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In Memory of Ed's 94th Birthday

THE WRECK

by Ed Bousman



In May of 1938 (age 19) the Virginia State Track Meet was held on the facilities of the University of Virginia in Charlottesville. Most of the team had gone up on Friday, and the coach told five of us who were distance runners to wait until Saturday morning to drive up from Newport News, about two and half-hours away.

While I was not a very faithful Christian at the time and seldom attended services, I did a strange thing before I left home on Saturday morning. I kneeled down privately and prayed for safety. About two hours later we were involved in a wreck about fifteen miles from Charlottesville. The car I was riding in was totaled and observers marveled how anyone could come out of it alive. One of the injuries was the loss of half of the middle finger on my right hand.

Was the outcome luck or was it something else? The scripture does say of angels: "Are they not all

ministering spirits sent forth to do service for the sake of them that shall inherit salvation?" Whatever your opinion may be the fact is I was in Bible College the following year studying (I use the word studying loosely) for the ministry.

On the masthead of the monthly newsletter for the GIJAPA radio program is the emblem of a right hand with the missing middle finger, a continual reminder that the only reason I have for being alive and surviving my teen-age years is to preach



Ed at age 18 in high school



Ed in England - 82 years old

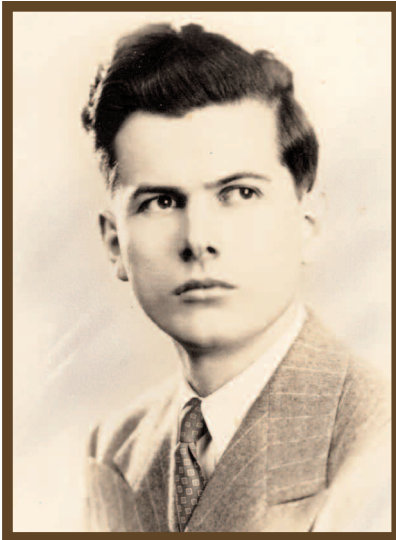
the gospel. I have done very little in the ministry except to preach and this for over sixty (67 when he passed away-May 16, 2011) years. Whatever good has been done is known only to the Lord, but at least at this point we can say that because of prayer, the grace of God, and the ministry of angels many thousands in many parts of the world have heard the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ that would never have heard otherwise.

(And again because of prayers, the grace of God, ministering Angels, and our faithful supporters many thousands in many parts of the world continue to hear the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ every Lord's Day - Ed is still the voice of GIJAPA).

JUNE 11th, 1939

Philippians Chapter Four

Ladies and Gentlemen, on Sunday morning June, 11, 1939, I was awarded a small pocket size New Testament by the preacher of the Twenty-fourth Street Church of Christ in Newport News, Virginia. The occasion was my graduation from the local High School. The preacher had several scripture references written on the presentation page. The references were from the book of Philippians, chapter four, and verses thirteen and nineteen. The first one is where Paul says; "I can do all things in Him that strengtheneth me." The second one says, "And my God shall supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."



These verses were certainly needed at that time. It was the middle of the Great Depression when twenty percent of the work force had been out of jobs. I had declared myself for the ministry and had no money, no job, and no prospects that things were going to be any better. That preacher certainly picked the right verses at that time. For Paul to say he could do all things was a pretty tall order. But how could he do all things under the conditions when he lived? He had no car, no plane, no printing press, no television, no radio, no publishing house, no church building, no computer, no email, no cell phone, and think of it no internet where Paul like some preachers today could download ready-made sermons and not have to get up any of his own. Yet he said he could do all things. How could he do all those things without those modern hi-tech advantages? He explained how he did it when he said he could do all things through Christ who strengthened him. That other verse said, "My God shall supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus." Think of it, Paul says that God will supply our every need. We need to remember that God will decide what we need and not ourselves. Now that was a good verse for my preacher to write when he gave me that New Testament, June 11, 1939.

THANK YOU SO MUCH!

We experienced Matthew 7:7

In September's newsletter when I shared GIJAPA's lack of funds, preventing some of our par ministries - sending out Bibles, shoes and clothes—to continue; I asked - God

heard and He responded through your special gifts of \$4,251.00 over and above our regular monthly gifts. As a result of God's answer to our prayers, GIJAPA has mailed 25 boxes out at \$61 each of Bibles and clothes to our Churches in Philippines, Zambia, and The Gambia and 100 large print Bibles to prisoners. THANK YOU for the numerous boxes of baby and children's clothes you've sent over the past two months. I know that God does and will provide our every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus. Yes, "I can do all things in HIM that strengtheneth me." "We know that to them that love God all things work together for good, even to them that are called according to His purpose." My God continue to richly bless you as GIJAPA is blessed through your generous gifts - ALL OF YOU!

LETTERS

Naomi,

The Christians are being attacked by the world's powers and appears the US is turning away from God. YOUR IMPACT DOES MAKE A DIFFERENCE! Keep on Keeping on!

Chuck from Virginia Beach, VA

Dear GIJAPA,

Am sorry we cannot send more! The last three years have been difficult trying just to pay regular utility bills on time. We are retired and it's not as much fun as it was 10 years ago, because then our retirement was the same as now, but expenses as yours is much greater now. May God continue to bless you all as you continue to carry on His labors. If Obama gets four more years, we will all be in serious trouble. May God forbid!!!

In Christian Love Paul & Elaine from IN

Dear Mrs. Ed Bousman,

My name is James and I'm here at the East Arkansas Regional Unit. I have been listening to your radio show, "God Is Just A Prayer Away" out of KAAY Little Rock, AR. Ed is one of the most spiritual broadcasters I ever heard. Your broadcast has been a great help to me especially since January 6, 2006, I lost my parents, they both died of cancer. I haven't heard from my sister or brother since I've been locked up for the past 8 years. Every month I get one of your newsletters. I really enjoy reading it. It helps to keep me with the right positive mind! Pray for me!

Brickeys, AR

Dear Naomi, Eric, Melanie,

Thank you so very much, because all you have inspired my life and have been a sense of a great and wonderful encouragement to me for these past several years. Hope and pray that we have many more years ahead of us to work together for God, our wonderful Lord. Keep up the wonderful work, keep playing Ed's sermons and "Keep on Keeping on!"

Thelma & Art from Columbus, OH

I thank you again for the Bible, I've made it very useful doing my Bible studies and I'm finishing "The Christian

Way” as of now. I also thank you for the Old and New Testament Sermon books of Ed Bousman’s. I also would like to ask you to put my family in the church prayers. I have a lot of pain in my life for letting God and the Church and my family down. I’ve got four grown children and 16 year old and Isaiah the baby he’s with DHS because of all of this. I also have 10 grandchildren I love and miss so much. I’ll be 50 this month and I’ve got three years of prison left. I’m doing a ten year sentence for meth.

Love, Frederick from Dermott, TX

Dear Sister Naomi,

We keep on praying for you and the children. It is also our prayer that faithful brethren there will keep on assisting your work with funds and other things to enable you continue assisting us here on this hard soil. Your help is very, very important for us here, for without that we would not know what to do. We don’t have funds to buy all those things you have been sending to us so we are always very grateful upon receiving them. We say, thanks once more Sister Naomi. Our attendance keeps increasing, that Pentecostal Church members also keep coming to worship with us one after the other from week after week. Praise be to God. Many of them need clothes and shoes. We please need all, being Bibles, shoes and clothes etc. of all sizes, adults, children, and infants. We are many now. Thanks so much, sister, and hoping to hear from you soon.

Alexander Ofori, Evangelist of London Corner Church of Christ in The Gambia, and a servant of The Most High God

My Dear Sister Naomi.

Greetings. Naomi Maseka, your namesake, was born on 4th October 2010. She is fine together with all the family including the spiritual family. All the Churches, Messenger, Kandemba, Kyalalakuba and Kyansange Churches of Christ are asking for Bibles in our local language, Kaonde, Lunda and Bemba, adding with the English we continue to give. During my recent visit, other leaders and brothers and sisters in the churches had Bibles without Genesis to Numbers and part of Matthew and Third John and last chapters of Revelation is torn. We need your help with Bibles. Having food and our children going to school, help and encourage us a lot to press forward preaching the gospel. As a family, we have cut off expensive pleasure things to help us focus on preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ. With food, God is blessing us and clothes you continue to send us. Thank you so much.

John Maseka, Church minister / Evangelist of 4 Churches above in Zambia

Hello Madame Naomi! Sorry for the delay of this email. We are on some floods & in prone for force evacuation due to heavy rains as we are on the typhoon quarter of the year. Our work to the Lord continue to be a challenge. While there are areas of work in which they put us in some moderation because of our wet weather, there are also open doors for us in which we place our focus to come up with similar and more fruitful results. So for now, as torrential rains fall in our ground, our effort is on high for our life-long existence as local churches. Most of our members

here are in the range of 15 to 40 years old who were formerly affiliated to big denominational churches in which there were not much training and exposition to the work of the Lord. It has been our long-term target to strengthen our churches & to marshal them for HIS work, and to congregate them for better worship services. For now we are investing a lot of time in their regular studies and training, and helping them discover their talents where they could put their effort for the growth of the local church and in their faith in Him. So far we have to nurture our members with the Word of God & pray for the Holy Spirit for their growth.

Ed Domingo, Sunset Beach Church of Christ, Philippines

Dear Naomi and Family,

I am so sorry I am late to bring all my sympathy to you. I deeply regret the loss of Father Ed, the true servant of the Lord, the hub of the wheel, the central character of GIJAPA for all these years. It was just about a week ago that I got to know the sad news. I have found some new friends, a married couple belonging to the Salvation Army. They sing and pray much together at meetings inside and often outside in the streets, I let them borrow some 80 songs that I have written. One of the last songs was my translation of your signature God Is Just A Prayer Away, that I made some ten years ago. I told them about you, about Ed and his long preaching service and I also mentioned that my translation into Swedish was published in the Newsletter about that time. We had some contacts the years before and I was very touched to notice that dear Ed remembered that I had had severe accidents as well as having gone through deep depressions. I understand that he must have had hundreds of people to contact and I was so impressed that he remembered little me. I now walk with one stick inside and two outside. My depressions come and go but the Lord is holding my hand. I am now 71 and my wife is 63. Please give my warmest regards to all members of the family.

Yours in Him, Sven Olof Nilsson from Sweden

Ms. Bousman,

I’m in need of a Bible and your Bible studies. Someone here gave me your name. If you could make this happen that would be such a blessing. For 21 years I was a union electrician. Retired worked as marketing coordinator for the Rescue Mission for 9 years doing things in the name of God, it was so amazing. Quit on 31st of 2010 opened a Constructions Co. doing everything in the name of Ken, didn’t work out nearly as well! Hope you understand and her I am in Prison in Shreveport, LA.

Hi from Syracuse, NY,

Recently I found your 9:30 PM Sunday night radio broadcasts from 1170 AM, Wheeling, W. Virginia and 1140 AM, WRVA Richmond, VA. Enclosed is a donation for the CD of your song: “God Is Just A Prayer Away.” Everything about it is lovely - the piano and organ the men’s voices and the words. I would very much like to have a copy of it to play. Please do not put me on your mailing list.

Thank you, Iris from Syracuse, NY. (Just a reminder that GIJAPA reaches up in NY loud and clear!)

Dear Naomi,

Our kids have collected money to help with shipping the clothes and Bibles for the people you send them to. We'll just be sending more clothes as we collect them. Are there any special things needed/special ages or special types of clothes - boys or girls.

Love and prayers, Keystone Christian Church, Pittsburgh, PA - Justus, Junia & Jo, Silas, Lydia & Naomi, Juliet & Emma, Matt, Ethan and Toni Zottola

Please accept my donation of \$10 for baby and young children's clothes. I was very touched by GJAPA sending clothes to these under privileged children and wanted to help as I can't help my own right now.

Maurice from Arkansas Department of Correction, Pine Bluff, AR

HOW LONG WILL IT BE?

Back in 1939 I went to the hospital to see our preacher who was in the hospital as a patient. Now the reason our preacher was in the hospital was because his throat had been cut, almost from ear to ear. Before I continue with this story, I must tell you first how he got his throat cut. He did not get his throat cut by the elders, nor was it the deacons who individually or collectively did him in. Actually they were well qualified officers of that church. I just wanted to establish the innocence of these brethren of that bygone day, all of whom have gone on to their reward. The reason his throat was cut was because of a doctor. You see, our preacher had an ingrown goiter, and hence the necessity of the operation. So, it was on this occasion that I went to see him. Now it looked like at that time that our world was falling apart. World War II was ready to begin; in fact it did begin about a month later on September the first 1939. I remember the headlines on the newspaper that day: "WAR BEGINS IN EUROPE!" Now on this visit to see my preacher, I asked him if he knew how long it would be before the Lord would come, because it looked like it would happen at any moment. I did not want the Lord to come back at that time, because I was getting ready to go

to Bible College, and I did not want the Lord to return before I had a chance to do something. The preacher said, "He did not know when the Lord would return, and that if anyone said they knew when He would return they would be making a fool of himself." This was not good enough for me, and I insisted on an answer that would be a little more definitive. I said, "Well how long do you think it will be? I don't want you to make a fool of yourself, but could you make a guess?" He gave that question some thought and then ventured to say, "Well I think the way things are going, and he gave himself plenty of leeway, we may have fifteen years yet." I took that as the gospel truth and rejoiced that I had fifteen years to preach the word. Surely in fifteen years I ought to be able to do something for the Lord in the matter of the salvation of the souls of men. Now that was 1939, and at this writing this is November 2006. Now I realize that most of you who went to school since about 1970 never learned to add, subtract, divide, or multiply, but if you will just take your pocket calculator and punch in 4 x 15 the read out will reveal that fifteen years has passed by four times, and just about half of the fifth fifteen year increment. My preacher was right. He said the Lord would come in 15 years. The only thing is, he did not say which fifteen years. As we approach the year 2007, world conditions look as bleak as 1939, and many are asking me when will the Lord return. Well I have to say: "A man makes a fool of himself if he thinks he knows when the trumpet will sound, and the Lord shall descend from heaven with a shout, and the voice of the archangel." However if you really want to know: considering world conditions, just how long I really think we have left? I have to say, I truly believe the Lord will come within fifteen years, the only thing is, I am not saying which fifteen years it will be. It may be this fifteen years, or the next one after that, or the next one after that, or the next one after that, and after that you don't need to know because none of you will be here. However a more important question remains: "If you are not here, WHERE WILL YOU BE?" E.B.



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