

Apostolic Brotherhood International

Newsletter June 2015

***** 2015 Camp Meeting & General Conference July 14th through the 17th *****
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In Jeremiah 13 God commands Jeremiah to get a new linen girdle, the belt of a priest. He then had him travel probably a couple of weeks to bury it in a foreign land. Later He had him go get it. It was ruined. This might seem futile and obvious, but God had a reason (as He always does). Verse 11 tells us the heart of God. "For as the girdle cleaveth to the loins of a man, so have I caused to cleave unto me the whole house of Israel and the whole house of Judah, saith the LORD; that they might be unto me for a people, and for a name, and for a praise, and for a glory: but they would not hear." God had a purpose and a desire for Israel, His covenant people, and since the change of the covenant on the Israel of God, the church.

God has always desired a relationship. He has angels at His total beck and call, but there is something missing, free will. God wants to wrap us around Him as a belt on the loins of a man, an intimate relationship that we enter because we want to. I can do whatever I want, but I choose to live for Him. As a free will relationship I give it my all. However, God defines what He wants that relationship to be. What God wants is a close relationship where we are to be a people, a name, a praise and a glory.

A people is to defined by Brown-Driver-Briggs' Hebrew Definitions as 1) nation or people, person, members of one's people compatriots, country-men 2) kinsman, kindred. We are to be an identifiable group united together. No man can live for God by himself. The gifts are resident in the many members, and it is only when the members come together that God is able to fully move. 1Corinthians 3:16 "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?" Both ye and you are plural in this verse, referring to the whole local church. Ya'll are the temple of God. Does God see us as a unified people? Does the world?

His name to the world today is not LORD; it is JESUS. Ephsians 3:14 – 15 "For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named," We take on His name in baptism, and declare it to the world. Just as in the world I am an American, I am of the family, or nation of Jesus. I was born into this family, and carry His name with all it's rights and responsibilities.

My relationship must be one of praise. He is worth all of the praise that I can give. It doesn't matter my situation. All too often our prayer lives are centered on asking for our "needs" to be answered when they should be dominated by praise. We need to be known for our praise, not for what we are, but who He is. 1Peter 2:9 "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:"

Finally the KJV says we are to be for a beauty. Young's Literal Translation of the Holy Bible translates this as beauty. The only way we can fully praise Him, or be His people, or show forth His name is in the beauty of holiness, as the Holy Spirit leads us. The world may not recognize holiness as the beauty that God sees, but don't be deceived they recognize it. 1Samuel 16:7 tells us "But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart." I want to please God, but I want to win men. My heart must be right for God. My outside must be right for the world to see Him. The world doesn't look directly at Jesus. They see Him in me (us). Just what do they see. We are the face of God to the world. He wants us to show who He is. The beauty of nature is fabulous, but nothing compares to the beauty of a holy life.

There is a war today on who gets to define what the church is. Politicians have been quoted as saying our doctrines need to come in line and support the morality they support, including sodomy and murder of the unborn. They tell us that we are to forgive and to love then they tell us what love is, acceptance and support of sin. There are many denominations that each want to be the definitive answer for what the church is. Some would think there are 100 different churches, and not one. I had a pastor that said many times "my 'I thinks' are as good as your 'I thinks', but none of them matter, only what God thinks." God must define what the church is today, the one He is going to call out of this world when the trumpet sounds. It will not be defined by culture, language, race, or politics. It will be His own people, His name, His praise, and His glory.

Brother Ernie Fowler, ABI Minister

**Camp Meeting & General Conference of the
Apostolic Brotherhood International
July 14th through the 17th**

New Life Apostolic Lighthouse Church
635 4th St Hot Springs AR 71913

Tuesday:

7 pm – Opening Service

Wednesday:

10 am – Rev. James Tolson, Evangelist, Arkansas
Rev. Mike Razor, Evangelist , Texas

7 pm – Rev. Kevin Moss
Pastor Livingstone Pentecostal Church
New Richmond WI

Thursday:

10 am - General Conference & Business Meeting
(All Ministers that are eligible to vote are encouraged to attend)

7 pm – Rev. Timothy Franks
Evangelist, Oklahoma

Friday:

10 am – Rev. Michael Adams, General Secretary
Rev Jesse Carlos, Home Missions Pastor, California

7 pm – Bishop Perry Cathey
General Chairman

*** Prayer starts each evening at 6:30 * Lunch Served Daily at 1 pm ***

Hotel Recommendations for General Conference & Camp Meeting are:

CHECK IN Tues, July 14 **CHECK OUT** Sat, July 18

Prices based on 1 room and 2 people

FEES AND TAXES NOT INCLUDED IN PRICES LISTED

La Quinta Inn & Suites 4253 Central Ave Hot Springs, AR	501-520-6400 Per Night <u>\$124.00</u>
Country Inn & Suites by Carlson 4307 Central Ave Hot Springs, AR	501-525-2225 Per Night <u>\$102.00</u>
Comfort Inn & Suites 3627 Central Ave Hot Springs, AR AARP 10% off / Senior Disc 60 or older	501-623-1700 Per Night <u>\$106.00</u>
Candlewood Suites Hot Springs 3404 Central Ave Hot Springs, AR	800-931-4667 Per Night <u>\$85.00</u>

The ABI Is Growing

It is with great joy that we announce on behalf of Bishop Cathey and the Executive Board the following have been ministers approved for General License:

Rev. James Tolson of Arkansas
Rev. Steven Nelms of Arkansas
Rev. Jesse Carlos, a Home Mission Pastor in Modesto California

Welcome and May God richly Bless you all in your respective ministries

Announcements:

Grow The ABI With Us: Do you know a fellow minister looking for Fellowship? We are always eager to find ministers of like, precious faith who are looking for a place of healing, belonging, and fellowship. We believe that through this network of ministers we each help to make the other stronger and more effective in God's Kingdom. You can obtain a copy of the application for License/Ordination for the ABI by going to our website, apostolicbrotherhood.org. If you know someone needing a paper copy please contact Brother Adams for a paper copy.

ABI Evangelists: Please let Brother Adams know when and where you will be preaching. Whether you are preaching one service or a Multi-Day/Night Revival we would like to help get the word out. We want to do everything we can to help make your ministry a success. We will be happy to promote the Revival you are preaching on our FaceBook page, Twitter & in our Newsletter.

Revivals & Church Events: If you have any events that you would like to include in the monthly newsletter please contact Brother Adams by the 25th of the month to insure it is published in upcoming following issue. If

you have an event you would like announced on our FaceBook page or Twitter please contact Brother Adams as well

ABI Website: Our Webpage has been updated and will now have a link to Newsletters. Also our Webpage has been updated to add information for Camp Meeting & other events going on around the ABI. Please stop by and take a look at the page & see all the wonderful things the ABI is doing.

ABI Web Page: apostolicbrotherhood.org

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