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KEEP ON KEEPING ON 50 YEARS CELEBRATION NOVEMBER 19, 2011

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ALLENSBURG CHURCH OF CHRIST LYNCHBURG, OH

A Tribute to Ed Bousman— of his 50 years on the radio—by these three men that Ed chose to speak at this celebration before he passed away: Kerry Allen, Person to Person Ministries; George Faull, President of Summit Theological Seminary, and Lee Mason, Director of CRA.

BOUSMAN FAMILY SAYS THANKS

To PERSON TO PERSON Ministries, Hillsboro Family Camp for recognizing the life and ministry of ED BOUSMAN at their camp meeting Thursday July 28, 2011. Ed spoke for 38 straight years on Thursday nights at the Hillsboro Family Camp; how appropriate it was to recognize his many years of contribution not only to Hillsboro Family Camp but to the world through his life and radio ministry, GOD IS JUST A PRAYER AWAY that continues on. DVDs can be obtained through Person To Person Ministries web site: www.p2pm.org or call 937-840-9071.

SHE SUPPOSED HIM TO BE THE GARDNER

Last COMMUNION MEDITATION

written by Ed Bousman

In the gospel according to John chapter twenty, Mary was standing without at the tomb weeping. She saw two angels in white sitting, one at the head, and one at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. "And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid Him." When she had thus said, she turned herself back, and beholdeth Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus. Jesus saith unto her, "Woman, why weepest thou? Whom seekest thou?" She, supposing Him to be the gardener, saith unto Him, "Sir, if thou hast borne Him hence, tell me where thou hast laid Him, and I will take Him away."

When Mary out of the corner of her eye, and through the mist of her tears, supposed Him to be the gardener, she was not too far mistaken, because when Joseph and Nicodemus buried Jesus, John says, "Now in the place where He was crucified there was a garden." So it was a natural supposition, when out of the corner of her eye, and through the mist of her tears she supposed Him to be the gardener.

But from our vantage point today with the completed copy of the New Testament we can see that it was a natural mistake because Paul tells us in 1st Corinthians 15:45 "The first Adam became a living soul, and the last Adam a life-giving spirit." Since the first Adam was placed in a garden, and the last Adam buried in a garden; it was a natural assumption, when out of the corner of her eye, and through the mist of her tears she supposed Him to be a gardener.

Another reason it was a natural mistake for Mary, was because in the first garden there was a tree called the tree of life. She could have eaten of that tree and lived forever. In the garden where He was crucified there was a tree of life. Peter tells us about that tree in 1st Peter 2:24 "Who His own self bear our sins in His body on the tree, that we having died unto sins, might live unto righteousness by whose stripes we are healed." So it was not too big a mistake when out of the corner of her eye, and through the mist of her tears, she supposed Him to be the gardener.

But then with another look we notice there was also another tree in the Garden of Eden called the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. And the Lord said, "In the day ye eat of that tree you shall surely die." But concerning the eating of the tree in the garden where He was crucified; after the celebration of the last

Passover feast, Jesus then observed the first Lord's Supper, and took bread and brake it, and said, "This is my body which is broken for you, this do in remembrance of Me." Then when He took the cup He said, "This is My blood of the covenant which is poured out for many unto remission of sins."

At this time the apostles must have remembered a year before this at the time of another Passover, Jesus had said to them, "Except ye eat the flesh of the son of man, and drink His blood ye have no life in yourselves." So it was not such a big mistake after all when Mary out of the corner of her eye and through the mist of her tears supposed Him to be the gardener.

And so today on this the Lord's Day, as we eat of the bread, and drink of the cup, and unlike Mary, we do not suppose Him to be anything else, but the virgin born, crucified, buried, risen, Son of God who died for our sins that we might have eternal life. So it is written, so let it be done.

Letters

Naomi,

You, your family, and the GIJAPA ministry remain in my thoughts and prayers.

I wasn't familiar with Ed until 2006. My wife, Stephanie, asked if I wanted to go to the National Prayer Clinic to hear "the greatest preacher in the Brotherhood." Needless to say, her introduction got my attention. The more questions I asked about him, the more amazing he became. He had preached for over 6 decades, he had memorized the entire New Testament, he had spoken boldly in debates, he had held thousands of revivals and baptized multitudes, he had a worldwide radio broadcast. I wondered if he could walk on water. I had to see and hear this phenomenon for myself. At the Prayer Clinic that October night, Ed did what he did best - he preached Christ. Ed started quoting scripture near the middle of John chapter 16 and quoted into John chapter 18 and preached for 45 minutes. Though he carried a Bible to the stage that night, he never opened it. At almost 90 years old he was kneeling and rising and shouting and nearly running all over the stage and shaking his fist in the air as he proclaimed the sovereignty of our King. He descended the stage with a standing ovation.

The light of Christ shined from Ed's life into mine that night. I went home and ordered some sermon books from GIJAPA. In one of those books, Ed explained early in his ministry he memorized "the only God inspired Church history ever recorded" - the Book of Acts. Ed mentioned the hard work and repetition of memory work and stated that memorizing Acts took him 6 months. Soon after I read this, I made Ed's previous goal my own. And 12 short months later, I too had the book of Acts memorized!

Since then, I have stayed in contact with Ed and he continually encouraged me to keep studying and keep memorizing. I received the last hand written letter from Ed this March which read, "Keep up the memory work. It was my greatest help." I plan to do just that. Should I complete 2 Peter, I will have memorized 11 New Testament books. Though I only saw Ed in person a few times, you can see he remains an encouragement and inspiration in my life. Ed couldn't walk on water, but he lived for the Glory of The One that could. And this makes all the difference.

Keep up the Work! In Christ, Aaron Davis from Pikeville, KY

My dear sister Naomi,

How are you and the family? My family and I are doing well and the church is fine. Today, June 12, was a blessed day, one brother is baptized while two brothers stood for repentance. The

church attendance is going up, 73 men, women and children attended the service. Please continue to pray for the church, us and the new babies coming to the Lord. Thank you for the gifts you have sent. God continue to bless you all the time. My dear sister Naomi, let us hold tightly to the Lord Jesus Christ, so that when He returns, we shall see Him and our beloved ones and rejoice together. Thank you for your continued love and support for us.

John Maseka, Evangelist- Zambia

IKE AND LEE'S UPDATE

Tribute from 'The Truth' and the churches here to Ed Bousman: "...Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on, 'Yes', says the Spirit, they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them" (Rev. 14:13).

We, The Ike and Lee Pertey family, The Truth ministry, the entire brotherhood in the churches planted by The Truth with support from you and GIJAPA, and those without the brotherhood count ourselves very privileged and blessed to be connected to a man of God such as, Ed Bousman. This indeed is a blessing for which we praise and glorify God. Nothing about him will be rubbed off on our minds and hearts. He was a wonderful Preacher and Teacher of the Word we were emulating. A man who has brought peace and spiritual decency into the lives of many who did not know God. Today through his submissiveness to the Word of God and his services to the call to win souls, many poor men and women, girls and boys and even infants in the remote villages in Ghana have seen and are serving God-something they never dreamed of. Ed you were truly a man of God worthy of emulation! All the brethren in the uttermost part of Ghana we have shared the Word with, who received and are using clothing, shoes, blanket, ponchos, books, pens, pencils, Bibles, books, bed sheets, Gijapa 'T' shirts, tapes, CDs, just to mention but few, say 'Ayeekoo' (well done)! We will miss you forever till the day we meet again at the resurrection. To the Ike and Lee Pertey family, your departure is like a time bomb; OH! How do we forget about you? When almost everything around and on us was provided by you and your Gijapa ministry? Tears and memories will never leave us. Tears flowed and engulfed everyone at church the next Sunday after your departure when a young boy of age 8 asked, 'So we won't get shoes and shirts to wear again?', when I announced of your death to the congregation. Lee, remembering where we are coming from and where we are today in our lives and with our ministry after coming contact with you, never stopped crying till after your funeral; and even to date she keep asking, if we would ever contact with such a wonderful person like you again?

Papa Ed, you have indeed left unforgettable marks on our minds by your sudden departure, nevertheless, we console ourselves with the fact that we will meet again at the resurrection. We love you Papa Ed, and we will forever remember you! And to our Mom Naomi, we say "God will bless and strengthen you", God knows that you can carry the burden and yeah you did. Ed knows you will be there after him to carry on the good work he left just as Israel said, "Israel said to Joseph, 'Now I am ready to die, since I have seen for myself that you are still alive.'" (Gen. 46:30), so Mama Naomi, be strong and bold for God is with you till the end and He is and will always be Just A Prayer Away. May his Soul Rest In Peace! We also mourned Ed at church the Sunday after his funeral and burial. The Work at The Truth is ongoing. Our records show 41 baptisms since we resume soul winning after our break due to my accident. I (like Paul), have won several souls into the Church since 1979 when I became a Christian at age 13 but have done just 2 baptisms. All the baptisms are done by the brethren. All the churches are doing well

with many visiting and joining almost every Sunday. Through our soul winning trips, we have been giving out clothing and stuffs from GIJAPA and the Allensburg Church of Christ. Many children and adults got something. Please, we need more Bibles, clothing for men and women, girls and boys and babies.

Thank you so much. Ghana, W. Africa

Hi Naomi and Ed,

I am so sorry for the multiple burdens you are carrying. Your lives have been walks of faith. The road you are traveling is rocky and long, so very long! I am so sorry that your months have been filled with disappoints. This has given the Lord's Body an opportunity to labor on behalf of, a couple of God's front-line soldiers. Because you both have always led the way, you have encountered enemies, that are strong. You've both been so positive and your faith, has surely encouraged our family. We are still in the battle today, because of Ed and Naomi Bousmans' prayers and support. You make me glad to be a part of the fellowship of the burning hearts.

Thanks for keeping your eyes on the love and power of Jesus Christ. Because of your walk, we are all still running for the glory of the Lord and seeking the souls of dying men and women, w/o Jesus.

THANKS! Danny, Carmen, Jay Vanscoy from Hilliard, OH (I received this letter just before Ed died, and I still read it for strength to get me through difficult days. Thanks Danny and family)

Dear Madame Naomi: We are on mild to heavy rains more than a week now. Our nearby provinces in the south are on flood, & thanks we are on some fair whether today & have to do some laundry & cleaning as they are needed. We are in bad whether all through the week that I have to go to the members & prospects' houses as heavy rains keep on falling. I have to stand & step-in only at the door entrance as I was wet with the rain dripping out water on my shoes, praying with them & delivering them 5 to 10-minute message to uplift them in the services of the LORD, after which I have to proceed to other families & repeat the same process. Our brethren & prospects are uplifted so much on our presence and concern on these simple but notable preachings & visits. Sometimes we have to exemplify our sincerity & willingness to reach them and show our concern to their souls even during the time of subsequent typhoons. Meantime, you are all in our thought always at GIJAPA, & pray the LORD would uplift you continually with your burdens and needs in our behalf. Please hold us in your prayers often as we are in our tropical situations. We are doing our best & possible means to serve & preach CHRIST, & do most of my work in the house like washing cloth on night time while folks in my community are sleeping. Pray we could do all the plans we have for GIJAPA, & May GOD Bless All Our Supporters on this Uplifting & Great Work for Him!

Ed Domingo, Sunset Beach Church of Christ; Philippines

Dear Sister Naomi,

We are still praying for you here to have the Comfort of The Lord through Christ, Amen. We hope the children are fine. We have just taken delivery of four boxes of used clothing from you and we do thank you so much, sister. We appreciate your love for us and the Lord's work here.

Thanks . Alexander Ofori, a servant of The Most High God from the London Corner Church of Christ in the Gambia.

Naomi,

It's hard to put into words the impression Ed and you have

made on our hearts. Ed Bousman was the best preacher of God's truth I have ever had the pleasure of hearing speak personally. I thank God that he blessed this world with his presence for 92 yrs. and will continue to reach other lost souls with GIJAPA.org. There is a saying I believe to be true, "A man is not dead until he is forgotten." Ed Bousman never forgot the Lord Jesus and His Word, and the brotherhood will never forget Ed Bousman!!
Randy & Linda Sebright Battle Creek, MI

Dear Naomi,

Your husband, Ed Bousman, was a good teacher and I learned a lot from your husband. Ed played a real BIG role in my life and I shared his broadcasts with two churches in my area here in Chicago. Ed gave me two books of sermons a few years back when I was doing your Bible study home school lessons. I use them a lot! I heard Ed on radio here in Chicago ALL THE WAY FROM VIRGINIA! The signal was real good that night and I still believe that God had a hand in on my finding Ed on the radio. I'll say it again as I told Ed then in a letter I wrote to him: "WE NEED MORE BROADCASTS LIKE HIS!" You know, I don't have to tell you that this world today is real hard to cope with, but when I heard Ed, Peace was suddenly there! Ed will be missed here on earth but just think the joy in heaven right now! Thank you, Mrs. Bousman for letting Ed do what he did best for all these years - preach the gospel! God bless you and your staff at GIJAPA.

Your brother in Christ, Bill S from Chicago, IL

Dear Naomi and the GIJAPA Team!

"KEEP ON KEEPING ON!" Fight the great fight in Christ Jesus as it will be worth it all when we do get to see Jesus. Just think we'll be with Ed again and we'll all be a jumpin' and a shoutin'. Our hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness. WOW! What a blessing to look forward for. My apologies for not sending any money this time, but I will be sending something at the end of the each month. This letter this time is simply words of encouragement for all of you so keep the faith. I hope none of you will ever abandon the ship, because just like Adrian Rogers and his LIFE WORTH LIVING (I believe) program we can do the same with the GIJAPA MINISTRY. It is alive and well, just as Jesus is alive and well. Press on brothers and sisters, press on till Jesus comes!

Love and forgives Arthur J from Columbus, OH

Dear Naomi,

We are truly saddened that "Ambassador" Ed has been called home. We too must adjust to the fact that he is no longer personally with us, but his wonderful life's work certainly needs to be continued. I can't remember exactly but I believe I first discovered GIJAPA about 1972 when it was also on WLW Sunday evenings at 11:30 PM. In 1992 I met and married dearest Kathy and she too soon became an eager listener. So we wish to assure you that you may depend on our support for as long as the Lord leaves us here and funds remains available. As a closing comment, I wish to advise that over my long life span, I have listened to numerous preachers some with national recognition, so in evaluating the messages delivered I firmly believe that Ed Bousman rates as NUMBER ONE! While we will remain unseen, Naomi, be assured that you will ever remain in our thoughts and prayers.

In His Holy Name, Kathy and Andy from Springfield, OH

Mrs. Bousman,

Greetings, I wanted to write to extend my sympathy to you and your family over the loss of your husband. I never knew Ed personally but only on the flyers that I received while incarcerated here at Wrightsville in Arkansas. I started doing Ed's correspondence courses back in December of 1st year and I always looked forward to getting them in the mail. The Bible that I received when I started the course was a true blessing to me. When I get out of prison sometime in the fall of 2012 and start working I will remember your ministry and will make contributions to your cause. I came to know Jesus while in prison through your ministry and I am learning much of what the Bible has to offer. Thank you again Mrs. Bousman for all of your support that you give this ministry. You may never know the lives of the people that Ed has changed over the years. I know you have certainly changed mine. God bless you and your whole family. *William from Wrightsville, AR*



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