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CHRISTIAN ACRES NEEDS YOU!!

Yes, friends, we certainly need you and your support NOW!! We need your financial help desperately in order to keep Christian Acres going. We also need your prayers that God will continue to bless the work here even in these hard times.

I realize that the strike situation is affecting many of you and your families in adverse ways. We are all having a rough time with finances. We've all had to tighten our belts and cut way back in spending and some in giving because there just isn't enough to go around. But, I beg you -- please don't leave God out altogether!!! Don't forget that He has promised to supply all our needs and remember that He never told us that the way would be easy.

I have confidence, as I'm sure you all do, that we will be able to come through this time of difficulty in fine shape --- maybe better shape for those of us who really need to tighten our belts for good health's sake. Seriously though, let's all remember the song, "I've Got Confidence" and keep it in our hearts and minds daily.

We have quite a few needs (some listed elsewhere in paper) here at Christian Acres and I feel I must make you aware of them. After all, that's part of my job as Promotional Director, to promote Christian Acres and the Children's Home. I'm not really fond of asking you for money constantly --- so let's change the request to LOVE. Will you let your love for God and your concern for His work here at Christian Acres show by leaning a little harder into the wind and hard times? And will you trim your sails just a little more and help us keep this ship afloat? It is indeed difficult with a balance of \$6.33 in the General Fund and folks, that is the General Fund balance at this writing!

What say you all? Can we count on God's people once again? Can God count on you? We're praying that your answer will be a resounding, "Yes". Let's all pray that the Christian Acres mailbox will be filled to overflowing with replies to this request. Let's show that we've got love for Him and for His works and that "We've Got Confidence".

"I've got confidence - God is gonna see me through.

No matter what the case may be - God is gonna fix it for me."

HI!

HURRAH!-----THE SNOW IS GONE AT
LAST (I HOPE)-----WE'VE REALLY HAD
SOME PRETTY DAYS TO SCAMPER ABOUT
DON'T YOU AGREE?-----HEY, HAVE YOU
HEARD?-----WE HAVE ANOTHER FELLA
HERE-----I'M GLAD CAUSE NOW I'VE
GOT SOMEONE TO PLAY BALL WITH AND
JUST MESS AROUND WITH-----EVEN THE
DOG HERE IS A GIRL!-----I MEAN,
AFTER ALL, ENOUGH IS ENOUGH-----
FOOR RICKY WAS GETTING A COMPLEX,
TO SAY NOTHING ABOUT FOOR ME!-----
DID YOU ALL GET YOUR "30 PIECES
OF SILVER" MAILED IN?-----I SAVED
THE STAMP AND JUST TOOK MINE DOWN
TO THE P.D.'S OFFICE-----SURE HOPE
WE DID GOOD AS THE CHRISTMAS OFF-
ERING-----BUT WITH ALL YOU FELLAS
OUT OF WORK, I'M PROUD OF THE WAY
YOU ALL CAME THROUGH FOR GOOD OLD
CHRISTIAN ACRES!-----SURE HOPE WE
CAN GET THIS PLACE PAYED OFF SOON
SO THE GENERAL FUND WILL GET BACK
UP THERE WHERE IT SHOULD BE-----I
PLAN ON PUTTING IT UP NEAR THE
TOP OF MY PRAYER LIST-----HOW BOUT
YOU?

LUV, CHARLIE

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TROUBLE IS WHAT GIVES US A CHANCE
TO DISCOVER OUR STRENGTH-----OR
LACK OF IT!

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REVIVAL - - Montcalm will hold a
Spring Revival May 14th.-19th.
with Frankie Watkins, Evangelist.
Be sure to come out for a real
spiritual uplift.

SPECIAL GENERAL BOARD MEETING

April 7th. at 7:30 p.m. we'll
be holding a special meeting of
the Gen. Board, preachers, and
the elders of the various area
supporting churches here at the
Christian Acres Chapel. Men, we
have some important decisions to
make so be sure to come out for
this meeting.

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CAMPERS-----ARE YOU GETTING ALL SET
FOR A TERRIFIC WEEK OF CHRISTIAN
FELLOWSHIP AND FUN? BOY, WE SURE
HOPE SO.

CAMP DATES----

Sr. Week-----July 9th.-July 15th.
Jr. Hi. Wk.--July 16th.-July 22nd.
Jr. Week-----July 23rd.-July 29th.
Sp. Em. Wk.--July 30th.--Aug. 5th.

We will be sending out pre-reg-
istration blanks to all of last
year's campers plus some estras
to the churches for new campers,
which we hope to have lots of!

Come on young people--get your
enthusiasm revved up and pass it
along to as many as you can.

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THE PAGE OF INSTRUCTIONS ON THE
INCOME TAX FORM IS A RELIGIOUS
EXPERIENCE -- IT PASSETH ALL UNDER
STANDING.

Many of you may have noticed in the financial report for the Children's Home the entry from the Acme Markets. This contribution comes through the combined efforts of Pam and Peggy Whittaker who both work for Acme Market and collect the cash register tapes. These tapes are turned in periodically and are redeemed at 1¢ on the dollar; or in other words, for every 100 dollars of register tapes turned in, we get \$1.00. This is a simple way to get needed funds for Christian Acres. Just shop at Acme Market and send your cash register tape to Christian Acres. We will see that these two fine Christian gals get the tapes to turn in & Christian Acres will benefit. I personally think it great that these gals have taken it upon themselves to do this extra bit to try to help us financially. We want to give them a big thank you!

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WE DON'T MIND PEOPLE TELLING US THE WAY IT IS IF THEY'RE WILLING TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE WAY IT OUGHT TO BE!

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HELP WANTED---

We're still in need of ladies to help out in the kitchen cooking and helping clean up, etc. If you can help, we'll really appreciate a call from you. A list of the regular helpers (the churches) for camp clean-up will be in next month's paper.

JUST ONE GENERATION

As I looked out over the congregation, the realization hit me. Seventy-five % of this church could be dead from the natural effect of old age within the year! I dearly loved the older ones in the congregation, and had learned to appreciate their wisdom, but the fact was that time had the upper hand. Christianity is something that you can't keep if you don't share it. And time was ready to prove the maxim true, "CHRISTIANITY IS ONLY ONE GENERATION AWAY FROM EXTINCTION."

The Word promises that there will always be a faithful remnant but whether we are to be a dominant world faith or a persecuted remnant depends entirely upon how we train our young people. That is where the priceless value of Christian service camp comes in. At camp the young person is given a chance to see that he or she is not the only young Christian in the world. They learn in programs specially tailored to their needs. They have fun in a Christian atmosphere. That's why service camp is so important, if we are to pass the faith on!

David Burnette
Senior Camp Dean

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A MISTAKE IS EVIDENCE THAT SOMEONE HAS TRIED TO DO SOMETHING!

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CAMP TIME IS COMING--WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU TO MAKE IT A SUCCESS!

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR CHRISTIAN ACRES MARCH 1978

Balance	344.84
Incoming receipts;	
Central Ch. of Chr.	50.00
Men's Bible Class, Fall Mills Chr. Ch.	52.00
Falls Hills Chr. Ch.	450.00
Hudfork Ch. of Chr.	60.00
M/M Floyd Ferguson	10.00
Hollowton Chr. Ch.	10.00
Oak Grove Chr. Ch.	82.00
M/M Clifton Elmore	5.00
Williams Chapel Ch. of Chr.	50.00
Christian Acres Children's Home, Salary	200.00
M/M Clifton Elmore	3.00
Lerona Ch. of Chr.	25.00
Joy Class, Falls Mills Chr. Ch.	18.00
Joy Class, Falls Mills Chr. Ch.	15.00
Falls Mills Chr. Ch.	11.00
Midway Ch. of Chr.	400.00
First Chr. Ch., Montcalm	37.55
Bldg. College of Evangelism	433.40
Cedar Grove Ch. of Chr.	20.00
Hollybrook Faith Promise	10.00
M/M J.D. Scyphers	18.00
Woodsfield Chr. Ch.	20.00
Community Chr. Ch., Hinton	20.00
David B. Leftwich	26.89
O. Ike Keaton	16.00
Midway Church of Chr.	107.00
Laurel Fork Ch. of Chr.	10.00
M/M W.R. McDonald	5.00
Lindside Chr. Ch.	10.00
M/M N. J. Jessee, Jr.	10.00
Span Gillespie	5.00
Hapleview Chr. Ch.	125.00
George F. Burnett	10.00
First Chr. Ch., Hinton	20.00
Duhring Ch. of Chr.	25.00
Springville Chr. Ch.	25.00
Rennie Patrick	1.00
M/M Don Helmondollar	10.00

30 Pc. Silver Offering
M/M Clifton Elmore

	3.00
Monthly Income	2,408.14
Net Income	2,753.68
Less Expenses:	
2164 Roy J. Hale, Salary	162.42
2165 Roy J. Hale, Salary	162.42
2166 Roy J. Hale, Salary	162.42
2167 Roy J. Hale, Salary	162.42
2168 Roy J. Hale, Truck Exp.	20.00
2169 Roy J. Hale, Telephone	17.39
2170 Carl McIntosh, Salary	433.32
2171 Commerical Bank, Tax Deposit, Jan.	261.98
2172 Commerical Bank, Tax Deposit, Feb.	261.98
2173 Commerical Bank, Note Retirement	1,100.00
2174 Thousandair Club	3.00
Total Expenses	2,747.35

Balance:	6.33
Net Income	545,297.35
Net Expenses	545,291.02

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CHRISTIAN ACRES CHILDREN'S HOME

Balance	125.59
Incoming Receipts:	
Central Ch. of Chr.	25.00
Delray Chr. Ch.	10.00
Carol B. Goffman	10.00
State of W. Va.	238.00
State of W. Va.	51.34
Acme Markets of Tazewell	107.28
Seekers Sunday School Class, Peach Creek	10.00
Anonymous	10.00
Williamsport Chr. Ch.	6.25
Midway Ch. of Chr.	15.00
Midway Ch. of Chr.	33.57
Carl McIntosh, Telephone	20.00
First Chr. Ch., Montcalm	37.55
M/M Carl McIntosh	25.00

AFTER THE RAIN

Suddenly, a flash of lightening
Streaks across the dark sky!
Thunder explodes among the clouds
And the wind rocks the trees.
Then the rain comes
To wash the sky and refresh the
earth:
As tears wash grief away
And refresh the spirit.
And after the rain . . .
After the tears . . .
Comes the resurrection
Of light and joy!

Melissa McIntosh

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HELP!!

I told you on the front page I would be listing several ways in which your help was really needed here. Following are just a few of our needs at the moment. I hope someone out there will feel the need and respond.

We need several loads of gravel for these muddy roads. They are nearly impassable this time of year due to the melted snow & recent rain. Contact Jim Hale at 589-6251 if you can help.

Jim tells me that there was a lot of damage to the buildings due to the heavy snows lying on them for so long. He could use your physical help as well as the needed funds to fix these buildings.

We really had to dig deep to come up with the necessary funds for postage for this letter. If
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ANAGRAMS OF NAMES

In the left column are anagrams of names in the Bible. How many can you "de-anagram" with the help of the identifications in the right column?

1. AND Son of Jacob
2. ARMY Mother of Jesus
3. AN OAR Brother of Miriam
4. BALE Brother of Cain
5. BANAL Father of Rachel
6. BODE Son of Ruth & Boaz
7. DAILY Paul's first European convert
8. DENIAL Friend of Shadrach, Meshack & Abednego
9. HALE Sister of Rachel
10. HEART Father of Abraham
11. HEMS Son of Noah
12. THERE'S Jewish Queen (O.T.)
13. HURT Wife of Boaz
14. LIE Priest in time of Samuel
15. MASONS Very strong men
16. NOSE Son of Seth
17. RAZE Scribe, O.T. book
18. SHARE Son of Jacob
19. SHEILA Prophet following Elijah
20. SILO Grandmother of Timothy
21. SUCH Son of Ham
22. VEE Mother of Abel
23. VEIL Brother of Jacob
24. WANDER Brother of Peter

answers--next month!

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you really appreciate getting the "CHRISTIAN ACRES CHRONICLE", we pray that you will help us out in sending your donations to C.A., Rt. 3, Box 751, Bluefield, W.Va. 24701. We want to keep you all informed as to happenings here.

When a youth joins a destructive cult, such as the Unification Church, his free will and objective thinking are taken away thru use of hypnosis and/or mind control techniques, and his mind and his body become enslaved.

Although hard to believe, this is exactly what happened to a young man from Princeton, and his parents will be here on April 22 to tell about how he was recruited into the cult and how after much anguish and suffering they were able to rescue him.

Their story is, unfortunately, not unique. Thousands of families across America have had the same tragic loss of a child, many never able to regain contact with them. Some of these families as well as members still in the cult are seen in the film that will be shown about the Unification Church. Ex-members of the cult are interviewed, Sun Myung Moon, the leader, is shown and heard, and scenes from the cult centers make the film very informative. The cult problem is so widespread that it will probably touch all of us sooner or later. Awareness is our only defense, say the Conners, and they spend much of their time speaking before church and civic groups in an effort to educate the public about the cults. Encourage all the young people you know to attend. They need to be made aware of how the cults recruit on our college campuses.

Another interesting program is being planned for Sun. afternoon

April 2, at Bluefield State College Basic Science Auditorium. Dr. Jack McGonahy will speak on brainwashing, several ex-cult members will tell of their personal experiences while members of the Divine Light Mission, the Children of God, The Way, Int., and the Hare Krishna, and their will also be a speaker on deprogramming of cult victims. There is no admission charge. Make plans now to attend and bring the young people.

Ken Conner

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BELATED HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Jim Hale here on Christian Acres and to Chris McIntosh here at the Children's Home.

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MEN!!

Keep June 9th. & 10th. open on your calendars and plan to be at Christian Acres for the Men's Clinic. Special speakers will be Brad Burnette and Ralph Sproles, and Eddie Jones will be providing the special music.

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LADIES!!

August 11th. & 12th. are the dates for our annual Ladies' Retreat. You should have all received letters telling you about plans for the Retreat. To learn more, come to the planning meeting April 13th. at the Falls Hills Church at 7 p.m.

MANNA NEEDS

- sugar * fab. soft *
- dish soap * bleach *
- tuna * cereal (cold) **
- spam * soups **
- peanut b. * can. juices *
- orange j. * vanilla *
- Comet * pow. sug. *
- p. towels * Kraft Din. **
- t. tissue ** MEAT, POULTRY *

Remember, the more you can help us out in Manna, the less cash it takes to keep us going. Every little bit helps!!

** NEARLY OUT
* OUT OF COMPLETELY



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Praise the Lord! We have finally gotten our first privately-placed child here at Christian Acres since Kevin, our nephew, was here back last year. 'Our' new son is David McDowell and he came to us through the combined efforts of his mother and the juvenile court referee in Wayne Co.

David is a 12 year old fella who likes all sports and seems to be getting along just fine. Dave will attend Bluewell Elementary, and we feel he is going to fit in with the family just great. Rick really enjoys having another boy here in the Home.

Due to financial circumstances his mother is not able to furnish full financial support so we are asking some of you fine folk to pitch in a little here and a little there toward David's support.

He is also in need of a few various items of clothing. David has no pajamas of his own with him and at present, he is wearing Ricky's extra pair. He really is in need of some socks and a pair of sneakers - or at least another pr. of shoes of some kind.

Dave wears a size 12-14 shirt, and a 12-14 SLIM pant. His sock size is 9-11 boys and he wears a 4 1/2 shoe. I know he will appreciate your kindness in helping him OUT.

As soon as we get a little better financially fixed, we will be putting a few pictures in the paper again and you'll all get to see what Dave looks like. I'll give you a hint---he has freckles galore!!