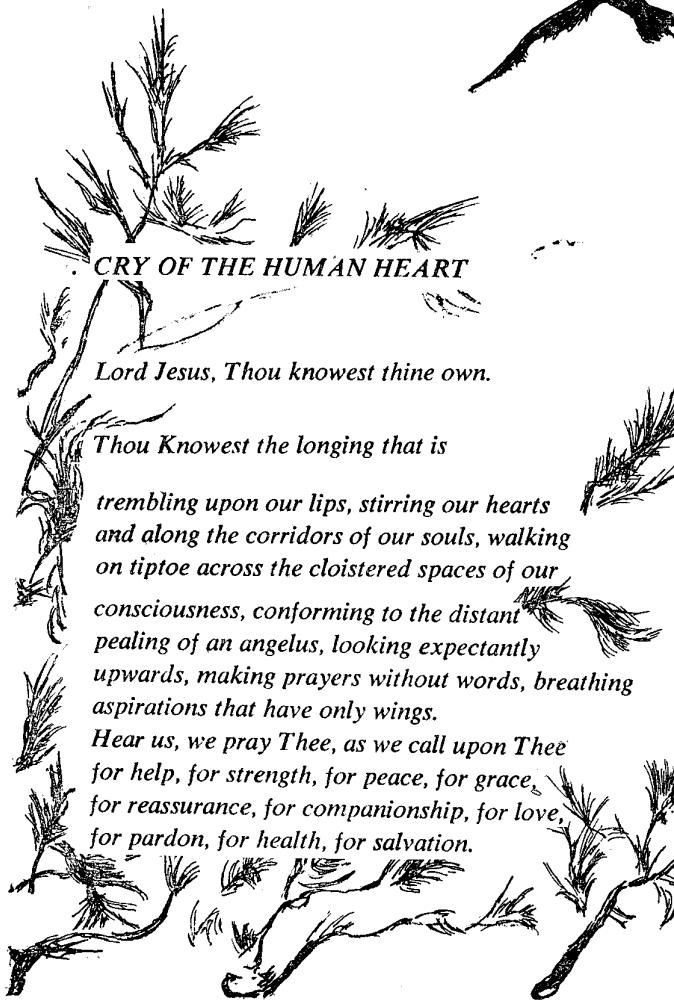
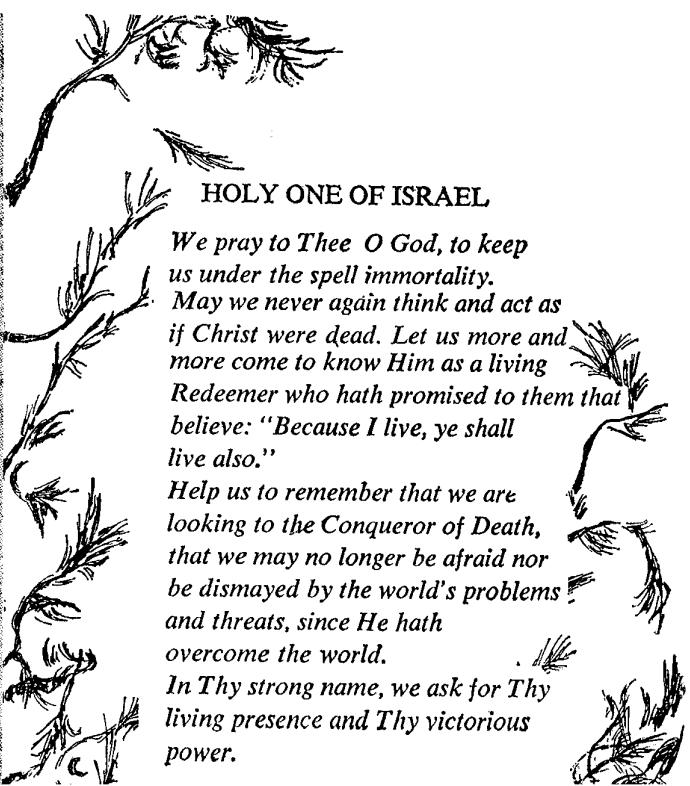
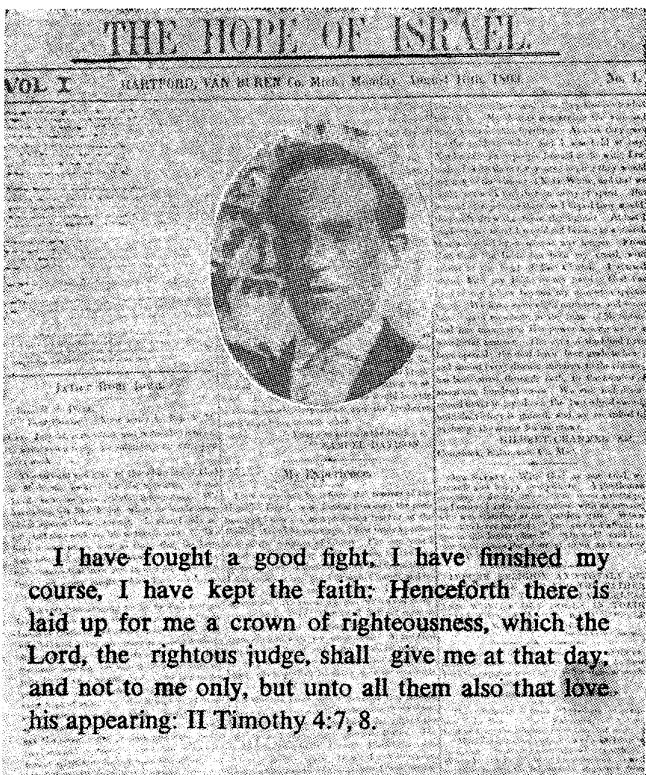


The young man in the picture at the bottom left of this page is our late Editor, Andrew Nugent Dugger, when he was editor of the Bible Avocate (1914-1932), a Church of God publication which also his father, A. F. Dugger, Sr., edited around the turn of the century. The background of the picture is an actual photo of the front page of another Church of God publication dated August 10, 1863.



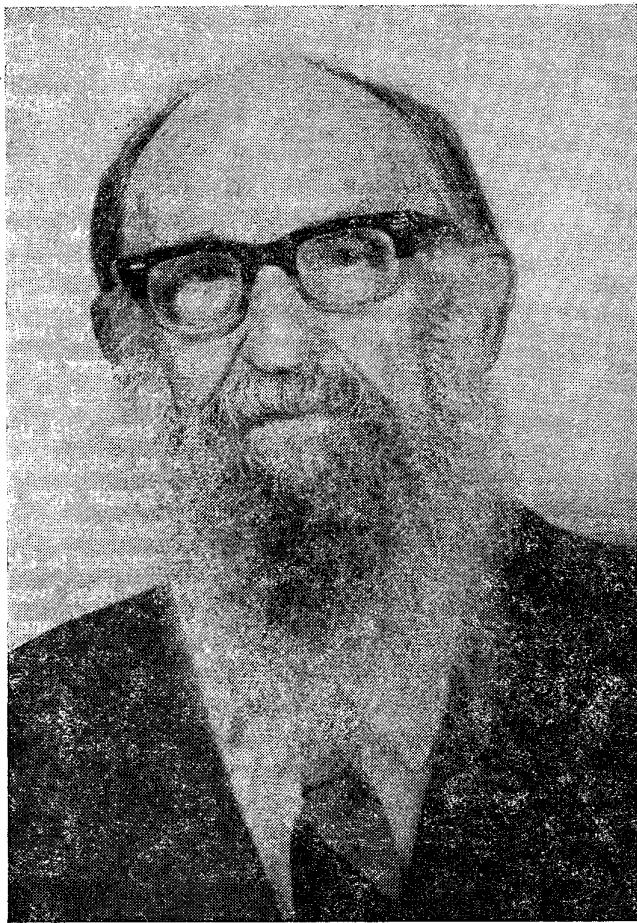
The inserted verse from Timothy is inscribed on the tombstone of A. F. Dugger Sr. Many of the old time Church of God ministers including A. F. Dugger and also my grandfather, Phillip Fauth of Russia, taught and preached with overwhelming fervor how the People of the Bible would be restored again to the land of the Bible, never again to be removed and how the new nation called Israel is the vanguard of the Messianic Kingdom, the hope and the blessing of all the earth. They were eager to witness the return of the exiles. They understood and taught how a nation would be born in a day and clean water sprinkled upon her and how even the desert would be restored to life again. The old time ministers knew that these days were upon us but many of them, including the two mentioned above, never lived to see it. The prophets wept and longed for this time. God is blessing again and restoring Israel. The hope of restoration of life, of all things good and beautiful, is the glorious essence of reality. It is the center of every man's Faith and without it there is no purpose or hope ever to the living or to the dead. Ezekiel 37 tells of the life giving miracle that God is transacting now before our very eyes in this land, along with the 'Blessing of Springtime' restoration also of the material parts of the land.

— Assistant Editor



Extracts From Readers Letters

In the following pages you will find only a few of the wonderful testimonies sent and words of comfort.



A.N. Dugger — Founder and late Editor

Our deepest sympathy from our Church, and our prayers to help comfort you and the family at this sad time of your bereavement of the death of Christian Nobelman, Elder A. N. Dugger. Pray also for us —

Elder F. B., Los Angeles

Dear Grandma

We have always been proud of the work that you and Grandpa have done. Everywhere that I have been in the States there are the fruits of Grandpa's labor. If our Church had had more workers who sacrificed like Grandpa did we would have far exceeded the growth that we have made. My only regret is that I haven't had both of you close by all of these years. I wanted to go see you when I got out of High School but somehow that dream didn't materialize. My fondest memory of you and Grandpa is when I was four years old and you came from Israel. Grandpa picked me up and kissed me and I remember his beard tickled my face. Isn't it something that Grandpa (when a boy) didn't think his horse would get grown before Jesus would come back and yet his grandchildren and great-grandchildren live on? We hope too, to be strong and mighty warriors against all that is unrighteous and to raise our children so and we are thankful for the example Grandpa set for us. May we ever follow in his path and please our God

Dear Effie:

I'm filled with deep regret of the news, our beloved Brother Dugger, the builder of Nations in righteousness and the lover of all races of mankind had just left us. Though he has died I am still giving you the assurance that "He never dies." He is still and always will be remembered for his gallantry, understanding, amiableness and the excellent professional qualities he displayed on behalf of us throughout the world. Extend my condolences to the family and co-workers.

S. M.; Ghana

To Mother Effie Dugger and Co-workers:

Your letter came to our desk on the 20th of Nov. My family and our poor children all are sick in deep sorrow to hear the death news of Father Mr. A. N. Dugger. Then we steadied our mind only by faith. His death makes a heavy loss not only for ours but also for the whole world. May God give you strength to continue this valuable service. We long for that time when tears and sorrows are no more. Your Brother in love, Y. J., India

Dear Sister Effie Dugger:

Consolations for the death of the Mighty Preacher Elder A. N. Dugger our beloved brother. I received your letter on the 20th of Nov. I read the contents in the first paragraph I cried with grief and called all the brethren and informed the bad news. On that night we held a prayer meeting and announced all the Faith Works our God accomplished through our Great-Elder A. N. Dugger in the spreading of the truth. I joined the Church in the year 1929 and have been working for the truth since that time. Our beloved brother was the first man in America who was acquainted with the brethren in India. We comfort ourselves with the hope that we shall see him again in the resurrection Morning. Although our brother passed away, his work and his writings are still witnesses for truth and against untruth. I hope you and brother Fauth will continue the work he has begun in the Holy Land. Please ever pray for us who are working in the heathen India. Please send all the tracts available for free distribution. May God give you full consolation and strengthen you to work for his glory.

T. A., India

Dear Effie Dugger in Christ:

Indeed, We feel grief for ones who are being missed from our earthly society, but we are sure that his immortal soul is resting waiting for the Almighty God in the land of eternity. He awaits his permanent home after having completed his duties of the ministry of God. We only owe him thanks and honor for his countless deeds and wonderful achievements for us. He and his selfless and tireless efforts rendered to us will remain unforgotten. Dear Sister Effie Dugger and co-workers, I shall remain a continual co-worker with you as long as I live. May the Good Lord bless and help you all.