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### Reviving Unity: April 7 @ 7

By: Richard Dean

Every three months the Whole Body of Christ Alliance holds a seven-day revival at seven different churches. It happens in the middle of the month every January, April, July, and October, always at 1900 (7pm). The revival that



Pastor Johnny Williams of Hope Fellowship on Thursday evening at Living Hope

began on 15 April started at Hope Fellowship in Winder. Pastor Johnny Williams hosted the first night of revival. "Our purpose is to bring about some unity," began Pastor Williams as he opened, "When the church was (see pg 4)

### UNOW

By: Donese Mercaldo

UNOW is United Night Of Worship. It was also a time for people of at least six different church bodies to worship together. About 120 people showed up at Cornerstone Church of Dacula



The combination praise and worship team at the UNOW event on 12 April at Cornerstone

on Friday, 12 April 2013 to worship the Living God collectively and in unity. The worshipers, mostly younger people, were from multiple churches, including Cornerstone Dacula, Cornerstone Athens, Bethel, Church of the Nations, Christ Outreach, and Faith Temple. The event was the brain child of Casey Ryon of Cornerstone Dacula. Casey and his wife Kristen put the event together with the help of people like Hannah Strickland, Kendall Crawford and others. (Continued on pg 6)

### The Seeking Bride

By: Richard Dean

Eighteen-year-old Nellie Martin was the most different and refreshing speaker President Karen Lewis has brought to Women of Destiny this reporter has ever seen there. "I don't date;" said the beautiful, tiny, young woman, "it's a waste of time. If you are to have a husband, the Lord



18-year-old Nellie Martin took Women of Destiny completely by surprise.

will lead you to him. You don't have to be in a relationship with a guy to be happy. Jesus is all I need. I am 18 years old and I have never kissed a guy. Do I look unhappy? Jesus is more than enough for me. If you are in love with someone, you'll give everything to the one (see pg 9)

### Miracle Food Bank

By: R. D. Hempton

Miracle Deliverance House of Prayer has opened their food pantry. They are open every Thursday at 12 noon while food supplies last.



Pastor Carol Patman of the Miracle Deliverance Churches in Winder, Jefferson, Commerce and Monroe reading the Battlefield News

Feeding the poor, helping the widows and orphans is the pure work God calls us to do according to the book of James. Miracle Deliverance has been trying to open a food Pantry in Winder for a very long time. At last it is open. The obstacles and trials they have overcome to have this place at 49 Jackson Street open and helping the poor have been great to say the very least. They have had to (see pg 12)

### Music of Mercy

By: R. D. Hempton

Pastor Danny Dyer of House of Power is a giver and a helper of people. He helps people that need help regardless of what peril it places him in – regardless of the cost to himself. People who know him know this about him and of all of the times he has done it.



Pastor Danny Dyer enjoying the wonderful music at the gospel singing in his honor

The WBCA came together at Faith Temple Fellowship Church in Winder to hold a benefit to help the man who has helped so many others. People from many churches in Barrow, Jackson, and Gwinnett Counties came together to help Pastor Danny Dyer, just out of (see pg 12)

### Women's Health Fair

By: R. D. Hempton

The TBG West Women's Ministry and First Lady Paula Halbert hosted The event at Emmanuel Worship Center in Winder on 4 May 2013 from 1300 (1pm) to 1600 (4pm).



Pastor Jesse Halbert and First lady Paula Halbert at the Women's Health Fair

The health fair was filled with goodies for women, although almost as many men were present as women. There was a clothes closet, free healthy food, classes on Zumba, diabetes, nutrition, high blood pressure, stress relief techniques, strokes and heart attacks (including CPR). As so often is the case with Timothy Baptist West, the event was something that would benefit the community. Van service was even provided for those who might have trouble getting to the event. Many people (see pg 14)

## On Prayer VI (Obedience)

By: Mozelle Davis-Weeks

Let us consider another problem associated with prayer: that of finding God's will. I John 5:14-15 says, "Now this is the confidence we have in him, that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of him." It is a 3-fold process: 1) we ask according to his will; 2) he hears us; 3) he answers our prayers.

There is an old saying that there are 3 answers to every prayer: Yes, no, and wait. That's a nice little saying, but it does not line up with scripture.

The scripture says that if God hears us, we have the petition. The implication is that if our prayers are not answered, God never heard them.

Nothing is wrong with God or his desire to hear and answer prayer. He is not an unwilling God that we should try twisting his arm. He **wants** to answer our prayers. Our problem, then, is that we present all kinds of petitions that have nothing to do with the will or purposes of God. Notice that prayer has to start with God's will. According to I John, our confidence is in the fact that we pray **according to his will**. Therefore, the first order of business is to realize that the listening is more important than the talking. After reading the scriptures, the first step is getting a word concerning our prayers rather than bombarding heaven to coerce, twist, and force our human wisdom (or more accurately, our lack of wisdom) on God. We pray until we know God's will. Then, if we pray according to God's will, he will hear us; because he hears us, we will have the petition.

An illustrative story begins in John 5:2 about a man who had come to the pool at Bethesda for 38 years trying to get well.

When Jesus saw that the man had been that way for a long time, he asked him, "Do you want to be made well?" I should think the answer would be obvious, but seen through a spiritual lens, as this man might have, it's anything but rhetorical. I mean, if you could be healed of lust or greed or anger or pride or lying, would you really want to? Just like this man whose life was defined by his disability, our lives too are arranged around such moral furniture and would look quite different without them. And what if "getting well" spiritually meant a painful amputation of a beloved habit, the denial of a personal passion or the death of a dream? Would you still want to be made well? When the patient is our souls and not our bodies, everything changes. The issue is no longer "can Jesus heal?" but "Do I want to get well?"

The primary point here, though is this, after healing the man, Jesus was questioned by the religious leaders concerning his healing the man on the Sabbath. Jesus' explanation is found in John 5:19, "The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he sees the Father do; for whatever he does, the son also does in like manner."

Jesus was a seer and a prophet. We are to be seers too, for we need to "see" what the Father is doing. Jesus said he could do nothing of himself. If the Lord could not heal this person unless the Father was healing him, then how much more must we say, "We can do nothing apart from the Father?"

There was a multitude of sick people at the pool, yet Jesus only healed one man. Why? He only saw the Father healing one person, and he moved with the Father. We see this "Seer Principle" again in John 5:30, "I can of myself do nothing. As I hear, I judge; and my judgment is righteous, because I do not seek my own will, but the will of him who sent me."

If it's true for the Son of God, it needs to be true for us. The key to prayer is to find out how heaven is moving and to line up with heaven.

Consider this in view of the literal translation of Mat 16:19, "And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

The verbs **loosed** and **bound** in this verse are actually perfect passive participles in the Greek, and are translated more accurately in the Amplified Version: "must be **already bound** in heaven" and "must be what is **already loosed** in heaven."

Whatever we bind must be bound in heaven. When heaven decides to release the antichrist, we can bind him until the cows come home, but he will not be bound because he is not bound in heaven. **We do not control God Through prayer – we move with him in what he is already doing.** The Lord once told me, "I will answer any prayer that Jesus is praying through you." **Any prayer that comes out of your soulful realm is not going to be answered because it is not according to God's will;** he will not hear it. But if I listen and receive a word of wisdom or a word of knowledge, I will pray **his** prayers and see them answered.

The point is that merely praying for God to do something will often be fruitless. We have to discern heaven's plan for that situation. **True prayer is listening instead of simply shooting our guns off in the air. When we aim at nothing, we hit nothing.**

The Bible says that if God listens to us, we will have our petition. That concept may drive us crazy because it implies that he does not hear much of what we pray. But let's be honest: many of our prayers just don't get answered, which suggests that God never heard them to begin with.

If we can become attuned to God's will in our prayers, we can proceed with confidence. For guidance let's look at Is 62:6-7, "I have set watchmen on your walls, o Jerusalem; they shall never hold their peace day or night. You who make mention of the Lord, do not keep silent, and give him no rest till he establishes and till he makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth."

Although the specific context of this scripture is for Jerusalem, the principle is true all the way around that we are to "remind the Lord" and "give him no rest" until his promise is realized. Once we have a word from God concerning a promise, we can approach him saying, "Lord, you said," or "Lord, you wrote..."

Once we have a scripture that applies to our situation – once God gives a word, especially a word in *the Word* – then we can take hold of it, stand on it, and pray it.

This theme of reminding God is also seen in Is 43:26, where he tells us to put him "in remembrance; let us argue our case together, state your cause, that you may be proved right." Too often we have no case. Then the Lord says, "What scripture are you basing your prayer on?" or, "Are you willing to get out of the sin that has created your problem?" or, "You are

under the chastisement of God, and it will not be lifted."

We need to know what we are doing before we come before God. Remember, Jesus said not to use "vain repetitions as the heathens do" (Mat 6:7). It is not how much we pray, but how accurately we pray.

Do you think America should be spared? If you go before God and pray, "I am claiming that America will escape World War III," you may not have a case. You cannot simply show up in heaven and command God, as if you were God and he were your servant. It is impossible to be strong in prayer if you are not strong in scripture. (See Is 41:26.)

This concern for the scripture implies an obedient reverence for its authority. Most Christians are not serious about obedience. They believe in obedience in theory, but when it comes down to verses that disagree with their lives, they say, "That doesn't apply to me."

Consider the divorce rate among believers. If a Christian married couple is serious about God, how could they even consider divorce an option? A believer cannot help it if his or her spouse leaves. But that particular case aside, there are thousands of Christians divorcing. Apparently, the Bible has no influence in their lives. Obedience is all in theory.

If a Christian takes obedience seriously, she could not even consider marrying an unbeliever. If a believer took obedience seriously, she would **have** to tithe. Many people don't even pray about tithing – the Bible says do it. If a woman takes obedience seriously, she could not **have** an abortion; it would not be an option.

Many Christians think the Bible is authoritative until it crosses them.

In a vision the Lord took me many places, but the last one was a stinking, filthy basement, filled with every kind of disgusting garbage, much of it pushed up in piles and against the wall. Roaches darted everywhere, as did rats, and maggots dominated every pile of garbage. Young people, mostly teens were all around us in the basement, drinking, smoking, having a party in the middle of this garbage. When I asked the Lord why these people were having a party in the garbage, he replied, "Some people are disobedient and have stepped down into this filthy basement. This is where the disobedient are today. It is their spiritual condition. They want to stay here, so they attempt to clean it, but it cannot be cleaned. Their only hope is to leave it – to move out of it."

I asked why most were so young, and he answered, "They are not young. They only appear to be young because that is their level of spiritual maturity. They will never mature in a place of disobedience. They pay a very high price to stay here. Many of those who believe that they know me live here in disobedience, but I do not know any of them."

There was another room there, and in it was a pit about 25 feet deep with a ladder leading down into it. Before I realized it we were at the bottom of this dimly lit room (pit). People were huddled all around in it. Some wept. Some just stared into the distance. All were in despair. The Lord said, "Those who will not leave the filthy basement will come into this pit of sorrow, shame, anguish, depression, and mental problems. They call it schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, and a hundred other names invented by men, but their problem is sin."

I followed him through another dimly lit doorway, and down another set of stairs. We came into another room that was lit by the kind of light that comes from a fire. We walked past more people weeping and wailing, each one by themselves, curled up naked and alone. We walked past them to another pit from where the fiery light was emanating. I was filled with the anguish and depression that the people all around us were filled with. I began to sob uncontrollably and the Lord spoke.

"There is no cleaning the filthy basement so that one can stay in it. They must come out of it or they will be in the pit of despair, which leads to this pit lit with the false light of the evil one. Here they will take their own lives or otherwise jump into this pit of deception. This is the pit of hell. So few of them see where they are going. They allow themselves to get into adultery, but they will not stop. They become addicted and are too lost and afraid to seek my help. This light is the voice of the evil one, who tells them that sin is enjoyable. He tells them that fornication and adultery are acceptable, to use drugs and practice sorcery, to make alcohol their god because 'everyone else is doing it.' Believers must be different. They must come out from among those in the world, who have no hope. They are to run away from sin or they will jump into this pit. When they seek me, I will always deliver them, but they must seek me." Pray until you are free.

Let's examine this concept of obedience beginning in John 15:4: "Abide in me, and I in you." The word abide is derived from a Greek word meaning "to live," "to dwell, or "to remain." For purposes of this article, I will use the word *remain*.

*Remain* in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it *remains* in the vine, so neither can you, unless you *remain* in me. I am the vine, you are the branches; he who *remains* in me, and I in him, he bears much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. If anyone does not *remain* in me, he is thrown away as a branch, and dries up; and they gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. If you *remain* in me, and my words *remain* in you, ask whatever you wish, and it shall be done for you."

Our first prayer request should be to abide in Christ. This means that you have no willful sin, no bitterness toward any person, no one left unforgiven, no wrong relationship, no lust, no pornography, etc. To remain in Christ is to remain in the spirit. That means, as far as you know, there is nothing in your life that displeases Jesus. If you do not begin praying about obedience, you are just playing games about prayer.

We must go back to basics, start all over again: "Lord, my prayer is that I might be serious about obedience." You see one reason our prayers are not answered is in John 15:7 – If you remain in me and my words (scripture) remain in you, ask whatever...

The opposite of abiding is living in an unclean basement: "I'll allow just a little sin here, a little anger there, a little beer in the refrigerator here, a few cuss words there, a dirty story here, some cheating there. I wonder where God is. How come he never hears me?"

The Lord our God is one Lord. If you have two lords, he is not Lord. You need to pray earnestly, "I shall love the Lord my God with all my heart (plans, motives – no plans but God's

plans). I shall love the Lord my God with all my soul (my emotions directed completely to Jesus). I shall love the Lord my God with all my mind (wholesome, pure thoughts). I shall love the Lord my God with all my strength."

A most excellent prayer would come from John 15:4. "Lord, help me to abide in you because apart from you I can do nothing, including getting an answer to prayer."

Remember we are to remind the Lord by praying the scripture. Begin to pray, "Lord, I choose to pay attention to your commandments. I want well-being, peace like a river, and righteousness like the waves of the sea." (from Is 48:18). If we want peace, we must be obedient.

In Is 59:5, the Lord speaks of those who "hatch vipers' eggs and weave spider's web; he who eats of their eggs dies, and from that which is crushed a viper breaks out." How can anyone pray who has viper's eggs or spider's webs in his heart? Do you have any living spiders? You must crush them. Do you have any little snakes? You need to kill them and begin down the road of obedience.

Is 63:10 is one of the most frightening verses in the old testament: "But they rebelled and grieved his Holy Spirit; so he turned himself against them as an enemy, and he fought against them."

I would sure hate to rebel against the Holy Ghost and grieve him until he turned, became my enemy, and fought against me.

There are people who have grieved the Holy Spirit through bitterness, hatred, and rebellion, and now he is opposing them because they are walking in paths of sin. Instead of living under the blessing of God, they are living under the woe of God. If you have a rebellious nature, rebel against the forces of darkness.

Is 65:2 talks about disobedience, but contains some good news: "I have stretched out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own thoughts."

God stretches out his hands even to those who are rebellious. He wants us to be obedient so that we walk in a way that is good and not one that will hurt us.

In Mark 14:35-36 we see real obedience: "He went a little farther, and fell on the ground, and prayed that if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. And he said, 'Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Take this cup away from me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what you will.'"

Jesus said these words knowing he could not escape the cross and be obedient. His flesh did not want to go to Golgotha, but he obeyed the Holy Spirit instead of his soulish realm. There was never a time when he allowed his flesh to be in rebellion against the Holy Spirit.

It is important to realize that Jesus could have been disobedient had he not spent time in prayer. You and I will always be disobedient if we don't pray. In verses 37-38 he found his disciples sleeping and told them to "watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

Jesus had just learned that the spirit was willing, but the flesh was weak. Nevertheless, he went to the cross because he had won the victory the night before on his knees and on his face.

Would you like to have your flesh crucified every day? The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak. To crucify your flesh, keep (see pg 4)

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## Almighty God Refuses Access

By: Mickey McConnell

READER'S NOTE: There are many advantages to the body being in unity – many things that we cannot do unless we have it. We continue to lose battle after battle because we have not yet attained it. But it is not just a good idea; Almighty God commands it.

Mickey McConnell has written a book on the subject, *Almighty God Refuses Access*, which is presently being used as a textbook. BFN has permission to print from it. It is recommended reading and copies are available through BFN.

Mickey has been a pastor, a missionary, and worked with troubled teens. He is a speaker, an author and a godly brother in Christ.

Rick

Read further on in I Corinthians chapter one, verse eleven. "For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them which are of the house of Chloe, that there are contentions among you. Now this I say, that every one of you says, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas; and I of Christ. (see pg 4)



### On Prayer VI (from pg 3)

watch with him one hour each morning. If you will spend an hour with him, you will have the Spirit in control instead of the flesh.

It is God's will that you abide; therefore, if you pray to abide, he will hear you, and you will have the petition. When the chips are down, you will crucify the flesh just as the savior did.

### Almighty God (from pg 3)

Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? Notice the question phrase: "Is Christ divided?" Ask yourself the same question. Is Christ divided? Of course Christ is not divided. Is the church divided? Yes! Back in the Corinthian church, they were divided into their exclusive groups. One group thought they were "in the know", because they took their cues from Paul. Think about that. They apparently were not going to listen to Cephas (i.e. Peter) or Apollos. But the Cephas group felt the same way. They took their instructions from Peter. The Apollos group too was a respecter of persons. They held Apollos in higher esteem than others. It appears that there was one more group that basically had it right, for their declaration was: "I am of Christ." The fact remained though, they were quarreling with each other about this.

This same thing goes on today. The Methodists almost worship John Wesley. The Baptists take their instructions from John Calvin. The "Church of God" people esteem A. J. Tomlinson. The Lutherans took to Martin Luther. The list goes on and on. The church is, without reservation, divided. You can see in this passage how Almighty God feels about this. In verse thirteen Paul asks, "was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?" Do you see what the Holy Spirit is saying here? Christ is the one who was crucified for our sins, and we are baptized in the name of Christ, and not in the name of Paul, Peter, Apollos, or any other human.

If you read on down to verse 31, notice it says, "He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord." Over and over and over, I have witnessed professing Christians glorying in their denomination. This word glorieth means to boast or rejoice. We are not to boast or glory in men, but in Christ. If it were possible to put it more simply or more plainly than this, then I would do so. Please take note of what the Spirit is teaching us here. These denominational and human icons are far inferior to Christ, and we are to trust in him, not them. These people spoken of in I Corinthians, chapter one, were not of the same mind, or the same judgment. They were speaking inconsistent things. They had divisions, and were not perfectly joined together. Nothing has changed in this respect. The Body of Christ, the church, is splintered into numerous divisions. What is it about mankind that is so predisposed to separating into groups, and why is the Body of Christ so like the worldly crowd in this sense? From this perspective, it is little wonder, that Christ said, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God." I Cor 12:25 states, "there should be no schism in the body." Schism has to do with splitting and division. I tell you authoritatively, and on the authority of the word of Almighty God, that we are to cease and desist from dividing the church. We are not to compromise the crucial tenets of the faith, but we are to become one. I, Mickey McConnell,

did not inspire these words, but the Holy Spirit did inspire them, as stated in the passages we have been considering. May his kingdom come, and his will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Do you esteem any denomination over any other? Please have ears to hear. Almighty God does not want you to play favorites with any group of Christians. Your preferred denomination must not in any way cause you to play favorites. You and I as Christians must place all out brothers and sisters in Christ on a level playing field. We are not to esteem one group of Christians as better than others. Listen! It displeases Almighty God. Prov 6:16, 19 informs us, that it is disgusting to the Almighty to sow discord among brethren.

### Reviving Unity (from pg 1)

birthed, it was not birthed in disunity."



The elder Lonnie Harrington begins the worship



Brother Lonnie's wife Marsha Harrington sings



Pastor Donnie Webb of Love of God Mission opened the service in prayer.



Just before service begins people fellowship



Pastor Larry Percifield of Living Hope Christian Fellowship speaks on unity in the body of Christ



Reesie Wright of Christ Outreach



Allen Stevens Senior Pastor of Living Hope



Herman Parks Bible teacher at J C School



Pastor Johnny Williams of Hope Fellowship

Pastor Larry Percifield reminded the congregation of things that are needed to bring

about unity. "Support Rick and the Battlefield News," said Larry. "There is often not enough money to have it printed. There are coffee houses that need your support – places where you can bring people who will not go to church. People get saved there. There are tent revivals and the people of the alliance go out door to door witnessing. We need more of your support in all of these things."



People in worship



The reverend Angela Freeman of WINGS speaking on intercession



Ms. Frieda Sims of White Oak Baptist



The Choir from White Oak Springs Missionary Baptist Church

Angela Freeman spoke Intercession, the mission of WINGS, "What does intercession really entail? It is one who takes another's place. If you do it as it is supposed to be done, it will cost you."

Pastor Alfred Hazel brought the word and shared that Pastor Johnny was the first minister he ever licensed. The word 'Christian' is in the New Testament 3 times, but the word 'disciple' is in there over 360 times. This is how our

church is supposed to grow, but now they grow by division. Division does not grow us. Only multiplication – spirit multiplication. The church in China is over a million people, and this is how they grew – spirit multiplication.



Pastor Alfred Hazel of White Oak Springs



"We've got a lot of church folks today, but very few disciples. If you are a disciple you work for him. On the day of Pentecost they had been in prayer for ten days, and the Holy Ghost came and they spoke in **other** tongues (not unknown tongues). Every believer is called to the ministry of reconciliation – reconciled to God."



Many people were prayed over after Pastor Hazel spoke. Healing was experienced and seen.



People with health problems and other problems as well came to the front for prayer on Monday evening, the first night of revival. People were healed of back problems, leg problems, internal problems, and spiritual problems.

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## Anointed Hands Ministries

### Healthy Conversations at the Doctor's Place

It's not your regular Church service



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## Organization of Church Alliance

By: Larry Percifield

It was brought out at the 7-day revival in April that it takes money to fight Satan. Any organization needs money to function, and the church alliance is no exception. Money is needed to go and meet new churches and to fund the Battlefield News. Money will be needed to fund any events done to introduce the general public to the alliance. Extra money would be helpful to bail out small congregations that may be having problems meeting expenses. I firmly believe that times are going to get very difficult, and Christians are going to be hunted, and forced to band together. Supplies will have to be purchased in order to survive. If a bank account was started now, and each church in the alliance would tithe 10% each month of the tithes received, it would not take long to see a large growth in the money available. There would be money to help the needy, promote the alliance, and fund special events. Money would be available to fund Rick Hempton in his quest to draw more churches into the alliance. Money would be available to get the Battlefield News published on time each month.

Now let's talk about the problem of getting people in the individual churches offering their time. I am aware that last year there was an attempt to form a committee to deal with matters of the alliance. Secretary is needed. A treasurer will be needed to look after the funds. Subcommittees could be put into place to set up special events, such as the Unity March that took place last September. More communication needs to be arranged between the various churches so that they are better informed of events coming up so that they can not only support each other in these events, but also so that they will stop planning events that compete with each other and with things like the 7-day revivals. Phone numbers and e-mail addresses



of leaders of each church needs to be published so that they could be handily contacted in a timely manner. Until this happens, however, each church can contact the Battlefield News to have their events published. If they do not make contact in time for a print deadline, they can print flyers to be placed in each issue before it goes out.

These are just some of the things the Lord has been laying on my heart to deal with on this matter. I thought that I would put it out there to be considered and possibly acted upon.

### Reviving Unity (From pg 5)



Prayer over Herman Parks & others



The elder Lonnie Harrington closing in prayer

### Tuesday at New Anointing

The second night of revival was at New Anointing Ministries Church in Bogart. Pastor Meco and First Lady Lovie Allen hosted and the service began with Praise and worship.



Pastor Allen opening the worship music



The Youth Director Ben Jones of Faith Temple opened the service in prayer. (see pg 7)

### UNOW (from pg 1)



Dones Mercaldo and Herman Parks of Faith Temple and Christ Outreach respectively.



People in worship including Zac Sims (right) of Cornerstone Church in Athens



Zac Sims, who opened the service at the seven-day revival on Thursday of the same

“The Lord laid it on our hearts,” Casey Ryon told BFN, “and my wife Kristen came from Church of the Nations, which is one of the reasons Church of the Nations was part of it.”

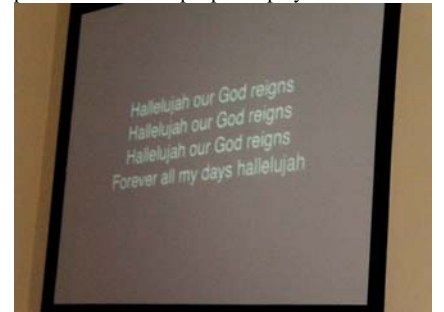
Although Pastor Dustin Pennington of Cornerstone Dacula was not present, his wife, Michelle was there.



Casey Ryon in the black t-shirt on acoustic guitar and his wife Kristen did the leg work to bring the event about.



To be in the presence of the Living God is to praise him as these people display.



The lyrics were on-screen behind the band



The nine-piece band made up of more than one church group never stopped the music; the music just sort of transitioned all evening long.

There was never a sermon, only pure worship for hours. It was wonderful.

**Reviving Unity** (from pg 6)



People in worship Tuesday evening



Bishop and Lady Green from Faith Temple



Pastor Larry & Rhonda of Living Hope



Donese Mercaldo of Women of Destiny



Pastor Filipe Perez of Living Hope

Pastor Filipe Perez was introduced and began bringing the word. He began in Micah 6:6-8, "He has shown you, o man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God."

"What is it to do Justice?" He asked the congregation. Answers were shouted out and Pastor Perez answered, "Not human justice, but that of God."

Bishop Harold Green of Faith Temple closed the service in Prayer.



Bishop Harold Green of Faith Temple



Pastors Meco Allen and Filipe Perez



L to R: Bible teacher Herman Parks, Pastors Larry Percifield & Meco Allen, Bishop Green, Pastor Perez, and Youth director Ben Jones

**Wednesday at Emmanuel**

The minister Martha Baker welcomed all to the



Martha Baker beginning the service Wednesday of the revival at Emmanuel Worship Center. Donese Mercaldo of Women of Destiny opened the service with a magnificent prayer, and the praise and worship music (see pg 8)

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## Reviving Unity (from pg 7)

began.



Pastor Larry Pruett of Emmanuel Worship Ctr



Pastor Donnie Webb of Love of God Mission



Donese Mercaldo opens the service in prayer



Pastor Larry Percifield & wife Rhonda of Living Hope Christian Fellowship



Destiny and Lady Annette Green of Faith Temple Fellowship Church



Bishop Harold Green of Faith Temple



Pastor Russell Page of Kingdom Realm



The Emmanuel Praise and Worship Team

Ms. Kathy Kitchens welcomed every one and brought up to the stage Pastor Mecco Allen. Pastor Allen introduced the primary speaker, his wife Lady Dorthea Lovie Allen.





Mr. David Beasley of Love of God Mission



Ms. Kathy Kitchens of Emmanuel



The Youth Directors Marquita and Benjamin Jones of Faith Temple Fellowship Church



Pastor Mecco Allen of New Anointing Ministries



Pastor Mecco and the speaker Lovie Allen

“Take a special time with God,” began Lady Lovie. “Worship is when we give back to God. We need to take time to just thank him – ask him for nothing – just thank him. In Eph 2:14 we see that He Himself is our peace and that he has broken down the middle wall of separation.

The Lord is coming back for his church and he wants us in unity. When we accepted Jesus as



Ms. Lovie bringing the word



Lord, he took that division to the cross. If there is a division in the church, can God trust you to be the peacemaker? Love is a sacrifice. God loves us sacrificially. He wants the people who love him enough to keep the family – the church – together. Men will know that you belong to him by the love you have for one another.”

### Thursday at Living Hope

Living Hope Christian Fellowship, Hoschton, the very first church body in the WBCA, Pastor Allen Stevens, First Lady Wanda Stevens and all the people there hosted the 4<sup>th</sup> night.



Zac Sims of Cornerstone Church in Athens opened the service with an inspiring talk on unity in the body of Christ.



The Praise Team of Living Hope in the music

Zac Sims, formerly of Living Hope (before he moved to Athens) opened the service, “Unity in the body does not just happen; I make the decision.” This was followed by the (see pg 10)

### The Seeking Bride (from pg 1)

you are in love with. I Cor 13:5 says, “[Love] does not seek its own.” The Lord says, “My



Karen Lewis opens the service



Michelle Pritchett and son Tannis provide the worship music at Women of Destiny.



The Drama Team from The Church at Winder



The Refuge dance Team



The Refuge dance Team

people are seeking their own.” Phil 2:21 says, “For all seek their own, not the things that are of Christ Jesus.” Ps 16:11 says, “In **your presence** is fullness of joy.” II Tim says, “For men will be



lovers of themselves... ..lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God.” How many times each day do we talk about ourselves? People are



Nellie Martin enlightening Women of Destiny



People gathered in the front for prayer



Ms. Nellie praying miserable because they live for themselves. If you are in control, you are in his way. The Lord wants intimacy. Intimacy is into-me, see? We are not really self-sufficient. We just pretend and sometimes we even believe it. “Ps 10:4 says, ‘The wicked in his proud countenance does not seek God; God is in none

of his thoughts.’ We act like we’re too good for him. Your life will never have worth if you don’t have him. If you need a gift, you don’t seek the gift, you seek the giver. If you need financial help, get alone with Jesus.



Praying over First Lady Teresa Graham



Nellie praying for First Lady Lovie Allen  
“In the church we hope the pastor does everything – no knocking on doors, no praying over people, no going to the coffee house looking for someone to pray for.  
“God is a jealous God. He will not share you – not with the TV, not with your husband. The greatest honor is to stand before his throne of grace. I would not be as honored to meet President Barack Obama.

“I want to get to the place where I can’t say no to him. We minister to people, but do we minister to God? He has emotional needs. We can minister to him. Get rid of the ritual and just minister to him. He ravishes us, but we ravish him. As we behold the face of Jesus, we become more and more like him from glory to glory.  
“You will seek something for the rest of your life. If you don’t seek him, its hell for you and for your children because they follow you. Seek first the kingdom. You were married to the law, but now you are married to Jesus.  
“The Lord is not just a king. He is a lover. Ps 132:9, 13 says, ‘Let your priests be clothed in righteousness. For the Lord has chosen Zion.’  
Arise my love, my fair one, and come away.

**Reviving Unity** (from pg 9)  
praise and worship music from the Praise Team



People in worship

of Living Hope. Lady Wanda Stevens opened in prayer.



Ms. Ellie Cooper on the keyboard



Joe Johnson Director of the Praise Team



Bob Harris of Christ Outreach Worship Center



L to R Donese Mercaldo of Women of Destiny, Debbi and Joe Gee of Living Hope, and Scott Bagwell of Braselton Tabernacle of Praise.



Pastor Filipe Perez of Living Hope





First Lady Wanda Stevens in Prayer



Senior Pastor Allen Stevens of Living hope introduces Herman Parks



The Bible teacher Herman Parks of Jesus Christ School of Discipling and Christ Outreach



Pastor William Pirkle of Living Hope in song

"I come to speak on unity as it pertains to the Great Commission," began Mr. Parks, and he began in Eph 4:8-13. "This tells us that the saints are to do the work of the ministry, not just the pastor. Mat 28:18-20 says all power in heaven and in earth, go ye therefore... This is to come from the saints, not the Apostles, prophets, evangelists etc. **Their** job is to **equip** the saints to disciple. A disciple is to be as a sort of apprentice. The disciples are not just supposed to learn, but to put into practice. "The body has a crisis mentality because the time is short. Therefore, they place a priority on making converts and leaving them to grow in Christ on their own. So, we make converts

instead of disciples. I Sam 13:13 says, 'You have done foolishly. You have not kept the commandment of the Lord your God.' We are to teach people to teach people. We need more Bible colleges that are free. One is scheduled to open in May - Jesus Christ School of Discipling."



William and Ruth Pirkle singing *Ain't No Grave*



Lady Rebecca Williams of Hope Fellowship



Pastor Larry Percifield and wife Rhonda



Pastor Hershel Phillips of Touch of Hope Ministries, a healing ministry

Pastor Hershel Phillips was introduced. "For years," he began, "I lived in bondage to self-ambition. I was working one Easter Sunday and the Lord said, 'Hershel, are you Peter? Have you denied Christ? You have a choice - follow me or you're on your own.' I answered, 'Lord, whatever you want me to do.' My wife touched me and it knocked me to the ground. There must be diversity for there to be unity. Your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost. That's why the enemy attacks your body. Sin is the #1 reason why God does not heal people.

"If the Lord does not call you for a certain purpose, he will not anoint you for that purpose. When he calls, he anoints, and he will teach you how to do what he called you to do. All sin was covered at Calvary, no matter what it is."



Karen Phillips and husband, Pastor Hershel

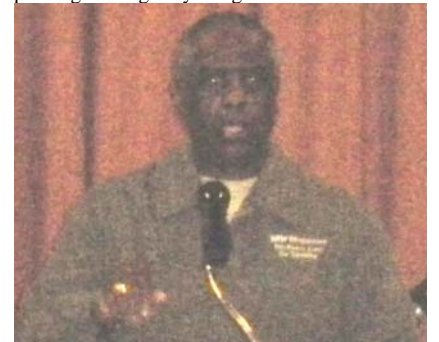


Senior Pastor Allen Stevens of Living Hope



Pastor William Pirkle of Living Hope

Pastor Allen Stevens spoke briefly, "I heard a pecking on my window and went out to see a robin in a tree. Every so often he would fly over and see his reflection in the window and peck at it, defending his territory. the Lord showed me that, as churches, we go through the same thing over and over and expect to get different results. We have a sinful nature. With this in control, there can be no unity in the body because we are not going to support each other. The devil has us pecking at imaginary things."



Pastor Johnny Williams of Hope Fellowship

"Tonight my wife and I were married 31 years," Began Pastor Will Pirkle, "somebody said,



‘Where you taking her?’ I said, ‘To the revival - She’s been married to me for 31 years; she needs reviving.’ Pastor Will introduced the primary speaker for the evening, Pastor Johnny Williams.



Pastor Johnny laying hands on and anointing Jeremiah Perez to do great for the kingdom



People gathered in the front to prayed over by Pastor Hershel and Pastor Johnny



Prayer over Pastor Larry Percifield



Josh Davison of Living Hope in intercessory prayer over Pastor Larry Percifield

“I was greatly impressed,” said Pastor Johnny, “by this young man” (Zac Sims). “Zac said, ‘I wanna give you something.’ He brought me these plaques with 121 statements I had made. He made a plaque out of it and gave it to me. “God can only use you to the extent of the knowledge you have of him – little knowledge, can’t use you as much. Like the gifts the Spirit gives you are to be a blessing to others. God blesses you so you can be a blessing. You were born again to help someone else be born into the kingdom. The devil works the same

way.”



Pastor Hershel praying loudly over a man

Pastor William Pirkle closed the service in prayer. The sermon of Pastor Johnny will be printed in its entirety and treated as a separate article.

### Friday at Faith Temple

The 5<sup>th</sup> night of revival was held at Faith Temple Fellowship Church in Winder, and Hosted by Bishop Harold Green, First Lady Annette Green and the people of Faith Temple.



Pastor Willie Harris of Christ Outreach



The Praise Team & Lonnie Harrington



Pastor Willie Harris of Christ Outreach Worship Center opened the service in prayer, followed by the praise and worship. Bishop Green welcomed all and said, “If two can put 10,000 to flight, what can a whole body do?” He introduced the Bible teacher Herman Parks, who spoke on unity in the body as it pertains to the (see pg 14)

### Miracle Food Bank (frm pg 1)

battle armies of bureaucrats, naysayers, and the forces of darkness.



A wall of the food bank



Linda Williams helping at the food bank

Pastor Carol Patman’s telephone number is listed in this publication in the church listings on pg 8.

### Music of Mercy (from pg 1)

surgery, by holding a fund-raising event. The event was a “singing,” with four singing participants.



Bishop Harold Green, who hosted the singing, welcomed all and spoke about the event.

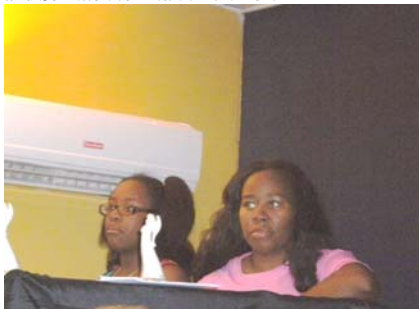


Jerry Mitchell of the Mitchells was the MC

Jerry Mitchell of the Mitchells acted as the emcee for the evening, and introduced the singing family, the Trammells: Ron, Julie, Shannon, Judy, Junior, Timothy and Wayne. Those that follow the Trammells got to hear their favorites, including *In My Robe of White*,



*Elijah, The Road to Heaven is One Man Wide, and So much to Thank Him For.*



The mother-daughter look-alikes Destiny and Lady Annette Green in the sound booth



Mary and Herman Parks



Pastor Danny Dyer and his mom at the singing



Ms. Betty Freeman of Living Hope, Pastor Raphael Colado of Centro de Adoracion Renacer, and drummer John Gaar.



Lady Wanda Stevens of Living Hope and mom, Ms. Betty Freeman

“We are not fleshly beings having a spiritual experience;” said Julie of the Trammells, “We are spiritual beings experiencing the flesh.”



The Trammells-Ron on bass, Julie, Shannon, Judy, Junior on 12-string, Timothy on banjo, and Wayne on lead guitar

The Trammells, being very popular, had a booking the following day, and therefore played first, and left a little early, but not before seeing a lot of baked goods auctioned off and an offering taken up for Pastor Danny.



Donese Mercaldo of Women of Destiny



Pastor Patsy Garrett of Jefferson Gospel Tabernacle



Shavon Griffin, whose idea it was to have the singing to benefit Pastor Danny. Shavon is his cousin.

Many people baked things and brought them to be auctioned for Pastor Danny. A lemon cake went for \$10.00, a batch of brownies for \$11.00, a butter cream cake for \$25.00, a chocolate cake for \$15.00, and a whole lot more. The

auctioneer was Jerry Mitchell, who did a wonderful job.



Jerry Mitchell auctioning a batch of cookies



Sondra Watkins in song



The songs Sondra sung were all original



Sondra weeping as she sang, received an encore to do one more song, which she gladly performed.



Pastor Raphael and Centro de Adoracion Renacer





Pastor Raphael, guitar/vocals & Joel Flores Bass



John Gaar

Pastor Raphael is from the Loganville church Centro de Adoracion Renacer, hence the band has the same name as the church. In English the name is Center of Adoration Reborn. Those that follow the band knew that Dunia, the dancer/singer was conspicuously missing. She was on vacation. They are very good and perform partly in Ingles (English) and partly in Spanish. They performed songs such as *Tu Nombre es Santo* (Your name is Holy), *Awake My Soul*, *Lord I Worship You*, *Oh Dios Mi Dios* (Oh God my God).



Joel Flores gave his testimony and did some original Rap, including  *Holding Me Down*.

An offering was taken up for Pastor Danny, and with the money for the baked goods auctioned, He received what he needed and a little bit more.



Perry House of the Mitchells (one member short) singing *Every Loser Wins*.



Jerry Mitchell singing *Jesus on the Mainline*

The service ended with prayer over Jerry, standing in for his wife with liver problems.

**Women's Health** (from pg 1)

turned out, but not all women. Among those that helped was Shawand Johnson from UGA Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program.



Shawand Johnson teaching food preparation



Margaret Earnest, dietician/diabetes educator



Stroke and heart attack exhibit

"Arteries are a little like water pipes," explained Ronnie Deal, the Stroke Coordinator, "They can clog – a clot or ischemic stroke 87%, or they can leak – a hemorrhagic stroke 13% of strokes."

"Men and women can present differently in a heart attack," explained Kathryn Davis, the Heart Attack Coordinator, "for a woman it may just present as exhaustion. The thing to remember during CPR is quick, deep strokes. I use the tempo of the disco song, *Staying Alive*."



Ronnie Deal Stroke Coordinator



Janet Rodney of Timothy Baptist



"Stayin' Alive. Stayin' Alive." Kathryn Davis

**Reviving Unity** (from pg 12)

The Great Commission. He delivered essentially



The teacher Herman Parks

The same sort of address as the night before. The reverend Jeff Carr of Cross of Christ



The reverend Jeff Carr of Cross of Christ Min.

ministries spoke briefly about the counseling ministry, "It was prophesied over me that I



would go through a divorce and **then** heal more marriages than anyone in the Atlanta area. This prophecy came true. So far there have been over 3000."



The reverend Karen Lewis

"We can't conquer what we don't confront," began Karen Lewis, the primary speaker. "Let's be real tonight. He's got to be God everywhere, all the time." Karen Lewis, President and Founder of Women of Destiny delivered a magnificent message that, due to lack of space will be presented in its entirety at a later date.



Bishop Charles Wright closed the service

Presiding Bishop Charles Wright closed the service in prayer after speaking, "When I was called, God told me to restore fellowship. You can't fellowship with God unless there is something of him in you."

### Saturday at Victory Deliverance

Pastors Michael and Brenda Smith, and the people of Victory Deliverance Center hosted the 6<sup>th</sup> night of revival. "We can't carry out what God gives us by ourselves," Pastor Smith began, "It takes others." Herman Parks opened in



Pastor Michael Smith of Victory Deliverance

prayer and the VDC Praise team provided the worship music. Rick Hempton, founder of the WBCA, spoke on Unity, and Donese Mercaldo spoke about Women of Destiny. Pastor Smith introduced the primary speaker, Pastor Larry Percifield of Living Hope. "Last night," began Pastor Larry, "as Heaven's Gate Ministries held a Bible study, we talked about the needs of the alliance. Satan's forces own the

banks. It takes money to run ministries. The alliance needs money to publish the Battlefield



The Bible teacher Herman Parks in prayer



People in worship including Pastor Linda Smith and the people of Love of God Mission



The minister from VDC Tyran Phillips introduces Rick Hempton of the WBCA



The reverend Rick Hempton talks on unity



Donese Mercaldo speaking on Women of Destiny



Pastor Larry Percifield of Living Hope

News; Last year there was a march for unity with free food. This costs money. We need to be able to help small struggling churches. Hear me, folks; times are gonna get difficult and Christians are going to be hunted. We all have talents that will come in handy for survival. Its gonna take all of us together to survive. We would not have such a shortfall if 10% of the tithes collected from each church was given to the WBCA for things like what I mentioned.

Besides money, we need people in all the churches to offer their time. Getting **back** into unity takes work – your work. Read Eph 4:1-7; "bearing with one another with love...**one** Lord, one faith, one baptism" etc. Christians **can** obtain unity of the faith and of the spirit

The Minister Tyran Phillips closed in prayer.

### Sunday at Bush Chapel

Pastor Michael Smith of VDC provided the music and Pastor Lynn Hill welcomed all, "We are happy to be part of the Whole Body of



Pastor Smith on the piano



Sister Ina Brothers

Christ Alliance." He read Eph 4:1-13. The minister Tony Nevins of Miracle Deliverance opened the service in prayer.

Rick Hempton spoke on Unity in the Body of Christ and introduced the reverend Jeff Carr of Cross Ministries, who spoke about the counseling ministry, "Heb 12:14 tells us about the sanctification, without which no one will see the Lord – in me, in you, in themselves."

Pastor Michael Smith, the primary speaker, began in Acts 2:1 – "In one accord. We gotta become one. It doesn't matter to me if you call

yourself a Methodist, a Baptist. What matters to me is if you know the Lord. In vs 43 many signs and wonder were done. Why? Because they were in one accord. The devil doesn't even work by himself, but most churches wanna be by themselves. If 46 churches actually come together, the whole world will be saved soon.



The reverend Jeff Carr on Cross of Christ



Pastor Michael Smith bringing the word



Pastor Russell Page closed in prayer



Pastor Lynn Hill of Bush Chapel



Pastor Larry & Rhonda Percifield



Cathy Wilson & Donese Mercaldo (who attended every night of revival) Tony Nevins in the background

"In Acts 4:31," continued Pastor Smith, "The place where they were praying was shaken, and they spoke the word with boldness. It was no earthquake. It was the power of God. They had all things in common. If I had an icemaker, you had an icemaker. If I had a stove, you had a stove. Landowners actually sold their land and brought the money so that no one would be in need. That's what it means to be in unity. In the WBCA, if somebody has a need, somebody has something for them. Become an Acts person. " Pastor Russell Page closed the service, "The Spirit moved mightily here tonight. Whenever the rhema and the logos come together, there is the resurrection power. If we wanna see the change, then it must start with us. We have rocks to sling at everybody. We say we have the answer, but we just have rocks. Being good will not get you into the kingdom; only an encounter with Jesus will do it."

## Bible Knowledge

By: Mateo Raza

The answers to the questions from April are the first order of business.

The Naked Truth

1: King David. II Sam 6:14, 20

2: Gethsemane. Mark 14:51-52

Laughters and Dancers

1: The daughter of Herodias. Mat 14:6-8

2: The father of the prodigal son. Luke 15:25

3: Sanballat, Tobiah, and Geshem. Neh 2:19

4: David. II Sam 6:14

5: Sarah. Gen 18:10-12

6: Jesus. Mat 9:23-24

7: Miriam. Ex 15:20

8: Jephthah's Judg 11:34

9: Hezekiah. II Chro 30:1,5,10

10: Benjamin. Judg 21:20,23

11: The women of Israel. I Sam 18:6-7

12: Psalms. Ps 2:4, 37:13, 59:8

13: Sarah. Gen 21:6

14: Bildad. Job 8:21

15: Bringing the captives back to Jerusalem. Ps 126:2

16: Abraham. Gen 17:17

17: The Amelekites. I Sam 30:16-18

18: The Golden calf Aaron made. Ex 32:19

19: Ecclesiastes. Ecc 3:4

20: Proverbs. Prov 13:14

21: David's wife, Michal. I Chro 15:29

22: Isaac (Yitzchak) Gen 21:3-6

They Did it First

1: Pharaoh at the time of Joseph. Gen 40:20

2: At the court of the Persian ruler Ahasueres.

The winner was Esther. Est 2

3: Stephen Act 6:8, 7:60

4: The dream of Abimelech where he was told to return Sarah to Abraham. Gen 20:3-8

5: The war of the kings of the North, led by

Chedorlaomer, king of Elam. Gen 14

6: Noah, who planted a vineyard after leaving Gen 9:21

7: In the temple at Jerusalem, made by the priest Jehoiada, ordered by King Joash, who had a hole bored in the lid to keep priests from stealing the funds. II king 12:9

8: Eutyclus, who dozed off and fell out a 3<sup>rd</sup> story window during Paul's sermon and died. Act 20:9

9: "Be fruitful and multiply." Gen 1:28

10: Abraham bought the cave of Machpelah as a tomb for Sarah. Gen 23:3-20

Level Five

1: She placed a dummy in the bed. I Sam 19:12-16

2: Joel. Joel 3:3

3: Rehoboam. II Chro 11:21

4: Ahasueres. Esth 2:12

5: Huz and Buz. Gen 22:20,21

The questions for May

They Did it First

1: What was the first case of book burning?

2: Who attempted the first military coup in Israel?

3: Who used the first pseudonym? What was the real name of this person?

4: Who built the first city? What was it's name?

5: Who was the first hunter named in the Bible?

6: Who was the first murderer?

7: Where did Jesus work his first miracle?

8: What was the first of the ten plagues on Egypt?

9: Who was the first king of Israel?

10: Who was the first man (not Adam & Eve) to be exiled?

11: Who was the first judge of Israel named in the book of judges?

12: Who was the first apostle chosen by the Lord?

13: Who was the first bride to wear a veil?

14: What was the first lie in the Bible? Who told it?

15: Who was the first priest mentioned in the Bible?

16: Who wore the first ring mentioned in the Bible?

17: What was the first animal off the ark?

Have fun with these questions

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