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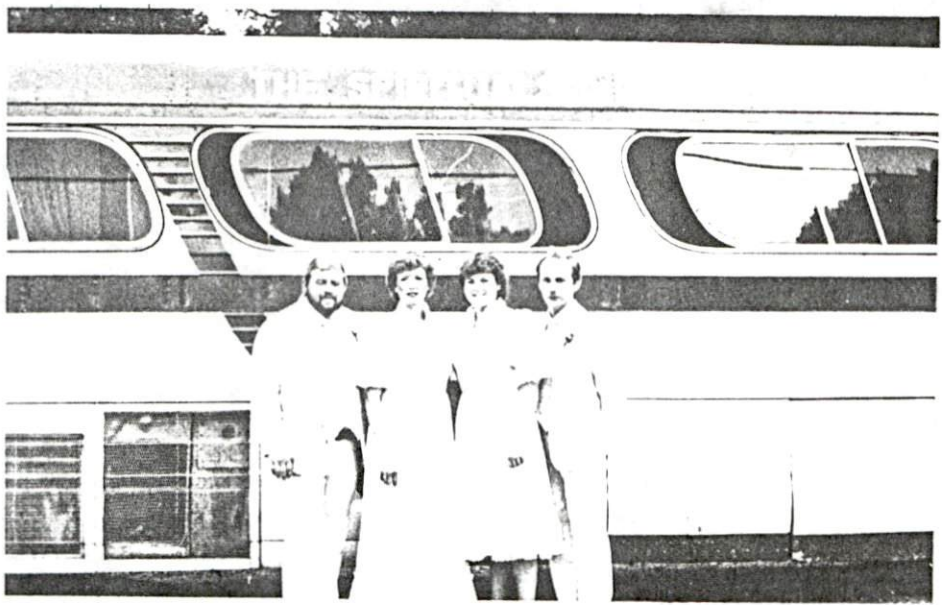
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"GOSPEL MUSIC NEWS FROM THE 'HART' OF KENTUCKY"

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Big Thanksgiving Sing Nov. 24

The Edmonton Quartet will be having a Big Gospel Singing on Thanksgiving night, November 24, at the Hart County High School in Munfordville. Featured singers will be the Edmonton Quartet and The McCubbins Family. Beginning time is 7:00 C.S.T. Bring your family and friends for an evening of good gospel music. See ad on page 8.

Thanksgiving Eve Singing Nov. 23

The Childress Family is looking forward to a very enjoyable evening of gospel music at the Cornerstone Baptist Church, R.R. 2, Box 126, Madisonville, KY. This is an annual singing featuring various professional groups as well as local groups. This year will be featuring the ever famous Lester Family from St. Louis, Missouri for a concert starting at 7:00 p.m. We are looking for the Spirit of God to make his presence known at the annual Thanksgiving Eve Service on November 23, 1983.

The Childress Family and the pastor Cleatus Bowman would like to invite any and all to come to this unforgettable service of thanksgiving to our Lord and Saviour for His goodness and mercy and his blessings throughout the year.

Spirituals attend Country Gospel Association

The National Country Gospel Music Association held their National Convention this year in Fayetteville, Tennessee, on September 9 and 10. Everyone who attended this year was truly blessed, as always. The Spirituals of Edmonton were fortunate enough this year to attend both

nights. Mr. Jack Hurt of the Spirituals was especially blessed this year as he was chosen "Favorite Bass Singer 1983." The Spirituals ask your prayers as they travel doing their work in the Lord's Kingdom.
The Spirituals

Early Deadline!

Groups Get your news and advertising to us as soon as possible next month due to the Thanksgiving holidays.

Thanks, Editor
Annette McCubbins

Hart Co. Singing Convention

The Hart County Singing will be held November 5, 1983, at the Pike View Baptist Church, Pike View, Ky., 7:00 C.S.T. Darris Waters, President, invites everyone to attend.

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LINCOLNAIRES DATES... Address on page 5

October 30 - Bethlehem Baptist Church, Sunday morning service, Greensburg, Ky.

November 5 and 6 - Family weekend
November 20 - Sunday night, Friendship Baptist Church, Campbellsville, 7:00 p.m.

November 26 - Saturday night, Tartars Chapel United Methodist, 7:30 p.m.

November 27 - Sunday, Fairview United Methodist, don't know where the church is located, if anyone can help please call Jim Rogers 358-4572.

Praisers join G.R.O.

The Praisers of Madisonville, KY have joined Gospel Reaching Out.

This group has been singing a short time and has reported to me that they want to sing His Praise as much as possible and tell others of His great love.

There are just three members Doyle (father), Carolyn (mother) and Barbara (daughter) and they sing with tapes but are praying for another good voice or two and some live music. Right now its "Have tapes, will travel." They request your prayers.

We are glad to have the Praisers as a part of Gospel Reaching Out.

address on page 5 Editor, Annette McCubbins

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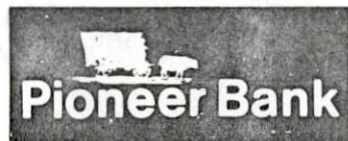
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Info about National Quartet Convention

It was our privilege to be able to attend the National Quartet Convention in Nashville, Tennessee, October 3-8 all week long. Even though it was late when we got there on Monday night, the singing lasted until around 11:15. When we arrived the Easter Brothers were singing. We also got to hear the Hopper Brothers and Connie and the Dixie Melody Boys.

Each day Tuesday through Saturday, there was Bible Study at 10:00 at the Hyatt Regency with Rev. Buck Morton emcee for the Convention. At 12:00 noon each day there was chapel services also at Hyatt Regency featuring a different group each day having an hour to sing. This featured the Lester's, Hoppers and Connie, Cathedrals, Singing Americans and Rex Nelon Singers. These services were very enjoyable, spiritual and uplifting.

Each evening the singing lasted until late and most everyone stayed til the last group sang.

On Thursday night the Singing News Fan Awards were awarded to various ones with Kirk Talley being the top winner. He was voted by fans all across the country as Favorite First Tenor, Mr. Gospel Music, His Song "Step Into the Water" was voted number 1 song. Another one of Kirk's songs, "No Other Word for Grace but Amazing" was listed in the top 10. Also The

Cathedral Quartet whom Kirk Talley sings first tenor with was voted the number 1 group. Connie Hopper of The Hopper Brothers was voted Queen of Gospel Music, George Younce of The Cathedrals was Favorite Bass Singer, Jim Hamil of The Kingsmen was voted favorite lead. Mark Trammel of The Cathedrals was selected number 1 second tenor. The most promising new group award was given to The Kings Boys, a young group from Kinston, N.C. Wendy Bagwell of The Sunliters was emcee for the Fan Awards. You wouldn't believe some of the things he came up with. Anthony Burger was voted most talented musician and Kingsmen Band was voted Number 1 Band.

There was large crowd's each evening with a very large crowd on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Ticket sales were good with a lot of tickets sold prior to convention time. Stephen Speer, Executive Director, was well pleased with attendance and response.

Next year the Convention will be held October 1-6 - Plans are already underway for next year's convention. If you have never been it would be a very enjoyable event for you, your family and friends plus you will meet some of the best and nicest people in the world.

The most Prestigious Award, Marvin Norcross Award went to Les Beasley

Annette and Haskell McCubbins

Cavelanders will be guest singers at Hart County Singing November 5 at Pike View Baptist Church.

To the Editor

On Sunday afternoon, October 2, 1983, New Salem Baptist Church, located off Hwy. 88, was host to Green County Singing Convention, which meets regularly each first Sunday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. of every month, even though some were not aware that our president, Mr. Walter Wright, was confined in Coronary Unit of St. Anthony's Hospital, Louisville. The singing was enjoyed by everyone present under the direction of Mr. Bob Bucholtz and Gospel Piano of Fannola Acree.

We had a visitor who just last week filled in with Buddy Lowe and his Joymakers at Anniversary Sing of the Durrett Family the past week at the Liberty Baptist Church, September 30.

Mr. Lanny Harlow, Hardyville, KY, and his family blessed us with his testimony of praise.

The "Morning Star" gospel group from Elizabethtown did a good job and are always welcome to join the Green County Singing Convention.

Another first was the chorus of Rubel Houk family with guitars in background and famous harmonica of Woodrow Matney we all know in this area. Their testimony of singing in homes wherever they're invited to sing and witness to shut-ins will long be remembered by everyone.

Will report more later!

Fannola Acree
Sungate Reporter
932-4417

Tobacco Festival in Hart County

Plans continue to be formalized for the Hart County Tobacco Festival to be held November 5 in Horse Cave.

Activities will be centered at the Peoples Tobacco Warehouse No. 2 on Hwy. 31W.

Planned to take place in the warehouse, beginning

at 9 a.m., are an Arts and Crafts Exhibition, a Health Fair and contests associated with tobacco. These will include cigarette rolling, tobacco twisting, tobacco stripping, pipe smoking, tobacco spitting, tobacco grading and tobacco auctioneering.

In addition, tobacco leaf

entries will be judged. These will consist of two hands, any grade.

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November 19 - Shiloh Baptist Church, Glasgow, KY, 6:30 p.m.

November 20 - Faith Baptist Church, Monticello, KY, 6:30 p.m.

November 26 - Martin's Chapel Methodist Church, Livingston, Tennessee, 7:00 p.m.

November 27 - Buck Creek Baptist Church, Somerset, KY, 2:00 E.S.T.

December 4 - Allen Co. Singing Convention, White Plains Free Methodist Church, Scottsville, KY, 2:00 p.m.

December 4 - Lawrence Chapel Methodist Church, Smiths Grove, KY, 6:30 p.m.

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November 6 - Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, Mt. Sherman, 6:00 EST, Rev. David South Pastor.

November 13 - Camp Ground Baptist Church, Somerset, 7:00 EST, Rev. Rick Clark Pastor.

November 19 - Liberty Baptist Church, Green Co., between Summersville and Greensburg, 7:30 EST with Gethsemene Quartet, Rev. Jerry Judd pastor.

November 20 - Mt. Tabor Baptist Church, Larue Co., 7:00 EST, singing, Rev. Carlis Compton pastor.

November 24 - Thanksgiving Singing with Edmonton Quartet, Hart County High School, 7:00 CST.

November 27 - White Mills Baptist Church, morning worship, 10:00 EST in White Mills, Rev. Theodore McCubbins pastor.

November 27 - Friendship Baptist Church No. 2, Larue Co., evening service, Rev. Ron Lewis pastor.

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November 6 - Zion Baptist Church located in Campbellsville, KY, 7:00 p.m.

November 12 - Dutch Creek Presbyterian Church located in Cumberland County, 6:30 p.m.

November 13 - Faith & Fellowship Baptist Church located in Glasgow, KY, 7:00 p.m.

November 19 - Fountain Head Baptist Church located in Portland, Tennessee, 7:00 p.m.

November 20 - Martinville Baptist Church located in Warren County, 7:00 p.m.

November 28-? - Revival at Pink Ridge Baptist Church located near Sulphur Well, KY, Bro. Bobby Estes - Pastor, Dr. Gary Ervin - Evangelist.

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November 5 - Glen Lily Baptist Church, 7:00 p.m., Bowling Green

November 6 - Highland Chapel Methodist Church, 7:00 p.m., Burkesville

November 6 - Green County Singing, 1:30 p.m.

November 13 - Bear Creek Methodist Church, 6:30 p.m., Burkesville

November 19 - Cedar Cliff Baptist Church, 7:00 p.m., Horse Cave

November 20 - Oak Grove Separate Baptist, 11 a.m. all day, Green county.

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November 5 - Howell Baptist Church, Evansville, Indiana, 7:00 p.m.

November 6 - Buttonsberry Baptist, Island, KY, 1:30 p.m.

November 12 - Lafayette Baptist, Lafayette, KY, 7:00 p.m.

November 13 - Open
November 19 - Shiloh Baptist Church, Patronsville, Indiana, 7:00 p.m.

November 20 - Open
November 23 - Cornerstone Baptist Church with Lester Family, Madisonville, KY, 7:00 p.m.

November 24 - Barnett Lick Church, Morgantown, KY, 7:00 p.m.

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Seminars held at Convention

I would like to say that I enjoyed and appreciated the seminars for "Women Only" held at the Hyatt Regency recently during the National Quartet Convention, October 6 and October 8.

There were speakers on subjects like road widows by Vanlua Payne and at home alone with Billie Goodman - The Professional Woman by Lou Hildreth - Be all you can be by Jan Buckner.

Coping with Illness with speaker Faye Spear, Coping with Cancer by Connie Hopper, Women in the Church with Janet Loman and Women in the Community by Alison Whitmere.

These seminars were very enlightening and inspirational.

Annette McCubbins

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The Story about Darwin Hawkins and his record collection

Dear readers of Gospel Reaching Out,

May I introduce myself to you folks there in the state of Kentucky? My name is Darwin Hawkins. My wife, Dorothy, and I live in a small town of Manchester, Penn., which is located 7 miles north of York, Penn.

In the past few years I seem to have acquired a reputation for being one of the foremost collectors of gospel record albums in eastern Pennsylvania.

My dear friends, the McCubbins Family, of Munfordville, KY, have so graciously asked me to write an article on my LP album collection, for publication in Gospel Reaching Out.

I have never considered myself to be much of a writer, with the exception of being a letter writer. But I am a bible believing man, and Philippians 4:13 says, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." So with this promise from God's word, and your kind indulgence, I have made an attempt at writing this article.

I should begin my article by referring back to the depression years of the 1930's, when I was a young child. We were very poor folks during those years, and the only thing my parents owned for entertainment was an old RCA Victrola, and a pile of scratchy old 78 RPM records. My younger, and only brother, whose name is Marlet, and I would take turns cranking that old Victrola for hours at a time, just so we could listen to those scratchy old records. And they were not gospel records either. But we were not Christians back then, so we thought that they were good, considering they were the only thing we had to listen to. We did not even own a radio back in those depression years.

Later on, as we lived through the

years of the 1940's and the 1950's, things became better for us, and we were able to afford a radio, and eventually a TV set. Then I forgot about records, and got involved with other things for a number of years.

In the early 1950's, I became interested in motorcycles. So from 1952 until 1960, I owned 9 different motorcycles, and rode well over 100,000 in those years. I was a member of a local motorcycle club during those years. To me, happiness back then, was to jump on my motorcycle when each weekend came around, and ride to Virginia, or Ohio, or New York, or New Hampshire, to attend a motorcycle race or a motorcycle hillclimb.

Well, The Lord let me continue in this lifestyle until the end of 1960. By then, I became tired of this kind of living. So I started attending a local church, something which I had not done since I was a youngster. Luckily, I had started attending a good Bible preaching church. After attending there for a very short period of time, I was under a very strong conviction of being lost, and needed to get my life straightened out with the Lord. So at a Youth For Christ rally there at this church on New Year's Eve in 1960, I turned from my sinful past, and asked the Lord to save me. You can be sure that New Year's Day 1961, was the beginning of a completely new life for me.

I must back up some years in my story. During the middle 1950's my brother married a girl from the mountains of West Virginia. I had the opportunity of visiting with her family a number of times after she married my brother. I immediately sensed that there was something different about these folks, as they were Christians. They had a record player, and some

gospel albums. After listening to their albums, I knew right then and there I had to get myself some gospel albums to listen to also.

Until December of 1959 I did not own a record of any kind, or even a record player. So in that month I purchased an inexpensive record player, and four of Ernie Ford's earliest gospel albums, which I still have in my record collection 24 years later. I honestly believe today, that it was through listening to my very first gospel albums, that the Lord convicted me of my sin, and saved me on that New Year's Eve in 1960. I had no idea in the world, that buying those first gospel albums, would lead to the collection I own today.


Well, The Lord was very good to me during the 1960's, and gave me a wonderful Christian wife in 1964. Since both of us were then Christians, and had no desire for earthly entertainment, we decided we needed something to do for recreation. So we took up hiking for a number of years. We hiked on the Appalachian Trail on our free Saturdays, and on our vacations. This continued through the fall season of 1971. In November of that year I suffered a severe heart seizure, which ended our hiking career. By this year we had hiked nearly 500 miles of the Appalachian Trail from northern New Jersey through the Shenandoah National Park in Virginia.

I almost died from this heart seizure, and I know it was only through the prayers of those who cared for me, and God's great grace and mercy that I am here yet today. I spent eight days in the hospital, and could not work for two months due to this seizure. So I feel I have been living on borrowed time for the past 12 years. At any rate, God has been very good to me.

After having my heart seizure, we

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Darwin Hawkins Story

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could no longer continue hiking, so we started attending gospel concerts. Well, we immediately fell in love with the gospel singers, and we have been steady lovers of gospel concerts ever since 1972. In fact, for the past several years now, we have attended anywhere from 50 to 150 gospel concerts per year. We have attended gospel concerts in nine different states, and have seen perhaps 1,000 different gospel groups in the past 11 years. Our longest trips to gospel concerts up until this time has been to the state of Georgia on two different occasions. Two of our favorite places to attend gospel concerts is at the Singing In The Smokies in Bryson City, N.C. and at the Pennsylvania State Singing Convention in Martinsburg, Penn. We have many others that we look forward to attending each year.

I was not buying any amount of gospel albums until my wife and I started attending gospel concerts. We received such a blessing from the singing, that I began buying albums from just about all the groups singing at the concerts. There have been several times now that we have come home with 100 or more albums from a single weekend of concerts.

So my album collection continues to grow by leaps and bounds, so to speak. In the past year I have added about 2500 albums to my collection. At this writing I have approximately 9000 different LP albums in my record library.

I am rather well known by most of the gospel groups traveling this country. The question they ask me the most is "Who is your favorite gospel group?" My reply is the Inspirations and the Singing Echoes. Both my wife and I enjoy these two groups the best. We feel that they are both sincere and spiritual groups, and we also love their style of singing. We enjoy most styles of gospel singing. However, we still like southern gospel, bluegrass gospel and

(to be continued in Dec.)

TRIP ON BELLE SUCCESSFUL

We would like to thank the Servants, Karen Dale Riley Quesenberry, and everyone who helped us celebrate our 11th year of gospel singing aboard the Belle of Louisville on September 18. God provided a very beautiful day, with a fall breeze blowing, the sun shining on the water and sail boats dotting the background. The singers sang songs of praise. For a few hours all worries seemed to vanish. Everyone seemed to have an enjoyable afternoon.

For those who didn't get to go on the boat with us this year, we're inviting you to make plans to be with us at our 12th anniversary singing aboard the Belle of Louisville on October 7, 1984.

Since the Belle of Louisville singing there has been some personnel changes Janis Rogers, who sang with the group most of the 11 years has retired. Being the mother of four active children, she felt she should be at home with them on weekends.

The group now consists of lead - Jim Rogers, Hodgenville; tenor - Benny Puckett, Hodgenville; baritone - Harold Wayne Warren, Hodgenville; bass - W.D. Martin, Horse Cave; and piano - James Beams, Campbellsville.

On October 9 we helped celebrate Lincoln Days in Hodgenville, singing before and after community church services on the square. Another beautiful Sunday as the churches of Hodgenville gathered to worship together.

As most people know a group that sings almost every weekend and each member holds a 5 of 6 days a week job has to be very dedicated and light hearted. Seems as if funny situations are always happening, like the day Big Foot was on the bus and Howard Wayne's shoes got stretched.

We are thankful to report that Mrs. Warren, Janis and Harold Wayne's mom, and Mrs. Beams, J.B.'s mom are doing fine, both have been in the hospital.

Until next month, we need your prayers and remember God is always near.

Recipes

HUMMINGBIRD CAKE

- 3 cups all purpose flour
- 2 cups of sugar
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 1 tsp. ground cinnamon
- 3 eggs well beaten
- 1 1/4 cup oil
- 1 1/2 tsp. vanilla
- 1-8 oz. can crushed pineapple (juice and all)
- 3/4 cup pecans
- 1/4 cup black walnuts
- 2 cups chopped bananas

Combine all dry ingredients in large bowl. Add eggs and oil. Mix until well moistened. Do not beat in a mixer. Stir in vanilla, pineapple and nuts. Add bananas. Pour into 3 well greased and floured 9" pans. Bake at 350 degrees for 25 to 30 minutes. Cool in pan for 10 minutes. Cool well before frosting.

FROSTING

- 1-8 oz. pkg. cream cheese at room temperature
- 1/2 cup butter at room temperature
- 1 lb. box powdered sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 cup chopped pecans.

Combine cream cheese, butter and vanilla until smooth. Add sugar. Beat with mixer until light and fluffy. Stir in nuts. Frost layers and sides of cake.

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State Convention Successful

The Kentucky State Singing Convention was held on September 24 and 25 at the Allen County Scottsville High School with 45 groups participating on Saturday night and many groups on Sunday.

The singing began around 7:00 on Saturday with groups coming from all over the state spreading the gospel through song. Carol Thomas, President of the Convention, was pleased with the response.

Some say that the gospel cannot go out through song but good gospel singing can reach into a part of a lost person that maybe never has heard a message. An inspired written song that comes from the Lord can touch a heart and cause them to see their lost condition. Preaching is very important and we need it very much especially if the message is from the Lord, but we also need singing to mellow the heart and lift us up.

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Bible Quiz Answers

1. Ezek. 8:3
2. II Sam. 21:20-21
3. Gen. 5:21, 24, 27
4. II Sam. 23:8
5. Judges 15:19
6. Job 4:15
7. Judges 5:20
8. II Sam. 17:17-19
9. II Kings 11:2-3
10. Hosea 13:2 from last month's questions

Bill Traylor buys Riversong

Bill Traylor has purchased River Song Records and Traylor is in charge of all recorded projects that have been released on this label. This includes the new album by the Cathedral's Live in Atlanta and Voices in Praise A Capella and an album by the Singing Americans, Everybody Ought to Praise His Name and Anthony Burger's instrumental album.

With Traylor being the complete owner of River Song, plans are being made for the establishment of the River Song Publishing Group.

Blackwood Production News

Ron Blackwood, President of Blackwood Productions, announces that recently the Rhythm Masters and Blackwood Productions reached an agreement to handle the national radio promotions on the Rhythm Masters new single (God Rides on Wings of Love).

Blackwood stated that their sing is receiving heavy national radio air play and is charting all across America.

Negotiations were handled with Blackwood and Mr. Bill Dykes.

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