by both Jews and Arabs.

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THE PASSOVER DATE

The Lord's Supper, or Passover, falls on Nisan 14 (Lev. 23:5). This year Nisan 14th corresponds to April 11, 1979, on the Roman calendar. As the biblical day always was from sunset to sunset, the Lord's Supper should be observed some time between sunset on April 10 and sunset on April 11, which is the beginning and ending of Nisan 14th. While some observe it on slightly different dates, this is the correct and best one.

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"Judah shall dwell forever and Jerusalem from generation to generation, for I will cleanse their blood that I have not cleansed. For the Lord dwelleth in Zion." — Joel 3:20, 21.